

THE TROY ROTARIAN

March 31, 2009

Mickey Parish, District Governor

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

Welcome to the March 31st meeting of the Troy Rotary Club at the Troy Country Club. Today's Program is hosted by Jason Jones and Buddy Johnson. They have invited Stephanie Campbell Baker to speak to us about Troy Fest, which will be held in downtown Troy on April 25th & 26th. Welcome, Stephanie and thank you for joining us today at Rotary.

Last Rotary Meeting

The March 24th meeting was hosted by Jodie Jefcoat and Earl Ingram. Dr. Ingram, Vice Chancellor for Troy University's Global Campus was our speaker and informed us about his recent trip to Iraq and The Iraqi Education Initiative. There were 46 members present, 2 guests (Becky Ingram & Trey Ingram by Earl Ingram) and 4 make-ups. There was \$30.00 in door price receipts.

Absent Last Week- Mike Amos, Tom Collier, Kenny Cox, Steve Dennis, Allen Dunn, Linda Felton-Smith, Hal Fulmer, Sandi Gouge, Stacy Graning, David Hamlin, Larry Hancock, Doug Hawkins, Ed Hedden, Tom Hicks, Bill Hopper, Ben Ji, Buddy Johnson, Bill Key, Jimmy Lunsford, Richard Metzger, Tenise Owens, Marcus Paramore, Benny Pinckard, Mark Salmon, John Schmidt, Chris Schubert, Mike Shelton, Josh Simmons, Ken Vaughan, Jim Waller, Alex Whaley

Program Suggestions:

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

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From Rotary International

The Beat Goes on

Music teacher Dan Yarr had a problem: He had 12 aspiring flautists and only two flutes. So Yarr held a lottery to pick who got to play; the students who didn't had to skip instrumental music. In the public schools of Seattle, where Yarr teaches, it's the same story every year: There aren't enough instruments for all the students who want to play. "The need is severe at some of the schools," he says. With a good student clarinet costing \$400, and a violin renting for \$20 to \$40 a month, "many families simply can't afford to rent an instrument."

In 2007, Dick Lee, director of the Office of School Partnerships for Seattle Public Schools, approached David Endicott, a member of the Rotary Club of Seattle, to enlist Rotary's help in acquiring instruments. Over coffee, the men dreamed up [Music4Life](#), a campaign to acquire 1,200 donated instruments over two years. "Lovingly used" instruments would go to fourth and fifth graders, who can take half an hour of instrumental music instruction every week. Recalling his own student days, Endicott says that playing the tuba opened up a world of music to him. "In putting that tuba in my hands he gave me something to do," he says of his childhood music teacher. "We really want to build this for every child who wants to learn to play an instrument."

Over the last year, the campaign has raised \$45,000 and collected 125 instruments, including a saxophone from American jazz and blues singer Ernestine Anderson. Bill Center, past president of the Seattle club, donated two violins and a viola that his daughter-in-law had abandoned long ago. And another donor dusted off a trumpet his father had played in the Army during World War I and that he'd used from second grade to high school. Music4Life is a collaboration between Seattle Public Schools, the Northwest Youth Music Association, and RI District 5030 (Washington, USA). But other clubs can easily duplicate the initiative, Center says. "Learning how to play an instrument is really learning how to learn," says Center, a retired U.S. Navy admiral who plays an electric wind instrument. "It develops your mind and develops the way you think about the world."

From District Governor Mickey Parish

Every District 6880 Rotarian should be very proud of our 2009-10 Club Presidents. This past Thursday - Sunday, our Presidents Elect successfully completed training at MidSouth PETS in Nashville. Not only did they actively participate in the various classes, they heard inspiring remarks from motivational speaker Michael Angelo Caruso, TRF Trustee Carolyn Jones, and Rotary International President Elect John Kenny. Congratulations PE's.

Please go to our district website, www.Rotary6880.org, and register now for the upcoming District Conference on May 1-3 at the Grand Hotel in Point Clear. Thanks to a lot of hard work from our webmaster, Eric Lewis, on-line registration is up and running. Join us for a few days of Rotary insight. Come meet our Peruvian GSE team, plus have fun with our Family of Rotary and make new friends. Remember to reserve your room, too. Leadership, please extend Sheila's and my invitation to join us to your club members, Rotaractors, and Interactors (and all of their families).

P.S. We need your help. If you play tennis and have friends who play, please contact District Trainer Chris Roger (rodgec1@auburn.edu). We need players and sponsors for our Rotary Polio Eradication Tennis Day on May 16th, which will be held at the Yarbrough Tennis Center in Auburn.

Celebrations for the Month of April

Birthdays

*3/31- Marcus Paramore

4/8 – Jason Jones
4/11 –Robert Hawkins
4/11 –Mike Shelton
4/15 –Doug Hawkins
4/16 - Henry Stewart
4/21- Rusty Eldridge
4/22- William Key
4/23- Earl Ingram
4/26- Stacy Granning

Anniversaries

*4/5- Amy Flowers
4/9- Jack Hawkins
4/16- Beth Collier
4/25- Dickie Calhoun

*Celebrating today or before we meet again
Please let Beth know if information is
Incorrect or missing.

Upcoming program responsibilities

April 7- William Key & Jean Laliberte
April 14- Luke Lane and Olaf Lieb
April 21- Johnny Long & Doug McLendon (Paul Harris Fellows Day)
April 28- Charles Meeks & Greg Meeks
May 5- Paul Outlaw & Tenise Owens (Founder's Day)
May 12- Marcus Paramore & Benny Pinckard
May 19- David Price & Mark Salmon
May 26- John Schmidt & Chris Schubert

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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The Four Way Test:

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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