

# Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Hattiesburg

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## The Africa University Choir





## **MINUTES: MAY 19, 2015**

President Wes Brooks presided over the meeting. Thanks to Rusty Edwards who gave the invocation and to Mike Ratliff who led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Thanks to Conrad Welker and Kemi Simmons for serving as our greeters today.

Aaron Ladner thanked those who participated in today's meeting and introduced our visiting Rotarian. Joey Jarrell is visiting from the Petal club.

Announcements: Wes announced that the club had receive a \$750.00 grant from RI and that \$500.00 was going to the homeless shelter and \$250.00 was going to The Children's Library

Program: Chris Tornhill from the Children's Library was presented with a check for \$250.00 gave a brief presentation on how the money would be used to expand their library for the library's summer reading program.

Todd Watson introduced the choir from Africa University. The choir is conducted by Tendekai Kuture, the head of the university's music department. The choir consisted of 15 students from the African countries of: Angola, Congo, Nigeria, Zambia and Zimbabwe. The recital was a rousing twenty-five minute concert set to a African beat that had the audience literally dancing in their seats.

The Africa University, located in Mutare, Zimbabwe was established in 1992 by the United Methodist Church. The school started with just 49 students in that year and has since grown to an enrollment of 1,500 students representing 23 different African nations. The curriculum offers the traditional liberal arts and sciences and prepares students for careers in theology, education, agriculture, business, government and health related fields. The school has graduated over 5,000 students.

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

# **Dwight Higgason • Endurance Krav Maga**

Family: Married to Rhonda since 1990. Two children: Grey and Hayley.

Education: AA in Home Economics (no that is not a typo), a BS in Social and Rehabilitation Services,

and an MS in Counseling Psychology

Favorite movies: Braveheart, Man From Snowy River, Gladiator, Tombstone

Favorite TV shows: Survivorman, anything on the History Channel, anything on Food Network

Favorite place in the world: Kitale, Kenya

Hobbies: Running, Krav Maga, Golf

Heroes: George Washington (his character), Winston Churchill (his leadership), Spider Man (he's cool)

Three people I'd like to meet: Abraham, Teddy Roosevelt, and Winston Churchill

Favorite Quote: "The most important thing in life is to live your life for something more important

than your life."

#### WHAT IS KRAV MAGA?

Krav Maga (pronounced KRAHV muhGAH), which means "contact or close combat" in Hebrew, was originally developed in the 1940s for the Israeli Defense Forces as a combat system that could be learned quickly and used effectively by anyone. It was developed in a hostile environment that did not allow for hours and hours of combat training. It needed to be simple but aggressive, easy-to-learn and easy-to-remember.

The System is reality-based, built on simple principles and instinctive movements. It is designed to teach real self defense in the shortest possible time. Learn to defend against common chokes, grabs, and holds, as well as weapons such as guns, knives, and sticks. Just as important, we teach people to function during the stress and shock of a sudden, violent encounter. The key point being; Krav Maga is simple and effective.

#### **OUR MISSION**

Endurance Krav Maga provides practical self defense in a family friendly environment. Everyone has the right to defend themselves regardless of age, athletic ability or gender.

Endurance Krav Maga is affiliated with Krav Maga Alliance, which is dedicated to open source, high quality training in Krav Maga self defense. Krav Maga Alliance constantly examines current techniques and training methods and looks for new ones as long as they fit within the framework of Krav Maga principles and philosophy.



## JUNE 2

CLUB SOCIAL (NO NOON MEETING)

**JUNE 6-9** 

ROTARY SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL

JUNE 9

LEADERSHIP PINEBELT (KIDS HUB)

**JUNE 16** 

LEADERSHIP PINEBELT

**JUNE 23** 

AWARDS & OFFICER INSTALLATION

**JUNE 30** 

NO MEETING

### TOP 10 LIST

#### RULES MEN WISH WOMEN KNEW:

- Crying is blackmail.
- Anything we said 6 or 8 months ago is inadmissible in an argument.
- 3. Anything you wear is fine. Really.
- Christopher Columbus didn't need directions, and neither do we.
- 5. If you ask us a question then be prepared to know exactly what we think.
- 6. Mark anniversaries on a calendar.
- 7. Yes, and No are perfectly acceptable answers.
- 8. Saturday + Sunday = SPORTS
- If something we said can be interpreted two ways, and one of the ways makes you sad and angry, we meant the other one.
- 10. You can either ask us to do something OR tell us how you want it done not both.

#### **RULES WOMEN WISH MEN KNEW:**

- Shave every day. One day's growth of facial hair is worse than a girl not shaving her legs for a week.
- 2. We may be emotional beings, but do not lie to squirm your way out of trouble. We are not as gullible as you think.
- 3. Ask for directions
- 4. If you said you are going to be somewhere at a certain time, then do it. Don't expect us to wait around.
- 5. If you can ogle so can we!
- 6. Couch Potato is not a sport, so don't try to be an All-star at it!
- 7. Your way is not always the right way. Learn to say- "I was wrong"
- 8. If we can't talk to you during a football game, then don't try to get our attention during Scandal or Gray's Anatomy.
- 9. I am not your mother.
- 10. You should know everything on this list without my having to tell you.