

The Nerve

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This Week — August 2nd, 2016
New YMCA Site Visit
Ashley Waid, CEO



Ashley Waid of the Tuscaloosa YMCA will be giving the local Rotary Club a tour of the new YMCA facilities on August 2nd. Their location is downtown across from the main Post Office.

The YMCA of Tuscaloosa prides itself on the foundation of building healthy lives through individuals of all ages. It is important as society continues to change that the YMCA

continues to instill healthy goals and ideas into those members of society. A healthy spirit, mind, and body develops an individual into an overall health-conscious and well-rounded human being.

Our impact is felt when an individual makes a healthy choice, when a mentor inspires a child, and when a community comes together for the common good of all.



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

August 9th

Karen E. McElvy

Attorney, Rosen Harwood

August 16th

United Way Kick-Off

Bryant Conference Center



Address is 2300 13th Street Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

For more information go here - www.ymcatuscaloosa.org

Last Week — July 26th, 2016

Announcements:

- Rotarian George Hamner appreciated all the cards, phone calls, and visits on his birthday.
- Next week (8/2) Ashley Waid will be hosting our meeting at the new Downtown YMCA

Speaker:

- John Merrill, Secretary of State, addressed the club about a several accomplishments for his office since his election. Among them include increased efficiency in online business filings, widespread voter registration and photo ID issuance, and the fact that his office voluntarily opted out of receiving any funding from the State's general budget. In fact, since taking office on January 19, 2015, Secretary Merrill initiated an aggressive review of office expenditures and has reduced expenses of his office by approximately \$790,000.



John Merrill speaking at the Noon Rotary Club in Tuscaloosa.





Rotarian Elizabeth Hartley taking a picture with Secretary Merrill after his speech today. Thanks for coming to speak to our club sir!



At the head table

Invocation - Charlie Durham, **Pledge of Allegiance** - Buddy Moman. **Introduction of Guests** - Vikki Vandiver, **Introduction of Speaker** - Alan Hartley

Guests

Dominque Yancey - San Ramon Valley Rotary in California. **Dick Bradt** - Tuscaloosa Morning Club. **Bill Gosselin** - Guest of Wade Drinkard. **Autumn Bolton** - Guest of the Club. **Hannah McMurphy** - Steven Brewer. **Holly McMurphy-Brewer** - Guest of Steven Brewer. **Dr. Jim Ellison** - Guest of John Dix.

This Day in History - August 2nd

1776 - Members of the Continental Congress began adding their signatures to the Declaration of Independence.
1791 - Samuel Briggs and his son Samuel Briggs, Jr. received a joint patent for their nail-making machine. They were the first father-son pair to receive a patent.
1824 - In New York City, Fifth Avenue was opened.
1858 - In Boston and New York City the first mailboxes were installed along streets.
1861 - The United States Congress passed the first income tax. The revenues were intended for the war effort against the South. The tax was never enacted.
1887 - Rowell Hodge patented barbed wire.
1892 - Charles A. Wheeler patented the first escalator.
1921 - Eight White Sox players were acquitted of throwing the 1919 World Series.
1939 - Albert Einstein signed a letter to President Roosevelt urging the U.S. to have an atomic weapons research program.
1939 - U.S. President Roosevelt signed the Hatch Act. The act prohibited civil service employees from taking an active part in political campaigns.
1943 - The U.S. Navy patrol torpedo boat, PT-109, sank after being attacked by a Japanese destroyer. The boat was under the command of Lt. John F. Kennedy.
1987 - "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" was re-released. The film was 50 years old at the time of its re-release.
1990 - Iraq invaded the oil-rich country of Kuwait. Iraq claimed that Kuwait had driven down oil prices by exceeding production quotas set by OPEC.

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

Report all makeups to club secretary Caroline Williams at caroline.williams@bbva.com.

