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# THE FLAGSHIP



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## *Coming Up!*

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July 1: NO MEETING:  
JULY 4th Holiday

July 8: Board of  
Directors, 11 a.m., online  
meeting

July 8: Club Assembly,  
online meeting

SEE STORY BELOW  
FOR MORE DETAILS  
ABOUT JULY

## *The Guard Has Changed!*

### Ed Jones Has the Gavel; Staci Gets Ovation & Roses

We said goodbye to **Staci Wilkerson** as our 2019-2020 president with a standing ovation and a beautiful engraved vase with red roses

standing tall on Wednesday. Then we welcomed in our 41st president, as District Governor Greg Maciolek swore in and installed **Ed Jones**.

He's got the gavel and the Rotary bell now.



Staci has led our club through the year as our first COVID-19 president. Now that challenge falls to President Ed, who

## ***Four-Way Test***

Rotary's 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?

## ***Facebook***

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a great job of keeping  
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***Staci Wilkerson's roses  
in an engraved vase to  
honor her presidency***

officially takes over  
on July 1. That  
said, he's already  
running the show.

DG Greg also  
installed our new  
officers and  
members of the  
Board of Directors  
— or those who  
were among the 39  
who attended the  
meeting. Hopefully  
the others were  
watching our first-  
ever, live-streamed  
meeting on  
Facebook Live.

“First, I thank Staci for leading us through  
a tough year,” Ed said. “Second, I’m  
honored to be your president and I’ll work  
hard to make this a great year as we  
continue to deal with this virus and these  
unusual times and live up to this year’s  
Rotary motto of **“Rotary Opens  
Opportunities.”**”

Before the official installations were done,  
Staci led us through a great presentation  
of the year in review. It was full of pictures  
and a run-through of all we have done and  
accomplished.

She also singled out **Bill Nichols**, the

Outbound Chair of the district's Rotary Youth Exchange program. Staci wrote this in her review: "We started tracking Bill's service hours this year and found that from July 2019 through May 2020, Bill had logged 1,584 service hours for Youth Services. Thank you to Bill for his commitment and dedication to Youth Services!"

## What's Happening in July, You Ask?

The question of the day is: **Are we going to continue having live meetings at Fox Den in July?** We won't have a meeting on July 1. That's our week off in honor of the July 4th holiday.

**President Ed Jones** says "it depends on Fox Den. I've got to talk with them and see how they plan to accommodate us, which room we'll have, and how many that room can hold as we follow the COVID-19 protocols."

He does say that our Board of Directors will meet online at 11 a.m. on July 8 and that our club meeting will follow at 12:15 p.m. — also online. "I want to see what ideas the board members and some of our members have about this, going forward," Ed said.

**President Elect David Bluford** also is having to juggle speakers and programs and dates as we move forward. This is not an easy job right now. As soon as things get nailed down, we will pass along the news via email or the newsletter.

## A Quick Visit to Humorville

No doubt you've heard of Bruce Lee's little brother! His name is Broco Lee.



*Here are our district golf tournament teams. At left are Sonya Ford, Mark Bialik, DG Greg Maciolek, Ray Fisher and Doug Powell. At right are Scott and Arlene Weinstein, DG Greg, Scott Brockamp and Tom Marsh*

### **District Golf Tournament**

## **Scott Weinstein Wins Closest to the Hole; 4 Players From Farragut Were No-Shows**

We didn't win or place in the **2020 District Golf Tournament for Polio Plus** at Egwani Farms on Thursday. Team Captain Tom Marsh had three teams scheduled to play — but only two played. Before play began there were 100 players signed up to compete. Only 96 showed up.



The highlight of the day for Farragut Rotary was **Scott Weinstein's** Closest to the Pin shot on the 4th hole — which won him \$100. He hit a 7-iron from 132 yards to within 12" of the hole.

