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Allen Anderson	Retail/Carpet	6015457198 A		W. Holt McMullan	Financial Services Administration	6015435300	
Dorrance Aultman	Senior Active Discretionary	6018632671 S		Paul McMullan	Senior Active Discretionary	6015455000	
Quentin Benedict	Senior Active Discretionary	6012646245 S		Victor McMullan	Senior Active Discretionary	6012686938	
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	Tax Attorney	6013100044 A		Jenifer Miles	City Government	6012960519	
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Greg Buie	Sales Management	6012682266 A		Hayden Mitchell	Banking	6012648140	
J. Cecil Burt	Educational, Vocational	6015445506 A		Todd Mixon	Banking	6012644425	
Jalil Buti	Fashion	6015825657 A		Tom Montgomery	Insurance	6015830033	
Stanley Carpenter	Senior Active, CPA	6015448478 A		Greg Moore	Funeral Services	6015442141	
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Stewart Gammill, III	Senior Active Discretionary	6012645603 S	SE	Adam Pittman	Sales Operations	6014503791	Α
Gary Garner	Financial Planning	6012612138 S	SE	Tom Potter	Banking	6015835309	
Greg Garraway	Banking Management	6012614394 A	A	Steve Ramp	Minister, Presbyterian	6015847574	l A
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Erik Graham	Dentist	6012683333 A		William K. Ray	Senior Active Discretionary	6012963555	
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Charles Greer	Dentists, Denture Service	6015838387 A		Bob Riley	Investment Banking	6012615990	
Wesley Griffin	Insurance	6012718330 A		Nick Risk	Senior Active Discretionary	6012683132	
John Griffith	Banker Comm Lender	6012611423 A		Valerie Sartin	Mobile Communications	6019167549	
John Guice	Senior Active Discretionary	6012664333 S		Mark Satterlee	Salvation Army Officer	6012992678	
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Ted Harden, Jr.	Optometry	6012686698 A		Jonathan Shemper	Operational Manager	6015446100	
Christy Head	Orthodontist	6013106559 A		Travis Sisson	Medical Finance	6012688101	
Pricilla Hebert	Fund Development	6015828151 A		Kathryn Smith	Attorney	6015798411	
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Bill Hughes	Education, Physics	6012646888 A		Chris Strebeck	Loan Officer	6012612146	
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A.D. Hunt	Insurance	6015508259 A		Garland Sullivan	Senior Active Discretionary	6015822090	
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Kris King	Chiropractor	6012615510 A	A	Freddy Walter	Life Insurance	6012960368	3 A
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## MINUTES FROM 05/12/2009

President Richard Topp presided over the meeting.

Scott Hummel gave the invocation. Larry LeBlanc led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance. Richard then led members in the Rotary Four Way Test.

Gene Owens filled in for Heath Hillman and introduced today's visiting Rotarians and guests.

Pierce Stevens visited from the Petal Club.

Tom Light visited from the Sunrise Club.

John Weeks was a guest of Patrick Ward.

Audra Saunders was a guest of Robert Cummings.

Chrissy and Jerry Gilder were guests of Conrad Welker.

Many thanks to Terry Miller and Aime Spears who served a today's greeters.

Club members discussed several methods that could possibly be used to help meet our Polio Plus commitment this year. Our Club has pledged to generate \$33 for each member for this cause this year. More auctions will be planned and individual donations are encouraged. The Club would like to announce on June 16th that it has met the goal for the year.

Thanks to Pricilla Hebert for providing the "Death by Chocolate" dessert that she provided during the District Conference's food fest. Thanks also to those who participated in the talent skit. Our club was recognized for this year's water project and also received a President's Citation for meeting attendance and project participation. More members are encouraged to participate in future District Conferences.

Richard reminded members that the installation ceremony will be held on June 30th at lunch. Spouses and guests of outgoing and incoming board members are invited to attend.

### LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

Mike Ratliff then came forward an introduced today's guest speaker, Dr. Jose' Fernandez, the Medical Director of the Forrest General Hospital Stroke Care Program and the Director of the Hattiesburg Clinic Neurophysiology Laboratory and co-Director of the Southern Epilepsy Center. Mike reminded members that May is stroke awareness month.

Dr. Fernandez asked Club members to remember

the three "R's" when dealing with a stroke. They are, reduce the changes, recognize the symptoms and respond with medical treatment as soon as possible.

Stroke is the third cause of death in the country. More than one million Americans die each year due to stroke. It is also the leading cause of adult disability. The states of Mississippi and Alabama are in the middle of the "stroke belt" meaning our populations are more likely to have a stroke than other state populations.

