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Rotary
Join leaders
Exchange ideas
Take action

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Upcoming Programs

May 30

No Meeting
Happy Memorial Day!

June 6

Social Meeting
Joint Board Meeting
Invocation: Kenneth Herring

Announcements

- The June 6 Board meeting will be the **annual joint meeting** with both outgoing and incoming Board members together. Committee chairs should be prepared to meet with your successor to help in the transition.
- The June 27 meeting will be the installation of the new Board.
- Bill Lenihan announced that the three Oak Ridge Rotary clubs will have a booth at the Secret City Festival on June 10-11. Make your plans to attend and help staff the booth.
- If you have pictures, information, or announcements that you'd like to share with the rest of the club, please email them to **SueAnne L SueAnne Lewis** at designprof@att.net.

Rotary Business

- In June 2017 the Rotary International Convention will take place in Atlanta. Thousands of Rotarians from all over the world will travel to attend the convention. We seldom get an opportunity to attend this exciting event right in our own backyard, and I strongly encourage everyone in our district to try to attend. To make it even easier to attend we are planning to charter buses to Atlanta for the convention. Registration will open on May 28. **If you register between May 28 and June 7, 2016, you can attend the entire convention for just \$265.** You will be able to register through the DACdb Calender.
- **What is Rotary?** Rotary is an international organization that **joins leaders** from all continents, cultures, and occupations to **exchange ideas**, bring our expertise and diverse perspectives to help solve some of the world's toughest problems, and **take action** to bring about lasting change in our communities and around the world.
- **If you miss a meeting, be sure to make up during the two weeks before or after the missed meeting.** You can make up at another club or on line at one of these e-clubs:
 - E-club of Southeast USA www.recswusa.org
 - Rotary E-club NY1 www.rotaryclubny1.com
 - Rotary Club of District 7890 www.rotaryclub7890.org.
- Please notify Secretary **Kesha Shipe** when you make up a meeting. Her email address is ShipeKesha@gmail.com.
- Rotarians who make up at the Sunset Club pay \$10.

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Last Week's Program Jeremy Biggs, CEO Methodist Medical Center



Our speaker last week was Jeremy Biggs, who has recently taken over as CEO of Methodist Medical Center. He is a native of Oak Ridge and a graduate of UTK. After working with St. Mary's Hospital for several years, he joined Covenant Healthcare five years ago. He worked in several different Covenant hospitals before coming home to Oak Ridge.

In discussing our hospital he stated that he is impressed with the medical and clinical staff. MMC is a 301-bed hospital, and they usually average about 115 occupancy, which is the normal rate for hospitals. Advances in medical technology have made hospital stays much shorter, and a procedure that would keep a patient in the hospital up to a week in the past can now be done as an out-patient without any overnight stay.

Biggs pointed out that MMC received "A" grades in The Leapfrog Group's spring 2016 Hospital Safety Scores, ranking the hospital among the safest in the

United States. The medical center has received this grade since 2012.

There was discussion about the need for better automation of medical records and information. Biggs said there are disconnects in the IT systems. MMC will have to pay over \$100 million for a new system, and it will still be less than perfect.

Rotary Information

The Organization of Rotary

Rotary is essentially a grassroots organization, with most of its service efforts being carried out at the club level. The district and international structure is designed to support the clubs and help them provide more service in their local communities and abroad.

Clubs. Rotarians are members of Rotary clubs, which belong to the global association Rotary International (RI). Each club elects its own officers and enjoys considerable autonomy within the framework of Rotary's constitution and by-laws.

Districts. Clubs are grouped into 534 RI districts, each led by a district governor, who is an officer of RI. We are in District 6780, which includes all of Tennessee east of Nashville. The district administration, including assistant governors and various committees, guides and supports the clubs. The 2015-16 district governor is Beth Stubbs (Maryville-Alcoa Club), and the 2016-17 district governor will be Fred Heitman (RC of Oak Ridge).

Zones. The 534 RI districts are divided into 34 zones. District 6780 is in Zone 30.

RI Board. The 19-member RI Board of Directors, which includes the RI president and president-elect, meets quarterly to establish policies. Traditionally, the RI president, who is elected annually, develops a theme and emphasis for the year. In 2016-17 RI president will be **John Germ** (Chattanooga Club), and his theme will be "Rotary Serving Humanity."

Karen Wentz (Maryville-Alcoa Club) is a member of the RI Board.

The Secretariat. Rotary International is head-quartered in the Chicago suburb of Evanston, Illinois, USA, with seven international offices in Argentina, Australia, Brazil, India, Japan, Korea, and Switzerland. The office for RI in Great Britain and Ireland (RIBI), located in England, serves clubs and districts in that region. The Secretariat's chief operating officer is the RI general secretary, who heads a 650-member staff working to serve Rotarians worldwide.

The Four-Way Test

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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?**

International and District Officers

K. R. Ravindran, Colombo, Sri Lanka – Rotary International President

John Germ, Chattanooga – Rotary International President-Elect

Beth Stubbs, Maryville – District Governor 6780

Fred Heitman, Oak Ridge– District Governor-Elect (2016-17)

Dave Mason, Oak Ridge – Assistant District Governor