We also received the invisible trophy for **"Most Players Who Didn't Show Up!"** Three fourths of our first-ever womens' team failed to show up. They forgot about the tournament —



Denise Bash, Val Privett and Lilly Rayson. Farrell Levy, who was to be part of our “A” team, got the day and date mixed up and was in Atlanta on business Thursday.

So, the fourth member of the womens’ team, Sonya Ford, did show up and played with our A team of Mark Bialik, Doug Powell and Ray Fisher. They finished at 6 under par. Our second team shot even par 72 — Scott Weinstein and wife Arlene, Tom Marsh and Scott Brockamp.

The best news of the day was the money this tournament raised for Polio Plus. After the district and Gates Foundation matches, the tournament raised approximately \$40,000. Next year, our Tom Marsh will be the tournament director and the tournament will be played on Friday, May 7, 2021 at Avalon Golf Club.

## *Our Family of Rotary*

### **1st Grand for President Ed & Emma Jones**

**President Ed Jones** and his wife **Emma** have been in Georgia this weekend visiting their first grandchild — Isabella Elizabeth Jones, pictured here. She was born on Easter morning. Her parents are Dr. Gregory Jones and Mom Bethaney. Gregory practices at the Wellstar Douglas Hospital in Douglasville, GA and Bethaney is an attorney. Congratulations to Gregory and Bethaney and to the whole family!



**PP Jim O'Brien** continues to make great progress with his physical therapy to rehab his right knee replacement. He tells us that his range of motion is now 125 degrees as of Friday and his goal is 130-135 degrees.

**PP Peggy Wilson**, still recovering from recent lower back surgery, says it has been a rough week for husband Joe, who more recently had shoulder surgery. He's having problems with the side effects of surgery and meds and is some better but has a long way to go," she says. "He has quit taking the meds. He is taking over the counter meds for pain." Peggy is driving again and she's returning to her exercise class at the YMCA on Tuesday.

**Bettye Sisco** is feeling a lot better. "Whatever they did might have helped," she said, talking about how her chemo treatments were cut back. "My white cell count number was down 10 points and that's the lowest it has been in six months and my energy level has improved. So far so good and this is pretty darned good news." Indeed it is. Cheers for Sisco!

## 7 Rotarians Win Readers' Choice Honors

Farragut Rotarians made an impressive showing in the 2020 farragutpress Readers' Choice Awards that were published this past Thursday. In case you missed this, here are our winners:

- Best Bistro/Wine Bar: Water Into Wine — **Candace Viox**
- Best Liquor & Wine Store: Dixie Lee Wines & Liquor — **Sam Taylor Family**
- Best Insurance Agency: **Mansour Hasan**/State Farm
- Best Lawn Mower/Tractor Dealer: Farragut Lawn & Tractor — **Wayne Davis**
- Best Security Service: HIS Security & Technology — **Scott Brockamp**
- Best Law Firm: McDonald, Levy & Taylor — **Farrell Levy**
- Best Funeral Home: Click Funeral Home — **Larry Click**

Congratulations to these hard-working Rotarians!

# NEWS & NOTES

**Correction:** Last week we reported our per capita average giving per member to the Rotary Annual Fund and the Foundation was \$950. That number is actually \$150 per member. Apologies to our past Foundation Chair Bob Parker for that error.

**District Governor Ron Appuhn** says that the weekly district online meetings that PDG Greg Maciolek began will continue for now — but on a monthly schedule, not weekly. His first one will be on Tuesday, July 14, at the same time — 3 p.m. Eastern time.

**PP Jim O'Brien** passed along news that the four Rotary clubs in Wilson County recently distributed 135 gift cards valued at \$100 each to the families impacted by the tornadoes this year that also hit Putnam County. Three of our fellow Farragut Rotarians donated a total of \$750 to this cause.

## A Thought for Our Week



“After COVID-19 is over, we’ll have to wear our masks like this for two months to get our ears back to their original shape.” — Anon