

THE TROY ROTARIAN

July 15, 2008

Mickey Parish, District Governor

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

Welcome to the July 15th meeting of the Troy Rotary Club at the Troy Country Club. Our program today is hosted by Bill Hopper and Earl Ingram. They have invited Troy University Athletic Director, Steve Dennis. Welcome Steve, and thank you for joining us today at Rotary.

Last Rotary Meeting

Last week's meeting was hosted by Jack Hawkins and Tom Hicks. They invited Eric Hayes, Troy University Men's and Women's Tennis Coach. Eric spoke about tennis in America and the tennis program at Troy University. There were 50 members present & 4 make-ups. There was \$50 in the raffle. Guests attending were Johah Enfinger, guest of Hal Fulmar, Mary Helen Moon, guest of Olaf Lieb, Susan Outlaw, guest of Paul Outlaw

Absent last week: Deanne Baggett, Larry Blocher, Steve Cooke, Kenny Cox, Steve Dennis, Marv Dillard, Cliff Eubanks, Linda Felton-Smith, Stacy Graning, Larry Hancock, Scott Hartley, Jack Hawkins, Bill Hopper, Earl Ingram, Jodie Jeffcoat, Ben Ji, Jean Laliberte, Greg Meeks, Tim Meeks, Tenise Owens, Curt Porter, Mark Salmon, John Schmidt, Aex Whaley

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

You can feel the excitement and energy in a growing Rotary club," says Michael McGovern, vice chair of the 2008-09 RI Membership Development and Retention Committee.

To help energize clubs worldwide, RI President Dong Kurn Lee is traveling the globe to generate ideas for membership growth. His first of [12 presidential conferences](#), which will include small-group discussions to identify best practices for member recruitment and retention, took place 7 July in Tokyo.

Conferences in Argentina, Brazil, Egypt, and South Africa will also address child mortality, a top concern that lies at the heart of this year's RI theme, *Make Dreams Real*.

To encourage clubs and districts to take action to increase membership, Lee has developed a new membership recognition program. During 2008-09, clubs that achieve a 10 percent net increase in membership will receive a certificate signed by the president. At the district level, gaining two new clubs and a 10 percent net membership increase must be reached. District recognition awards vary depending on the percentage of clubs achieving the membership increase.

The 10 clubs and districts with the highest percentage net membership increase will be recognized on stage at the [2009 RI Convention](#) in Birmingham, England. To ensure recognition, clubs should update membership information via [Member Access](#) by 15 May. RI membership database numbers will be used to determine achievement.

"The goals can be achieved by any club or district that makes membership development a priority," McGovern says.

Korean march promotes Rotary

District Governor Kwang Heum Baek wasn't too proud to peel off his sock and show his blisters after he and more than 5,000 Rotarians trekked through Gyeongsangbuk-do Province in Korea to promote Rotary. A resounding success, the effort drew new club members, raised money, and generated positive press coverage for Rotary.

Rotarians in District 3630 marched relay-style through the province every weekend from July through December 2007. Baek, the district's 2007-08 governor, was one of only 11 Rotarians who walked the entire 374 miles. Along the route, participants donated their time, money, and resources to communities in need, providing free medical care, coordinating blood drives, and raising money for scholarships.

New members

The march generated US\$718,000 and drew 458 new club members. (During his term, 700 new members joined clubs in District 3630, Korea's largest district, with 106 clubs and 6,018 Rotarians, according to Baek.) This innovative approach to promoting Rotary was Baek's brainchild. Though his primary aim was to raise awareness about the organization and increase membership, he also wanted to inspire Rotarians to demonstrate Service Above Self. The march was covered in local and national newspapers and on radio and television.

Generating excitement about the event was Baek's greatest challenge, he says. Club members were initially reluctant to take on such an immense project, so he relied on support from past district governors and rallied Rotarians to the task. In the end, the effort was wildly popular. "The march began in the middle of a hot summer. Rain or shine, we walked and were greeted by Rotarians with a great deal of enthusiasm," Baek said. "Their enthusiasm is the driving force of District 3630."

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 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



