

Spokes

July 07, 2010
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GOLF TOURNAMENT BAR-B-QUE TICKET NOW ON SALE

Dr. Ted Harden, Jr, Optometrist Sponsors Rotary's Annual Golf Scramble

Saturday, July 31st - Timberton Golf Course
Proceeds benefit ARC of Forrest County

Shotgun Start
1pm



4 Man
Scramble
\$100/player

Please see Erik
Graham
for application
form

Sponsorship
Opportunities
Available

Food and Drinks to follow tournament

PLAYERS AND SPONSORS NEEDED!

ROTARY BAR-B-QUE



Saturday, July 31, 2010
5:30 pm—7:00 pm
Timberton Golf Course Club House
Plates include: pulled pork sandwich, chips,
baked beans, cookie and drink

The Arc

Tickets are \$10 per plate
Players eat FREE!

POLIO MATCHING GRANT

50/50 Raffle for Polio Plus Challenge

Our club has committed to raise \$33 per member to meet the Gates Foundation Matching Grant Challenge.

Currently Raised \$214

Each week we will have numbered tickets for sale and then at the end of the meeting draw one winner who will receive half of the proceeds from that days ticket sales.

One ticket is \$5 or
buy 4 get one free
\$20 get 5 tickets



PEPSI 25K CHALLENGE

We are automatically entered again for the July voting challenge.

VOTING ends July 31th.
Currently we are in 63rd Place.
Please vote DAILY so we can be in the top 10!

Proceeds would purchase
16 Reading Between The Lions Kits
The kits would be used at various daycares in our District.



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Meeting Dates for Area Clubs

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Bay Springs - 12:00	Columbia - 12:00	Clinton - 12:00	Madison-Ridgeland - 12:00
City Hall	The Backdoor Restaurant	Baptist Health Plex	Steam Room Grill 155 N
Bolton - 7:30	Flowood - 12:00	Gluckstadt - 12:00	Jackson
Methodist Church	River Oaks Hospital	Parker House Restaurant	Taylorville - 12:00
Collins - 12:00	Laurel - 12:00	Hattiesburg Sunrise - 7:00	MS Power Co. Building
Cedars Restaurant	Laurel Country Club	Wesley Medical Center Cafeteria	Wiggins - 12:00
Ellisville - 12:00	North Jackson - 12:00	Heidelberg - 12:00	Gulf Coast C.C. Cafeteria
J.C.J.C. Cafeteria	St. James	Library	
Jackson - 12:00	Episcopal Church	Poplarville - 12:00	Friday
MS Museum of Art		Pearl River C.C. Cafeteria	Rankin County - 12:00
Lucedale - 12:00		Richton - 12:00	Rankin Co. Med. Ctr. Annex
MS Gulf Coast Community		Magnolia Restaurant	Slidell, LA - 12:00
College Cafeteria		Waynesboro - 12:00	Pinewood Country Club
Petal - 12:00		Western Sizzlin	
Civic Center		Prentiss - 12:00	
South Hinds County - 12:00		Country Fisherman	
BoDons Catfish & Seafood			

Make up online @
www.rotary.org

District 6840

Club Number 04003

Organized 1918

ROTARY YEAR
2010-2011

OFFICERS

BILL MCLEOD
President

ROBERT CUMMINGS
President-Elect

MAURA MCLAUGHLIN
Vice-President

PATRICK WARD
Secretary - Treasurer

LAMAR EVANS
Executive Secretary

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Term Expiring - June 30, 2011

Janice Touchstone
Gene Owens
Mike Ratliff
Aime Spear

Past President:
Mary Cromartie

Term Expiring - June 30, 2012

Jaclyn Adams
Greg Buie
Scott Hummell
Dan Kibodeaux

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A CENTURY OF SERVICE



A NEW CENTURY OF SUCCESS

“SERVICE ABOVE SELF”

MINUTES FROM 6/29/2010

President Mary Cromartie presided over the meeting.

Thank you to Steve Ramp, who gave a beautiful invocation and to Richard Topp who led the Club in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mary then led members in the Four Way Test.

