### JANUARY IS ROTARY AWARENESS MONTH

#### **NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS FOR ROTARIANS**

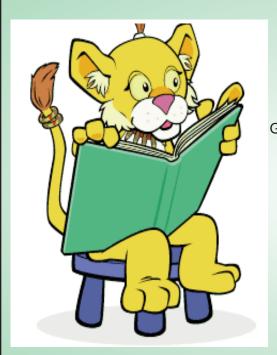
Invite a friend, colleague, or community leader to a Rotary Lunch.
Share with someone you know about the 200 million challenge to eradicate Polio or other great programs Rotary is involved in.
Register for the District Conference online at www.rotary6840.org
Register online to assist with the RI Convention in New Orleans in 2011 www.rotary.org
Sign-up to become a Paul Harris Fellow. Automatic withdrawals, of any amount, can be set by filling out a form on the District web site www.rotary6840.org
Wear your Rotary Pin every Tuesday

- ☐ Attend meetings regularly or makeup online at www.rotary.org (be sure to make a note to Lamar on the sign in sheet when you makeup meetings so they will be counted).
- □ Be more actively involved in projects.
- Contribute your ideas to the board for future projects and speakers.

#### FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE......

Jared Eastlack has been proposed for membership by Janice Touchstone. Jared is an attorney with Bryan, Nelson. David Johnson, Chairman of The First Bank has also been proposed for membership.

Please let a board member know if you have any questions regarding those proposed for member-



# READING BETWEEN THE LIONS LITERACY PROGRAM

Don't miss the opportunity to read to the 4 year old classes at the Gandy Center. There are 2 classes with about 15 children in a class You can read one or more stories and it only takes about 15 to 20 minutes.

The students are excited and eager to have stories read to them. We are looking for readers every week -Tuesday or Friday morn-

> The Gandy Child Development Center 2201 South 28th Avenue Extension

See Eric Graham if you have questions or want to sign up to read one day.



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District 6840

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"SERVICE ABOVE SELF"

### **MINUTES FROM 1/05/2010**

President Mary Cromartie presided over the meeting.

Mike Ratliff gave the invocation and Todd Mixon led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mary then led the club in and the Four Way Test.

Gene Owens introduced a number of visiting Rotarians and guests of Rotary members. They were all welcomed.

Thanks to Freddy Walter and Conrad Welker who served as our greeters.

Members were reminded about the District Midyear Checkup meeting in Waveland on January 9, 2010. They were also reminded that they can use service hours (Bell Ringing or reading for Literacy Project) to substitute for missed meetings. Remember to note hours of service on the sign-in sheet at meetings. More members were encouraged to sign up as readers for the Literacy Project. Wallace Weakley explained how the reading program worked and how much the children enjoyed participat-

Bill McLeod provided a membership report and announced members with perfect attendance records for November and December 2009.

#### LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

Bill Tolbert introduced today's guest speaker, Mark Taylor, Dean of the Charles Pickering Honors Institute at Jones County Community College. Dr. Taylor is also the Director of Choral Activities for JCCC.

Dr. Taylor discussed the development of the Honors College at JCCC. He researched other Honors Colleges at two-year colleges across the country in order to select an effective model. This is the second year of the Honors College at JCCC. Requirements to be included in the Honors College include: GPA of 3.5 or higher and/or an ACT score of 26 or more. Students may also qualify by being

among the top percentile of their class.

The students involved in the Honors College are afforded many opportunities. Each student must take at least one honors course each semester: Leadership Training principles and perform a minimum of ten hours of volunteer service each semester. Students are currently involved in "Souls for Souls," "Invisible Children," and a benefit program for Cystic Fibrosis. Many of the students invest at least 20 hours of community service each semester. 45 students are currently involved in the program.

In addition, the Honors College at JCCC invites nationally known speakers for a speakers series held at the school. All students and community members are invited to attend the series. In addition, students in the program have been afforded the opportunity to travel with the program. JCCC has had several generous contributions made that offset the students' personal travel expenses. The students have indicated how these travel experiences have broadened their horizons beyond their expectations.

Dr. Taylor hopes that these Honor's student graduates will be able to attend state universities on scholarship. He feels that they will be an asset to our state and to our country.

Mary thanked Dr. Taylor for today's program and adjourned the meeting with our motto; "service above self."

#### TODAY'S PROGRAM

#### WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

Dean: Michael K Murphy, D.O., FACOFP, dist., FAODME

Michael K. Murphy, D.O., FACOFP, dist., FAODME is a 1973 graduate of the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine. He received his Bachelors of Science from King's College in Wilkes-Barre in 1969.

Dr. Murphy was commissioned an Ensign in the United States Navy in 1970 and did his internship and residency in Family Practice at Navy Hospital Camp Pendleton, CA. During his over twenty-nine years of service in the Navy he was stationed all over the United States and the world and served as the Commanding Officer of a Navy Hospital. Retiring as a Captain in the United States Navy Medical Corps in 1998, he took the position of Dean of the College of Osteopathic Medicine at Des Moines University.

In 2000 he was recruited to the Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine as Professor in Family Medicine, Associate Dean for Post graduate Studies and Executive Director for the Appalachian Osteopathic Postgraduate Training Institute Consortium. July 1, 2003, he was appointed as Associate Dean for Postgraduate Training and Associate Dean for Clinical Sciences in 2006 at PCSOM.

Dr. Murphy was appointed the Vice President and founding Dean for at the William Carey University College of Osteopathic Medicine in January of 2008. The American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians granted Dr. Murphy his Fellowship in 2000 and his distinguished Fellowship in 2007. The Association of Osteopathic Directors and Medical Educators (AODME) awarded Dr Murphy his Fellowship in May of 2007. Currently, Dr. Murphy serves the osteopathic profession as Trustee of the American Osteopathic Association. He also serves as a Trustee of the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners (NBOME) and the AODME.

#### IMPORTANT DATES

Jan 12 Dr. Michael Murphy - William Carey University Jan 19 **DeLois Smith - DeLois Smith All Star Team** Jan 26

The University of Southern Mississippi Spirit of Southern

Men's Capella Group



# Meeting Dates for Area Clubs

## Monday

Bay Springs - 12:00 City Hall Bolton - 7:30 Methodist Church Collins - 12:00 Cedars Restaurant Ellisville - 12:00 J.C.J.C. Cafeteria Jackson - 12:00 MS Museum of Art Lucedale - 12:00 MS Gulf Coast Community College Cafeteria Petal - 12:00 Civic Center

South Hinds County - 12:00

BoDons Catfish & Seafood

# Tuesday

Columbia - 12:00 The Backdoor Restaurant Flowood - 12:00 River Oaks Hospital Laurel - 12:00 Laurel Country Club North Jackson - 12:00 St. James Episcopal Church

# Wednesday

Country Fisherman

Clinton - 12:00 **Baptist Health Plex** Gluckstadt - 12:00 Parker House Restaurant Hattiesburg Sunrise - 7:00 Wesley Medical Center Cafeteria Heidelberg - 12:00 Library Poplarville - 12:00 Pearl River C.C. Cafeteria Richton - 12:00 Magnolia Restaurant Wavnesboro - 12:00 Western Sizzlin Prentiss - 12:00

#### Thursday Madison-Ridgeland - 12:00

Steam Room Grill I55 N Jackson Taylorsville - 12:00 MS Power Co. Building Wiggins - 12:00 Gulf Coast C.C. Cafeteria

#### Friday

Rankin County - 12:00 Rankin Co. Med. Ctr. Annex Slidell, LA - 12:00 Pinewood Country Club