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EDITORIAL FOR SEPTEMBER 24

Your Farewell Address

As I considered the topic for this space, I thought a message involving one of our country's founders might be appropriate in an election year. In his Farewell Address, issued as a public letter in 1796, George Washington enumerated his concerns about challenges the fledgling nation might face and suggestions for preserving the liberty and independence gained through the Revolution.

Washington's letter was not an esoteric message delivered from an ivory tower, but an appeal to future public servants to learn from and build on the example he set during two terms in office. He believed strongly that he had attempted to follow the guidelines set forth in the letter, so much so that he stated near its end:

"How far in the discharge of my official duties I have been guided by the principles which have been delineated, the public records and other evidences of my conduct must witness to you and to the world. To myself, the assurance of my own conscience is, that I have at least believed myself to be guided by them."

As Rotarians, we have much in common with George Washington. He valued his image as a selfless public servant and conducted his life in many ways that would be harmonious with Service Above Self and the 4-Way Test, ideals on which Rotary is built. It was important to Washington that his work as president be perceived in a way history and his own conscience would find right and proper.

Ask yourself, at the end of my "service," will I be able to set forth my principles in writing and say that "that assurance of my own conscience) is that I have truly been guided by them?"

Hix Myrick

ROTARY NOTES (09/10/08)

The meeting was called to order by President Mallon, who then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Larry Cardin gave the invocation followed by the news of the day with Phil Scoggins. Terri Parodi introduced visiting Rotarians from other clubs as well as member guests. Selby Rollinson introduced out military guests, CPT. Jeffery Jackson member of the Army's 199th Infantry Brigade at Ft. Benning and OCS Dave Hardie. John Flory introduced our new member, Art Fultz. Art Fultz is a Captain in the Salvation Army. George Jeter recognized a new Paul Harris Fellow, Elizabeth Barker.

Don Sharitt presented a report on the 2008 Ann Johnson Rotary Football. The total Rotary Football dollars raised to date is \$2,300.

President Mallon introduced the head table, Larry Cardin, Betsy Covington, Lori Auten, Bob Jones, and our speaker, Joesphine Reed-Taylor.

Bob Jones introduced the speaker, Dr. Josephine Reed-Taylor. Dr. Reed-Taylor is the Assistant Commissioner of Adult Education for the Technical College System of Georgia. She shared information regarding adult literacy and adult education. One out of five adults in the United States is functionally illiterate which equates to 30 million adults. In Georgia, 1.3 million adults over the age of 18 do not have a high school diploma or GED. Adult education provides educational services to these adults. Adult education in Georgia serves about 100,000 adults. The fastest growing adult sub-group in Georgia is the 16-18 year olds. Adults with a GED diploma are prepared to enter a 2-year or 4 year college. In fact, one in 20 first year college students are GED graduates. A person with a high school diploma or a GED diploma earns more money than a person without a diploma. Dr. Reed-Taylor thanked the Rotary Club for the donation to provide funds to pay for GED tests. She also requested that the Rotary Club assist with the job-shadowing program.

President Mallon presented a donation in the speaker's name for Rotary's health and humanitarian causes throughout the world.

President Mallon re-welcomed our visiting Rotarians and guests.

The meeting was adjourned.

Peggy Connell

FRANK TALK GEMS

When Frank Devlyn was but 22 his father died. At that young age he took over the family business. Just seven years later, he joined a small three week

old club in Mexico City.

"I doubt, at that time, whether the larger clubs in town would have invited a businessman of my age." He served as the club's third president and called it "a turning point in my life."

In the coming months we'll examine The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International through the eyes of one of its chairmen. RGHF hopes that his vision will be similar to yours and that we might strengthen your involvement in Rotary and your support of The Rotary Foundation.

I have the privilege to edit this feature for the rest of 2008. I would hope to add your reflections from Frank's several books and select from them future issues of Frank Talk Gems. You may write to me at my address below.

For RGHF: Jack Selway, Frank Talk Gems editor
2008 ceo@rghf.org.

AUGUST PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Joseph Roberson	2 years
Blair Carnahan	2 years
David Konze	2 years
Goeff Love	2 years
Ryan Clements	3 years
Keith Cowart	3 years
Jerry Newman	5 years
John Stacy	5 years
Walter Trussell	7 years
Johnny Johnson	12 years
Meridith Jarrell	12 years
Mike Gaymon	13 years
Gil Cargill	13 years
Tom Friedmann	14 years

ROTARY FOUNDATION THOUGHT

This week's **Rotary Foundation Thought** is about Matching Grants.

Matching Grants provide matching funds for international service projects of Rotary Clubs and districts. Sponsored by District 9110 in Nigeria and the Rotary club of Mount Airy, North Carolina, one grant provided water, clothing, food, drugs, toilets and farming implements to a leper colony in Africa. Over 1,000 people benefited from this project. The Rotarians sponsoring the project designed, supervised and kept the project on target, gaining both local and international attention. As a result of this project, the leper community will have access to basic amenities after many years of neglect. Dignity has been restored to the lives of those individuals living in the leper colony.

Wouldn't you like to feel that your efforts have brought dignity to someone's life?



Dick Stone	9/20
Richard Illges	9/22
Audrey Hollingsworth	9/24
Isaiah Hugley	9/04
Mike Wooldridge	9/24
Tommy Boyter	9/25
Gene Kemp	9/25
Terri Parodi	9/25

**RECENT CONTRIBUTIONS
TO THE BIRTHDAY FUND**

John Deaton
Otis Burnham
Bill Heard
Jim Laycock
Joe Robbins
Tripp Wade

MAKE-UPS

PHENIX CITY (09/08) Meets Monday 12:15 Central Activities Bldg. Debbie Cabellero Tom Gates Leonard Crain Dick Nurnberg James Snead Phil Swift	MUSCOGEE (09/11)) Meets Thursday 7a.m. River Club Larry Neal Mark Lupo Billy Turner
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**NORTH COLUMBUS
(09/09)**

Meets Tuesday 12:30
Green Island
Sharon Borger
Frank Jordan
Joey Loudermilk
Buddy martin
Phil Scoggins
Kevin Wilkerson

Joe Sandri
Jack Key III
Joseph Roberson
Hix Myrick
Neal McCrillis
Mike Gaymon
Scott McLaurin
Don Campbell
Travis Chambers

**JAX - OCEANSIDE
(7/28,8/5,8/12,8/19,8/26)**

Phil Swift

**HARRIS COUNTY
(9/10)**

Richard Bishop

Cordele

George Boyd

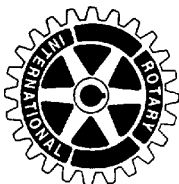
ANN JOHNSON ROTARY FOOTBALL

9/10

Team	This Week	Cumulative
Alabama	20	54
Auburn	27	61
Citadel	17	71
Davidson	9	9
Florida	26	82
Florida State	69	69
Georgia	45	101
Georgia Tech	19	60
Iowa	42	88
Miami	3	55
Oklahoma	52	109
Newberry	9	9
South Carolina	17	51
Tennessee	24	24
Tulane	6	6
Vanderbilt	24	58
Washington & Lee	0	0

Total Rotary Football Dollars Raised to Date...\$3,252
ROLL TIE!!! Could This Be You Year?
Way To Go Seminoles! 69 Points(Dollars) In One Game
The Commodores Are 2-0 With An Upset Of South Carolina

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