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Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Hattiesburg

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CONGRATULATIONS ROTARY CLUB OF HATTIESBURG!

Congratulations to Scott Hummel, Maura McLaughlin and Bill McLeod who all received recognition for their service from District Governor Brian Hall. Wes Brooks is holding recognition the our club received for giving to Polio Plus and "Best Newsletter, Large Club."

MINUTES: MAY 5, 2015

President Wes Brooks presided over the meeting. Thanks to Ryan Kelly who gave the invocation and to Jerome Brown who led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Thanks to Jennifer Payne for serving as our greeter today.

Aaron Ladner thanked those who participated in today's meeting and introduced our visitors. Valencia Williamson has Amber Chancellor as her guest. Valencia noted that Amber has expressed an interest in joining our club. Joey Jarrell is a visiting Rotarian from the Petal Club. Out guest speaker and Rotarian Dr. David Hayhurst has as his guest Kevin Sellers.

Wes thanked Sean Priebe for representing our club during last weekend's District assembly. Scott Hummel, Maura McLaughlin and Bill McLeod were all recipients of Recognition of Service plaques. Additionally, the Club received recognition for its Polio Plus contribution. Once again, our club won the Best Newsletter award for a large club in District 6840.

Dan Davis reported that the club will be raffling off two tickets over the next two weeks for the United Way of Southeast Mississippi's Home Sweet Home raffle. Raffle tickets will sell for \$5 each and the proceeds will be contributed to the Rotary Foundation.

Wes announced that Southern Oaks will be closed from June 29 through July 4th. Our Awards Program and the Installation of Officers will be scheduled for June 23 and the June 30 meeting will be cancelled. Wes will send out email reminders.

Amanda Lee then introduced today's guest speaker, our own David Hayhurst. David has more than 35 years in higher education and he currently serves as a dean at the University of Southern Mississippi. However, the cause for his presentation today is not his work in academia but rather his involvement in purebred dogs, particularly Great Danes.

Dr. Hayhurst and his wife Mari first established Lake Kennels in 1990 in Lake County, Ohio. Their foundation Great Dane bitch, Ch Jerdan's Sweet Sensation, "Shannon" came to them as a rescue dog. Shannon completed her AKC championship over a five month period from August 1990 to January 1991 and was campaigned for the remainder of 1991, becoming their first "Top Twenty" Great Danes. Her son, BISS Ch Lake Jerdan's First Edition continued the "Top Twenty" tradition in 1994 through 1996. Lake Kennels has been fortunate to have had a Great Dane in the Great Dane Club of America, Top Twenty for four years from 1991-1997.

Not only do the Hayhursts show purebreds, they are also breeders and judges. Each purebred has a list of seven minimum standards that must be met in competition. These standards include the correct bite, their skeletal system and their movements. Judges have 2.5 minutes with each animal during competitive judging. When an animal wins, they win points that count toward their national championship race. Because the animals must earn points with their wins, it is very important that they compete in as many shows as possible. Dr. Hayhurst says there are professional handlers who have a motor home and someone's credit card and they crisscross the country on a regular basis trying to earn points for the animal they're hired to handle.

Before making the decision to purchase a purebred, David recommends that you always deal with a reputable breeder and that you meet the dog's parents through the breeder.

Luckily we had a chance to meet two of his show dogs before health department regulations made it necessary for the animals to leave the room.

You can learn much more about the Lake Kennels and their dogs by visiting www.lakekennels.net.

*Minutes courtesy of:
Lamar Evans, Executive Secretary
Rotary Club of Hattiesburg*

Our Guest

David Pfaff

Salvation Army Boys & Girls

I graduated from USM in 1999 (I came from North Dakota on a baseball scholarship to USM)

Then attended New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary for Masters program.

I worked at Temple Baptist Church for 8 years as a youth pastor

I have been the Executive Director for The Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club for 2 years

I have been married for 10 years to Candice Pfaff and have three children. Caleb (7), Bella, (5), Carter (2).



Thank you to David Hayhurst for sharing his champion Great Dane and Boxer with us!



UPCOMING

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| MAY 19 | Africa University Choir |
| MAY 26 | Dwayne Higgason - Krav Maga |
| JUN 2 | Club Social - McMullan Home (NO NOON MEETING) |
| JUN 6-9 | Rotary International Convention - Sao Paulo, Brazil |
| JUN 23 | OFFICER INSTALLATION AND AWARDS |
| JUN 30 | NO MEETING |



In just a few short weeks our President-Elect, Sean Priebe, will be making his way to Sao Paulo, Brazil to attend the Rotary International Convention.

Where will future Hattiesburg P.E.'s find themselves traveling?

2016

Seoul, South Korea

2017

Atlanta, Georgia, USA

2018

Toronto, Ontario, Canada

2019

TBD

2020

Honolulu, Hawaii, USA



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