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TODAY'S PROGRAM: INSTALLATION of OFFICERS



Installation of Claude Rhea President of the Rotary Club of Shades Valley by John Gleissner, Editor

At the July 13, 2020 Zoomed Birmingham Botanical Gardens Meeting of the Rotary Club of Shades Valley, **Claude Rhea** will assume the office of President, **Bob Baker** will become the Immediate Past President, **Lindsay Gardner** will then be the Vice-President and President-Elect, and **Marcus Chatterton** will be installed as the new Secretary-Treasurer of our Club. District Governor Nominee **Mike Wade** will preside over the installation ceremony. A new Board of Directors will also be recognized.

Claude's presidency will emphasize several key goals:

1. The RCSV should continue its emphasis on membership, gaining traction by adding new members.
2. Claude urges participation in committees, service projects and social events now in the works. Community Service Projects Director **Richard Sanders** plans to further the Bucket Project, Alzheimer's Project, perhaps Habitat for Humanity, Toys-for-Tots, a clothing drive for our veterans and the Greenway Project.
3. We will refresh our fund-raising events while having fun, to include events suggested by our members. Consideration of a Casino Night, a **Top Golf** outing, a Garden Party and other substitute fundraisers is underway.

The Installation of new Officers and a Board traditionally involves the exchange of pins. This Zoomed Birmingham Botanical Gardens Meeting, the first actual meeting of persons since shutdown from COVID-19, will handle things differently in several ways. Those attending by Zoom will be projected to the screen and appear in boxes, reminiscent of Hollywood Squares.

Please wear a mask in the building unless you are eating. The club will have masks in case anyone forgets to bring their mask, hand sanitizer, gloves, a touchless registration table, and seating of only three people per table, properly distanced. Our food will be in the form of individually wrapped boxed lunches prepared by Ted's in one of three selections. Please bow or salute in lieu of shaking hands.

Here are some ways to prevent your glasses from fogging with a mask on:

Wash glasses with soap and water immediately before wearing mask.

Tuck a small tissue into the mask at the top or place folded tissue at the top of the mask and tape it there.

Slide your glasses further down your nose.

Pinch the wire in the mask to your nose.

Next Week To Be Announced

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Meeting Together Best Practices

Before the Meeting:

Lunch reservation are required and can be made by logging into DACdb or alternatively clicking the following: https://ismyrotaryclub.com/Click/?_uid=800158969&_ctid=1630215&redirect=https://dacdb.com/index.cfm?EventID=77487856 . If assistance is still needed, email Bo ... execdirrcsv@shadesvalleyrotary.org The reservation timeframe will open each Monday at 12 noon and continue until end of day on Thursday of each week for the following Monday's meeting.

If you feel sick, please stay home.

Consider taking your temperature at home 30 minutes before the meeting to make sure that you are in tip-top shape before meeting with your fellow Rotarians.

Entering the Gardens:

Put on your mask before entering the building.

If you don't have a mask, one will be provided to you outside the auditorium.

Consider washing your hands for 20 seconds in warm, soapy water in the restrooms before you enter the auditorium. Hand sanitizer will also be available at the registration desk.

Please stay six feet away from your fellow Rotarians as you enter and leave the auditorium.

At the Meeting:

Wear your mask except while you are eating. Masks should cover nose and mouth.

Individually packaged lunches will be available. If you specified a vegetarian or gluten free lunch, those will be marked.

Rotarians will sit 3 per round table for the meeting.

Leaving the Meeting:

Keep your mask on until you exit the building.

Leave the auditorium in an orderly fashion by both rear doors

Stay six feet away from your fellow Rotarians.

Reminder

Reservations are required for meals when attending meetings until further notice. You will be given a choice of a regular, vegetarian, or gluten free meal when registering. You are encouraged to register through the DACdb system but other alternatives are available to you. All members are requested to register each week regardless of attending or not. Once you are logged-in the process is really very simple and if you need assistance in logging in we are ready to assist!

Polio Eradication Update (As of 7/1)

This YTD = 81
Pakistan: 55

Cases Last YTD = 60
Afghanistan: 26

Total 2019= 176
Nigeria: 0

A Great Year in Review



The July 6, 2020 Zoom Meeting of the Rotary Club of Shades Valley was **President Bob Baker's** last official meeting as President, and he recapped his year in office. Bob very actively sought and obtained new Members, and over a half-dozen new Members joined the RCSV in the initial portion of his term in office. Then COVID-19 hit, and his presidency was immediately dealt a very tough hand. Some Members died, and it was tough to get new Members with COVID-19 keeping us from meeting in person, socializing, and dining at the Birmingham Botanical Gardens. Still, Bob's tenure achieved an increase in diversity, as to both gender and race, and had a net new membership of one at the end of his term.

