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Dwight M. Beeson Banquet Hall
The Harbert Center

Lunch - 11:45
Bell - 12:20
Adjournment - 1:15

New Member Introduction



RANDALL L. STEPHENSON
Chairman, CEO, & President
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FUTURE PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

- Dec 9 Governor Bob Riley
- Dec 16 UAB Music Dept presents Music, Music and More Music
Yes, there will be EggNog

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

- Dec 23 No meeting
- Dec 30 No meeting

Randall L. Stephenson is chairman of the board, chief executive officer and president of AT&T Inc. He was appointed to the position in 2007. Since becoming chairman, he has strengthened AT&T's position as the world's largest telecommunications company by focusing on mobility and broadband access to the Internet. Today, AT&T has established leading positions in wireless smartphones, wireless data, global business solutions, broadband, voice and local search advertising, and is continuing to gain momentum in video entertainment.

Randall previously served as the company's chief operating officer, from April 2004 to June 2007, where he was responsible for all wireless and wired operations, and as senior executive vice president and chief financial officer for SBC Communications (today AT&T), from August 2001 to May 2004. He was appointed to AT&T's board of directors in 2005.

Born in Oklahoma City, Randall began his career with Southwestern Bell Telephone in 1982 in the information technology organization in Oklahoma. He then progressed through a series of leadership positions including an assignment in Mexico City as SBC International's director of finance, overseeing SBC's ownership interest in Teléfonos de México. In 1996 he was named controller for SBC Communications. Additionally, Randall served as senior vice president-Consumer Marketing. Under his leadership, AT&T announced the largest education initiative in company history – AT&T Aspire – a \$100 million philanthropic program to help strengthen student success and workforce readiness.

He is a member of the board of directors of Emerson Electric Co., a national board member of the Boy Scouts of America and is chairman of the 2009-2010 corporate campaign of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

ADDRESSES OF RECENT SPEAKERS



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Membership: 557
Honorary Members: 21

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For your company's next social or corporate event, why not consider the most versatile facility in Birmingham? Built and maintained by you to serve the needs of corporate and non-profit organizations, this building transforms into many other backdrops - elegant, whimsical, wedding, classrooms, prom, fun, serious - just name it. The menu of food is very different (and excellent) from what Rotarians experience every week. Please call Chandrel, Jessica or Leslie to help you make your next arrangements. Receptionist, Kathy Alexis, will be happy to guide you to any of the three sales people, 226-8800.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE FIGHTING BREAST CANCER

2009 International Service - The Mammography Machine, Sri Lanka

Please notice each week the slide indication the club's progress in reaching the mammography machine goal. Vulcan, lit in pink (for Breast Cancer Awareness), points to the most recent amount reached in the fundraising. To date, approximately \$57,850 has been raised. To purchase a mammography machine, we hope to raise an additional \$21,150. Anything beyond that, we will use in the breast cancer awareness campaign which is equally important. As President Hatton said, no matter what our economic experience has been, theirs is far more challenging.

We do not undertake an international project every year. When the need arises, a need that can be met with opportunity, the path seems clear. To help our sister club and the citizens of Sri Lanka, the International Service Committees of both Rotary and Rotaract are pleased to introduce The 2009 International Service Project: joining Sri Lanka in the fight against breast cancer by contributing a mammography machine to their Cancer Early Detection Center in Colombo. There is no access to a mammography machine for early detection available to the millions of women in Sri Lanka who fall outside the privileged set. This project will have immediate effect in saving lives of mothers, sisters, wives and friends.

Breast cancer is a disease with which we are all intimately familiar; this is a disease we can fight from Birmingham by supporting Sri Lanka's prevention efforts.

Asking for your participation and support, for you to contribute to multiple Rotary projects, and for you to think globally at a time when resources locally are in such demand is a challenge. Our friends in Sri Lanka are engaged in similar struggles.

The bottom line is that we have discovered, through this club's personal connections with Rotary in Colombo, Sri Lanka an outstanding opportunity for us to make a big impact on a community in need for a relatively small investment. We are committed to this project and we have each pledged financial support. I hope you will join us.

This project is consistent with the challenges that the 4th largest Rotary Club in the world readily accepts.



UPCOMING ROTARY OPPORTUNITIES

- DEC 1* District 6860 Annual Foundation Dinner featuring Glenn Estess, Chairman of The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International. Reception 6:30; Dinner and Program 7:00. Reservations required.
- DEC 6** Deadline to submit deposit for the annual District Conference, April 15-19, 2010 held on a 4-day Western Caribbean Cruise from Mobile to Cozumel. Celebrate Success ! Register Immediately.
- DEC 15*** Last date for discounted registration for the Rotary International Convention, June 20-23 in Montreal.

ALL Rotarians are encouraged to participate in ALL of the above. Very few things are limited to District or Club leadership only. Please call the Rotary office for more information and to sign up for any or all of the above. 251-1995

- Glenn Estess served as President of RI from 2004-2005 and is currently serving as Chairman of The Rotary Foundation Trustees. No one is better positioned to explain the state of the foundation, the progress toward eradicating polio, other current foundation goals and what humanitarian works are carried out in the name of Rotary, and new partnerships (like the newly formed partnership between RI and the U.N. - Global Compact or the \$350 million grants from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation). Dinner = \$50 per person.
- The district conference is a time to celebrate the year of Rotary achievements in clubs, in the district and in Rotary International. Success stories will be shared by RtNs from throughout District 6860. A representative of RI President John Kenny will be on board as a featured speaker as will other special guests. The cruise prices are better than reasonable. Transportation from Birmingham to Mobile and back is complimentary if cruise deposit is paid by Dec 6. Cabins and suites are available. Welcome reception, onboard entertainment, 24-hour buffets, exercise classes, day trip into Cozumel, movies, casino, deck chairs and pools add to the fun ambience of the conference.
- The Rotary International Convention is something every Rotarian should experience. By participating in an RI Convention, you'll gain a broader appreciation of Rotary's global impact and strengthen your commitment to service. Rotarians from every part of the world gathered in one location to hear speakers on many topics of international interest. Former speakers have included Nobel Peace Prize winners like Mohammed Unus on micro-credit, Bill Gates Sr., Paul McCartney, the head of the CDC and WHO, the Secretary General of the U.N. and many others. One of the confirmed speakers for the convention in Montreal is Greg Mortenson, Author, Co-founder and Executive Director, Central Asia Institute. Every time you attend a plenary session, an entertainment event, a breakout session on any topic, walk through a corridor or participate on a local tour, you will meet RtNs from everywhere imaginable expanding your understanding of this worldwide organization as will your understanding of the plight of millions of others and what Rotary does to address all kinds of needs.

Thus far, a fabulous group of eighteen Rotarians from the Birmingham Rotary Club have signed on. We are registering for host events and planning private tours and dinners. We are grabbing hotel rooms in some of the most interesting boutique hotels in Montreal and we are planning a two-day extension to Quebec. President Hatton and President-elect Charlie and I will ensure your excellent Rotary experience but it is important to register now, as after Dec 15, it is unlikely that late registrants can be confirmed for the same events as the group.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

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Interests, hobbies:

Family, travel, golf, dining and volunteerism

Spouse:

Glenn

In Rotary's Past



Joseph M. Farley

1969 - On February 26th, 1969, Joseph M. Farley was announced as a new member of the Rotary Club of Birmingham. In the announcement it stated Joe Farley was Executive Vice President of Alabama Power Company. In 1969 he became President of Alabama Power Company and later was named President, CEO, and Director of Southern Nuclear Operating Company. Joe served as President of Rotary in 1983-1984. Joe continues to serve our club and the community.

