MARK YOUR CALENDAR

June 14th Club Assembly

June 21st **Awards Program**

Speaker Scott Hummel

June 27th 6pm Board Meeting, Bill McLeod's Mother's

House 108 Bedford Road

June 28th 11:30 New Board Installation -

Lunch in Honor of Milam Cotton

WEEKLY FOUNDATION RAFFLE

each week to help raise funds for the Foundation and also Polio Plus. The raffle has averaged \$50 per week and has Ph.D. in Biblical Backgrounds and Archaeology in 1996. generated more than \$2,000 for the Rotary Foundation this He taught at Southwestern Seminary as an adjunct profesyear. Many thanks to those who have donated items and sor, taught at Grace Preparatory Academy, and served as purchased the raffle tickets.

To donate items call Scott 601-318-6497 or 601-466-6156 (cell).

All Board Members (including incoming)

Please plan to attend the Board Meeting, June 28th, 6 p.m. at Mrs. McLeod's home. Address 108 Bedford Road Dinner will be served so please rsvp to Bill McLeod.

READING BETWEEN THE LIONS LITERACY PROGRAM

Volunteers needed each week on Monday or Wednesday mornings at 9:30 to read children's books to Pre-Schoolers. Read for about 20-30 minutes.

June Reading Volunteers Needed!

Volunteer

Jerome Brown

Robert Cummings

Richard Jones

Chris Price

Mary Cromartie

Wally Weakley

Jerome Brown



Date

Wed. 6/1

Mon, 6/6

Wed, 6/8

Wed. 6/15 9:30am

Mon. 6/20

9:30am Wed. 6/22

The Family Y -Veterans Memorial Blvd. 601-268-0808 Call Dan Kibodeaux or sign up at lunch meetings or email dan@Unitedwaysems.org call **601-545-7141**

Volunteer

Wally Weakley

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TODAY'S SPEAKER

Bio of Scott Hummel

Scott Hummel grew up in a military home, so he has lived in many different states. After attending Ocean Springs High School and graduating from Niceville High School in Niceville, Florida, Scott graduated from William Carev College in 1987 with a BA in Biblical Studies. Scott was honored to receive a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship to the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, Israel in 1988-1989 where he primarily studied Second Temple Judaism. He Our Foundation Chair, Scott Hummel, coordinates a raffle graduated from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas with a M.Div. in 1991 and a chaplain and dorm parent at the Gladney Center for Adoption. In 1998 he moved to Longview, Texas where he became Department Chair and Associate Professor of Biblical Studies at LeTourneau University. He has published numerous articles in the Biblical Illustrator. Eerdmans Dictionary of the Bible, and the Baker Bible Dictionary (forthcoming). He has served as interim pastor of numerous churches in Texas and Mississippi, and is currently the interim pastor at FBC Sand Hill.

> Scott became a Rotarian in 2002. In the Longview Greggton Rotary Club he served as International Service Director, Vice-President, and then President in 2007-2008. In the same year, he served as board chair of the Longview Rodeo. Since 2008 Scott has served as the Vice President for Advancement and Church Relations at William Carey University. He also directs the honors program and international exchange programs at WCU. Scott recently joined the boards of R3SM and the United Way.

Scott has been married to Starr for twenty years and has three daughters who attend school in Oak Grove.

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2010-2011

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Term Expiring – June 30, 2011

Janice Touchstone Gene Owens Mike Ratliff Aime Spears

> Past President: Mary Cromartie

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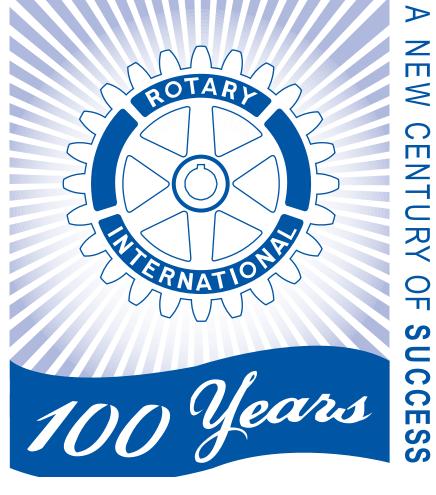
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June 21, 2011

ROTARY CLUB OF HATTIESBURG



"SERVICE ABOVE SELF"

MINUTES FROM 06/14/11

Club President-Elect Robert Cummings, Jr. presided over today's meeting for Club President, Bill McLeod.

Thanks to Chris Price, who gave the invocation and to Dan Kibodeaux, who led the Club in the Pledge of Allegiance. Robert then led members in the Four Way

Special thanks to our greeters today, who were Tina Lowrimore and Wes Brooks.

