

THE TROY ROTARIAN

Feb. 10th, 2009

Mickey Parish, District Governor

District 6880, Troy Rotary Club, chartered May 1, 1920 Troy, Alabama

Welcome to the February 10th meeting of the Troy Rotary Club at the Troy Country Club. Today's Program is hosted by Dr. Linda Felton-Smith and Hal Fulmer. They have invited Derek Irons, Charles Henderson High School Baseball Coach to speak to us about the upcoming season. Welcome Coach Irons, and thank you for joining us today at Rotary.

Last Rotary Meeting

The February 3rd meeting was hosted by Cliff Eubanks and Joe Faulk. They invited Steve Cook with Edward Jones to speak to us about the current financial environment. There were 48 members present, 1 visiting Rotarian, Gus King from Brundidge, and 1 makeup. There was \$54.00 in door price receipts.

Absent Last Week- Vickie Bowen, Ken Cox, Kenny Cox, Steve Dennis, Marv Dillard, Allen Dunn, Kim Edwards, Linda Felton-Smith, Hal Fulmer, Mack Gibson, Stacy Graning, David Hamlin, Larry Hancock, Doug Hawkins, Bill Hopper, Earl Ingram, Ben Ji, Bill Key, Olaf Lieb, Tim Meeks, Richard Metzger, Paul Outlaw, Marcus Paramore, Reza Seirafi, Trudie Seirafi, Mike Shelton, Josh Simmons, Ed Telfair, Jim Waller, Alex Whaley

Program suggestion:

Kim Kersey would like to present a program on behalf of the Girl Scouts. Please contact Kim at 268 – 2375.

Buddy Johnson, Director of Radio and Television at Troy University is available to speak on the topic of Public Radio. Contact Buddy at 670-3555(wk) or 482-3287(cell) or ekjohnson@troy.edu

Please remember that you will be fined \$2.00 if your cell phone rings during a meeting. Phones should be set to off, silent or vibrate.

<http://rotary6880.org/> District 6880 Website

http://www.rotary.org/RI_documents/en_pdf/254en.pdf How to propose a new member

<http://www.rotary.org/> Rotary International Website

From Rotary International **Historic Moments -- Rotary's 104th anniversary**



The first four Rotarians: (left to right) Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, Hiram Shorey, and Paul Harris.

During the first Rotary club meeting on 23 February 1905 in Chicago, Paul Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Hiram Shorey, and Silvester Schiele met to talk about their personal experiences. Harris then unfolded his general plan for their club meetings.

This was the simple beginning of the world's first service club, the Rotary Club of Chicago. It was created because of Harris' wish to capture in a professional club the same friendly spirit he had felt in the small towns of his youth. The Rotary name derived from the early practice of rotating meetings among members' offices.

Rotarians continue to take pride in their history. In honor of that first club, Rotarians have preserved its original meeting place, Room 711 in Chicago's Unity Building, by re-creating the office as it existed in 1905. For several years, the Paul Harris 711 Club maintained the room as a shrine for visiting Rotarians. In 1989, when the building was scheduled to be demolished, the club carefully dismantled the office and salvaged the interior, including doors and radiators. In 1993, the RI Board of Directors set aside a permanent home for the restored Room 711 at RI World Headquarters in the Chicago suburb of Evanston.

From Rotary International

A US\$22,700 water project is giving more than 350 households in northwestern Cambodia clean water from 80 hand-operated pump wells. Fourteen clubs in districts 3350, 3460, and 3490, which cover parts of Cambodia, Taiwan, and Thailand, and a [Rotary Foundation Matching Grant](#) have supported the effort. Villagers using the wells, the last of which were drilled in December, previously obtained water from rivers and ponds. Less than 40 percent of rural Cambodians -- and less than 10 percent of the poorest half of the country's rural population -- have access to clean, potable water, according to the Cambodian Ministry of Planning.

Bunthai Prom, past president of the Rotary Club of Siem Reap Angkor, Siem Reap, Cambodia, which led the project, says villagers use the well water for vegetable gardening, drinking, and cooking. Households without well access received 80 water filters through the effort. The project also taught villagers how to maintain the wells and educated them about the health benefits of clean water. The Siem Reap Angkor club provided training through radio broadcasts and direct visits. This month, the international sponsor clubs are holding a free medical service camp, which means that District Governor-elect Chin-Hsien Lee, of the Rotary Club of Panchiao North, Taiwan, and other Rotarians will spend a long day bouncing along remote roads to reach a dozen wells built through the project. When the driving becomes too rough, they will hike.

For the two-year-old Siem Reap Angkor club, which supervised a local drilling company's work during construction, the effort brought both challenges and rewards. "During the rainy season, we had difficulty transporting equipment to villages, but we all did our best," Prom says. "Our members are very committed."

Unsafe water and poor sanitation and hygiene kill 5,000 children under age five around the world every day, or more than 1.8 million each year. Eighty-eight percent of diarrheal disease is caused by contaminated water and inadequate sanitation and hygiene. Globally, diarrhea kills more people than tuberculosis or malaria. Five times as many children die of diarrhea than HIV/AIDS. The number of children who die around the world every year from diarrhea is equivalent to the number of children under age five living in London and New York combined.

Celebrations for the Month of February

Birthdays

2/01-Mack Gibson
2/02-Buddy Johnson
2/19-Jodie Jefcoat
2/22- Luke Lane
2/22- Amy Flowers
2/28- Earl Ellis

Anniversaries

*2/11-Ross Jinright
*2/15-Linda Felton-Smith
2/21- David Price
2/26- Tim Meeks

*celebrating today or before we meet again – please let Beth know if information is incorrect or missing

Upcoming program responsibilities

February 17- Mack Gibson & Stacy Graning
February 24- David Hamlin & Larry Hancock
March 3- Scott Hartley & Ed Hedden
March 10- Tom Hicks & Bill Hopper
March 17- Earl Ingram & Jodie Jefcoat
March 24- Benjamin Ji & Ross Jinright
March 31- Jason Jones & Buddy Johnson

Remember that you are responsible for the raffle prize on the day that you have the program. Please pass along program information to Dave or Beth when you know who the program is so it can be listed in the bulletin. Email info to Beth at beth.collier@wachovia.com or call at 697-1118

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Of the things we think, say or do:

First: Is it the TRUTH?

Second: Is it FAIR to All Concerned?

Third: Will it Build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Fourth: Will it be BENEFICIAL to all Concerned?

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