

The Nerve



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This Week, August 13, 2013

OFF SITE WITH UNITED WAY OF WEST ALABAMA'S CAMPAIGN KICKOFF AT THE BRYANT CONFERENCE CENTER

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This week will be our first off site meeting held at the Bryant

Conference Center. We will be joining the United Way of West Alabama in their Campaign Kickoff. Rotarians will have reserved seating. Any Rotarian that has not signed up, and wishes to attend please e-mail Larry O'Neal at lwoneal@advance.ua.edu. Plan to arrive as close to 11:30 as possible. The meeting will take place in the Sellers Auditorum of the Bryant Conference Center. Buffet lunch will be provided by Cyprus Inn.

Last Week, August 6th

Lauren Ballard

Lauren explained that so far 189 missions have been flown for Alabama. She gave a slide presentation showing all the age demographics who have benefitted from the program. The program is best known for helping those who need medical treatment in other areas of the country, and a way to get receive transportation free of charge if they cannot afford it. Patient cases are evaluated based on financial need and health risk.

The organization was established in 1983 by Jim Shafer to relieve the burdensome costs for those who needed treatment that was not offered locally. These people many times cannot take public transportation because of the risk of immune deficiencies. Some live in remote areas, and cannot travel to larger cities because of available travel. It was simply "the right thing to do". Angel Flight has served those from birth to 94 years old! Their local office is at the Tuscaloosa Airport, and there are branches all across the US.

Angel Flight also assists in disaster relief like 9/11 and hurricane Katrina. They are a non-profit that operate off of private & corporate funding, employee giving, and fundraising. They also look for Pilots to recruit so if you have Pilot friends, please spread the word! More information can be found at <https://www.angelflightsoars.com> where you will see the six states served by this division.



Announcements

- **REMINDER:** President Karen Baldwin reminded everyone of our off-site meeting next week in conjunction with the United Way Campaign kick-off. We will be at the Bryant Conference Center at 11:30 am and Rotary will have reserved tables, or if your company is there you may elect to sit with them. If you did not sign up but attend – please let Bruce Burroughs know so you can be counted present. Our own Brad Springer is Campaign Chair this year! There will be great door prizes – like a full set of tires donated by BF Goodrich!
- If any Rotarian has had a change in their e-mail address please let Nancy Jones know. Her e-mail is nancyjones@bellsouth.net

- Rotary Leadership is planned for August 14th. Please call Karen Baldwin for more details if you are interested in attending.
- Rotarian of the Week: Chuck Turner told the beginning of the story about a Rotarian who ran in the NY Marathon and was passed by someone in a Gummy suit! This was fellow Rotarian Warner Johnson! He said it was quite embarrassing to see someone in a big foam suit go sailing past you as you gave it your all!



At the Head Table August 6th

Liz Obradovich (Invocation), **Jim Drake** (Pledge), **Molly Ingram** (guest intro), **Bruce Burroughs** (speaker intro).



Guests August 6th

Paul Underwood , guest of Mitchell Loper; **John Chapman**, (Morgan Stanley), guest of Scott McClanahan;

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

August 20th

Ronnie Bruno
Bruno Event Team
Manager of Fan
Logistics

August 27th

Young Boozier
Alabama State
Treasurer

September 3rd

Lindsey Turner
Druid City Garden
Project

“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

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