

## NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wes Brooks has been nominated for Secretary/Treasurer for the 2012-2013 fiscal year. The current officers will move up in the rotation, with Maura McLaughlin as President, Patrick Ward as President-Elect and Scott Hummel as Vice President for the 2012-2013 fiscal year.

The following members have been nominated for the Board of Directors:

Jeri Buti- Bill McLaughlan- Brian Moore  
Lucy Parkman- Sean Priebe-Chris Price  
Chris Strebeck-John Weeks

Elections will be held on November 29th. If elected as Secretary/Treasurer, Wes Brooks will be rotating off as a board member so the five nominees elected with the most votes will be the board members, with the four members receiving the highest votes for a 2-year position and the person receiving the fifth highest number of votes will complete the 1-year unexpired term of Wes Brooks on the board.

## FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Stan Causey has been proposed for membership. Stan is a Sales Executive with CSpire (previously Cellular South). If anyone has any questions regarding Stan, please see a board member.

## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Rotary celebrates, takes action on World Polio Day

By Dan Nixon  
Rotary International News -- 2 November 2011



After the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting in Perth, the governments of Australia, Canada, and Nigeria, along with the Gates Foundation, made a combined pledge of more than US\$100 million in new funds for polio eradication. Standing with Canadian Rotarian and polio survivor Ramesh Ferris (center) are Nigerian President Goodluck Jonathan, Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper, British Prime Minister David Cameron, Pakistani Prime Minister Yousaf Raza Gilani, and Australian Prime Minister Julia Gillard. *Photo by Petina Dixon-Jenkins*

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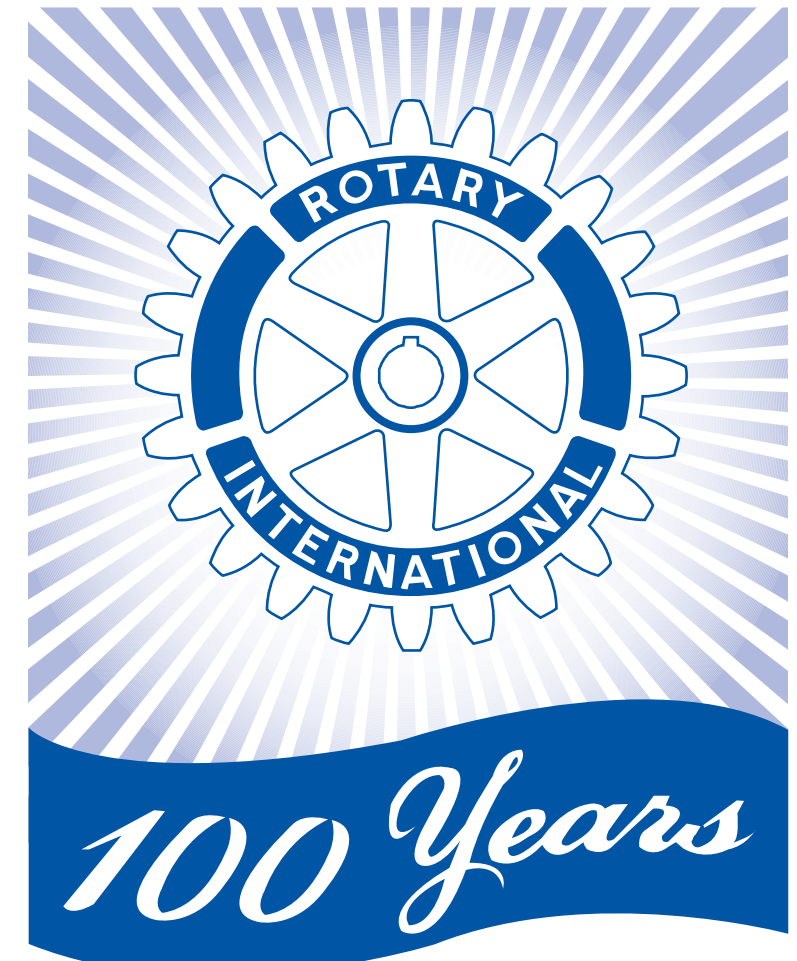
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## ROTARY CLUB OF HATTIESBURG

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**“SERVICE ABOVE SELF”**

## MINUTES FROM 11/15/11

President Robert Cummings presided over the meeting.

Thanks to Conrad Welker, who gave the invocation, and to A.D. Hunt, who led the Club in the Pledge of Allegiance. Robert then led members in the Four Way Test. Thanks to today's greeters, Bill McLeod and Chris Price.

Sean Priebe introduced today's visiting Rotarian, Brandon Hodges from the Petal Club. He also announced that Dr. Karnes has Larry Siepken as her guest, Rusty Edwards is a guest of Lucy Parkman and T.J. Tisdale is a guest of today's speaker, Lance Nail.

Brandon announced that the Petal Club is selling \$5 chances to win a 51 inch HD television that will be given away. The money raised will be used to supplement that club's charitable giving.

Allen Smithers was then introduced and gave us his classification talk. Allen was born in Clarksdale, MS. His dad was a school principal. Allen attended Delta State University and received his Masters from the University of Mississippi. His first real job was with Mississippi College. After MC he was the Director of Instruction for the Mississippi Association of Independent Schools. He was then recruited to Grenada where he spent 16 years in the school system there. Five years ago he accepted the Headmaster's position at PCS. He has been married for more than 30 years and he and his wife have three children and three grandchildren. He has dedicated much of his professional volunteer time with the Association of Private Schools.

