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## New Orleans Rotary Club Newsletter

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**Welcome - we meet at noon on Wednesdays at Harrah's Hotel, 2nd Floor, 228 Poydras Street**

**Our speaker this week: Ace Necaie, District Governor, 2009-2010**

**Rotary District 6480**

Ace Necaie was born and raised in Pass Christian, Mississippi. He has been a resident of the Mississippi Gulf Coast for over 47 years. He received his BS degree in Electrical Engineering in 1971 from Mississippi State University. While at State, Ace was a member of the MSU Track team (two years) and Kappa Beta Chapter of Theta Tau Engineering Fraternity.



In May of 1971, Ace moved to Birmingham, Alabama to work for Southern Services, Inc. as a project engineer. In July 1976, he moved to Hattiesburg, Mississippi to work for Natchez Electric and Supply Company, Inc. Ace began working for Singing River Electric Power Association October, 1981 and is currently their Gautier District Manager.

In February 1996, Ace joined the Rotary Club of Gautier, Mississippi. Early on, he worked with the Community Service Committee assisting with the distribution of holiday food baskets. Later, he became a board member and has served on the board of the Gautier Club for many years. He was club president 2003-2004. He served as Assistant Governor for 3 years in the East Coast Territory of District 6840 beginning in 2004-2005. Ace was District 6840's Rotarian of the Year 2004-2005.

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In March 2005, as Special Representative, Ace assisted in the formation of the Rotary Club of Greene County, Mississippi. In November 2006 Ace served as Special Representative in the formation of Rotary Club of Hammond/Ponchatoula, Louisiana Sunrisers.

Ace is currently a member of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, a director of D'Iberville Chamber of Commerce, past secretary and past president of NRECA's T&D Engineering Underground Subcommittee, and a director of Chemical Abuse Prevention Services in Jackson County.

Ace is married to the former Patricia (Pattie) Costello. They have three children and one grandson. Their oldest daughter Stacey is married to Ryan Oneal Hansen. Stacey and Ryan have one son, Parker. Ace and Pattie also have a son Nathan and a daughter Katie who both graduated from Mississippi State University in May 2007.

In his spare time Ace enjoys fishing and golf.

## **NORFI and Paul Harris Fellows**

Gifts to NORFI as a result of past president Phil Nimmo's recent Support NORFI letter now total \$7,252. If you haven't written your check, do so right away and give it to NORFI President Charlie Young at this week's meeting.

If you have an August birthday, why not give NORFI a gift of \$1 for every year you've been on Mother Earth. Remember, your generosity helps NORFI support numerous nonprofit organizations in our community. This past June, NORFI awarded \$18,000 to a wide range of nonprofit organizations. To paraphrase the Four-Way Test, NORFI gifts are "BENEFICIAL to all concerned and build GOODWILL"

If you haven't done so, send your birthday gift today to Charlie Young c/o NORFI; suite 2950; 400 Poydras St.; New Orleans, LA, 70130 It's not too late. If you want to save postage, give Charlie your check at this week's meeting. If you are unwilling to reveal your age, please round up to the nearest \$100.

The NORFI officers for 2009-2010 are Charles Young, president; Fred Smith, vice president; Bob Clark, secretary, and Bob Mora, treasurer

### **Paul Harris Fellows**

Randy Feldman reports that currently 67 of our 144 members (47%) are Paul Harris Fellows. We need just 5 more members to become Paul Harris Fellows to reach the 50% mark. Please contact Randy (rfeldman@wyes.org)

about how to become a Paul Harris Fellow.

[NORFI Web Page](#)

## Mark Your Calendars

**(dates, times, and events subject to change)**

Wednesday 30 September 2009. 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm, New Orleans Rotary Club Spelling Bee to benefit Club Service Projects



Sunday 22 November 2009 - Fall Party - location and time TBA

Saturday 5 December 2009 - Holiday Luncheon at Commanders Palace

Day at the Fairgrounds - Friday, 15 January 2010 - noon - New Orleans Fairgrounds (this will be our official meeting that week - so no meeting on Wednesday)

Saturday 23 or 30 January 2010 - Walk/Work in the Park - details TBD (tentative)

16 February 2009 - Mardi Gras - no meeting that week

SAVE THE DATE! The Rotary Club of New Orleans is planning a celebration of its 100th anniversary. It will be a dinner-dance affair the evening of Saturday, February 27, 2010. Please mark your calendars. We hope you will be able to attend. Location and time TBA (no meeting Wednesday 24 February)

Wednesday, 24 March 2010 - Warren Easton Luncheon

Rotary Derby - Wednesday 5 May 2010 - noon

### **Group Study Exchange with Argentina**

Our District will participate with Argentina in a Group Study Exchange for four weeks in April - May, 2010. Through the program, teams of young professionals from Districts 6840 and 4825 will exchange visits. Team members experience the way of life, customs and vocational practices of the two districts, while sharing information about their home countries. The GSE promotes international understanding and goodwill through personal connection. While abroad, team members stay in Rotarians' homes and have the opportunity to meet their professional counterparts. They also give presentations to Rotary clubs and other groups about their home country. Rotary pays for round-trip airfare, and Rotary club members in the host countries provide meals, lodging and group travel in their district. For information see our web site or contact Sharron Newton in Slidell at [snewton0959@earthlink.net](mailto:snewton0959@earthlink.net) or

by telephone at 985.661.0718.

