THE TROY ROTARIAN

August 19, 2008 *Mickey Parish, District Governor*
District 6880, Troy Rotary Club, chartered May 1, 1920 Troy, Alabama

Welcome to the August 19th meeting of the Troy Rotary Club at the Troy Country Club. Today's Program is hosted by William Key and Jean Laliberte. They have invited Neal Brown, Offensive Coordinator & Quarterbacks Coach at Troy University. Welcome, Neal and thank you for joining us today at Rotary.

Last Rotary Meeting

Last week's meeting was hosted by Ross Jinright and Jason Jones. They invited Coach Larry Blakney to speak to us about athletics at Troy University and the upcoming football season. There were 46 members present and 2 make-ups. There was $48 in the raffle; Winners were Jodie Jeffcoat and Ken Vaughan. Matt Nascone was a guest of Stacy Granning and Bob Campbell was a guest of Steve Dennis.

Absent last week: Sohail Agboatwala, Mike Amos, Deanne Baggett, Tom Collier, Steve Cooke, Marv Dillard, Adam Drinkwater, Kim Edwards, Earl Ellis, Mack Gibson, Robert Hawkins, Tom Hicks, Bill Hopper, Earl Ingram, Ben Ji, Olaf Lieb, Johnny Long, Jimmy Lunsford, Tim Meeks, Richard Metzger, Tenise Owens, Paul Outlaw, Curt Porter, Henry Stewart, Ed Telfair, Alex 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

Easter Seals and Rotary share more than a devotion to improving the lives of the disabled and disadvantaged. The heritages of the two organizations are intertwined: Easter Seals' founder, Edgar F. "Daddy" Allen, was a Rotarian. Rotary founder Paul P. Harris was the charity's first chairman, and one of The Rotary Foundation's first grants, in 1930, went to the International Society for Crippled Children, Easter Seals' precursor.

Now, District 6450 (Illinois, USA), which covers part of the Chicago area, is reuniting with an old friend by pledging US$2.5 million over three to five years toward programs and materials for Easter Seals Metropolitan Chicago's Therapeutic School and Center for Autism Research . Part of the center's first phase, a research wing scheduled to be completed later this year, will be named in Rotary's honor. The $32-million facility will be built in four phases over the next four to six years.

"I approached Rotary because we had lost connection," says F. Timothy Muri, president and CEO of Easter Seals Metropolitan Chicago. "I said, 'Rotary's into big things. You are trying to eradicate polio, and we are trying to eradicate autism. Why don't we unite again to change the world?'"

White Sox night

On 7 August, the district sponsored a night at U.S. Cellular Field, home of the Chicago White Sox, where a portion of tickets bought by Rotarians went to Easter Seals. Irv Kaplan, past district governor, said 836 tickets were sold, netting $10,000 for Easter Seals. Rotarians and their guests were paraded around the warning track prior to the game, and a Rotary public service announcement appeared on the big screen.

Rotary's ongoing support for Easter Seals has often come from individual clubs, but with the growing number of reported cases of autism-spectrum disorder – 1 in 150 eight-year-olds has it, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – the need for care is greater than ever. "It just came to me that we could do something with this," says Past District Governor Art Davis. "With the history Rotary has, it would be fabulous to have a Rotary wheel on the wing of a hospital." The center, which will tap expertise from the nearby University of Illinois at Chicago Medical Center and Rush University Medical Center , will offer a research facility, classrooms, gymnasium, swimming pool, and independent living space for 30 people, with room to grow. "For the first time, we will have the facility where we'll be able to observe patients year round," says Muri. "There's none other like it in the country."

From District Governor, Mickey Parish

Don't underestimate the value of the little things you are doing, as a club or district leader. Pay attention to details. Those little buds often blossom into world changing opportunities. Rotarians help others because it is in our nature. Ask another Rotarian to help you with a task, partner in the joy of the work. Share what Rotary is doing with a non-Rotarian, then offer membership. Become proactive in fulfilling the responsibilities of your office. This week step beyond the routine with Rotary.

Congratulations!!

Congratulations to John Dew, Associate Vice Chancellor for research, planning and effectiveness at Troy University, on his appointment to a three year term on the Judges Panel of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award Program. John was appointed to the panel by Secretary of Commerce Carlos M. Gutierrez

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 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
September 30- Marcus Paramore and Benny Pinckard

Program Themes:

August-Membership & Extension
September- New Generations
October-Vocational Service
November- Rotary Foundation
December- Family

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

Make Dreams Real