

# THE TROY ROTARIAN

August 12, 2008

Mickey Parish, District Governor

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

Welcome to the August 12th meeting of the Troy Rotary Club at the Troy Country Club. Today's Program is hosted by Ross Jinright and Jason Jones. They have invited Coach Larry Blakeney to speak to us about athletics at Troy University and the upcoming football season. Welcome Coach Blakeney and thank you for joining us today at Rotary.

## **Last Rotary Meeting**

Last week's meeting was hosted by Jodie Jeffcoat and Ben Ji. They invited Collin McCrary with Wachovia securities to speak to us about current market conditions. There were 42 members present and 1 make-up. There was \$42 in the raffle; winners were Ken Cox, Beth Collier, & Will Williams. We had 2 guests, Mary Williams and Will Williams and 2 visiting Rotarians- Jim Waller, formerly of Amarillo, Tx and Gus King from the Brundidge Rotary Club

**Absent last week:** *Sohail Agboatwala, Mike Amos, Matt Baker, Tom Collier, Steve Cooke, Kenny Cox, John Dew, Marv Dillard, Kim Edwards, Rusty Eldridge, Hal Fulmer, Mack Gibson, Stacy Graning, Larry Hancock, Scott Hartley, Jack Hawkins, Tom Hicks, Bill Hopper, Earl Ingram, Bill Key, Jean Laliberte, Jimmy Lunsford, Charles Meeks, Greg Meeks, Tim Meeks, Tenise Owens, Paul Outlaw, Benny Pinckard, Curt Porter, David Price, John Schmidt, James Smith*

**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.

## **From Rotary International**

Rotary's official mottoes, Service Above Self and They Profit Most Who Serve Best, trace back to the early days of the organization. In 1911, He Profits Most Who Serves Best was approved as the Rotary motto at the second convention of the National Association of Rotary Clubs of America, in Portland, Oregon. It was adapted from a speech made by Rotarian Arthur Frederick Sheldon to the first convention, held in Chicago the previous year. Sheldon declared that "only the science of right conduct toward others pays. Business is the science of human services. He profits most who serves his fellows best."

The Portland convention also inspired the motto Service Above Self. During a convention outing on the Columbia River, Ben Collins, president of the Rotary Club of Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA, talked with Seattle Rotarian J.E. Pinkham about the proper way to organize a Rotary club, offering the principle his club had adopted: Service, Not Self. Pinkham invited Paul P. Harris, who also was on the boat trip, to join their conversation. Harris asked Collins to address the convention, and the phrase Service, Not Self was met with great enthusiasm.

At the 1950 RI Convention in Detroit, slightly modified versions of the two slogans were formally approved as the official mottoes of Rotary: He Profits Most Who Serves Best and Service Above Self. The 1989 [Council on Legislation](#) established Service Above Self as the principal motto of Rotary, because it best conveys the philosophy of unselfish volunteer service. He Profits Most Who Serves Best was modified by the 2004 Council to its current wording, They Profit Most Who Serve Best.

## **From District Governor, Mickey Parish**

With the Olympic Games in progress, this is the perfect opportunity to invite a neighbor, colleague, or friend to consider becoming a member of Rotary *International*. What better time than now to point out the relationships we have with fellow Rotarians around the world; working together to promote peace, good will, and understanding. We, and members of our committees and clubs, meet people daily who would join us in Rotary's mission, if we would just share what we're doing, then ask for their help. You know, it seems to reason that the more members our clubs have, the more we will be able to do. Check out the new postings on [Rotary.org](#), which share club growth ideas; they may help you think of something that will promote increased membership in your club. Want to be inspired to recruit new members? Read on...

Last Monday morning, Sheila and I visited the Rotary Club of Prattville-Millbrook. President Joe Mathis is doing an excellent job in leading a great group of Rotarians. This club has been busy and already has two new members slated for induction. There is no doubt that their hard work will cause their membership to exceed their 10% growth goal. The club is working hard in their community with a variety of projects. The meeting concluded with the presentation of a new Paul Harris Fellow...what a great closing!

At noon on Monday, we joined the Rotary Club of Montgomery, our district's oldest club...95 years. Sheila and I really enjoyed meeting their "seasoned", early-arrivers, and had a warm and friendly reception from everyone. Bob Seibels,

Club President, has his committees working hard, as evidenced by the full slate of activities during the meeting. It was a pleasure seeing the awarding of three Paul Harris Fellows and the induction of a new member. Their Membership Committee is working hard. One of the club's newer members, Carolyn Dwyer, contributed her \$100 EREY to The Rotary Foundation just before the meeting.

On Tuesday, President Karl Robinson and his members welcomed Sheila and me to the Rotary Club of Atmore. There was not an empty place at any of the tables, in fact, I think they ended up having to bring in a few more chairs. It was interesting to hear about their Fiddlers Contest that they have held for years, and the projects it helps fund. Members of this club also have to be proud of their commitment to the eradication of Polio, as evidenced by a large contribution at the end of last year.

Wednesday found us at the Rotary Club of Geneva. President Toby Seay is doing a great job leading his club. Geneva Rotarians are busy in their community, supporting their efforts with Festival on the Rivers, which they started 33 years ago (held annually, the last weekend in April). We were saddened to learn of the death of long-time Rotarian James Kelly, who was active in the club for 53 years and served his community faithfully...a true example of Service Above Self.

## **Celebrations for the Month of July**

### **August Birthdays**

Aug.4- Jim Roling  
Aug.7- Alex Whaley  
\*Aug.15-Greg Meeks  
Aug.20-Beth Collier  
Aug.22-Ben Beard  
Aug.25-Vickie Bowen  
Aug.27-Deanne Baggett

### **August Anniversaries**

Aug.6- Benny Pinckard  
\*Aug.13-Ken Vaughan  
\*Aug.14-Ken Cox  
\*Aug.16-Dave Barron  
\*Aug.16-Jerry Williams  
Aug.23-Mack Gibson  
Aug.23-Mark Salmon  
Aug.24-Jim Roling  
Aug.28-Joe Faulk

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

### **Upcoming program responsibilities**

August 19- William Key and Jean Laliberte  
August 26- Olaf Lieb and Johnny Long  
September 2- Charles Meeks and Greg Meeks  
September 9-Tim Meeks and Richard Metzger  
September 16- Paul Outlaw and Tenise Owens  
September 23-Visit from District Governor- Mickey Parish

### **Program Themes:**

*August-Membership & Extension  
October-Vocational Service  
December- Family*

*September- New Generations  
November- Rotary Foundation*

*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](mailto:beth.collier@wachovia.com)*

### **OFFICERS FOR THE 2008- 2009 ROTARY YEAR**

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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**



