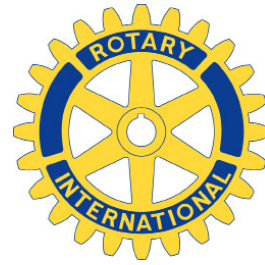


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This Week — April 18th, 2017

Steve Wiggins

Attorney



Steve Wiggins received his undergraduate degree from Samford University with a major in chemistry. After employment in the pharmaceutical industry, he returned to law school, where he served as an associate editor of the Law Review.

Steve joined Rotary in 1982 and served as Club President in 1989-90. He has served on the vestry of Christ Episcopal Church and the boards of the Community Soup

Bowl, West Alabama Aids Outreach and Counseling Ministry Professionals.

In forty years of law practice in Tuscaloosa, Steve has handled a broad range of litigation matters in state and federal court. In addition, he regularly represents clients in property matters, drafting of wills, trusts and other estate planning documents, probate estate administration, and other elder law matters.

Steve was born and raised in Andalusia and is married to the former Ann Ayer of Huntsville. Their daughter Caroline is a civil engineer with ALDOT and a former member of our club. Their son Raley is a lawyer in Montgomery and a member of the Montgomery Rotary Club.



Last Week — April 11th, 2017

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

April 18th
Steven Rumsey
Zoning Board

May 2nd
Rotary Intn'l House
Off Site Visit

Announcements:

- The next Honor Flight will be May 10. The flight to Washington will focus on Viet Nam era veterans.
- There are a few seats left on the next Honor Flight. This flight is designed to honor Viet Nam veterans.
- Our May 2nd meeting will be an off-site gathering at the Rotary International House on the UA campus
- Rotarian Pam Parker is the new interim director of the Boys and Girls Club.

Speaker Notes:

- Program Director Shannon Hubbard of Alabama REACH told Rotary club members that her organization's efforts to assist UA students who have been foster children, orphans, wards of the state or homeless, have been successful. She described REACH as a "ready-made family" for these students during their time on campus. Ms. Hubbard also said that there are numerous opportunities for volunteers at Alabama REACH.

At the head table

Invocation - Kirk Cornelius, **Pledge of Allegiance** - Mark Nelson, **Introduction of Guests** - Susan Caples, **Introduction of Speaker** - Jimmy Mixon.

Guests

Amanda McRae - Guest of Jacqueline Morgan.



This Day in History - April 18th

- 1521 - Martin Luther confronted the emperor Charles V in the Diet of Worms and refused to retract his views that led to his excommunication.
- 1676 - Sudbury, Massachusetts, was attacked by Indians.
- 1775 - American revolutionaries Paul Revere, William Dawes and Samuel Prescott rode through the towns of Massachusetts giving the warning that the Regulars were coming out. Later, the phrase “the British are coming” was attributed to Revere even though it is unlikely he used that wording.
- 1846 - The telegraph ticker was patented by R.E. House
- 1847 - U.S. troops defeated almost 17,000 Mexican soldiers commanded by Santa Anna at Cerro Gordo. (Mexican-American War)
- 1853 - The first train in Asia began running from Bombay to Tanna.
- 1861 - Colonel Robert E. Lee turned down an offer to command the Union armies during the U.S. Civil War.
- 1877 - Charles Cros wrote a paper that described the process of recording and reproducing sound. In France, Cros is regarded as the inventor of the phonograph. In the U.S., Thomas Edison gets the credit.
- 1895 - New York State passed an act that established free public baths.
- 1906 - San Francisco, CA, was hit with an earthquake. The original death toll was cited at about 700. Later information indicated that the death toll may have been 3 to 4 times the original estimate.
- 1910 - Walter R. Brookings made the first airplane flight at night.
- 1923 - Yankee Stadium opened in the Bronx, NY. The Yankees beat the Boston Red Sox 4-1. John Phillip Sousa’s band played the National Anthem.
- 1942 - James H. Doolittle and his squadron, from the USS Hornet, raided Tokyo and other Japanese cities.
- 1954 - Colonel Gamal Abdel Nasser seized power in Egypt.
- 1960 - The Mutual Broadcasting System was sold to the 3M Company of Minnesota for \$1.25 million.
- 1978 - The U.S. Senate approved the transfer of the Panama Canal to Panama on December 31, 1999.
- 1985 - Tulane University abolished its 72-year-old basketball program. The reason was charges of fixed games, drug abuse, and payments to players.
- 2000 - The Nasdaq had the biggest one-day point gain in its history.
- 2002 - The city legislature of Berlin decided to make Marlene Dietrich an honorary citizen. Dietrich had gone to the United States in 1930. She refused to return to Germany after Adolf Hitler came to power.

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.

