

# The Nerve



A Weekly Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Tuscaloosa

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## This Week, December 11, 2012 Police Chief Steve Anderson

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Steven D. Anderson was selected as Chief of Police by Mayor Walt Maddox in August 2008. Anderson was sworn in on October 1, 2008, becoming the first African-American chief for the city's police

department. Chief Anderson has spent his entire law enforcement career with the Tuscaloosa Police Department, beginning as a patrol officer in 1994. Anderson moved quickly through ranks becoming an investigator, patrol sergeant, internal affairs lieutenant and captain. Chief Anderson brings to the job a wealth of experience, a spirit of compassion and a dedication to equality. Our mission is to serve all people within our jurisdiction with respect, fairness, and compassion. We are devoted to the prevention of crime, the protection of life and property, and the preservation of peace, order, and safety. To safeguard the constitutional rights of every citizen and the quality of life they have grown to expect by insuring that federal, state, and local laws are enforced in a fair, consistent, and swift manner. To work closely with the residents, businesses, civic groups, and other agencies to solve the problems of crime and the fear of crime; to provide crime prevention and education program; by incorporating the principles of community and problem oriented policing.

To fulfill our mission, the Tuscaloosa Police Department is dedicated to maintaining an efficient and effective organization for the administration of police services. We resolve to provide a quality work environment and the development of its members through effective, proactive, positive leadership and training.

## Last Week, December 4

Last week Rotarians welcomed **Sid McAnnalley** of Energen. Energen is the successor to a 130 year old company, Alagasco, who supplied natural gas to the middle third of the state of Alabama. Energen Resources is a 25 year old company that focused originally on the use of coal bed methane. Oil and natural gas are now primarily coming from Midwest TX.

There is a transition of energy sources going on. Natural gas has energy diversity between Industrial and Residential. In 2009 there was a significant change in energy in the US, due to the growth of energy from shale gas. Shale rock is extremely dense, but in the 2007/2008 time frame technology evolved from hydraulic fracturing to horizontal drilling. George Mitchell from TX discovered the process of horizontal drilling – an extremely precise technology. We new gas existed in shale – but did not know how to get it out efficiently.

The number of jobs created from this discovery has made it one of the fastest growing employment markets. Now because of this energy source, the Russians are being forced to negotiate since the US has such a large natural supply. Russia previously supplied most of Europe with energy. Now with shale gas the US will out produce gas and oil.

84 million barrels of oil are used by the world daily. 18 million are used by the US. Currently we produce 48% of the 18 million we consume. By 2030 we will out produce Saudi Arabia with this new technology, and we will import less and less. Southern Company burned more gas than coal for the first time ever in 2011. This is much more economical. You can see more info by visiting <http://www.fracfocus.org>



## At the Head Table, December 4

**Lowell Davis** (speaker intro), **Elizabeth Hartley** (guest intro), **Kim McMurray** (pledge), **Nancy Jones** (Invocation).



## Announcements

JG Brazil spoke regarding Rotarian John Shamblin who recently passed away. Although John had not been a Rotarian for that long, his obituary asked for memorial donations to be to the Rotary Foundation. The unique thing is that John wrote his own obituary, so he felt very strongly about this!

Warner announced that Brandt Montgomery is Father Montgomery after being ordained into priesthood this past Sunday at Canterbury.

Dean Moritz reminded everyone that Rotary "Bell Ringing Day" is Saturday 12/15/12 at Wal-Mart on Skyland. Sign up sheets were out at the registration table. We will do this a little differently this year – giving the opportunity for two people to buddy up at both entrances with a kettle.

The Christmas party is going to be on Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at the Cypress Inn Loft downtown and the charge will be \$25/person. It will go from 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. If people would like to sign up please e-mail Elizabeth Hartley how many guests they are bringing with them at [ehartley@ua.edu](mailto:ehartley@ua.edu) or by phone at 348-8376.



## Guests, December 4

Guests at the December 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Rotary Club of Tuscaloosa included: **Marty Wright** guest of Tina Jones, (Director of Sales/Marriott); **Danny Carroll** (Alagasco); **Karis Wilson**, guest of Carol Wright, (Branch Manager); **Fallon Franks & Donny Jones**, guests of Jim Page (Chamber of Commerce).



## Rotarian of the Week:

The Rotarian of the week was **Alan Hartley** who was introduced by his daughter Elizabeth Hartley. Alan has been a member of the Rotary Club of Tuscaloosa since 1979, when he was inducted by his dad, George Hartley.

Alan is a 1973 graduate of Tuscaloosa High School and is a 1977 graduate of the University of Alabama, where he graduated Magna Cum Laude with a degree in Accounting. He is currently a CPA at Morrison & Smith in Tuscaloosa. Alan has always lived in Tuscaloosa aside from a brief stay in Birmingham, right after he graduated college. He has been married to his wife, Carol, for 34 years and he has two children, Elizabeth and Stuart.

Alan is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, The Alabama Society of CPA's, the board of the Tuscaloosa Ballroom Dance Club, and he is a member of the Chamber of Commerce Finance Committee. Alan is also involved in several charitable organizations which include: being a board member of Habitat for Humanity-Tuscaloosa, a trustee, deacon, choir member, and member of the finance committee of Calvary Baptist Church; and he is the treasurer for the Alabama Health Care Hall of Fame.

While Alan's professional life keeps him very busy, when he has some down time, some of his favorite activities include; reading books involving American History; going fishing, primarily at his cabin in Fayette County; going hunting; and working out or weight lifting.

Alan says if he ever won the lottery he would first ask his wife if there was anything they needed. After that he would purchase a safe place to lock up the rest of the money after, of course, fulfilling his obligation to the Rotary International Foundation.

Some items on his bucket list include vacationing at a Dude Ranch, re-learning to play the trombone, visiting Normandy, and to go at least once to every Civil War battlefield in America.

“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](http://www.rotaryclubone.org).

REPORT ALL MAKEUPS TO CLUB SECRETARY NANCY JONES