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NEWSLETTER OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF HATTIESBURG



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## TODD WATSON

### MILAM S. "SONNY 34" COTTEN "NEW ROTARIAN"

Awarded to a dedicated Rotarian who has been a member of the club for less than three years. This award is named for Dr. Milam "Sonny 34" Cotton, a dedicated Rotarian who lived to serve. Dr. Cotton was the last member of this club to rise to the level of District Governor.



## MIKE DIXON

### BILL GWYN NON-ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR

Our club's best attempt to look beyond our membership. It is our opportunity to recognize someone from our region who exemplifies our club's values, our commitment to service, and the empowerment of those less fortunate.



## SEAN PRIEBE

### JOE SPELL "SPIRIT OF ROTARY" RECIPIENT

The Joe Spell "Spirit of Rotary" Award — Presented to a club member for their service not only to the Rotary Club of Hattiesburg, but to the community as well. This honor is named for Hattiesburg Rotarian, Joe Spell, who displayed a consistent, enthusiastic passion for the Rotary Club of Hattiesburg and Rotary International.



## BILL MACLAUHLAN

### T. C. HANNAH ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR

Given in recognition of their outstanding service and unwavering dedication to the Rotary Club of Hattiesburg. T. C. Hannah, charter member and first president of the Rotary Club of Hattiesburg.



## D.G. NOMINATIONS OPEN

District Governor nominations for the 2018-2019 Rotary year are now open. All supporting documentation must be received no later than August 7, 2015. Email submissions will not be accepted.

The documents should be mailed to:

*PDG Karen Babin, Dist. Exec. Asst.  
900 South Peters, Loft 13  
New Orleans, LA 70130*

All applicants must participate in an interview. The interviews are being conducted at Pearl River Community College on Saturday, August 29, following the Foundation, PR and Membership seminar.

The documents to be completed:

*DG Nominee Form  
DG Nominee Club Resolution  
DG Applicant Certification*

It is, without doubt, the ride of your life. If you've ever wanted to make a difference and lead Rotarians there's no better time than today!

## OUR GUEST



## CHRIS BUCKHALTER

At the age of 23, Chris Buckhalter was incarcerated and spent time in the Mississippi State Penitentiary. He learned from experience that you can be categorized by the company that you keep. His incarceration has enabled him to broaden his perspective on life and realize his responsibilities to others as well as himself. Prior to his incarceration he had thriving opportunities in athletics as well as academics.

Buckhalter attended the University of Southern Mississippi where he was a premiere athlete before his world began to change for the worse. Today, his desire is to help others realize their abilities and to encourage them to believe in themselves. He has shared his life story with hundreds and uses his new found optimism to encourage others who are walking on the same unsteady ground that he once traveled.

### JULY 14

Chris Wooten-  
Saenger Theatre

### JULY 21

John McFarland  
American Red Cross

### AUGUST 11

Dr. Randy Henderson &  
Justice Duhon  
March of Dimes

### AUGUST 29

District Foundation, P.r. &  
membership seminars

### SEPTEMBER 8

John Cornwell  
District Governor

### OCTOBER 10

3<sup>rd</sup> annual  
Rotary Club  
BIKE-A-THON



# ROTARY CLUB OF HATTIESBURG BIKE-A-THON

OCT. 10, 2015 - LONGLEAF TRACE

BENEFITTING  
**EXTRA  
TABLE**

REFRESHMENTS



CATERING



POST RACE  
EVENT AT



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