

The Program Today

Pam Patterson, Executive Director, Distinguished Young Women

Pam, originally from Birmingham, graduated from Briarwood Christian School and the University of Alabama Birmingham. She is a Summa Cum Laude graduate of the University of Alabama with Master's Degrees in Elementary and Early Childhood Education. Currently, she serves as the Assistant Director of Field Services for the K-6 Education Program at the University of South Alabama where she recently was honored with the Excellence in Clinical Supervision Award by the College of Education. In addition, Pam is an educational consultant specializing in Six Traits of Writing and Talents Unlimited, a national model for developing and enriching creative and critical thinking. For twenty-three years, prior to accepting the position of Executive Director for Distinguished Young Women, Pam and her husband, Eric, volunteered in various capacities for Distinguished Young Women. Since retiring eleven years ago from the Mobile County Public School System, she has served as a judge for state programs, a member of the Travel Support Team, and for eight years, as the Chairman of National Finals. In January of 2014, she was named the Interim Executive Director for Distinguished Young Women and then in October she was selected to serve in that position permanently. Pam also volunteers in the Music Ministry at Spring Hill Baptist Church, working with various choral groups and playing handbells and serves on various leadership committees there. She is involved with the Light of the Village, an organization governed by Volunteers of America and has worked to assist in coordinating their annual fundraiser, "A Night in the Light." As Executive Director of Distinguished Young Women, she has worked with the University of South Alabama to establish a relationship with the Mobile Public School System in which the National Field Director for Distinguished Young Women and she work with students in the high school signature academies and the elementary schools to promote positive life-skills acquisition through a variety of workshops and activities aimed at encouraging students to "Be Your Best Self", broadening the scope of the national outreach of Distinguished Young Women. She and Eric are the proud parents of two sons, Benjamin, manager of a local finance company and Jonathan, a doctoral student at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, who with his wife, Leah, have blessed them with three grandchildren, Jonathan Jr., Samuel and Reagan.

Upcoming Programs & Events

June Program Chairs: Bill Watts, Bill Haffner & Art Forward

- 6-4-15 Matt Armbruster
Founder / Ransom Ministries, Inc.
"The Ransom Cafe"
- 6-11-15 Dean Mosher
"History of Fairhope"
- 6-18-15 TBA
- 6-25-15 Chief James Barber
Chief of Police, Mobile, AL

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Gratefully we acknowledge your contribution to these worthy Rotary projects.

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John Day Peake, Jr.

Visiting Rotarians Week of May 14, 2015

Don Davis, Gigi Armbrrecht and Ginny Russell, Mobile Sunrise.

Meeting Make-ups

Bonney Irwin, International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians meeting on May 4, 2015

Paul Sousa, Jeff Zoghby, Richard Brinson, Virginia Edington, John Rogers, Lee Phillips and Tommy Blankenship, Mobile West on May 5, 2015.

Mark Brown, Peggy Buggs, Todd Drummond, John Dukes, Earl Jackson, Russell Ladd, Keville Larson, Goodman Ledyard, Peyton Mattei, Robby McClure, Stephen Potts, Ken Robinson, John Spottswood, Beth Stafford, Marietta Urquhart, Lee Phillips and Garrett Williamson, Fellowship Event / Delta Boat Tour on May 7, 2015.



"Kinley" Bell - 29
Marine Rigging



"Ron" Melton - 29
Chemical Industry



Mark Brown - 6/1
Associations - Salvation Army



Julie Otts - 6/3
Education - Development

**Bring a Friend to
Rotary Thursday!**

FOR YOUR APPROVAL

In accordance with the Bylaws of the Rotary Club of Mobile, the following membership applications are reported. If no written objection, stating reasons, is received from any member of the club within seven days following publication, membership will follow.

"Julee" Waldrop

Classification: Health Care - Pediatric Nurse Practitioner
Professor / Univ. of North Carolina @ Chapel Hill
Proposed by: Michael Chambers

"Tony" G. Waldrop

Classification: Education - University President
President / Univ. of South Alabama
Proposed by: Michael Chambers

"David" Walker

Classification: Finance - Investments
Financial Advisor / BBVA Compass Investment Solutions
Proposed by: Les Greer

Minutes of the Rotary Meeting May 7, 2015

By Tommy Fulton

Invocation, Song and Pledge

Ken Robinson called the meeting to order. Larry Sindel led the song. Ben Cummings gave the invocation.

Announcements

Peyton Mattei promoted the Five Rivers Delta Boat Tour

Tommy Fulton encouraged members to continue to give to the CART Project for Alzheimers.

Program: Cart Blackwell, Architectural Historian/Mobile Historic Development Commission. "Of Color & Light: An examination of Life & Career of Artist/Designer Clara Weaver Parrish", introduced by Eddie Brister.

Mr. Blackwell spoke for the third time to the Mobile Rotary Club. In his examination of the life of Clara Parrish, he described the fascinating life and works of one of Alabama's most accomplished artists. Ms. Parrish was born in Selma in 1861. Her family was very influential in the founding and development of Selma. She was very accomplished in art, and showed it early with influences from such renowned artists as James Whistler.

During the 1890's, after moving to New York with her husband, Clara began promoting women artists, while serving as an officer in the Woman's Art Club of New York.

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She eventually had two daughters, both of whom died very young. Following the death of her sixteen month daughter, she developed an interest in mosaic, mural and stained glass design. She was also one of the first artists to show the relationship between blacks and whites in the South during the late 1890's and early 1900's.

As Mr. Blackwell showed in his extensive slide show, she became most well-known for her stained glass windows which are displayed in churches throughout Alabama and also in the Northeast. She was featured in thirty World's Fair exhibits before she died in 1925. Her will established the Weaver-Parrish Memorial Trust, which provides aid to the needy of Selma and Dallas County to the present day.



**ATTEND ROTARY
WHEREVER YOU GO!**

Rotary Meeting Make-ups

Monday

Daphne/Spanish Fort 12:00 Daphne United Methodist Church, Daphne

Tuesday

Robertsdale 12:00 MaMa Lou's Restaurant
Mobile West 12:15 Heron Lakes Country Club

Wednesday

Mobile Sunrise 7:00 Country Club of Mobile
Fairhope 12:30 Victorian Inn & Conference Center
North Mobile 12:00 Catfish Junction, Saraland

Thursday

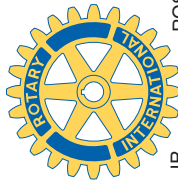
Point Clear 7:30 Marriott's Grand Hotel
Pleasure Island - 12:00 Jalapeno's Restaurant
Gulf Shores/Orange Beach
Fairhope Sunset 5:30 Fairhope Yacht Club
Central Baldwin Sunset 5:30 Ivey's Fine Dining

Friday

Foley 12:00 Gift Horse Restaurant

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Today, 12:15 P.M., Thursday, May 28, 2015
Lunch - 11:45
Bell - 12:15
Adjournment - 1:15
Battle House Hotel



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