

MEETING OF JUNE 17, 2008
Minutes of Meeting of June 10, 2008

- President Freddy Walter presided over the meeting.
- Heath Hillman offered an invocation. Jerry Buti led the Club in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Our Greeter for today was Kristy Gould and Larry LeBlanc. Thank you.
- Valerie Sartin welcomed visiting Rotarians and guests:
 - Bob Riley brought his daughters, Maryb and Christen Riley.
 - David Davies was a guest of Perrin Lowrey.
 - Tom Smith was a guest of Bill McLeod.
 - Erik Lowrey was a guest of his son, Shawn Lowrey.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1) Freddy introduced Heath Hillman to give his classification talk. Heath is from Moss point MS and his wife, Elgen is from Leakesville MS. They currently live in Hattiesburg with their two daughters. Heath is an attorney for Aultman, Tyner, Ruffin, Bell and Swetman LTD. law firm.

LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

Today's program is the proud work from President Freddy Walter and Kristy Gould. One year ago, they started a project to help the Lamar County Fire Department purchase two AED's. Today brought that work to light. Kristy introduced George Stevens and Beverly Courtney. Freddy Walter presented George Stevens with a check for

\$4,000.00 from the Rotary Club to help purchase two AEDs.

George Stevens gave a brief overview of what the machines can do. To date, the machines have saved four lives that they believe would not have lived if the AED had not been used. They do not count a life saved if the patient does not leave the hospital with the same life style as before the trauma. Currently there are approximately 225 volunteer firefighters in Lamar County. Only half are trained for first response emergency medical. With 5 to 10% of what they do attributed to fighting fires, training in first response emergency medical is critical. Treatment for a cardiac arrest in the first 3 to 5 minutes gives a 60% chance of surviving. Beverly Courtney urges everyone to take a four-hour CPR class.

The Lamar County Fire Department has grants in the amount of 1.9 million for stations and \$500,000.00 for the purchase of trucks. There are currently 17 fire stations in the county. With the grants, eight fire stations and 10 new trucks are in the works.

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

Our speaker this week is Dr. Michael K. Murphy, Vice President and founding Dean of the College of Osteopathic Medicine at William Carey University. Dr. 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 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.

MESSAGE TO NEW MEMBERS OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF HATTIESBURG

Welcome! As a new member, you'll get a chance to become more involved in your community and to provide aid to other parts

of the world through the opportunities that your Rotary club and Rotary International offer.

Longtime Rotarians agree that involvement is key to getting the most out of membership. Volunteer to serve on a committee that meets your interests, to be a greeter for weekly club meetings, or to join a service project team. These activities will help you get to know your fellow club members and better understand the work of Rotary.

At 40, Rotaract's past paves bright future for Rotary

By Ryan Hyland
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After praising [Rotaract's](#) first 40 years of service, Rotary International President Wilfrid J. Wilkinson honored seven of this year's most innovative and successful club projects during the Rotaract Preconvention Meeting in Los Angeles.

As Wilkinson spoke, he marveled at Rotaract's growth. "Forty years ago, I don't think anyone had any idea how very valuable this program would become. Hundreds of thousands of young professionals from all over the world have come together for fellowship and fun."

Wilkinson's address reflected the positive influence Rotaract has had on Rotary's past, present, and future. "The enthusiasm of Rotaractors is an encouragement to us all," he said. "The future of Rotary is Rotaract.

"But most important, its members have made an enormous impact on the

communities locally and the ones around the world,” Wilkinson said.

Echoing Wilkinson’s sentiment, RI President-elect Dong Kurn Lee told Rotaractors, “The best Rotaract club projects are some of Rotary’s best projects, often with little resources. Rotaract has been a wonderful success.”

Wilkinson presented the 2008 Outstanding Rotaract Project awards, lauding the recipients for their international reach and tangible results.

Seven clubs were selected to receive international and regional awards.

The international award went to the Rotaract clubs of Barcelona, Barcelona Mediterráneo, and Abad Oliba-Condal, all from District 2210 (Spain). Rotaractors provided underprivileged communities in Guinea-Bissau with solar electricity for medical, educational, and vocational uses. They also donated vaccines and other medical health supplies as part of a long-term development project.

The regional winners for 2008 are:

- Rotaract Club of Johannesburg, South Africa -- Members walked 500 miles to create awareness of HIV/AIDS orphans and raise funds for organizations and programs assisting them.

- Rotaract Club of Manila, Philippines -- Club members organized several fundraising events to help provide impoverished children the educational materials and inspiration needed to succeed in school and in life.
- Rotaract Club of Kayseri, Turkey -- The 16-member club teamed up with an eye doctor to provide ophthalmic exams to more than 2,100 elementary schoolchildren. They also raised funds for medication and eyeglasses.
- Rotaract Club of Bangalore Jayanagar, India -- The club organized a sporting event for approximately 350 physically and mentally disabled young adults.
- Rotaract Club of Paranaguá-Rocio, Brazil -- Impoverished schoolchildren received computer literacy training from club members in an effort to improve educational performance.
- Rotaract Club of the University of Lethbridge, Canada -- During the club’s annual dinner and silent auction event, Rotaractors raised more than US\$25,000 for a microcredit project in Costa Rica.

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