## **Rotary/Interact Feed the Hungry, Silent Auction, Spelling Bee**

### **Rotary/Interact Feed the Hungry**

As a part of our Club's contribution to the Warren Easton Interact Club's "Feed the Hungry" project, we are collecting this week bags of RED BEANS to add protein to the 144 food distribution bags assembled by the Interactors. Please donate some red beans to the project by:

- 1- dropping some off at the home of either Mike Lappa (1633 S Jeff Davis) or Faun Fenderson (725 Marigny St) - you can leave them on the porch at either home; or
  - 2- bringing some to the Rotary meeting; or
  - 3- supplying a cash donation for the purchase of red beans (checks payable to "cash") - given to Faun Fenderson.
- The food bags are distributed every two weeks. It is our plan to add protein to each distribution. We will offer a different form of protein each time - next time maybe cans of tuna, or ??

Questions? Email Faun (faun@faunfenderson.com) or Mike (mike@mlappa.net).

Update - 17 August 2009

We have had a successful start to our Protein/Red Bean Drive for the Feed the Hungry project.

- We have received beans from: Henry L., Donald Hoffman, and John Olinde.

- We received cash donations from Sherry Snyder, Michael Frederick, Sidney Pulitzer, Philip Nimmo, and Faun Fenderson.

I went to Mardi Gras Zone (a grocery in my neighborhood) to purchase the red beans for last week's distribution - they didn't have enough, but, when I explained what they were for, both the owner and the manager told me that they would give me a good price and order them for me, AND donated 20 cases of vienna sausage right then!! So, last week, Rotary donated, through Mardi Gras Zone, 20 cases of vienna sausage!

And I have \$287.00 and several bags of red (and other) beans to donate for the next distribution!

Let's keep it up!

Faun Fenderson

### **Silent Auction for Fall Party**

I will bring forms to Rotary for us to use in seeking donations for the silent auction at the Fall Party.

PLEASE START NOW!!! Many of the places we approached last fall said we asked too late for them to be of help - so please be thinking of all the businesses you patronize, or people you know, or prizes you think would be profitable - and when you get the forms tomorrow, don't be shy about

asking. (PS - don't stay away in hopes you won't get forms, we will get them to you somehow!)  
I can't believe this is ME saying this, I hate asking for things and have no contacts for this kind of thing. But last year, in something close to desperation, I simply went out with these forms and into stores etc., explained what Rotary does and wanted to use the money for, and was greatly gratified by the generous response of so many people. YOU CAN DO THIS!!! THANK YOU and see you soon. Mary Beth Arceneaux

### **New Orleans Rotary Club Spelling Bee to benefit Club Service Projects**

Wednesday September 30, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

Objective: Have as much fun as possible

Raise money for Rotary Service Projects

Try to become the victor of the coveted Honey Bee Spelling Trophy.

We are looking for teams from various businesses represented in the club. The cost per team of four is \$375 & should be made payable to NORFI. We have spaces for 15 no 14 no 13 now 12 teams remaining.

Even if you are not on a team we encourage you to attend this fun and festive event! This will be a fun competition among some of the most intelligent people in the city.

Come and support our club with this fun exciting event.

Drinks and light appetizers will be served.

If you have any questions please contact Michael Bourg at 504-717-0671.

## **President's Messages**

by Henry Lowentritt

### **Invitation to RI President-Elect Ray Klinginsmith to The Rotary Club of New Orleans 100th Anniversary Party, February 27, 2010**

RI President-Elect Ray,

We're honored and pleased that you and Judie will attend our club's 100th Anniversary Party on February 27,

2010. No formal written invitations have been prepared yet, but on your urging, we will get to work right away with that.

Meanwhile, please consider this a formal, though digital invitation, to be followed in more traditional writing.

As for your concern that you may fall asleep during our affair, we hope you will also accept our invitation to be our principal speaker that evening. We'll be sure to put you on early, and allow you to sleep undisturbed after that!

Thank you for honoring us with your presence.

Yours in Rotary Service,

Henry Lowentritt, President

The Rotary Club of New Orleans



Club # 12 -- Making a Difference in our 100th Year

Henry's inaugural message can be viewed at  
<http://www.neworleansrotary.org/pdf/presmsg070109.pdf>

**CENTENNIAL MINUTE:** During this, our Centennial Year, each week we will spend a minute to review the long and distinguished history of our club.

In 1919, Rotary started organizing itself into districts, and Benjamin C. Brown of the New Orleans Club became the first District Governor of our district, which was #14.

