

Newsletter of The Rotary Club of Hattiesburg



Lighting Longleaf—Leadership Pinebelt

The goal of Lighting Longleaf is to create a campaign to fund the purchase and installation of lights on the new extension of the Longleaf Trace. Our group recognized this as a major need for improved safety and saw it as an opportunity for increased access to commerce and recreational use. We are looking for community support and are excited to share the details of our project with the Rotary Club.

We are in the process of raising \$50,000.00 through sponsorship packages and private donations. As another means of raising funds, our group is hosting a Glow Run event this September 15th at 7:00pm.

Steve Clark, Owner, Emerge Events

Jeff Cook, General Counsel, Forrest General Hospital

Lisa Salcedo, Officer/Manager, Hancock Bank

Logan Grubbs, Marketing, Willmut Gas

Vanessa Henson, Christian Services



4th Annual
Bike-A-Thon
September 24,
2016

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Minutes of the July 19, 2016 Meeting of The Rotary Club of Hattiesburg

President Jaclyn Adams presided over the meeting. Thanks to Conrad Welker who gave the invocation and to Bill MacLauchlan who led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Thanks to Gene Owens and Freddy Walter who served as our greeters today.

Tracie Fowler introduced our guests. Lamar Evans has his son William as his guest today. Jaclyn Adams has Nathan Wallace who will be inducted as a new member next week as her guest. She also has Brandon Hodges, a former Petal Rotarian President as her guest. Brandon has submitted a membership transfer application to become a Hattiesburg Rotarian.

Tracie also noted that she continues to look for volunteers who will serve during upcoming membership meetings. Anyone interested should see her.

Ryan Kelly asked for volunteers to serve a program chair for the month of September. If you're interested, please see him.

Jaclyn announced that Robert and Audra Cummings have announced the birth of the newest Cummings family member. She was born on July 1. She also reported that our District Governor will attend the regular meeting on August 30th to hear about our club's 100 Hours of Service Projects. These projects are to be completed between January 1 and April 10 next year..

Sean Priebe then talked to the club about disentangleAD, the non-profit organization that this year's Bike-a-Thon sponsorship proceeds will benefit. The organization is designed to help the families of those who are suffering with Alzheimer's and/or Dementia. The organization's board is working to generate sponsorship dollars along with what our club can generate. A goal of \$30,000 has been established for this year's sponsorship level. If your company hasn't signed up yet or if you know of a company that would be interested, please complete one of the sponsorship applications or pass

one along. There is much more information on our website at www.rotaryofhattiesburg.com.

Wes Brooks then introduced today's guest speaker Sarah Case-Price. Sarah is the director of the Children's Center for Communication and Development however today she is speaking to the club about her Leadership Pinebelt group's project. Leadership Pinebelt fosters new and emerging leaders in our community. Each group has to come up with a community service project.

Sarah's group's project is Person First A Special Needs Expo. The concept is to connect individuals from the Pinebelt with special needs and their caregivers to local and state organizations who efforts assist individuals in achieving their maximum potential and attaining a rich quality of life.

Sarah says there are many people in our community in need of special services and may not know what services are available to them. She also notes that there are agencies in the area that are offering services that other agencies are unaware of. The Expo will attempt to bring them all together under one roof.

Sarah notes that the group hopes to generate enough money with the first Expo to fully fund one for next year.

If you are interested in participating in this event at any level, please visit their website at www.personfirstexpo.com.

Jaclyn then adjourned today's meeting with our motto, "Service Above Self."

PERSON FIRST—A SPECIAL NEEDS EXPO

AUGUST 20, 2016

PRCC FORREST COUNTY CENTER

HIGHWAY 49 SOUTH

According to the group, One in five Mississippians is affected by a medical, mental, or psychological disability—but those diagnoses don't always come with how-to-guides or a clear path to community networks. Therefore, the Expo seeks to connect individuals in the Pinebelt to the organizations that



Pictured are: Richard Carlisle, Sarah Case-Price, Lauren Richards, Krystal Phillips, Ellen Beilmann—members of the Leadership Pinebelt group Class of 2016 and Wes Brooks, Rotary Club.

Upcoming Programs

August 2—Kristen Reimert & Staci Cox

Leadership Pinebelt—Smart Space

August 9—Sarah Holifield—Domestic Abuse Shelter



3 Minutes of Awesome

Today's Three Minutes of Awesome features Jim Prout. Jim is with Christian Services and continues to seek one Rotarian who will volunteer for a Meals-on-Wheels route. The route will only require about 45 minutes on one day of each month. Nathan Wallace agreed to take the route. Jim also noted that his parents Bill and Cookie Prout will be the guest speakers at Christian Services' Annual Banquet. Christian Services was founded thirty years ago by the Prouts. Jim noted that he would be honored to have a large Rotarian presence at the Tuesday, August 30 banquet at Southern Oaks.

Foundation, Membership & Public Relations Workshop August 26, 2016

Pearl River Community College , 101 US-11 , Poplarville, MS 39475

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