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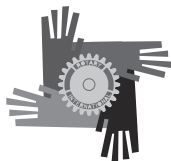
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LIFE IS A DANCE AND YOU ARE THE CHOREOGRAPHER WHICH DANCE WILL YOU CHOOSE?

Famous dance quotes to ponder and reflect upon...

LIFE IS A DANCE, FROM ONE STAGE TO THE NEXT • WHEN THE MUSIC CHANGES, SO DOES THE DANCE • TO DANCE IS TO BE IN TUNE WITH THE STEPS OF LIFE • IF YOU ARE GOING TO WALK ON THIN ICE, YOU MIGHT AS WELL DANCE • NO MATTER HOW CLOSE TO YOURS ANOTHER'S STEPS HAVE GROWN, IN THE END THERE IS ONE DANCE YOU'LL DO ALONE • OPPORTUNITY DANCES WITH THOSE ALREADY ON THE DANCE FLOOR • IF TO DANCE IS TO DREAM, THEN YOU MAKE DREAMS COME TRUE • WHEN YOU DANCE, YOUR PURPOSE IS NOT TO GET TO A CERTAIN PLACE ON THE FLOOR, IT'S TO ENJOY EACH STEP ALONG THE WAY • I DO NOT TRY TO DANCE BETTER THAN ANYONE ELSE, I ONLY TRY TO DANCE BETTER THAN MYSELF • YOUR LOVE FOR YOURSELF IS ONLY SHOWN WHEN YOU ARE DANCING FREELY • TO TAP OR NOT TO TAP... SILLY QUESTION • DANCING WITH THE FEET IS ONE THING, BUT DANCING WITH THE HEART IS ANOTHER • WHEN IN DOUBT...DANCE • YOU CAN DANCE ANYWHERE, EVEN IF ONLY IN YOUR HEART • TO DANCE IS TO BE OUT OF YOURSELF, LARGER, MORE BEAUTIFUL, MORE POWERFUL, THIS IS POWER, IT IS GLORY ON EARTH AND IT IS YOURS FOR THE TAKING - Mary Bode

ROTARY MINUTES - 05/26/10

The meeting was called to order by Past President Mallon Faircloth, who led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Joey Loudermilk gave the invocation.

Lori Auten welcomed and introduced visiting Rotarians from other clubs as well as member guest. Eddie Obleton introduced our military guest, SFC Kyle Seamans a member of the Silver Wings Parachute Group. SFC Seamans received a commemorative coin and a copy of Col (Ret.) Ralph Puckett's book, **Word for Warriors**.

Past President Mallon introduced Cationa Patterson who gave us a farewell PowerPoint presentation to say thank you to the club for making it possible for her to be our GRSP Student 2009-10. She made everyone shortbread! GRSP Trustee Ian Bond was invited to comment and presented Catriona with a Will Watt Fellowship and congratulated the club for their donation exceeding the goal for this year.

Past President Mallon introduced Ron King to introduce the program.

The program was presented by Fran Magoni with the Right From the Start Program. Right from the Start is a newly formed marriage and family initiative in Columbus, Georgia. The initiative is dedicated to building strong marriages and families. This program seeks to:

- Lower the divorce rate
- Lower the rate of out-of-wedlock pregnancies
- Increase father involvement in the lives of children in Muscogee County

Right from the Start will provide relationship skill-building education and serve as a resource for those who work with families in the latest research and curricula on healthy marriages and families. Through a community-wide marketing campaign, Right from the Start will also educate the public about the importance of strong marriages and families. Right from the Start is a community resource that collaborates with and is supported by a broad cross-section of community organization, groups and individuals.

Quick Facts:

-Studies reveal that even in high-crime inner city neighborhoods, well over 90% of children from safe, stable, two-parent homes do not become delinquents.

