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THE ROTARY CLUB OF MACON **THROBS**

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Macon Mayhem Hockey
Charles Olson

FUTURE MONDAY PROGRAMS approved by the Board of Directors

August

23	Birds of Prey & Raptor Preservation	Pete Griffin
30	Georgia Historic Preservation Updates	Mark McDonald

September

6	No Meeting Labor Day Holiday	
13	Mrs. Griffin's BBQ Sauce	Roland Neel
20	TBD	
27	TBD	

October

4	District Governor 6920	Ed Presnell
11	No Meeting Columbus Day Holiday	
18	TBD	
25	Delvecchio Finley	CEO Atrium Health Navicent

**MONDAY MEETING TIME CHANGE
SEPTEMBER 13th**

Lunch at noon – Bell Rings at 12:30pm – Meeting ends 1:30pm
Mark your calendar for September 13th

MEETING August 9, 2021

Attendance: 62 In Person and 30 Zoom 70.5%
CART Collection \$56.75
Club Membership 149

Link for Makeup

Please click this link to view the Zoom recording of this meeting. <https://tinyurl.com/yh48u9ux>
If you need a makeup for a missed meeting 2 weeks prior or after this meeting viewing the recording will qualify. Once you view, please email Club Administrator, Cecil Coke, <mailto:cecilcoke210@gmail.com> to report your makeup.

President Elbert ran the bell to open our meeting. He called on Ivey Hall to lead members in singing followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Jeffery Monroe came forward to offer the Prayer.



President Elbert reviewed members birthdays and called for CART Brags.



President Elbert called club board members to the front of the room to join in the induction of our newest member. Carey Pickard sponsored and introduced Seth Clark. Seth has a long, impressive list of organizations local and otherwise is has served or is currently serving. He is the Executive Director of the Ocmulgee Park and Preserve Initiative. He is holding the classification National Park Development and replaces our former member Kensey Rabun. Please introduce yourself to Seth at our next meeting and give him a warm Rotary welcome.



President Elbert with little introduction called on today's speaker, Seth Clark, Executive Director of the Ocmulgee National Park and Preserve Initiative. The Initiative is a non profit created to organize and promote the expansion of the Ocmulgee Old Fields/Indian Mounds to a National Park. Once complete it will be Georgia's first National Park.

Seth told members learning the history of the Indian settlement has been a life changing study for him. He and Carey Pickard visited with the Creek Indian ancestors in Oklahoma to tell them of the expansion to a National Park.

The Ocmulgee Old Field was the first place the Creek Indians "sat down" to live. They later fled to the Chattahoochee Basin and abandoned the Ocmulgee Old Fields. Years after they left the area Fort Hawkins was constructed.

The Creek nation now sees the expansion of the Park as an opportunity for the Creeks to "come home".

In 2019 Congress approved expanding the boundaries of the Park. Now the task is to complete the acquisition of the property to fill in the boundaries. This approval was with bipartisan Congressional,

state, and local support. This project is a perfect fit with the Department of Interior and is a first priority project.

Currently the Initiative has under contract acreage to double the size of the Park. Seth thanked Chris Sheridan, the Peyton Anderson Foundation, and the Knight Foundation for their support in this process.

Seth reported, once complete, our area will see great benefits: 1,167,000 visitors to the Park, \$206 million dollars into the economy, \$29.8 million dollars in tax revenue, and 3000 new jobs.
Ocmulgee National Park & Preserve



A good program creates good questions.

President Elbert closed the meeting with members reciting the 4 Way Test.

Donations to Rotary Foundation and CART

Club members can make donations to The Rotary Foundation or the CART Fund online line using credit cards or EFT. These can be made in memory of, honor of, or personal donations. They can be setup as recurring or one time. Follow these easy steps:

The Rotary Foundation: Go to <http://rotary.org/> If you have never signed in you will need to register so it credits your Paul Harris Fellow account and our Club. You may need our District number 6920 and club number 4202. Once registered you can SIGN IN to MY ROTARY then click DONATE button in upper right. Check the area ANNUAL FUND or POLIO PLUS to donate, then just follow easy steps to make payment.

CART FUND: <https://mycartfund.org/Login.cfm> follow the online instructions. You will need our **Club number 4202** and **District number 6920**.

Vocational Spotlight

See <http://maconrotary.com/vocational-spotlight.php> to read more information on Rotarians featured monthly on our website <http://maconrotary.com> If you would like to be included in a Vocational Spotlight, please contact Danny Gibson.

Dates to Remember

August 17

Board of Directors Meeting 6pm Idle Hour Club

Approved Makeups-Family of Rotary Events

Reminder - Makeups can only be used 2 weeks before or after a missed meeting

When requested	Viewing of Monday meeting recorded on Zoom	See current Throbs link
Anytime	Rotary Project or Rotary Committee Meeting	
Anytime	Volunteer at Volunteer Clinic	
	Warming Center	
	Backpack Buddies	

Club Membership Applications

Our club is using a new online (no paper) membership application. Contact Membership Chair Kris Vaughn <mailto:krisvaughn@gmail.com> or any board member or officer or the Club Administrator. All we need is the potential members name and email address to send an application to them for the potential member to complete and submit online.

All members of our club need to think about who would make good Rotarians. There are many classifications that could be filled. If you know of someone, check with Kathryn Dennis, Classification Chair first to make sure there are no conflicts with other members. The process is easy and rewarding to bring in new members.

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Excused Absence

Members have the opportunity to receive a board approved Excused Absence during a long-term family, health, or business crisis. When a member realizes they have a situation that will keep them from attending Monday meetings for an extended period they can contact the Club Administrator or President with the reason. This contact needs to be immediate and not after the crisis. The board can approve a beginning and ending date and attendance is excused on club and district level. Short term absences are best made up online as indicated below.

HOW TO MAKE UP MISSED MEETINGS

Please make up missed meetings to help our club's attendance percentage rank with District 6920 and Rotary International. Our attendance is reported each month to the district and is required to be reported before the 15th of the following month. **Members are required to maintain an attendance average of 60%.**

Missed meetings must be made up **14 days before or after the meeting you miss**, it is in our club's Constitution!

You can make up from the comfort of your home or office online at <http://rotaryclubone.org/> They will email a notice of the makeup to the Club Administrator and you will be credited.

When you make up using the **Zoom link** of our meetings listed in meeting summary above or makeup in person at another club please send an email immediately afterwards to the Club Administrator, cecilcoke210@gmail.com so your makeup can be recorded. Do not expect the club where you make up to report to our club.