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Devrin Kuipers
Using DACdb to
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Invocation: Chuck
Darling

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Jeremy Biggs, CEO,
Methodist Medical
Center
Invocation: Kenneth

Announcements

- **Please bring your laptop or tablet to the May 16 meeting** (a smart phone will work, but not as well as the larger devices). **Devrin Kuipers** will teach us how to log in to **DACdb** (District and Club Database) and to **MyRotary**. From these two websites you can update your profile, make contributions to the Rotary Foundation, and generally find anything you need to know about Rotary.
- The revised duty roster for the May 21-22 elementary school **DaVinci Arts & Science Fair** follows these announcements. **Please Note: Rotarians are to wear a blue jacket or blazer** for ID purposes. Name badges will be available. **If you will not be able to participate as scheduled, please notify Dave Mason, dmason555@hotmail.com or (H) 483-4312 or 607-0325 on day of the fair.**
- Over the past 12 months our club has received **\$642.40** from the Kroger Community Rewards program. If you participate, thanks. If you shop at Kroger but haven't signed up for these rewards that help our club, please see **Chuck Darling** or **Dave Mason**.
- 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.

DaVinci Arts & Science Fair Duty Roster

Saturday, 5/21/16

Time	Function	Staff
7:30	Staff Arrival	Mason, CNS Rep.
8:15	Greeters Arrive	Singer, Jordan
8:15-9:30	Registration	C. Warmbrod, Wesh
8:30-10:30	Project Area Monitoring	Boshears
8:30-10:30	Students Place Projects	B. Dodson & Interact Proffen & Wildbots

Herring

8:40-Noon Judging/Interviews Proffen & Judges

May 30

10:30-Noon Judging & Data Tabulation M. Stocks, K. Warmbrod Wesh, M. Wells

No Meeting

Happy Memorial Day!

11:30-12:30 PM Lunch All Judges & Staff

12:00-As needed Data Tabulation Ball, Brown, A. Wells

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SueAnne Lewis

Immediate Past President

Cathy Warmbrod

Past President Representative

12:30-1:30 Winner Notification

Lewis, C. Warmbrod

12:00 Afternoon Greeters

Koella, Stanley

Sunday, 5/22/16

Function

Rotary Staff

1:30-2:00 Open Center

Mason, CNS Rep.

1:30 Grand Prize Judging

Mason

2:00-3:00 Judges & Guests Viewing

Lewis, Carlberg

2:30 Greeters

Kuipers, B. Dodson

3:00-4:00 Public Open House

All

4:00-5:00 Awards Ceremony Introduction & Welcome Awards & Door Prizes Awards

Petrie Lewis J. Dodson, Carlberg

5:00-5:30 Removal of Projects Art displays stay in New Hope Center

Science Students.

Rotarians are responsible for cleanup & some table removal.

Note: Rotarians, wear a Blue Jacket / Blazer for ID Purposes. Name Tags will be available.

Note: If for some reason, you will not be able to execute any responsibility, please notify: Dave Mason dmason555@hotmail.com or 483-4312(h), 607-0325 on Fair day.

Support Activities

Hospitality: Donna Sullivan

Website Operations: Thomas Proffen

Awards Procurement Jon Carlberg

Tee Shirts: Jim Dodson

Publicity/Press Releases SueAnne Lewis.

Art Judging & Delivery Jim Dodson

Science Judging Mason, Proffen

Photography Becky Proffen

Rotary Business

- In order to qualify for the President's Award at the next District Conference, every member of our club must contribute at least \$20 to Rotary International. Please do your part!

- What is Rotary? Rotary is an international organization

2015-16 Directors

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that you receive from all communities, careers, 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.

Last Week's Program

Joe Jarret

Snake-Handling Tradition in E.Tennessee

Our program speaker last week was attorney Joe Jarret, who teaches graduate and undergraduate law at UT. He spoke about his research on poisonous serpents and religious expression in Tennessee.