- Two-thirds of families begun by young unmarried mothers are living in poverty

- since 1990 the rate of births to unwed mothers in Muscogee County has risen from 38% to 52.7%

- More children were born to unwed mothers than married mothers in 2007

- The percentage of single parent households in Muscogee County is 44% compared to a national percentage of 24%

- The Valley Region has one of the highest divorce rates in the Southeast. Over 1000 divorces were filed this past year in Muscogee County. Georgia Supreme Court Chief Justice Sears stated at a luncheon at the Pastoral Institute for Columbus Leaders in February 2008 that 65% of all cases appearing before the Supreme Court are related to domestic issues.

The statistics for Muscogee County are staggering. As you can see, we have reached a tipping point in our community with more than half of our children spending all or part of their childhood in never formed or broken families. -Richard Bishop

THINK ABOUT IT

No one is ever a complete failure.
He can always serve as a bad example.

"We're having a raffle for a poor widow. Would you like to buy a ticket?"

"I'm afraid not. Even if I won, my wife would never let me keep her."

People can be divided into three groups: those who make things happen, those who watch things happen, and those who wonder what happened.

CLUB ATTENDANCE

No Rotary Club can operate effectively without the full participation of its members. Non-attendance is a triple handicap; the club itself fails to receive the benefit of member ideas and expressions of experiences, the individual is deprived of the fellowship, the give and take, the companionship of fellow members, the broader the absent one is one represented at that meeting.

EVERY EFFORT COUNTS

A room may be dark because the sun is not shining. Or it may be dark because the windows are dirty. Of course you can't turn on the sun, but you can wash the windows. Don't be discouraged by the job that you do..just do the job you can do. You will be surprised how effective that will be. -from a club bulletin



Jim Jordan 6/5
 Dan Parker 6/9
 Bunky Pease 6/10
 Joel Ames 6/11
 Joe Johnson 6/11

PHENIX CITY (05/24)

Meets Monday 12:15

Quality Inn
 Ed Adams
 Perry Borom
 Bo Callaway
 Edgar Chancellor
 Art Chriss
 Peggy Connell
 Janet Davis
 Alex DeBlend
 Allen Denham
 Tracy Fisher
 Tom Flowers
 Thelon Hamby
 Chuck Hasty
 Madden Hatcher
 Al Hayes
 Chuck Hecht
 Virginia Holman
 Mike Helms
 Michael Holbrook
 Isaiah Hugley
 Johnny Johnson
 Dexter Jordan
 Frank Jordan
 Jim Jordan
 Gene Kemp
 Joe Lucas
 Sharon Lyon
 Mark Lupo
 Jim Martin
 Frank Morast
 Eddie Obleton
 Terri Parodi
 Lamar Powers
 Carl Rhodes
 Reggie Richards
 Jerry Rothschild
 Carole Rutland
 Charlie Frank Riley
 Don Sharitt

Guy Sims
 Barbara Smith
 Bob Tant
 Mike Venable
 Jerry White
 Tommy Williams

NORTH COLUMBUS (05/25)

Meets Tuesday 12:30

Green Island

Wayne Anthony
 Mary Bode
 Scott Ferguson
 Marvin Foster
 Craig Reaves
 Marc Reid
 Dicky Saunders
 Jim Thorsen

MUSCOGEE (05/20)

Meets Thursday 12:00

Green Island

Lynne Taylor
 Marc Reid

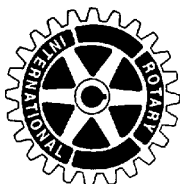
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Mike Venable
 Frank Morast
 Sharon Lyon
 Greg Camp
 Jere Richardson
 Mike Gaymon
 Marquette McKnight
 Tyler Townsend

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THE ROTARY FOUNDATION IS not to build monuments of brick and stone. If we work upon marble, it will perish; if we work on brass, time will efface it....but if we work upon immortal minds, if we imbue them with the full meaning of the spirit of Rotary, we are engraving on those tablets something that will brighten all eternity. "

The Educational, Humanitarian and PolioPlus Programs are the monuments of the Foundation and Rotarians should be proud to yell it from the roof tops. We will eradicate polio, hunger and poverty. We will help the world find peace. By supporting the Rotary Foundation with an annual gift you help build these immortal monuments of Rotary.



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