

"A NIGHT IN ITALY"



Tuesday, April 20th
4:30 - 7:30 PM

Southern Oaks House and Gardens

Menu

Spaghetti, Salad, Bread, Dessert, & Iced Tea
Dine In or Carry Out

Proceeds Benefit The Children's Center for
Communication and Development
and

Other Rotary Projects

See Terry Miller or Heath Hill for additional tickets



Water Project for Haiti Raised \$1170

Thanks to Pepsi/Brown Bottling and Greg Buie who donated all the water. Thanks to CBS22, WHLT-TV for the booth space.

Great Job by David Owens and Patrick Ward who organized the event.

Thanks to all those who worked at Hub Fest!



Red Night In Italy T-Shirt

Rotary Logo on Front -
Children's Center on back

Sm - XL \$6.50 Or \$7.50 for XXL, XXXL

Royal Blue Polo with Embroidery

Hattiesburg Rotary Shirt for all occasions

Sm - XL \$16 or \$17 for XXL, XXXL

email or call you order to Aime Spears

Deadline- Friday. Pay when shirts are ready.

email aspears@whlt.com or 601-812-8066

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

See Erik Graham if you have
questions.

Sign-up sheet located at sign-in table.

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	VOLUNTEERS	VOLUNTEERS
Friday, 3/19 9:30am	Audra Cummings. Mary Cromartie	
Tuesday, 3/23 9:30am		
Friday, 3/26 9:30am	Aime Spears	
Tuesday 3/30 9:30am		
Friday, 4/2 9:30am	Patrick Ward,	
Tuesday, 4/6 9:30am	Chris Streckbeck Andrea Hood	
Friday, 4/9 9:30am	Brian Moore Annie Wimbish	
Tuesday, 4/13 9:30am	Steve Ramp John Weeks	
Friday, 4/16 9:30am	Sean Priebe	
Tuesday, 4/20 9:30am	David Gustfason Lucy Parkman	

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March 30, 2010
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Club Number 04003

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2009-2010

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"SERVICE ABOVE SELF"

MINUTES FROM 3/26/2010

President Mary Cromartie presided over the meeting.

Kristina Gould gave the invocation and Conrad Welker led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mary then led the Club in the Four Way Test.

Gene Owens introduced today's visitors and guests. Melissa Phelps was a guest of Maura McLaughlin. Steve Ramp brought Kashmir Moses. Patrick Ward had Sted McCollough as his guest and Shawn Jones was a guest of Brian Moore.

Thanks to Jerry Buti, who served as our greeter today.

Aime Spears announced that voting for "Homes of Hope for Children", in the Pepsi-Cola charity event, continues through March 31. Your participation is encouraged to assist this charity in obtaining the \$250,000 Pepsi-Cola grant. Visit www.win250k.org and vote early and often.

Rotary Polo and t-shirts are now available for purchase. An order form was circulated. Members were encouraged to purchase and wear these shirts during upcoming Rotary events, including the Night in Italy event.

Night-in-Italy volunteers are now being scheduled. Please sign up now, we need everyone to help. If you have not already received your tickets, please see Heath Hillman or Terry Miller.

Bill McLeod announced our newest member inductee, Andrea Hood. Andrea was nominated for membership Jaclyn Adams. She is a branch manager of Hancock Bank. She was welcomed and greeted by those present.

Wallace Weakley reported that the visit dates of the GSE (Group Study Exchange) students from Argentina have been changed. Unfortunately the new visitation dates will not allow them to attend a regular monthly meeting. An effort will be made to plan an event for the students during the days they are in the Hattiesburg area.

Maura McLaughlan asked members to please bring cash or checks to next week's meeting where she will be selling District raffle tickets. Proceeds from the raffle will go to the Rotary Foundation. Every member is encouraged to purchase two \$5 tickets for the event. She also encouraged those members who have not yet become sustaining members to make that pledge before the end of the fiscal year, June 30.

David Owens is in charge of the Haiti Water Project. We will be setting up a booth at this year's Hubfest on March 27th. The booth is donated by WHLT-TV, and the water bottles are being donated by Pepsi/Brown Bottling Co. A few more volunteers are needed to work shifts at the booth. Please contact David at 601.544.3444 to sign up.

Mary announced the application opportunity for the Rotary Peace Scholarship. Recipients will spend three months studying conflict and peace. The registration deadline is fast approaching. Anyone interested is encouraged to contact Mary.

LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

Maura McLaughlan then introduced today's guest speaker, James Herzog. In addition to being a homicide investigator for the Mississippi Bureau of Investigation, he is married to our Rotary member, Angela Herzog.

Jimmy reported that there were 16,292 homicides in the United States during 2009. The country's population was just over 307 million residents. That same year 237 homicides were committed in Mississippi with a population of just over 2.9 million. Of the United States homicides, almost 67% are committed with firearms, 13% with a knife or blade of some form, 14% with an unknown or dangerous weapon and just over 6% are committed with personal weapons such as feet or hands.

The last 24 hours of a victim's life and the first 24 hours after the homicide are the most critical hours associated with possible solutions to a crime.

The investigative file for each homicide begins when the investigator arrives on the scene. That time is documented, as is a variety of other events, activities and articles of evidence. The investigator must canvas the area for any possible witnesses, develop a suspect and a motive, contact and work with the coroner for autopsy proceedings and results. The investigator must also develop what is known as the "victimology" of the victim. This includes any relations the victim may have been involved in, friends, employment history, any criminal record, any romantic involvements, any financial relations, any narcotics usage or gang involvement. That information is pieced together with the other evidence and information obtained at the crime scene and through the canvassing efforts.

The investigator must document the activities of the suspect prior to and after the homicide. He or she must also study the suspect's background including sexual relations, any financial transactions, any property transactions that may have involved the victim, the use of narcotics and the suspect's mental state.

All of this information and much, much more becomes the case-file for each incident. That file is used then to present the evidence to the prosecution. If the case goes to trial, the case-file is used by the prosecution in an effort to gain a conviction.

Many thanks to Jimmy for taking time out of his busy day to visit with our Club and to give us some insight into the life of a Mississippi Bureau of Investigation homicide detective.

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

Bio of John D. McDaniel

Rotary Member and Chairman of the Scholarship Committee, Hattiesburg Rotary Club

Paul Harris Fellow and "second degree" sustaining Paul Harris Fellow

Past President, Past Vice President, Director, and Chairman of the Alexandria, Va. Rotary Club

Past Vice President and Director of the James City County and Williamsburg, Va. Rotary Club

Over 25 years membership in Rotary International
Hometown: Williamsburg, Virginia

Education:

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, North Carolina, BA, History and Business Administration

University of South Carolina, Columbia, South Carolina, Executive Graduate Program in Health Care Finance

US Navy, Navigator, Diver and Viet Nam Veteran

Career:

Over 35 years as successful senior sales executive and manager for the top industry companies of medical capital equipment and IT products.

Currently is a senior educational consultant for B. Braun Medical USA

John and his wife, Marilyn, have a son and a daughter. They are members of Trinity Episcopal Church of Hattiesburg where he teaches adult Sunday school and are members of the church vestry respectively. John is strongly involved in the Rotary Foundation scholarship programs and whenever he has free time; you can find him at Orange Beach fishing and scuba diving and dreaming about the arrival of his first grandchild in May.

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.....

Welcome our newest members, John Weeks, and Andrea Hood! Please make sure to introduce yourself to our new members.

We presently have 120 Members. Our Membership Goal for the 2009-10 FY is 123. Please continue to invite others to visit. Don't forget that our membership challenge is still in place!

IMPORTANT DATES

Mar 29	John McDaniel
Mar 31	Deadline to Register for District Conference April 15-17
April 6	Dr. Ernest King, Professor of Business Ethics, USM
April 13	TBA
April 15-17	District Conference
April 20	Night In Italy at Southern Oaks - No lunch meeting
April 27	John Cox, Director of Sports Broadcasting, USM



Rotary is
Rockin' & Rollin'
in 2010!

The 2010 District Conference will be held on April 15-17 at the Hollywood Casino in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. Hotel rates are \$89 for Wednesday-Thursday and \$159 for Friday and Saturday. Call 1-866-758-2591 for reservations. Group code is ROT0415. Deadline to register 3/31. Contact Erin Granberry if you are interested in signing up for the Talent Show on Friday! Assist Lucy Parkman with the Food Fest on Friday, April 16th, in the evening. All members are encouraged to attend and to participate in the Talent Show, Food Fest and to learn more about Rotary in the District Conference meetings. Please see Bill McLeod if you are interested in attending or have any questions about District Conference.

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MARCH

31

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- Set www.win250k.org as your home screen as a reminder to vote everyday
- Email the link for our website to everyone you know
- Text reminders to everyone you know
- Personally ask people to vote for our cause

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