Snake-handling is a religious practice that finds its roots in Appalachia and goes back over a century. The ritual is practiced in churches often referred to as "renegade" and "fiercely independent" and most commonly looked upon by the uninitiated as a dangerous and bizarre activity. The practice is not lawful in most southern Appalachian states, including Tennessee.

Tennessee first outlawed the handling of poisonous snakes in 1947, motivated by the deaths of five East Tennesseans who died handling serpents during religious services. The law made it "unlawful for any person or persons to display, exhibit, handle or use any poisonous or dangerous snake or reptile in

such a manner as to endanger the life or health of any person." Although the law is still on the books, no law enforcement officers are willing enforce this law because of the stigma of arresting people for practicing their religion.

Rotary Information

The History of Rotary

The story of Rotary starts with **Paul Harris** in 1905. A young lawyer struggling to start his law practice in Chicago, Illinois, Harris saw a lack of understanding and communication among members of professions and those engaged in business and trade. He felt deeply a need to bridge that gap and to rescue professional men from isolation. Harris also wished to dignify the occupations of tradesmen, which, at the time, was not in good repute.

On the evening of February 23, 1905, Harris invited three men to come to his office to talk about a new idea – a club based on the belief that men of business and professions could and should be friends. That group included a coal dealer, a tailor, and a mining engineer. The following day they expanded the circle to include a printer and a real estate broker.

Within a short time plans for the club were completed. It is significant that the six members who formed the new group were comparative strangers. Each had come to Chicago from a small town to go into business. Each felt the need for personal friendships to replace those that had been displaced by moving from his former hometown. They decided to hold gatherings in the places of business of each member and rotate the location with each meeting. The idea of rotating the meeting place prompted Paul Harris to suggest that the new club be called **Rotary**.

In the early days the meetings were devoted to helping each member expand his business opportunities. The members at the meetings read papers on business topics and sought ways to help each other increase his business. This concept and practice has long since been replaced by a more generous concept of service to others. Soon the meetings were enlivened with singing and activities of fellowship. The membership expanded and the group decided to hold dinner meetings. These later gave way to weekly noonday luncheon meetings.

By 1907 the Rotary Club of Chicago extended its activities into the community with the first public service project to improve the welfare of the city. The initial project established public comfort stations (restrooms) in Chicago's City Hall. Since that time Rotary Clubs have performed community service projects of every conceivable nature. Thus, Rotary became known as a "service club" and has been the model on which all other service clubs were later organized.

The idea of the Rotary Club extended across the nation in 1908 when the second club was formed in San Francisco, and a few months later the third club was organized in Oakland, California. Within two years new clubs sprang up in Seattle, Los Angeles, New York, Boston, St. Louis, Kansas City, and New Orleans. By 1910 a club was organized in Winnipeg, Canada, Rotary became an international organization, and Paul Harris was elected the first president of the National Association of Rotary Clubs at the first convention.

Between 1911 and 1913 clubs formed in Canada, Great Britain, and Ireland, and the organization changed its name to International Association of Rotary Clubs. The first non-English-speaking club was chartered in Cuba in 1915. Then President **Arch Klumph** proposed establishing an endowment fund, the precursor of the Rotary Foundation, in 1916-17.

The Rotary conference on education and cultural exchange was held in London in 1942, setting the stage for UNESCO. In 1945-46 forty-nine Rotarians helped draft the United Nations Charter.

Paul Harris died in Chicago in 1946, and the outpouring of funds from Rotarians was used to establish a fellowship program. The first 18 Rotary Fellows began studying abroad in 1948-49, a precursor of Ambassadorial Scholars.

During the 1960s the first Interact Club was formed in Melbourne, Florida, and the first Rotaract Club was formed in Charlotte, North Carolina. The World Community Service program was launched, and the Special Grants and Group Study Exchange programs began. The 1970s saw the beginning of Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grants. Women were first approved for membership in Rotary in 1984. Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution were established in 1998-99.

The Four-Way Test

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

