

The Nerve



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This Week, August 21, 2012 Stephen Black with UA Center for Ethics and Social Responsibility



This week Rotarians will welcome Stephen Black, the Director of the University of Alabama Center for Ethics and Social Responsibility. He is also the President and Founder of Impact Alabama: A Student Services Organization.

Stephen graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Pennsylvania in 1993 and received his J.D. from Yale Law School in 1997. He worked at Maynard, Cooper, & Gale Law Firm, 1997-2000, and with the Office of the Governor of the State of Alabama, 2000-2001. Stephen created Impact Alabama, the State's first non-profit organization dedicated to developing high-level service-learning projects in coordination with universities and junior colleges throughout the State.

In October 2008, Mr. Black was selected to be one of ten Outstanding Americans to receive the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Community Health Leaders Award. He was selected from a pool of over 800 applicants stemming from his work in creating Focus-First Vision Care Initiative, a foundation created to improve health outcomes by enhancing access to healthcare at the community level.

Last Week, August 14

Last week Rotarians had the first off-site meeting of the year at the Bryant Conference Center for the United Way of West Alabama's Campaign Kick-Off. Jackie Wuska is the President and Chief Professional Officer of the UWWA and led the pledge, along with local Boy Scouts. Ola Mae Hobson spoke about her role as an Individual Development Account Investor, and how the program helped her save for a new home. Last year UWWA had a goal to raise \$3,000,000. UWWA exceeded their goal by \$168,565 for a total of \$3,168,565 in fundraising dollars!

Board Chair Robert Kuhn honored Tuscaloosa Rotary's own **Homer Butler** for his career of service with the United Way. Homer started his career at the United Way of Metropolitan Dallas. He eventually made his way to United Way of West Alabama from Nevada in 1992. He became the Chief Professional Officer of UWWA, and over his career he raised over \$150 million for the United Way. The UWWA has a new award call the "Homer Butler, Jr. Agency of the Year Award".



News from the Rotary Foundation

PAUL HARRIS FELLOW: Anyone who contributes, or in whose name is contributed, a cumulative amount of \$1,000 or more to the RI Foundation Program Fund may become a Paul Harris Fellow. Each new PHF receives a commemorative certificate and a Paul Harris Fellow pin.

MULTIPLE PHF: For additional gifts totaling \$1,000 or more, a Paul Harris Fellow;

- Is recognized as a Multiple Paul Harris Fellow
- Receives a Multiple Paul Harris Fellow pin with additional stones
- May also choose to honor someone else as a PHF with Recognition Points

Multiple levels are awarded PHF pins with one-to-five sapphires and one-to-three rubies.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

August 28

Tuscaloosa County
Sheriff Ted Sexton

September 4

Secretary of State
Beth Chapman

September 11

Mal Moore

“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

RECOGNITION POINTS are accumulated when a Paul Harris Fellow has made a personal contribution in addition to the initial gift of \$1,000. As the donor’s recognition level increases, Recognition Points are equally accrued, and can be transferred to another person. If 1,000 Points are transferred to one person, that individual becomes a Paul Harris Fellow.

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