

THE TROY ROTARIAN

July 8, 2008

Mickey Parish, District Governor

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

Welcome to the July 8th meeting of the Troy Rotary Club at the Troy Country Club. Our program today is hosted by Jack Hawkins and Tom Hicks. They have invited Eric Hayes, Troy University Men's and Women's Tennis Coach. Welcome Eric, and thank you for joining us at Rotary today.

Last Rotary Meeting

Last week's meeting was hosted by Larry Hancock and Scott Hartley. They invited Steve Flowers to discuss local, state and National Politics. Steve's website address is steveflowers.us. There were 50 members present and \$54.00 in the raffle. Guests attending were Jennifer Gibbs, Michelle Cely, and Lee Vardman

Absent last week: Mike Amos, Deanne Baggett, Larry Blocher, Steve Dennis, Marv Dillard, Allen Dunn, Carol Franks, Hal Fulmer, Stacy Graning, David Hamlin, Ed Hedden, Tom Hicks, Earl Ingram, Jodie Jeffcoat, Ben Ji, Bill Key, Jean Laliberte, Tim Meeks, Richard Metzger, Bob Mills, Tenise Owens, Marcus Paramore, Benny Pinckard, Mark Salmon, Mike Shelton

Program suggestion: Kimberly May, Director of the Pike County Salvation Army would like to present a program. You may contact her at 808-1069 or 672-4481

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

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

Spring cleaning for a worthy cause? That's the thinking of the Rotary Club of Waterdown, Ontario, Canada, which raised more than US\$7,000 by recycling old home appliances, pots and pans, and more during a scrap metal drive in April. Hundreds of people in their cars and trucks dropped off items, totaling about 47 tons and filling about 16 bins, says Wendy Hickey, a member of the club. Donations ranged from washers, dryers, and stoves to cookie sheets and muffin tins to old rusted tires. "Microwaves, anything that has metal in it," she explains. "We just rub our hands together when someone comes in with a truckload of old aluminum siding. It's quite profitable." This is good news for Hickey and her fellow Rotarians. The money raised goes to support the club's projects, especially youth programs.

It was the third year for the project, the brainchild of longtime club member Jack Harris. He had become familiar with the scrap metal industry through his work, Hickey explains, and thought a drive could be a way for the club to raise money for its community and international projects throughout the year. The club worked with Thomson Metal & Disposal, a scrap metal company based in nearby Burlington.

"I bet 80 percent of our Rotary club was out there," Hickey says. "Everybody comes out, whether they're able to do any physical labor or they come out for moral support. It's a nice community day." Rotarians and friends of Rotarians alike enjoyed the event - Hickey says that several community members have shown up the past few years just to pitch in and help out.

In addition to the scrap metal drive, the club hosted a bicycle swap at the event. More than 100 bicycles were donated. The most dilapidated ones were recycled with the rest of the metal, while community members were able to take home the others for a small donation.

From DG, Mickey Parish

As we begin the new Rotary Year, please consider these comments from RI President D K Lee:

"I thought carefully about the emphases of past presidents and looked at some of the many projects that these emphases had inspired. Water, health and hunger, and literacy -- these are the categories of Rotary service that have endured now for several years, and with good reason. These are the areas in which local Rotary clubs, working individually and in cooperation with other clubs, can do the most good. They are areas in which we now have many years' experience and expertise. They are areas of wise Rotary investment. They are areas that let us do the most good with everything that we have. I knew with my mind that these were the emphases we should continue.

"And yet, my heart was pulled in another direction. Because, in the midst of my research on possible emphases, I came across a number. That number was 30,000 -- the number of children under the age of five who died every day from preventable causes. At first, I thought that it had to be a mistake. Maybe there was an extra zero in that number, if not two. Maybe the number was per month, or per year. It was impossible, unthinkable, in the 21st century that 30,000 of our most precious children could be dying, needlessly, every day. But there was no mistake.

"...Rotary will keep the service emphases we have had in so many of our past years, the emphases that are grounded in our knowledge and experience: water, health and hunger, and literacy. But this year, I will ask you to direct your work in each of these areas toward children, and toward reducing that terrible rate of child mortality in our world. In 2008-09, I will ask you all to Make Dreams Real for the world's children. This will be our theme, and my challenge to all of you. We will Make Dreams Real by giving children hope and a chance at a future."

Throughout 2008-09 let us keep our mind's eye, not on the programs we do, but on the lives they change for the better.

Celebrations for the Month of July

July Birthdays

July 4 - Steve Cooke
**July 13- Charles Meeks
July 15 - Donald Dunbar
July 17- Bob Mills
July 20- Kim Edwards
July 21- David Hamlin
July 23- Ross Jinright
July 27- Ken Vaughan

July Anniversaries

July 7- Johnny Long
** July 11-Tom Collier
** July 11-Ray Smith
** July 13- Chris Schubert
**July 14- Olaf Lieb
July 23- Greg Meeks
July 30- David Hamlin

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

Upcoming program responsibilities

July 15- Bill Hopper and Earl Ingram
July 22-Club Business Meeting
July 29-Ed Hedden and Doug McLendon
August 5-Jodi Jeffcoat and Ben Ji
August 12- Ross Jinright and Jason Jones
August 19- William Key and Jean Laliberte
August 26- Olaf Lieb and Johnny Long

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

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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?

Rotary International Theme 2008- 2009



