

# THE TROY ROTARIAN

Nov. 4th, 2008

Mickey Parish, District Governor  
District 6880, Troy Rotary Club, chartered May 1, 1920 Troy, Alabama

Welcome to the November 4th meeting of the Troy Rotary Club at the Troy Country Club. Today's Program is hosted by Alex Whaley and Ann Williams. They have invited Ray Smith and Troy University Music students to provide us with musical entertainment. Welcome, and thank you for joining us today at Rotary.

## Last Rotary Meeting

Last week's meeting was hosted by Ed Telfair and Ken Vaughan. They invited Coach Don Maestri, Troy University Head Men's Basketball coach to speak to us about the upcoming season and the great value of season tickets. There were 50 members present, 3 guests ((Margaret Stewart by Henry Stewart, Mark Walker by Ray Smith, & Matt Nascone by Dave Barron), and 7 make-ups. There was \$52 in door price receipts. Winners were Robert Cary and Ross Jinright

*Absent last week: Sohail Agboatwala, Deanne Baggett, Tom Collier, Ken Cox, Marv Dillard, Kim Edwards, Rusty Eldridge, Earl Ellis, Linda Felton-Smith, Hal Fulmer, Stacy Graning, David Hamlin, Larry Hancock, Scott Hartley, Tom Hicks, Bill Hopper, Earl Ingram, Ben Ji, Jean Laliberte, Tim Meeks, Richard Metzger, Paul Outlaw, Mark Salmon, Mike Shelton, Ed Telfair Jim Waller*

### 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.

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[http://www.rotary.org/RI\\_documents/en\\_pdf/254en.pdf](http://www.rotary.org/RI_documents/en_pdf/254en.pdf) How to propose a new member

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## From Rotary International

The mission of The Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. It sounds so simple, yet it means so much. It means so much to every one of the people touched by Foundation-supported programs every year – the children too poor to go to school, the families who have lost everything in a disaster, the communities that lack sanitation, clean water, and medical care. It means so much to the two billion children now living lives free from polio. Because of the work that the Foundation has helped support, five million cases of paralysis and more than 250,000 deaths from polio have been prevented.

Today, we are in what we hope will be the last stages of the fight against polio. All of you have helped through your support of our Foundation. Through the Foundation, we are able to be part of the day-to-day work of polio eradication by helping supply the transportation, the fliers, the advertisements, and even the lollipops to ensure we reach all children with the essential oral polio vaccine and make each round of immunization a success. Those of you who have participated in a National Immunization Day know exactly what I'm talking about when I say there's nothing like it – nothing like knowing you're being a part of saving lives and making history. And if you can't be there yourself, then being part of the work through our Foundation is the next best thing.

Why do we have a Foundation? We have a Foundation because our Foundation lifts Rotary up. It lets every club and every district do the most it possibly can. It allows every one of us to be part of all of Rotary's work, and it brings that work to greater and greater heights. As we celebrate Rotary Foundation Month, we should all remember that The Rotary Foundation is *our* Foundation. It's here for us and because of us; it allows us to do more, to be more, and to bring more hope to the world. The responsibility for keeping our Foundation strong lies with each of us.

Dong Kurn (D.K.) Lee  
President, Rotary International

## From District Governor, Mickey Parish

Today or tomorrow, 2,706 District 6880 Rotarians will receive their October-November 2008 edition of *The Rotary Cog*. A large part of my letter on page 1 discusses The Rotary Foundation Month (November) and the good the foundation does for people throughout the world. At the end of my remarks, I propose a bold Annual Fund goal for us all. When you read it, you will note that I did not give a total dollar amount for the goal, but broke it into small, more manageable giving amounts. My purpose for giving the challenge in this manner was twofold; first, to personalize an amount to which each will choose to aspire, and second, to remove the possibility of the total being dismissed as unachievable, causing some to give up before we begin.

The Annual Fund Committee needs your help with this year's campaign. We believe our district's support of The Rotary Foundation can be moved to a new level, but we need every leader's commitment to adopt the challenge as our own, help us establish and maintain momentum in giving, and work hard to help members fill all of the giving levels. All of us must take a leadership role with this important effort. I suggest that you enlist at least one other to help us achieve success. Presidents, TRF Chairs in your club should implement their committee's plans.

When promoting the Annual Fund challenge with district Rotarians: (1) First and foremost, keep the focus on what contributions do [we are not just digging wells for clean water, we are giving parents peace of mind about the health of their children; we are not just providing scholarships to students, we are giving them a livelihood and a hand-up to a better life; we are not just giving Polio drops to defeat a disease, we are enabling children to walk, run, and play; etc.], (2) Encourage every member to give \$100, (3) Challenge others to contribute at one of the higher giving levels, (4) Promote new and additional Paul Harris Fellows, (5) Identify potential donors of larger gifts, and (6) Remind Rotarians to request support for Rotary Causes from non-Rotarians and businesses. Throughout our campaign, please keep members focused on each one just doing their part.

Remember, clubs who give \$100 per member on average will be recognized as a 2008-09 Star Club. Members who give \$100 will be presented a special Star Pin in recognition of their commitment to the good accomplished through The Rotary Foundation. Top giving clubs will also be recognized by The Rotary Foundation with a special giving level banner.

## **Celebrations for the Month of November**

### **Birthdays**

- \* 7<sup>th</sup>- Sandi Gouge
- \* 17<sup>th</sup>- Floyd Porter

### **Anniversaries**

- \* 10<sup>th</sup>- Adam Drinkwater
- \* 14<sup>th</sup>- Ed Hedden
- 25<sup>th</sup>- Bill Hopper

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

### **Upcoming program responsibilities**

November 11- Veterans Day (No Meeting)

**Thank you to our Veterans for your service to our country!!**

November 18- Mike Amos and Deanne Baggett  
November 25- Jerry Williams and Sohail Agboatwala  
December 2- Dickie Calhoun and Robert Cary  
December 9- Beth Collier and Tom Collier  
December 16- Ken Cox and Kenny Cox

### **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) or call at 697-1118*

### **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**