1923-1924 A daily round table was established at Kolbs Restaurant. The first club roster with pictures was published.

1924-1925 The club sent ninety-seven boys to scout camp. Board meetings were held at members' residences.

### Rotary Four-Way Test

From the earliest days of the organization, Rotarians were concerned with promoting high ethical standards in their professional lives. One of the world's most widely printed and quoted statements of business ethics is The Four-Way Test, which was created in 1932 by Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor (who later served as RI president) when he was asked to take charge of a company that was facing bankruptcy. Adopted by Rotary in 1943, The Four-Way Test has been translated into more than a hundred languages and published in thousands of ways.

It asks the following four questions:

"Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?"

### Missed A Meeting?

Make Up By Attending Another Club In The Area

Monday

**New Orleans International Airport, LA** Noon, Treasure Chest Casino Buffet;

**Westwego, LA** Noon, The Four Columns Restaurant, Harvey;

**Carrollton, LA** Noon, Pontchartrain Point Restaurant; 8536 Pontchartrain Blvd., New Orleans

Tuesday

**Covington, LA ;** Noon, Greater Covington Center

**Westbank/Gretna, LA ;** 12:15pm, Gretna United Methodist Church

**La Place, LA;** Noon, Bull's Corner Restaurant

Wednesday

**Algiers, LA;** 7:30 am, The Villas at Woldenberg

**New Orleans;** 12:00pm; Harrah's Hotel of New Orleans, 2d Floor, 228 Poydras Street

Thursday

**Metairie Sunrise;** 7:00 a.m., Landmark Hotel, Metairie, LA;

**Northlake-Mandeville Rotary Club,** 12:00 PM, Beau Chene Country Club, 602 North Beau Chene Drive, Mandeville, LA 70471;

**Metairie, LA** 12:15pm, Metairie CC;

**Kenner, LA** 12:15pm, Johnny Trauth's Seafood Bistro

Friday

**Slidell, LA**

12:10pm, Pinewood Country Club

**Harahan, LA** 12:15pm, Colonial Country Club

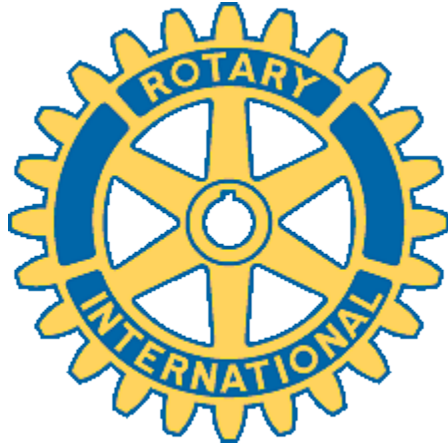
## Thank you Byron

Many thanks to Byron Harrell for editing the Bolo for the past two years. I already miss his hard work. With every passing week I miss it more. Seth Nehrbass, current Bolo editor.

## Know a Prospective Rotarian?

**Applications Available//New Member Notices**

If you know someone who should be a Rotarian, invite them to lunch! Applications are available on our website and from President Henry, Kevin Laborde, or Cindy Markham.



In accordance with the Articles & Bylaws of the Club, the following announcement will be posted in the Bolo for two weeks during which time you may inquire into the nomination and register any new information you deem advisable with the Club President. President Henry Lowentritt is available to answer any questions you may have.

Proposed member: Reimer Priester has been approved by the membership committee under the classification Fund

Development - Philharmonic (8/19, 8/26)

[Download New Member Applications](#)

### Usual Meeting Location

We usually meet at 12:00pm at Harrah's Hotel of New Orleans, 2d Floor, 228 Poydras Street, New Orleans, LA 70130, (504) 533-6000

[Meeting information and directions](#)

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#### **Last Week's Speaker:**

19 August 2009 - Chief Tim McConnell, Assistant Superintendent, New Orleans Fire Department

#### **This Week's Speaker:**

26 August 2009 - Rotary District Governor

#### **Upcoming Speakers:** (subject to change):

2 September 2009 - Kristin Palmer, Rebuilding Together New Orleans;

9 September 2009 - Labor Day Week - no meeting;

16 September 2009 - Speaker of House Jim Tucker;

23 September 2009 - Linda Laborde Deane, CFP;

30 September 2009 - Jim McNamara;

7 October 2009 - Scott Cowan, Tulane University;

14 October 2009 - Craig P. Taffaro, Jr., President of St. Bernard Parish, Recovery since Katrina;

21 October 2009 - Steve Rueb, Dorsey & Co., The economy and the stock market;

28 October 2009 - Louisiana Secretary of State Dardenne;

18 November 2009 - Doctors for Charity Hospital

#### **Deadline for Bolo Publication Submissions: Friday 5:00 p.m.**

Please include as the subject of your e-mail messages the date of the newsletter in which you would like your article to appear. This will greatly increase the chance of your article appearing in the proper issue.

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