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OBJECT OF ROTARY

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service.

SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian’s occupation as an opportunity to serve society.

THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian’s personal, business, and community life.

FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS IN OUR CLUB

Bob Callahan (2013–2014)	Henry Crawford (1992–1993)
Linda Mong (2014–2015)	Jerry Blacklaw (2020–2021)

THE FOUR-WAY TEST
of the things we think, say, or do

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

PAST PRESIDENTS IN OUR CLUB

2020–21	Edward C. Schnell	2001–02	Joseph H. Bullington, Jr.
2019–20	Poenta C. Luckie	1999–00	N. Cecile Godfrey
2018–19	Andrew P. Tubertini	1997–98	Xavier A. Hartmann
2017–18	Chad O. Clark	1996–97	Seth W. Moore
2016–17	Brenda Garrison Hinds	1993–94	Carswell M. Walcott
2013–14	Howard N. Eddy	1986–87	Eugene W. Brabston
2010–11	Richard M. Phyfer	1982–83	Marion E. Wynne
2008–09	PDG Bob Callahan	1976–77	PDG Henry Crawford
2005–06	Leonard O. Turner II		



MULTIPLE PHFs IN OUR CLUB

In June 2014, the Rotary Club of Fairhope became a **100% Paul Harris Fellow Club**. Listed below are members with **Multiple Paul Harris Fellow** status, indicated by ⁺¹, ⁺², ⁺³, etc.

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TODAY'S PROGRAM

Today **Elizabeth Wix**, Regional Director in Alabama for the Society of St. Andrew, will tell us about the [Society of St. Andrew Alabama Gleaning Network](#) (AGN).

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM

September 29, 2021

Next week's speaker will be **Brent McMahan**, Senior Area Manager for the U.S. Small Business Association.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

October 6 **Yolanda Devine Johnson**, SBDC
October 13 TBA
October 20 **Rick Miller**, Hatch Fairhope
October 27 TBA (World Polio Day?)

☺ MAKEUPS (APPLIED) ☺

Attendance last week was 36 members (30 in person and 6 on Zoom) plus 10 guests. No new makeups have been reported, but one previous makeup has been applied:

Linda Mong 9/14 Board Meeting

GUESTS LAST WEEK

Brett Bishop	w/	Clarence Bishop
Jo-Anne Crawford	w/	Henry Crawford
Harry Toothaker	w/	Mark Martin
Josh Gooden	w/	Austin Greer
Bob Keyser	w/	Andy Tubertini
Ed Forbess		Club Guest
Mike Kick		Club Guest
Dave Marnell		Club Guest
Jessica Walker		Club Guest

FAMILY OF ROTARY

Len Breitfeller is reportedly still doing better and still hoping to attend a meeting soon. **Daryl Wasp** was out with bladder issues last week but should return soon.

Just 233 days till the sixteenth "annual" Fairhope Rotary Steak Cookoff on May 13, 2022!

LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

September 15, 2021

Following an invocation by **Becky Jones** and other preliminaries, **Andy Tubertini** gave us a very full report on the experience of our disaster response team in Louisiana. **Prez Mark** then introduced **Lee Lawson**, President and CEO of the Baldwin County Economic Development Alliance. Lee explained that the BCEDA is a 501(c)(6) partnership of local public and private professionals, leaders, and officials dedicated to providing opportunities for businesses in Baldwin County, growing and improving the county's economy, and ensuring exceptional quality of life for Baldwin County's residents and employees. BCEDA focuses on growing a diverse industry base through business development endeavors that will ultimately create jobs, generate capital investment, and increase the quality of life in our area. The Alliance's strategic efforts include marketing, business recruitment, workforce development, state and local government affairs, data-driven research, existing industry support, and entrepreneurial assistance. BCEDA is truly an alliance in Baldwin County, receiving funding and support from the Baldwin County Commission, 14 municipalities, five Chambers of Commerce, eight Industrial Development Boards, and over 100 privately owned businesses. Baldwin County is the seventh fastest-growing metro area in the United States, with over 65% growth since 2000 (the U.S. average is 17.8% and Alabama's is 13%). It has been the fastest-growing county in the state since 2010 and is now the fourth largest. Loxley, with 127% growth 2010–2020, is #1. Baldwin is #1 in Alabama in net incoming migration, with those moving here earning substantially more income than those leaving. Job growth is mirroring population growth. Baldwin is Alabama's leader for workforce and talent attraction, with 19% wage growth 2012–2020 (13% for Alabama, 18% for the U.S. overall). Baldwin's workforce is better educated than the average, and unemployment is lower. But we still need to be developing a workforce for the future, along with industries that provide good jobs. Lee shared information on some of the developments BCEDA is working on, including the Mega Site and the Daphne Innovation and Science Complex (DISC).



