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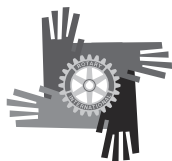
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EDITORIAL FOR JULY 1, 2009

Farewell from President Mallon

This year has flown by and I have enjoyed the fun and fellowship we have shared. More so, I have been honored and privileged to be President of this great Club. You are some of the finest people on earth.

You live the highest ideals of service to humanity at home and around the world. You help feed the hungry; you clothe those who are without; you give students who have fallen out of the mainstream the chance to come back and become productive and happy citizens. You have done a giants share in helping to eradicate crippling and deadly diseases around the world. You nurture the environment. You open your hearts and homes to foreign students and visitors. You are world ambassadors.

And you constantly remind our men and women in uniform that we care, we support them, and we truly appreciate their efforts to keep our country safe and strong.

Most importantly, you maintain the Spirit and Ideals of Rotary and enjoy the quality of Fellowship for which Rotary was founded.

I want to recall to you a bit of ancient philosophy:

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angles; though I have the gift of prophecy, and all knowledge and understand all mysteries, and though I have such faith that I could move mountains, but have not CHARITY, I am nothing.

My most fervent hope for this Club is that ALL of our members would participate in the Spirit of Rotary and reap the full benefit of being real Rotarians and not just be Rotarians in name only.

-Mallon

ROTARY NOTES - 06/17/09

The meeting was called to order by President Mallon, who then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Richard Illges gave the invocation. Phil Scoggins delivered the news of the day.

Michael Eddings introduced visiting Rotarians from other clubs as well as member guests. Ralph Puckett introduced our military guest SSG Karl King of the 198th Infantry Brigade.

President Mallon introduced the head table: Richard Illges, * Dr. Raimondo, LTC Javier Ayala (guest speaker), Selby Rollinson, * Dr. Ramires. (* both from WHINSEC Western Institute for Security Cooperation. Selby Rollinson introduced our speaker LTC Javier Ayala.

LTC Ayala spoke about the economic destruction of the ecological habitat the FARC Armed Forces of Colombia. FARC is a violent, non-state actor (VNSA), considered a terrorist group by the Colombian government, the United States, Canada and the European Union. Other governments, including the Cuban and Venezuelan governments, are more sympathetic to FARC.

FARC was established in the 1960s as the military wing of the Colombian Communist Party and thus originated as a guerrilla movement. The group later became involved with the cocaine trade during the 1980s to finance itself,[9] but remained closely tied to the Communist Party even as it created the Patriotic Union in the early 1980s and later a political structure it calls the Clandestine Colombian Communist Party (PCCC).

FARC remains the largest as well as the oldest insurgent group in the Americas. The FARC have ties to narcotics traffickers, principally through the provision of armed protection and a form of "taxation" over drugs crops and their profits. During the mid- to late-1990s, several drug war analysts have stated that the FARC would have become increasingly involved in

the drug trade, controlling farming, production and exportation of cocaine in those areas of the country under their influence. This claim has been made by U.S. and Colombian authorities. After a video presentation at the conclusion of LTC Javier Ayala's speech President Mallon thanked him for his presentation and rang the bell.

Meeting Adjourned.

-Mark Overby

WHAT PAUL HARRIS SAID

What Paul Harris Said www.whatpaulharrissaid.org
Sunday 21 June 2009 Paul Harris speaks from the first Rotary International Convention. As the 100th Convention at Birmingham gets underway, we go back to Paul's words at the first convention of Rotary in 1910.

Monday, August 15, 1910. The Convention was called to order at 10 o'clock a. m., in the Green Room of the Congress Hotel, by Mr. Paul P. Harris, Chairman of the National Board of Commissioners, Mr. Chesley R. Perry, Secretary of the National Board of Commissioners, acting as Secretary. The full text of the proceedings follows: Chairman Harris. Delegates from North, South, East and West, delegates from all parts of the United States: We have been called here to organize a national association of Rotary Clubs, and we have a great deal of business to transact. It will not be an occasion of long addresses. We of the Chicago club do not believe very much in oratory. We believe that an orator is a man who intoxicates himself with his own emotions and is likely to say a great many things he had not intended to say.

And so it began, the conventions of Rotary, that is. Paul Harris chose his words carefully. That is clear in all of his writing. But, for the record, that's the beginning of the first speech at a Rotary Convention, 100 years ago. You can read the entire speech and learn more about that first-ever convention at www.rotaryfirst100.org/presidents/conventions/1910/

There were sixty Rotarians in attendance from 15 of the 16 existing clubs. This month, RGHF begins a ten-year salute to the first 100 clubs of Rotary. They were the first, and still going.



Marquette McKnight	6/26
Paul Berry	6/27
Houser Pugh	6/27
Melissa Thomas	6/29
John Kelly	6/29
Bill Heard III	6/30
Don Dakin	7/1
Walter Calhoun	7/2
Frank Jordan	7/2
Jack Rodgers	7/3

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TO THE BIRTHDAY FUND**

Shirley Jaeger

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PHENIX CITY (06/15)
Meets Monday 12:15
Central Activities Bldg.
 Buddy Cooper
 Virginia Holman
 Jack Key III
 Ron Mullins

NORTH COLUMBUS (06/16)
Meets Tuesday 12:30
Green Island
 Alan Feagin
 Mary Bode
 Valerie Canapa
 Tom Flowers
 Lynne Taylor
 Ricky Wright
 Tony Wright

MUSCOGEE (06/11)
Meets Thursday 12:00
Green Island
 None

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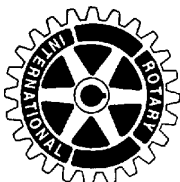
The following has been approved for membership by the Classification Committee, Membership Committee and the Board of Directors:

Clarence Robert "Bob" Koon,
 President Koon Enterprises.
 Proposed by George Jeter.
 Classification: Consulting – Small Business

If no written objection to this proposal is received by the Board within ten (10) days stating reason, he shall be considered elected to membership.

June 26, 2009

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