About 80% of all strokes are preventable. More women suffer strokes than men. The African American population's stroke possibility is doubled that of other population segments. About 90% of strokes are caused by clots in the brain while the remaining 10% are caused by ruptured blood vessels in the brain and bleeding. Brain damage begins in as little as 14 seconds after the on-set of a stroke with irreversible brain damage complete within six minutes. The annual cost of stroke treatment in the US is \$62 billion.

The good news is that 80 percent of all strokes are treatable. About 10% of all patients recover totally. About 25 percent of stroke victims remain with minor impairments. About 40% wind up with major impairments.

Stroke symptoms include a sudden onset of a headache, confusion; trouble seeing, dizziness, numbness, trouble walking and trouble with speech. A victim suffering any of these symptoms should have medical treatment as soon as possible. Dr. Fernandez asked Club members to remember the word FACT when encountering a possible stroke victim. Check their Face to see if they have a normal smile. Have them raise their Arms and notice if there is weakness or if one drops earlier than the other. Check their Speech by having them verbalize a simple sentence. If you see stroke evidence remember that Time is critical and call 911 immediately.

To lessen your chances of becoming a stroke victim, watch the sodium content in processed foods. Know your blood pressure and your cholesterol levels. Do not smoke and if you use alcohol do so in moderation. Exercise on a regular basis. If you have an irregular heart you should have that condition monitored and treated. Additionally, if you have sleep apnea you are a likely stroke candidate. If you are a diabetic, get treatment and follow the doctor's instructions. You can help prevent a stroke by following these suggestions.

## THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

#### **Bio of Tom Smith**

Tom Smith grew up in Hattiesburg and graduated from Oak Grove High School in 1981. He then pursued a degree from Liberty University in Psychology with an emphasis in adolescence. His degree also included a minor in missions. During that time his interests grew in the area of service. Upon graduation he worked for several years in a family business. In 1996 he pursued a calling to the ministry and was appointed as a full-time missionary to the country of Honduras. In 2005 his area of service moved from Central America back to Mississippi. Since 2005 he has served as the Executive Director of a United Way agency called The Carpenter's Helper. Tom serves on the Boards of Director of The Greater Hattiesburg Home Builders Association and the Oak Grove Exchange Club. Tom and his wife Pat have been married for 25 years and together have 3 children and one grandson.

Carpenter's Helper is a non-profit organization that focuses on repairing substandard housing in Forrest, Lamar, and Perry Counties for those who do not have the physical or financial ability to do so for themselves.

#### IMPORTANT DATES

May	19	Tom Smith - Carpenter's Helper
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May 26 Jerra Runnels, 12th Circuit District Court

May 26 Board Meeting at 5:30pm Richard Topp's Office

June 16 Frank Montague

**June 21-24 International Convention** 

Birmingham, England

June 30 Installation of New Officers Ceremony



## Meeting Dates for Area Clubs

Bay Springs - 12:00
City Hall
Bolton - 7:30
Methodist Church
Collins - 12:00
Cedars Restaurant
Ellisville - 12:00
J.C.J.C. Cafeteria
Jackson - 12:00
MS Museum of Art
Lucedale - 12:00
MS Gulf Coast Community
College Cafeteria
Petal - 12:00
Civic Center

South Hinds County - 12:00

BoDons Catfish & Seafood

Monday

#### *Tuesday* Columbia - 12:00

The Backdoor Restaurant
Flowood - 12:00
River Oaks Hospital
Laurel - 12:00
Laurel Country Club
North Jackson - 12:00
St. James
Episcopal Church

## Wednesday

Prentiss - 12:00

Country Fisherman

Clinton - 12:00
Baptist Health Plex
Gluckstadt - 12:00
Parker House Restaurant
Hattiesburg Sunrise - 7:00
Wesley Medical Center Cafeteria
Heidelberg - 12:00
Library
Poplarville - 12:00
Pearl River C.C. Cafeteria
Richton - 12:00
Magnolia Restaurant
Waynesboro - 12:00
Western Sizzlin

#### Thursday

Madison-Ridgeland - 12:00 Steam Room Grill I55 N Jackson Taylorsville - 12:00 MS Power Co. Building Wiggins - 12:00 Gulf Coast C.C. Cafeteria

#### Friday

Rankin County - 12:00 Rankin Co. Med. Ctr. Annex Slidell, LA - 12:00 Pinewood Country Club