Gene Owens introduced today's visitors and guests. Bob Riley introduced both of his daughters, Mary Riley and Christy Riley-Mitchell. Brian Moore brought his guest, Michael Griffin. Bill McLeod introduced his mother, Bebe McLeod, and three of his office team members – Melissa Holder, Terry Foxx, and Brad Stinson. Gene welcomed each of today's visitors and thanked them for showing their support of our past, current and future leaders.

Special thanks to our greeters for today, who were Richard Jones and Mike Collins.

Mary encouraged all Club members to make sure their accounts are paid up-to-date within the next week! It is important that every cause that we have pledged to help is followed through with before the end of this fiscal year. We don't want to let any of them down. If you need to find out what your balance is, please contact the management office at 601.582.3330.

Aime Spears reminded everyone that the Polio Plus campaign is still selling raffle tickets and that each member is pledged to contributing \$33 this year. If you have not yet contributed, please do so very soon and indicate Polio Plus on your check made out to the Rotary Foundation. Aime then presented 5 tickets to Blue Bayou Water Park in Baton Rouge to auction off at the meeting. The winning bidder was Steve Ramp for \$50 – thank you Steve.

Eric Graham reminded members that the Golf Tournament is in four weeks; on July 31st. We have over 100 Club members, and if each member would just recruit one sponsor or one player, this fundraiser will be a great success. All proceeds will go to ARC.

Mary asked all Sustaining Members to stand in recognition. A great number of members stood. Mary thanked them for their generosity. A Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member is a person who contributes \$100 or more per year to the Foundation's Annual Programs Fund. 100 % of all gifts given to the Foundation go to the Annual Programs Fund and are eligible for and count cumulatively toward the Foundation's various recognition programs, including recognition as a Paul Harris Fellow after \$1,000 has been contributed. Two new Paul Harris Fellows were also recognized – Joe Meador and Mary Cromartie.

Bill McLeod spoke about our Club's membership and how it has grown. Mary's membership goal for 2009/2010 was to grow our membership by a net gain of 5 members. A year ago at this time, our Club had 118 members. Today, we have 118 members; 19 of which are new members. Mike Ratliff introduced three of the new members as part of the Membership Challenge implemented last year. We hope that all future prospects will also represent Rotary's core values of service, fellowship, and integrity. We want all of our members to take active roles in any future fundraising event, and participate in any of our many wonderful projects.

If anyone has an interest in becoming an officer or a director, you are encouraged to attend the Rotary District Conference in New Orleans on October 15th and 16th. You will learn much

more about Rotary and the various avenues of service and club leadership.

Bill announced the resigning of Billy Scruggs and Bill Pace. He thanked both gentlemen for their service and their dedication and wished them both well. The members gave the men a round of applause. Bill also mentioned that the month of May only saw a 65% attendance record. He encouraged the members to increase that number.

Mary spoke about all of the wonderful projects that have taken place in the last year. Reading Between the Lions Program, Water Project for clean water in Haiti, Polio Plus Challenge, R.Y.L.A., Shelter Box for Disasters, \$10k donation to the Children's Development Center at USM, and so many others. She appreciates all members' hard work and dedication to make these a success. She believes our Club is a very talented group who will continue to do great things for our community.

Richard Topp (Past-President and Awards Committee Representative) presented this year's awards –

The Hannah Award (Rotarian of the Year) was presented to Aime Spears

The Gwyn Award (Non-Rotarian of the Year) was presented to Carlton "Corky" Palmer

The Young-Rotarian of the Year Award....will be presented at a future meeting.

Richard then presented Mary Cromartie with her Paul Harris Fellow Pin, a Past-President plaque, and a travel alarm clock as a gift. He also presented Corky Palmer with a Paul Harris certificate.

Mary recognized this past year's Board members: Wallace Weakley, Eric Graham, Richard Topp, and Steve Ramp. She thanked them and said our Club has been blessed by their service and that they are great examples of our motto – Service above Self.

District 6840 Deputy Governor, Mike Ratliff, introduced and installed the new officers and directors for the coming year – Bill McLeod: President, Robert Cummings: President-Elect, Maura McLaughlin: Vice-President, Patrick Ward: Secretary-Treasurer, and Board members Janice Touchstone, Aime Spears, Gene Owens, Dan Kibodeaux, Greg Buie, Jaclyn Adams (absent), and Scott Hummell.