Outgoing President Bob recognized the accomplishment of the Mongolia Water Project headed by **International Service Projects Chair Robert Lewis**, the many Service activities overseen by **Tom Killian**, **George Casey** for his help in many ways, and thanked our new **President Claude Rhea** and **President-Elect Lindsay Gardner** for stepping up when Paul took a position in Mobile, and his **Immediate Past President Denis Devane**.

The Rotary Club of Shades Valley intended to have an in-person meeting at the Birmingham Botanical Gardens on July 6, with box lunches prepared by Ted's, social distancing and mask use. The Birmingham Botanical Gardens was indeed open on Monday, July 6, but at the last minute decided that they needed to cleanse and sanitize some portion of the premises before allowing the Rotary Club of Shades Valley to resume in-person meetings. As the eternal optimist would say, it is fantastic that they found this cleaning need before we showed up for the meeting. A comment was made that if one of us showed up at Ted's Restaurant, we might get a free box lunch from Ted's.

This change of plan came as the nation was trying to decide how soon to open up in relation to an increasing number of COVID-19 cases. The seemingly contradictory aspect of COVID-19 now is the increased number of COVID-19 cases in relation to the decline in deaths from COVID-19. There is said to be a potential six-week delay from the time someone first contracts COVID-19 until the recorded death of anyone who succumbs to it. It seems that almost every day something new about COVID-19 is revealed, so the *Script* cannot advise Members as to what they should or should not do. You may find the latest COVID-19 data and good graphs for Alabama at this website:^A

<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2020/us/alabama-coronavirus-cases.html>

Zoom Socials

If there is any interest in conducting Zoom get-togethers among Rotary Club members strictly for social purposes, please send the editor an email to johnngleissner@charter.net or call him at 205-503-2895. These could be held on any day of the week or before or after the regular Meetings. While the Zoom Meetings have been great, some miss the social aspects of talking with other Members. Staying at home can cause us to test positive for Cabin Fever, and talking with others relieves those symptoms. The **free Zoom application** allows conversations of up to 40 minutes if anyone wishes to host such a Zoom Social Meeting.

Some of us have called on the telephone other Members on a one-to-one basis, and this is still encouraged. If you have not called another Rotary Club member on the phone lately, please do so!

CELEBRATION TIME

| Member Birthdays | Birthday |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Baker, Robert K. (BOB) | 08 July |
| Bates, William Brock (BROCK) | 21 July |
| Chatterton, Marcus (MARCUS) | 15 July |
| Clark, Walter D. (WALTER) | 02 July |
| Feagin, John L. Jr. (JOHN) | 05 July |
| Howard, Gary L (GARY) | 29 July |
| Howard, Woodrow (Gene) Eugene (GENE) | 08 July |
| Johnson, William M. III (BILLY) | 14 July |
| Jones, George (GEORGE) | 19 July |
| Pfefferkorn, Christopher O. (CHRIS) | 15 July |
| Powers, Andrea Bailey (ANDREA) | 15 July |
| Relfe, Ann (ANN) | 20 July |
| Rice, Don (DON) | 14 July |
| Shepherd, James W. Jr. (JIM) | 16 July |
| Shirley, Arthur Neal (NEAL) | 22 July |
| Somers, James Thomas (Tom) Jr. (TOM) | 08 July |

| Member Anniversaries | Start Date | Years | Years(P) | Total |
|--------------------------------------|------------|-------|----------|-------|
| Bradford, Patton Jr.(PETE) | 07/01/95 | 25 | 0 | 25 |
| Burns, Jeremy (JEREMY) | 07/24/17 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Feagin, John L. Jr.(JOHN) | 07/01/93 | 27 | 0 | 27 |
| Gardner, Lindsay Elizabeth (LINDSY) | 07/28/17 | 3 | 12 | 15 |
| Hester, Wayne A. (WAYNE) | 07/01/88 | 32 | 0 | 32 |
| Lewis, Robert J. (ROBERT LEWIS) | 07/24/17 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| O'Neil, Frank B. (FRANK) | 07/01/88 | 32 | 0 | 32 |
| Sharbel, Paul (PAUL) | 07/01/72 | 48 | 0 | 48 |
| Shepherd, James W. Jr.(JIM) | 07/24/00 | 20 | 0 | 20 |

| Wedding Anniversaries | Partner's Name | Anniversary | Years |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------|
| Brown, Wesley A. (WES) | Tina | 07/28 | 30 |
| Elliott, Paul (PAUL) | Tara (TARA) | 07/13 | 24 |
| Fortune, Maria C (MARIA) | Daniel (DAN) | 07/14 | 13 |
| Holcombe, Thomas R. (TOMMY) | Dana | 07/15 | 47 |
| Prewitt, John R. Jr.(JACK) | Mary Ann | 07/29 | 59 |
| White, James Herbert IV(JAMES) | Margaret | 07/23 | 20 |