Dan Kibodeaux encouraged members to sign up for the November and December reading schedule in the Reading Between the Lions program.

The Nominating Committee reported that it has completed the slate of candidates for the coming year. Elections will be held at the November 29th meeting.

Robert reminded members of the Christmas event which will be held at Southern Oaks at noon on December 13th. Funds raised during this event will be used to help provide Christmas for needy children in the Forrest county area.

Anyone interested in participating in the annual

Salvation Army bell-ringing project on December 10th and 17th is encouraged to see Richard Topp.

## PROGRAM SUMMARY

Allen Smithers then introduced today's program speaker, Dr. Lance Nail, Dean of the University of Southern Mississippi Business College and a Rotarian.

Dr. Nail gave us an update on the progress for the new building that will house the College of Business. He announced that Chuck Scianna has contributed five million dollars to the project which has accelerated the time line for construction. Because of the size of the Scianna contribution, the building will be known as the Scianna College of Business. The new facility will face Highway 49 and will be approximately two and one half the size of the Trent Lott Center. When completed, the building will provide about 93,000 gross square feet with be about sixty thousand square feet.

Construction costs for the new building are estimated to be \$36 million. Another \$3 million will be endowed for maintenance.

The new facility will provide about 1,000 seats for business school students and 90 offices for business school staff and faculty. Another 1,000 seats and 75 offices will also be made available for other colleges and units across the campus.

The new facility will be student friendly. It will provide study areas, an area for tutoring, technologically advanced equipment and capabilities that will link USM students to the world's business environment. According to Dr. Nail, a USM student will be able to video conference with other students and professionals around the world.

The project requires \$10 million to be raised from the private sector. As of the end of October \$7.8 million has been raised or pledged. State bonding will provide the remaining \$26 million for construction. The \$3 million maintenance endowment can be raised after the construction process begins. Dr. Nail is optimistic that ground can be broken for the new building in the Spring and hopefully the building can be occupied in the Fall of 2014.

Congratulations to Gene Owens who is today's Rotary Foundation contest winner.

## END POLIO

Rotary has the power to end polio, says Jack Hanna

Rotary International News -- 27 October 2011

Jack Hanna, director emeritus of the Columbus Zoo in Ohio, USA, is best known as the star of the syndicated television series *Jack Hanna's Into the Wild*. But he has also been recognized for his work rehabilitating victims of the genocide in Rwanda. Hanna, a participant in Rotary's "This Close" polio awareness campaign, spoke to RI News about his family's experience with polio, and the importance of Rotary's efforts to eradicate the disease.



Jack Hanna is a participant in Rotary's "This Close" polio awareness campaign.

Rotarians gearing up for World Polio Day

By Dan Nixon and Arnold Grahl  
Rotary International News -- 10 October 2011

Rotarians around the globe are planning events to raise polio eradication awareness and funding for World Polio Day on 24 October.



Australian club members are working with the [Global Poverty Project](#) on a petition drive aimed at persuading world leaders to fully fund the critical work of the [Global Polio Eradication Initiative](#). Supporters can sign the [petition online](#).

Rotarians are getting ready to spread the word about World Polio Day, 24 October, and the need to finish the job of eradicating the disease. Photo courtesy of Pakistan PolioPlus Committee

## WEEKLY FOOTBALL BOARD GAME

Our football board game has had a couple of rule changes. If the winning square has not been purchased by a player the proceeds will carry over to the following week. Each week's winner will split the cash proceeds with the club which will benefit the Rotary Permanent Fund. The winner will not be announced until the end of the meeting, must be present to win. Gene Owens was last week's winner!

## We Have a Facebook Page!

Visit Rotary Club of Hattiesburg on Facebook and "like" our page.  
Post your pictures, videos and comments.

## READING BETWEEN THE LIONS LITERACY PROGRAM

Volunteers needed each week on **Tuesday or Friday** mornings at 9:30 to read children's books to Pre-Schoolers. Read for about 20-30 minutes.



The Family Y -

Veterans Memorial Blvd.  
601-268-0808  
Call Dan Kibodeaux or  
sign up at lunch meetings  
or email  
dan@Unitedwaysems.org  
call **601-545-7141**

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- November 22** Judge Bob Helfrich, Circuit Court Judge
- November 29** Janet Baldwin - Executive Director  
Oseola McCarty Youth Development Center
- Dec 13** Christmas Lunch at Southern Oaks  
Guests Welcome!
- April 17** Night In Italy - Southern Oaks

## November Reading Volunteers Needed!

Date	Volunteer	Volunteer
Tuesday, 11/1 9:30am		
Friday, 11/4 9:30am		Aaron Ladner
Tuesday, 11/8 9:30am	Mary Cromartie	
Friday, 11/11 9:30am		
Tuesday, 11/15 9:30am		
Friday, 11/18 9:30am	Jaclyn Adams	Jennifer Payne
Tuesday, 11/22 9:30am	Chris Price	
Friday, 11/25 9:30am	NO READING THIS DATE	NO READING THIS DATE
Tuesday, 11/29 9:30am		