Mary Cromartie and Bill McLeod exchanged pins. Bill commended Mary on a job well done this past year. During Mary's tenure, the Club added 19 new members. She implemented a strategic leadership plan, helped to amend our By-Laws, received a Presidential Citation award, and established and contributed to countless charities. Mary established an almost-perfect attendance record at the Board meetings, where she graciously served home-cooked meals. She has inspired each of us to become better Rotarians and she certainly exemplifies our motto: Service above Self. In closing, Bill thanked each of our outgoing Board members for their service and dedication and asked them to join him in thanking Mary.

Aime drew the winner of the Polio Plus 50/50. Gene Owens was the winner and contributed his winnings to the Polio Plus Campaign. Bill adjourned the meeting wishing all members the greatest of success in working to fulfill the new years' Rotarian theme: "Building Communities – Bridging Continents".

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

Bio Of **Chester M. (Bo) Morgan**, University Professor and Professor of History, University of Southern Mississippi

Bo was born in Hattiesburg, Mississippi on August 28, 1949. He received his B.S. in history from the University of Southern Mississippi in 1971, his M.S. in history from USM in 1974. and his Ph.D. in history from Memphis State University, now the University of Memphis in 1982. He held the positions of Director of Oral History and Assistant Professor of History, USM from 1982-89; Visiting Assistant Professor of History, University of Kentucky from 1991-94; Associate Professor of History, Delta State University from 1994-98; and Professor and Chairman of History, DSU from 1998-2009.

Bo's publications include:

Redneck Liberal: Theodore G. Bilbo and the New Deal (L.S.U. Press, 1985), won the Frederick Jackson

Turner Award, given annually by the Organization of

American Historians for the best book on American history by a first-time author.

Dearly Bought, Deeply Treasured: The University of Southern Mississippi, 1912-1987 (University Press of Mississippi, 1987)

A Priceless Heritage: The Story of Mississippi Power Company (Mississippi Power Company, 1993)

Treasured Past, Golden Future: The Centennial History of The University of Southern Mississippi (University Press of Mississippi, 2010)

Manuscript in progress on Mississippi, 1917-1945, for Mississippi Historical Society's Heritage of Mississippi Series

He is married to the former Mary Jane Hornsby of Natchez, Mississippi and has three sons: Joel; Brandon, by whom he has granddaughter Graysen and grandson Noah; and Davis, who is a senior at Southern Miss.

Bo will give us an entertaining and humorous talk about the famous (and infamous) Mississippi leaders who shaped the landscape of state politics with their colorful personalities and legislation.

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.....

Please continue to invite people who you feel are leaders in their profession and our community to become Rotary Members. Robert Cummings has the membership application and can email it to you. Applications for membership should be submitted to Robert then the Membership Committee will approve the application. The prospective member's name will then be published in the Spokes for 2 weeks. If anyone in the club have questions about the proposed member they can see a board member. Current Membership 118.

IMPORTANT DATES

July 13 Ken Thompson - Shelter Box
July 20 Dr. William Gullung
July 27 Bill McLeod and Robert Cummings
July 31 Rotary Golf Tournament at Timberton



READING BETWEEN THE LIONS LITERACY PROGRAM

We are looking for reading volunteers every week on Tuesday or Friday mornings.



The Gandy Child Development Center
 2201 South 28th Avenue Extension
 601-268-0808

email Dan Kibodeaux to sign up
 unitedwaydj@megagate.com

Usually takes 30 minutes or less
 to read a book or two.

The kids really enjoy being read to! Don't miss out.
 This program supports our campaign for Literacy.

Date	Volunteer	Volunteer
Friday, 6/11 9:30am	Wes Brooks, Audra Cummings	
Tuesday, 6/15 9:30am		
Friday, 6/18 9:30am	Wes Brooks, Kristy Gould	Bill Mac Lauchlan, Bill Hughes
Tuesday, 6/22 9:30am	Shawn Jones	
Thursday, 6/24 9:30am		
Tuesday, 6/29 9:30am	Sean Priebe, Mike Ratliff, Scott Hummell	
Thursday 7/1 9:30am		
Tuesday, 7/6 9:30am	Janice Touchstone	
Thursday, 7/8 9:30am		Bill Mac Lauchlan, Bill Hughes
Tuesday, 7/13 9:30am	Chris Price, Jaclyn Adams	