

THE TROY ROTARIAN

Oct. 28, 2008

Mickey Parish, District Governor

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

Welcome to the October 28th meeting of the Troy Rotary Club at the Troy Country Club. Today's Program is hosted by Ed Telfair and Ken Vaughan. They have invited Coach Don Maestri, Troy University Head Men's Basketball coach to speak to us about the upcoming season. Welcome, Coach Maestri and thank you for joining us today at Rotary.

Last Rotary Meeting

Last week's meeting was hosted by Chris Schubert and Henry Stewart. They invited Troy City Schools Student, Hunter Kennedy as our Speaker. Our club made a donation towards expenses for his leadership meeting in Washington, D.C. in the summer of 2008. Hunter spoke to us about what he learned and the friends he meet on his trip. There were 39 members present, 3 guests (Lisa Dennis by Steve Dennis, Margaret Stewart and Craig Kennedy by Henry Stewart), 1 visiting Rotarian (Luke Lane) and 2 make-ups (Carol Franks and Hal Fulmer). There was \$41 in door price receipts.

Absent last week: Deanne Baggett, Vickie Bowen, Steve Cook, Marv Dillard, Allen Dunn, Earl Ellis, Cliff Eubanks, Linda Felton-Smith, Carol Franks, Hal Fulmer, Mack Gibson, Stacy Graning, David Hamlin, Scott Hartley, Doug Hawkins, Jack Hawkins, Ed Hedden, Tom Hicks, Bill Hopper, Earl Ingram, Jodie Jeffcoat, Ben Ji, Bill Key, Jean Laliberte, Olaf Lieb, Jimmy Lunsford, Charles Meeks, Greg Meeks, Tim Meeks, Richard Metzger, Tenise Owens, Paul Outlaw, Mark Salmon, Mike Shelton, Jim Waller, Alex Whaley, Jerry Williams

Program suggestion:

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

<http://www.rotary.org/> Rotary International Website

From Rotary International

When a fire claimed the life of John Capps' mother and destroyed his home 50 years ago, a sergeant in the Salvation Army was the first person to offer comfort, bringing clean clothes and spending money. All these years later, Capps, a longtime member of the Rotary Club of Morehead City-Noon, North Carolina, USA, is eager to give back. He and his wife, chair of the local advisory board of the Salvation Army, are part of a team of volunteers from all over the country serving meals from mobile canteens to residents of Galveston, Texas, which was ravaged by Hurricane Ike in mid-September. "We are here for the same reason we are in Rotary: to serve other people," says Capps, a past district governor. "This was a great opportunity to *Make Dreams Real*."

John and his wife, Jane, have met more than a dozen other Rotarians among the Salvation Army disaster response teams. Capps has been wearing his "Rotary at Work" shirt, making him easy for other Rotarians to spot. One of those is Ginger Virkler, a member of the Rotary Club of Greater Flint Sunrise, Michigan. When she arrived on 5 October, "the area was devastated," Virkler says. "I talked to a lady yesterday from Michigan whose entire 250-unit apartment building is condemned."

Rewarding

Virkler, who has served on disaster teams in Flint, adds that helping on the national response effort has been "rewarding" and "something I've always wanted to do." During their two-week stint, the volunteers stay in a makeshift camp on the outskirts of Galveston's airport that is part of a larger complex housing all emergency response personnel. The volunteers sleep in bunk beds in dormitories fashioned from shipping crates, 24 volunteers to a crate, Capps says.

The Salvation Army teams' primary focus of late has been to provide two hot meals a day, lunch and dinner, at 30 locations in the Galveston area. Other teams have set up in store parking lots or delivered mops and cleaning kits door-to-door. Capps says Galveston residents are returning and starting the hard work of cleaning up. Contractors have set up a six-block-long dump for debris, with separate areas for electronic appliances, hazardous materials, and other waste. Power had just returned to the airport shortly after the volunteers arrived, and a few areas of town are still without electricity. "A major thing the Salvation Army is doing is providing spiritual care," Capps says. "We're giving people a hug, hearing their stories, letting them know people care. That's as important as the food."

From District Governor, Mickey Parish

Well, as of this Friday, we all will have completed the first trimester of our 2008-09 Rotary Year, with just eight more months remaining. Sheila and I have witnessed, during our visits, how active our clubs have been recruiting members, planning activities, and working on projects. District committees have been busy as well, focusing on their work to make everyone's year a success. And we all have more to do, so let's keep up the good work.

Last week marked the completion of my official club visits. Sheila and I want to thank everyone in all of our 47 District 6880 Clubs for your hospitality and genuine kindness extended to us during our time with you. We were honored to come to know you better and look forward to just "dropping in" at some point in the future. Now, in turn, Sheila and I would like to invite everyone to join us on May 1-3, 2009 for our District Conference. It will be held at The Grand Hotel in Point Clear and will be a wonderful time together, celebrating your year and having some fun. We would be honored with your presence.

Committee and club leaders, now is the perfect time to enlist others to share your workload. By doing so, more will get done, member confidence and experience will grow, and we will all exceed our goals. I am proud of you and all that you do for Rotary. Honor Rotary with faith and enthusiasm.

Celebrations for the Month of October

Birthdays

11th- Allen Dunn
20th- Larry Hancock
21st- Tim Meeks
23rd- Steve Dennis
*30th- Doug McLendon

Anniversaries

10th-Sohail Agboatwala
13th- Jean Laliberte

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

Upcoming program responsibilities

November 4- Alex Whaley and Ann Williams
November 11- Jerry Williams and Sohail Agboatwala
November 18- Mike Amos and Deanne Baggett
November 25th- Matt Baker and Vickie Bowen

****Note-** Matt and Vickie need someone to swap with them; They already have a speaker so they can do any of the earlier dates in Nov. Can any of the people on the earlier dates swap??

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 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?

Rotary International Theme 2008-2009



