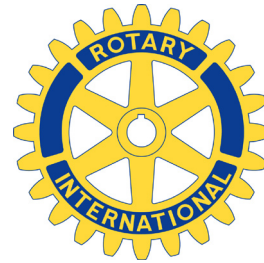
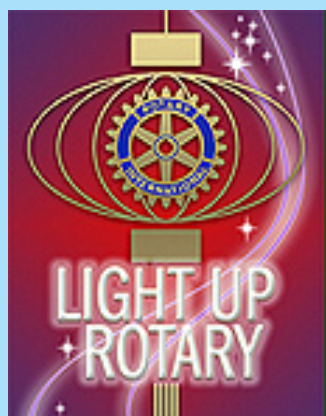


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*This Week — August 12, 2014*

## United Way of West Alabama

*2014 Campaign Kickoff Luncheon*



This week's Rotary meeting will be held in conjunction with the United Way of West Alabama's 2014 Campaign Kickoff Luncheon.

The meeting will be from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Bryant Conference Center.



## Last Week — July 29, 2014

Nimrod Frazer, retired investment banker and author, recounted the fascinating story of the 167th Infantry, an Alabama National Guard regiment that served under Douglas MacArthur as part of the Rainbow Division in World War I. The 167th was activated in June 1916 for service on the Mexican border and quickly earned a reputation for toughness before shipping overseas in late 1917. That toughness proved valuable at the Battle of Croix Rouge Farm, where the Allied forces, largely because of the Alabama regiment, were able to defeat the deeply entrenched and heavily armed enemy on July 26, 1918.

MacArthur later would say the 167th Alabama displayed a "galantry I do not believe has been surpassed in military history. It was one of the few occasions on which the bayonet was de-

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**AUGUST 19**

**Julie Magee**

Commissioner, Alabama  
Department of Revenue

**AUGUST 26**

**Terry Waters**

Executive Director of  
Workforce Development  
Alabama Community  
College System

**SEPTEMBER 2**

**Kristy Curry**

Head coach  
University of Alabama  
women's basketball

cisively used.” The Alabamians in the Rainbow Division were deployed for only five months, but during that time they not only engaged the Germans at Croix Rouge Farm, they aided in the defense of Paris.

Frazer, a Montgomery native, tells the history of the 167th in his book “Send the Alabamians: World War I Fighters in the Rainbow Division,” published in May by the University of Alabama Press. Frazer spent an extensive amount of time overseas researching his book, but also learned much from his father, who was a member of the 167th during the war.

### *At the head table*

**Nicolas Britto** – Pledge of Allegiance – Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Army, Retired

**John Jessup** – Introduction of Guests – Owner of Beacon Cleaning Services

**Randall Huffaker** – Invocation – President of Alchemist Branding

**Rhett Cooper** – Introduction of Guest Speaker – Vice President and Portfolio Manager with Regions Bank

### *Guests*

Guests of members included **Bromley Dyson**, guest of Buddy Moman; **Lance Wilson**, guest of Joe May; **Bill Wright**, guest of Jim Drake; **Dr. Peter Millett**, guest of Frank Deaver; **David Bennett**, guest of Nancy Jones; **Bobby Hathcock**, guest of Bill Lunsford. **Lisa Behring**, **David Yancey** and **Dominique Yancey** were guests of the club.



### *Announcements*

• Boilin' & Braggin', a Rotary District 6860 event, will be held Saturday, Aug. 16, at Otey's Tavern in Birmingham. The event benefits the Critical Care Transport Team at Children's of Alabama. They have encouraged the Tuscaloosa club to attend and we hope to see you all there!

- An Adopt-A-School golf tournament will be held Sept. 11 at Ol' Colony Golf Course. To participate, please sign up at an upcoming Rotary meeting or contact Camilla Canty.
- The club is looking for a piano player to play a little music before each meeting. If you would like to help out, please contact Chuck Turner.
- The club's board of directors will meet Wednesday, Aug. 20, at noon Indian Hills. This is a change from the regular board meeting date.

*New members to be inducted soon*

**Bill Wright** — Director of Prosthetics at Tuscaloosa Prosthetics and Orthotics (proposed by Jim Drake)

**Torrie Grelle** — Local Sales Manager at Charter Media (proposed by Mark Crews)

**Bromley Dyson** — Retired from Dyson Construction Company (proposed by Buddy Moman)

**Peter Millet** — President of Stillman College (proposed by Frank Deaver)

**Andrea Mayfield** — President of Shelton State Community College (proposed by Byron Abston)





## *Rotary Day* *West Alabama Food Bank*

*July 26, 2014*

In conjunction with International Rotary Day on Saturday, July 26, our club project was volunteering at the West Alabama Food Bank. More than 35 Rotarians turned out to help stock the food pantry and put together Secret Meals and brown bag meals for senior citizens.

Top: Susan Caples, Kathy Shepherd and Jerry Shepherd.

Left: Jim and Susan Drake.



Photos by Nicolas Britto



### **ABSENT? MAKING UP ATTENDANCE IS EASY ...**

- Visit with the Morning Rotary Club every Thursday at 7 a.m. 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, interactive event, etc.
- Make up at E-club online: [www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org).

**REPORT ALL MAKEUPS TO CLUB SECRETARY NANCY JONES**