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This Week, August 14, 2012 OFFSITE MEETING AT THE BRYANT CONFERENCE CENTER



United Way
of West Alabama

This week Rotary will have our first of two **OFFSITE MEETINGS**. The Club will meet at the Bryant Conference Center this week (August 14, 2012) for the United Way of West Alabama's Campaign Kick-Off. Rotarians are encouraged to arrive at the Conference Center as close to 11:30 A.M. as possible. Jackie Wuska is the Chief Professional

Officer and President of the United Way of West Alabama and will be on hand to greet guest that will be arriving.

Attendees can expect to learn about United Way's projects and clients from the previous year, as well as their goals for the upcoming year. Many of their clients will be on hand speaking about how much the United Way has been able to assist them in various capacities.

There will be a sign in sheet at the entrance to the luncheon. All Rotarians should be sure to sign in this week so that the club will have an accurate attendance count.

Last Week, August 6

Last week Rotarians welcomed **George Wallace, Jr.** to the club. Wallace recently wrote a book about his father entitled “Governor George Wallace, The Man You Never Knew by The Man Who Knew Him Best.” Wallace spoke to the club on the man his father really was as seen through his eyes, as well as what it was like growing up during the turbulent times of the Civil Rights Era. Mr. Wallace gave vivid accounts and memories of his Dad throughout his life, and the pain that his father lived with after the near fatal gunshot wound he suffered while campaigning for President. Mr. Wallace’s book can be purchased online at georgewallacejr.com.



Announcements, August 6

President James asked that Rotarians with questions for the guest speaker please stand when asking their questions.

August is membership and extension month with RI. There are two main goals during this month. First, is to encourage members to get involved with a committee, bring a friend to a meeting, etc. Second, August 14th is Rotary Moment Tweet Day. Members that use twitter are encouraged to tweet about a Rotary moment on the 14th using the #Rotary Moment. Email **Frank Deaver** if anyone is interested in getting involved or needs additional information.

REMINDER: the upcoming **OFFSITE Meeting with the United Way Campaign Kick-off is this week (August 14, 2012), and will be at the Bryant Conference Center.** Rotarians are encouraged to arrive at the Bryant Conference Center as close to 11:30 A.M. as possible.



Guests, August 6

Guests at the August 6 meeting of the Rotary Club of Tuscaloosa included: **Grover Smith** (Retired), guest of Jim Shamblin; **Jeff Olivet** (Consultant), guest of Terry Olivet; **Brandt Montgomery** (Episcopal Minister), guest of Linda Chambers; **David Amat Pauilla** (Intern University of Malaga, Spain), guest of Jim LaMoreaux; **Dr. Johnnie Barnes** (Optometrist), guest of Rodney Landreth



At the Head Table, August 6

Lee Henderson (speaker intro), **Chuck Turner** (guest intro), **Bud Baker** (pledge) and **Frank Deaver** (Invocation)



News from the Rotary Foundation

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION HELPS Rotary clubs and districts work together to provide meaningful, sustainable service. Foundation grants support projects that provide clean water, medical care, literacy classes, and other essentials to people in need all around the world. Since 1947, Rotarians have contributed nearly \$2.9 billion to the Foundation to fund these vital efforts.

The Foundation also awards Rotary Peace Fellowships for study at Rotary Peace Centers around the globe. Since 2002-03, more than 660 fellows from over 100 countries have participated.

Our contributions to the Foundation ensure that we can bring sustainable change to communities in need.” ROTARY BASICS

For more information and to see how you can support the Foundation, talk to J. G. Brazil, Club Foundation Chair.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

August 21
Stephen Black with
UA Center for
Ethics

August 28
Tuscaloosa County
Sheriff Ted Sexton

September 4
Secretary of State
Beth Chapman

“If there is any one particular in which I would have Rotary distinguished from other organizations, it is in the quality of character which results in the doing of things.”

— Paul Harris



Rotarian of the Week: Sandra Ray

Last week, Rotarian **Chuck Turner** took part in the Club's new program for getting to know Tuscaloosa Rotarians better by interviewing them. The sixth Rotarian to be interviewed was **Sandra Ray**. Sandra is a native of Tuscaloosa and grew up in an Education Family. She graduated from the University of Alabama with a Degree in Education. Sandra is the President and Broker of Hall-Ray Realty Inc. She has served on numerous boards including Southland National Insurance, Shelton State, Tuscaloosa County Preservation Society, and Theatre Tuscaloosa, to name a few. Active in the arts, she was recognized with the Jake Leigeber Patron Award. Sandra was the first of two women to be inducted into the Rotary Club of Tuscaloosa and is a Past President of the Club. Sandra is a graduate of Leadership Tuscaloosa and Leadership Alabama. She was named small Business Person of the Year in 1991 by the Chamber of Commerce.

ABSENT? MAKING UP ATTENDANCE IS EASY...

- Visit with the Morning Rotary Club every Thursday at 7 AM at Indian Hills Country Club.
- Attend another club's meeting within two weeks before or after an absence.
- Participate in a Rotary event, such as a committee meeting, social function, Interact event, etc.
- Make up at E-club online: www.rotaryclubone.org.

REPORT ALL MAKEUPS TO CLUB SECRETARY NANCY JONES