Wes Brooks welcomed today's visitors. Mary Cromartie brought Katie Ainsworth. Hank Lott, Melinda Lott and Cherry Amaratidis were guests of Aaron Ladner. Chris Vignes was a guest of Robert Cummings. Tina Lowrimore brought her oldest son Justin Covey.

Board members were reminded of the June board meeting which will be held on Monday, June 27th at 6 p.m. Members were reminded that new officers and directors will be installed on June 28th. Award presentations will be made one week earlier on June 21st in order to have time to honor long-time Rotarian, Milam Cotton on the

Thoughts and prayers were requested for Joe Spell and Bill MacLaughlan. It was also reported that Jennifer Payne has delivered a healthy baby boy.

Robert then noted that today's meeting is one of two annual club assemblies and that committee chairs would report on their work throughout this Rotary year which will end on June 30.

Brian Moore presented today's raffle. He noted that the raffle has averaged \$50 per week and has generated more than \$2,000 for the Rotary Foundation this year. He and Robert Cummings thanked Scott Hummel for taking a leadership role in the weekly raffle and to those who have contributed the items that are raffled off each week. Robert also noted that the club is likely to put forth a Rotary Peace Fellowship candidate in the coming

PROGRAM SUMMARY

Erik Graham reported that this year's golf tournament generated about \$6,000 which will be contributed to the ARC. He thanked those who volunteered to make this vear's event a success and to those who sponsored and created teams for the event.

Robert Cummings reported that the year was a challenging year for membership. He noted that the club continues to 110 members and that membership recruitment continues to be a priority.

He also thanked many of the new members who have taken leadership roles in the club's work throughout the

Dan Kibodeaux gave members an overview of the Reading Between the Lions project and noted that the project is more than just a "reading" program. He noted that the program is about showing the 3 and 4 year olds that someone cares enough about them to spend time and read to them. He also noted that the program continues to need volunteers who will sign-up and commit to reading once or twice each week.

Robert Cummings reported that the Scholarship Committee chose two RYLA candidates and three Grover Anderson Scholarship recipients. He thanked Mike Bonnette for taking the initiative to work as the Scholarship Committee Chair.

Mary Cromartie reported that the Awards Committee has completed its work but that the results of the committee's work will not be known until next week when presentations are made.

David Owens reported that this year's Water Project during Hub Fest generated about \$2,000. The money generated from this year's program was pooled with last year's program and a \$3,000 contribution was made to water projects in Haiti and Honduras.

The Wine Tasting event was a success this year, generating additional money that the club used to assist in both local and international relief. Two-thousand dollars were contributed to the Japan relief effort and the club is making plans to make a \$2,500 contribution to the tornado relief efforts in northeast Mississippi.

Robert Cummings noted that the Night in Italy event generated \$10,000 that were contributed to The Children's Center for Communication and Development. He thanked Greg Buie for taking the leadership role in the Night in Italy event. He also thanked Brown Bottling for providing drink donations for the Night in Italy event, the Golf Tournament and the Water Project.

Walley Weakley reported that throughout the year when food was left over from the Club's events that the food was donated to a local shelter where it is welcomed...

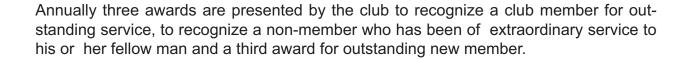
Robert again thanked all of those who supported and participated in the club's projects throughout the year.

He then adjourned the meeting with our motto: Service Above Self.



Annual Awards and Recognition

The Rotary Motto is Service Above Self

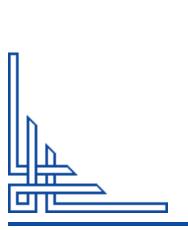


The award to the Rotarian of The Year is called the Hanna Award in recognition of T C Hanna, who would be considered the founding father of the Rotary Club of Hattiesburg. The club was founded January 19, 1918 and T C Hanna was elected the first president. Twenty-six business and professional men were listed as charter members. The Club was chartered by Rotary International on March 1, 1918 as Club No. 366. Rotary was entering its 14th year.

The Non-Rotarian Service Award is presented to an individual from the community who has exemplified the Rotary Motto of Service Above Self. The award is named of memory of Bill Gwyn who served the club with distinction as club secretary for many years. This award carries with it a Paul Harris Fellow Designation in that the club contributes \$1,000 in the recipient's honor to the Rotary Foundation to continue to be of service to others.

The Outstanding New Member award is to recognize a new member who has shown an extraordinary example of service above self right out of the blocks.

The Rotary International theme for the year 2011-2012 is "Reach Within to Embrace" Humanity". We ask that you join the Rotary Club of Hattiesburg by living the Rotary Motto of Service Above Self.





Reach Within to Embrace Humanity