

THE TROY ROTARIAN

November 13, 2007

Richard Bollinger, District Governor

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

Welcome to the November 13th meeting of the Troy Rotary Club at the Troy Country Club. Our program today is hosted by Earl Ingram and Bill Hopper. They have invited Faith Ward and Lindsay Hopper from the Troy University Alumni Affairs Office to discuss events and happenings. Welcome to Rotary, Faith and Lindsay! We are very glad to have you with us today at Rotary!

Last Rotary Meeting

Our program on November 6th was hosted by Tom Hicks. He invited Jerry Peak, Director of the Pioneer Museum of Alabama to present our program. There were 57 present, three makeups, and \$60 in the door prize. Prizes were won by Charles Meeks and Curt Porter. Guests included Homer Hohmann, President of the Brundidge Rotary Club, Cam Martindale, Beth Collier, a guest of Nolan Hatcher, Danny Graham of the Brundidge Rotary Club, Willetta Hatcher, and Ken May, former Troy Rotarian, now a member of the Montgomery Sunrise Club, and also District Secretary.

Missing in action last week: John Dew, Allen Dunn, Kim Edwards, Earl Ellis, Linda Felton Smith, Hal Fulmer, Stacy Graning, David Hamlin, Jack Hawkins, Robert Hawkins, Steve Hemendinger, Bill Hopper, Earl Ingram, Ben Ji, Jean Laliberte, Olaf Lieb, Tim Meeks, Paul Outlaw, Mark Salmon, John Schmidt, Henry Stewart, Jerry Williams.

Please remember that you will be fined \$2.00 if your cell phone rings during a meeting. Phones should be off or set to vibrate only.

***Check out the newly updated Troy Rotary Club website. Thanks to Adam Drinkwater and Olaf Lieb for their hard work on this. www.troyrotaryclub.net

<http://rotary6880.org/> District 6880 Website (new and updated)

<http://www.rotary.org/newsroom/downloadcenter/pdfs/254en.pdf> How to propose a new member

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

From Zone Director Tom Branum

Rotary Receives UN Association's Humanitarian Award

Rotary's emphasis on clean water and sanitation received a tremendous boost on October 25th. The United National Association of New York honored RI and the Rotary Foundation with its *2007 Humanitarian Award* in recognition of Rotary's significant efforts to provide safe water and sanitation and its commitment to sustainable development worldwide.

"In the years since RI has started focusing on water as one of its annual service emphases. We've learned just how much can be accomplished with relatively little, how a single small water project, perhaps a pump or a filter, can change the life of a community," says RI President Wilf Wilkinson.

Saturday's Rotary Day at the UN had a full house, with 1,308 in attendance. We heard presentations by UN and UNICEF leaders on Literacy, Water, Malaria, and Hunger.

North American Disaster and Emergency Relief Conference Features Digger Phelps

Famed Notre Dame basketball coach Digger Phelps is on a mission. The Hurricane Housing Alliance is a Rotary-created organization registered in the state of Louisiana by the Gulf Coast Rotary Districts. "Walking to New Orleans" is the project started by Digger Phelps to raise funds and build homes in New Orleans. Digger has donated \$90,000 for the first house, while Rotary International has donated \$45,000. The goal is to find families in need and help them to get back into a house in a sustainable neighborhood to become leaders in their communities.

The 2nd North American Rotary Emergency Disaster Initiative Workshop will feature Digger, Shelter Box Founder Tom Henderson and many others on December 14-15, 2007 in Nashville, Tennessee.

Every club and district should send a representative to this very important workshop. The emphasis is on developing *practical* club and district plans to both prepare for and provide assistance in emergency situations. Disasters strike anywhere and everywhere. Are you prepared?

From DG Richard Bollinger

Membership Minute- At District Assembly I made a personal challenge to the District Leadership. Our Mid Year meeting is 19 January 2008. By that time I want each Assistant Governor to propose one new member to Rotary. That person does not have to join their Rotary club, but be proposed to membership in a Rotary Club. I have included myself in this challenge. The names of those proposed, and the club to which they have been proposed, as well as the name of the proposer will be published in the January 2008 District Dispatch.

I am further challenging each Past District Governor; Club President; and Club President Elect to propose one new member to Rotary before 19 January. Send me the name of the person you proposed, the club to which they have been proposed, and your name, and I will publish your name as well.

Keep working on your club goals for the year, make your community a better place, Share Rotary with those around you! Bring new members to Rotary; involve your club members to keep them engaged; and encourage the continued financial support of Our Rotary Foundation. Be the next force for betterment in the world!

November is *Rotary Foundation Month*- Every Rotary Club President is encouraged to give a two minute blurb about The Rotary Foundation at each of its Clubs meetings through the month of November. This week's Rotary Foundation Thought is about becoming a Benefactor.

A Rotary Foundation Benefactor is a person who has notified The Rotary Foundation that he/she has made provisions in their final state plans, or made an outright gift of US\$1000 or more to The Rotary Foundation's Permanent Fund. Benefactors receive a commemorative certificate, a letter of appreciation and a blue and gold recognition insignia to attach to their Rotary or Paul Harris Fellow pin. A US\$1000 gift to The Foundation creates a legacy of helping people lead better lives around the world.

Celebrations for the Month of November

November Birthdays

Shelia Jackson – November 1
Angie Roling – November 3
Sandi Gouge – November 7
**Floyd Porter – November 17

November Anniversaries

Adam Drinkwater – November 10
**Ed Hedden – November 14
Bill Hopper – November 25

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

Upcoming program responsibilities

November 20 – Shelia Jackson and Jodie Jefcoat have invited Dan Smith to discuss the Miracle Field
November 27 – Ben Ji and Ross Jinright will host Senator Wendell Mitchell
December 4 – Jason Jones and Bill Key will host the CHHS Jazz Ensemble
December 11 – evening meeting – Christmas Dinner
December 18 – final meeting before the holidays
December 25 and January 1 – no meetings

Remember that you are responsible for the raffle prize on the day that you have the program. Please pass along program information to Ray or Carol when you know who the program is so it can be listed in the bulletin. Email info to Carol at cfranks@troycable.net

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The Four Way Test:

Of the things we think, say and 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?