BIRTHDAYS

Chad Clark	9/26
Rob Clark	9/26
Josh Myrick	9/28

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Jerry Blacklaw (#28)	9/24
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CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Xavier Hartmann (#29)	9/23
B. G. Hinds (#28)	9/24

Lee Turner sold \$120 worth of 50/50 tickets, \$60 of which went to **James Hughes**. In addition, Sergeant-at-Arms **Andy Tubertini** collected H\$61, beginning with \$10 from **Clarence Bishop** for answering and conversing on his cell phone at the previous meeting! **Chad Jackson** paid another \$1 to promote the Lions Club Golf Tournament. **Lee Turner** offered \$1 for a correction to **Becky Jones**'s statement (as a preface to her invocation) that there had been no relief crews like ours after Hurricane Frederic. Lee recalled that a team of Mennonites from Ohio had shown up in white shirts and black pants to help. **Chris Shrader** followed this up with \$1 for a work crew from his home state. **Brian Lorenzato**'s \$10 was for "Go, Gators!" **Betty Purvis** closed with \$20 in appreciation of the good programs we have been having and the good work of our disaster response team.

CORRECTION

Apologies to **Kimberly Patrick** of the Montgomery Sunrise club, whose name was given incorrectly in last week's bulletin.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Fairhope Lions Club Golf Tournament
Sunday, October 3 ~ Quail Creek Golf Course
\$100 per player ~ <https://fairhopelionsclub.com/>
Registration and lunch at noon ~ Shotgun start 1 p.m.
Supports Ecumenical Ministries,
Prodissee Pantry, and Alabama Free Clinic

GOOD NEWS!

Those of you who have been around since last summer will recall that our club foundation partnered with The Rotary Foundation and District 6880 on a COVID-19 grant for \$24,000 to allow Thomas Hospital to buy COVID-testing equipment that allowed for more rapid testing (see <https://fairhoperotary.org/local/>). You may have thought this was "done and dusted," but Rotary Foundation grants are never complete until every *i* is dotted and every *t* crossed. Among those participating in making this grant possible were **Bob Callahan**, **Linda Mong**, and **Lee Turner**, who were among those who recently received this message:

Thank you for submitting the final report for Global Grant GG2015357, "Thomas Hospital Covid 19 Testing System – Cepheid Genexpert System." The report has been reviewed and is complete. The Foundation will now mark the grant closed. Your cooperation in fulfilling this requirement is greatly appreciated.

Bob also received a note from **Ormand Thompson**, president of Thomas Hospital, saying, "Bob, this equipment was a game changer for the patients and providers when we really needed it. We can't thank you all enough."

Bob Callahan has also passed along this further good news about polio eradication: worldwide, there have been only two cases of wild (Type 1) poliovirus this year, one in Pakistan and one in Afghanistan, and both of those were in January. The most recent case in Nigeria, the third remaining polio-endemic country, was in August 2016. There continue to be occasional cases of Type 2 polio virus (circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus (cVDPV) cases), but these are also greatly reduced, as shown below:

Officially reported WPV cases as of 14 September

Total global WPV1 cases in 2021: 2
(compared with 112 for the same period in 2020)

Total global WPV1 cases in 2020: 140

Circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus (cVDPV) cases

Total global cVDPV cases in 2021: 304
(compared with 360 for the same period in 2020)

Total global cVDPV cases in 2020: 1107

We really are "this close"!