

MINUTES: October 8, 2013

President Scott Hummel presided over the meeting. Thanks to Kristy Gould who gave the invocation and to Sean Priebe who led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance. Scott then led the Club in the 4-Way Test and then asked Brian Moore to introduce today's guests. Ryan Kelly is visiting for the last time. He will be inducted into the club as a new member later today. Grant Guthrie is a guest of Scott Hummel. Susan Light is our speaker today and has as her guest, Michelle Garner. Bryan thanked those who volunteered to help with today's meeting, including Chris Price who served as our greeter.

There was no Polio Plus raffle today but
Kevin Zemetis was the highest bidder for
two tickets to the William Carey Dinner Theater program
this weekend or next weekend. The proceeds will go
toward Polio-Plus.

Aaron Ladner has organized a service day for club members on the morning of October 26. Sign-ups are encouraged. Club members will be assisting Home of Hope in a clean-up effort. If you can't make the clean-up day, members are encouraged to donate products that are needed at the center. A list of items is available from Aaron.

Scott also announced that the Columbia Rotary Club will be hosting a group of young people from Northern Ireland on the afternoon of Saturday 26th. Club members are encouraged to come and meet the Friends Forever representatives. They will celebrate a mass and host a dinner that evening. Anyone interested in attending should see Scott.

Scott then called Ryan Kelly forward and inducted him to the club as our newest member. Scott is his host. Ryan graduated from the University of Southern Mississippi and received his graduate degree from Mississippi College. He is a native of Clinton, Mississippi. He is currently employed at William Carey University and previously worked for USM. Scott encouraged Ryan to get involved in Rotary projects and activities and to enjoy his service through Rotary.

Sean Priebe then came forward and introduced today's guest speaker, Susan Light. Many club members were



involved when Susan served as our club's president. Today she is representing the Pink Ribbon Fund, a non-profit charitable organization that she and a handful of other area women founded in October 2003.

The Pink Ribbon Fund has an average of 40 volunteers who work for the fund each month. In the last ten years they have raised \$750,000 of money that has been used to help defray cancer treatment costs for breast cancer sufferers in a 15 county area. Susan says that none of the money raised by the Pink Ribbon Fund has ever been used to pay the operational costs of the organization.

Assistance to breast cancer patients in the area ranges from transportation to and from treatments to the actual payments for some of the treatment services. Susan says the average cost of a breast cancer treatment over a five year period is about \$110,000. The Pink Ribbon Fund will also help pay for mastectomy products, COBRA payments and many other needs.

There are several events being planned by the Fund in the coming months and many ways that Rotarians can get involved. Some of those include a 5K run/walk, a motorcycle ride and poker run, a golf tournament and their annual gala.

To get involved or to find out how you can help, call 601-450-PINK. Individual and corporate sponsors are needed to help carry on the work of the organization.

Minutes submitted by: Lamar Evans, Executive Secretary



Service Above Self

Fellow Rotarians,

Last Saturday, my Leadership PineBelt group held the Sounds to Symbols 5K-10K-1M Run for the DuBard School. Because of the support and participation of our club and its members, local and corporate business sponsors, parents, and the Southern Miss Fund, our event was able to raise approximately \$22,000 - for this, we are deeply appreciative.

These funds will go to support the parents and primary caregivers of children who are unable to take on the costs associated with evaluations, diagnostic teaching, and outclient therapy sessions. In other words, there will dozens of children who will be able to listen, speak, read, and write on levels which would otherwise be impossible.

On behalf of my Leadership PineBelt team mates, Samantha McCain, Shonta Duncan, John McWhorter, Katherine Callaway, and Colby Heathcock, and the children and staff of the DuBard School at Southern Miss, *thank you so dearly for your support of this project*. It is with the utmost sincerity, humility and respect that I will remain...

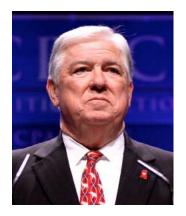
Yours,

Wes Brooks









Governor Haley R. Barbour began his political career in 1968 as a member of Richard Nixon's presidential campaign; by 1976, he was managing Gerald Ford's campaign in the Southeast.Barbour would go on to serve as White House Political Director under President Ronald Reagan and as a member of President George H.W. Bush's campaign.

From 1993 to 1997, Barbour served as Chairman of the Republican National Committee. During his term as chairman, the GOP regained control of Congress as part of the 1994 "Republican Revolution. In 2003 Barbour made history as the second Republican governor elected inMississippi since Reconstruction, and he overwhelmingly won his re-election campaign in 2007. During his tenure, Barbour realigned economic development and created thousands of jobs, enacted what the Wall Street Journal termed the most comprehensive tort reform law in the country, reorganized job training efforts, and balanced the state's budget. In his two terms as Governor per income of Mississippians rise 34.2%. In the face of the worst natural disaster in American history, Hurricane Katrina, Barbour led Mississippians in their efforts to recover and rebuild.

Barbour received national recognition for his leadership of Mississippi including "Governor of the Year for 2006" by Governing magazine; the Gulf Guardian Award by the U.S.Environmental Protection Agency for his work to rebuild and protect sensitive coastal ecosystems; the 2008 Adam Smith Medal from BIPAC for his pursuit of the principles of free enterprise; and the American Legislative Exchange Council's Thomas Jefferson FreedomAward.

After serving two terms as Governor, including a two-year term as Chairman of the RepublicanGovernors Association, Barbour returned to private practice at BGR Group in January 2012. This government affairs firm, cofounded by Barbour, has been named the nation's top lobbying firms by Fortune Magazine. In addition, Barbour joined the law firm Butler, Snow, O'Mara, Stevens & Cannada, PLLC, in Ridgeland, MS, where he focuses on economic development and related matters.

A native of Yazoo City, Mississippi, Barbour attended the University of Mississippi, where he received his law degree in 1972. Barbour resides in Yazoo City with his wife Marsha. They have two sons, Sterling and Reeves, and four grandchildren.

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UPCOMING

October 22 Jimmy Herzog Ms. Amber Alert System

> October 26 Homes of Hope **Work Event**

October 29 Joel Bomgar Ms. Ctr. for Public Policy

> November 19 **Raven Tynes** The Extra Table Foundation

November 26 **NO MEETING**

December 2 **Paul Harris Society** Gala Dinner

December 3 Italo Subbarao, WCU **Holiday Safety Tips**

December 10 Frank Baugh, WCU School of Psychiatry "Beating the Holiday Blues"

December 17 **Don Odom** WCU School of Music

January 11 Mid Year Checkup

March 7-8 P.E.T.S. **Jackson Convention** Complex

May 9-10 District 6840 Conference **Biloxi Civic Center**

June 1-4 Rotary International Covention Sydney, Australia





Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Susan Light a Past President of the Rotary Club

of Hattiesburg, was inducted into our club July of 2005 and served through Hurricane Katrina

Susan will visit with us on Tuesday, October 8.

to give tell us about her charity, the Pink Ribbon

Fund. This fund was founded in memory of

breast cancer in 1999 at the young age of 49

Susari's best friend, Mary, who succumbed to

This month is the 10th anniversary of the Pink

Ribbon Fund which began with 5 women at a



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