

DISTRICT 6800

Governor's Monthly Newsletter

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NOVEMBER IS ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH

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It is also the month that we celebrate the Thanksgiving Holiday. What better way to give thanks for our good fortune than to make our "Every Rotarian Every Year" (EREY) \$100 contribution to the Annual Programs Fund of The (our) Rotary Foundation. You can make your contribution on line at www.rotary.org using your Rotary Credit Card (or any other). If you do not have a Rotary Credit Card you can also apply for one on line at the rotary web site while you are there making your EREY contribution. When you use your Rotary Credit Card the Rotary Foundation gets .1% of the purchase. It all adds up. If you want to know what your PHF credits are you can find out thru the Member Access portal on the rotary web site. If you do not compute ask your secretary or call your District Governor. A member of my club told me he had given \$500 to the Foundation several months ago. I checked the Foundation Contribution Summary which I just happened to have with me which was current and did not show the credit. It turned out that he had given the check to the club secretary who, it turns out, deposited it in the "Club Rotary Foundation." This error was corrected and all is now well. I have found, during my recent club visits, that some Rotarians think that it is up to the Club Directors to reward them with a PHF for their good deeds and contributions to club projects.

It is certainly nice to be recognized by your club in this way but this not the intent of PHF recognition. The PHF is recognition for your giving of a total of \$1000 to The Rotary Foundation. Giving does not stop at \$1000. You can give more!! For every \$1000 you will receive additional recognition with a sapphire stone in your PHF lapel button. At the \$10,000 level you are recognized with a "Major Donor" pin.

You can read all about this on the Rotary Web Site. With your PHF credits you can recognize your spouse, mother, father, children, grand children or anyone else you choose. Through the Rotary Foundation you participate in International Projects and Support District 6800 initiatives. Three years from 30 June 2005 one half of our giving this year is available to the District in the form of District Designated Funds. With this we fund two (2) Rotary Ambassadorial Scholars. Twenty per-cent of the total available may be used for District Simplified Grants for Clubs in the District that submit project requests. Ask your Assistant Governor for information and help or call your Annual Programs Chair person, Cathy Robertson at 662-680-2404. Remember, "If we do not give we will not receive."

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DISTRICT STATISTICS OCTOBER 2004

CLUB	# 10/01	#	%	+/-	# 10/31
Aberdeen	59	4	78	0	59
Amory	62	4	71	0	62
Baldwyn	35	4	82	0	35
Bartlett-Cordova	48	4	56	1	49
Batesville	93	4	63	1	94
Booneville	42	4	70	-1	41
Bruce	28	4	87	0	28
Calhoun City	40	4	73	0	40
Charleston	30	4	77	0	30
Clarksdale	83	4	56	-3	80
Cleveland	53	4	66	-2	51
Collierville	50	4	63	1	51
Como	16	4	63	0	16
Corinth	79	4	63	0	79
Drew	12	4	69	0	12
Fulton	31	4	65	0	31
Germantown	37	4	39	-2	35
Grenada	54	3	66	-2	52
Hernando	28	4	76	-1	27
Holly Springs	44	4	73	0	44
Houston	18	4	63	0	18
Iuka	34	4	71	0	34
Memphis	352	4	54	2	354
Memphis-Central	44	4	78	-1	43
Memphis-East	148	4	63	0	148
New Albany	50	5	65	-1	49
Olive Branch	58	4	75	-2	56
Oxford	152	4	47	-1	151
Pontotoc	47	4	62	-1	46
Quitman County	21	4	76	0	21
Ripley	74	4	77	0	74
Robinsonville	33	5	58	0	33
Ruleville	11	4	74	0	11
Sardis	14	4	68	0	14
Senatobia	52	5	72	2	54
Southaven	52	4	66	1	53
Sumner	34	4	51	-2	32
Tunica	44	4	58	2	46
Tupelo	165	4	85	2	167
Water Valley	29	4	80	0	29
West Point	74	4	59	1	75
Mmbrshp 9/1-30	2430			-6	2424
Mmbrshp 7/1/04	2422				

ROTARY FOUNDATION MAKES BIG MISTAKE!

In 1957, The Rotary Foundation decided to recognize contributors of \$1000 with a Paul Harris Fellowship. While it's proper and even necessary to recognize and to thank contributors for their support, forty-six years later, the Rotary Foundation may have made a serious mistake that has become a detriment to accomplishing its goal "Every Rotarian, Every Year - \$100 per capita." How so, you ask?

How many of your Club members are Paul Harris Fellows? How many of them have continued to give to The Rotary Foundation on a regular basis? If you don't know, why not check your Club Recognition Summary and see just how few.

Rotarians are a generous group of individuals. Most of us, contribute regularly to our church, our favorite charities, our alumni association of our alma mater, the local United Way. How many Rotarians who give to these worthy causes stop contributing when they reach \$1,000? I'd venture to say that most of us continue to give to church, charities, and universities with little interruption.

Why do you suppose it is that Rotarians, generous as they may have been in the past, often discontinue giving to The Foundation? Could it be because they think they've done their part? Could it be that they think there is no longer a need? Could it be because no one has ASKED them to continuing giving? In my experience, the answer is all of the above!

Not only should Clubs be emphasizing new giving to The Rotary Foundation by all members, we need to emphasize *renewed* giving by our existing PHFs. November is Foundation Month and is the perfect time to promote the tremendous strides that are being made in world peace and understanding through the educational and humanitarian programs of The Foundation. NOW is the time to educate all your members know that the need is there and requires the support of ALL Rotarians, even those who have given \$1000 in the past. This is especially true for those PHFs who were *awarded* their PHF and have no monetary investment of their own in it. Sad, to say, there are far too many like that.

**If we CAN do more, we're not doing enough!"
Every Rotarian, Every Year! \$100 per capita!**

[Janice Trawick, District Foundation Chair and
Zone 30 Annual Programs Fund Strategic Advisor]

YOUTH EXCHANGE

Please be advised that our District Youth Exchange office is open for business – both short and long term. Short term involves a family to family exchange of 3-4 weeks at each family. This is conducted over the summer with no club involvement. It costs approximately \$1500 with plane tickets responsible for most of that amount.

Call Smith Murphey at 662-375-8611 or e-mail me at <smurphey4@yahoo.com> for more information or an application. Applications need to be in my hands no later than December 31st. Club youth exchange chairs should contact me about long term (up to one year) exchanges. The ball is in your court.

[Smith Murphey IV, Youth Exchange Chair]

**REMINDER-REMINDER-REMINDER
DECEMBER IS ELECTION MONTH
FOR 2005-2006 CLUB OFFICERS**