

# Rotary



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## Keynotes

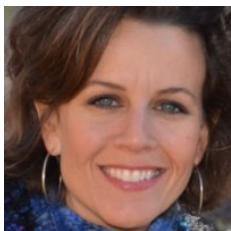
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### THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM: Valerie Boyd, Director of Senior Adult Ministries Canterbury Methodist Church



The mission of the Senior Adult Ministry at Canterbury UMC is to minister to whole persons as they age. Activities include educational, spiritual, physical and social events. Canterbury offers opportunities for worship, learning and service. Entertainment, fellowship and travel are a part of our program. The Senior Adult Ministry at Canterbury United Methodist Church is a many faceted program meeting the needs of older adults as they journey through life.

Led by Valerie Boyd since July 2015, the ministry has reached many in the church and community and includes an Alzheimer's and dementia support group. She is also a member of the Board of Directors of Alzheimer's of Central Alabama.

Ms. Boyd has an extensive background in marketing and advertising and graduated from University of Alabama Birmingham with a Bachelor of Arts in Communications Management. Her previous experience includes three years as a Marketing Associate with Sysco, and also held the position of Community Outreach Manager - Somerby at St. Vincent's One Nineteen.



### SEPTEMBER IS BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MONTH Global Literacy Projects

Since the U.N. Millennium Development Goals were established in 2000, Rotary has played a role in global efforts to reduce extreme poverty and reach target goals by 2015. While great progress has been made towards universal primary education, advancements towards this goal slowed significantly over the past eight years. About 58 million primary-school-age children are currently not enrolled in school while 781 million adults and 126 million youth worldwide lack basic literacy skills. Achieving universal primary education and gender equality in schools is critical to meeting other development goals. Greater levels of education help communities fight poverty, prevent disease, and access and sustain resources for longer, more prosperous lives. During Rotary Literacy Month, successful Rotary projects continue addressing literacy, education, and gender equality at school:

- **The Rotary Club of Makati North, Philippines**, works with their Rotary Community Corps to provide undernourished primary school students with nutritious meals for 22 weeks. As a result, 100 more students experience fewer medical issues and miss less school.
- With the help of partners and a Rotary grant, the **Rotary Club of Taipei Twins, Taiwan**, provided 2,000 students' homes in Myanmar with solar power and LED lighting. A generator, charging station, and storage units were installed at the local school. Reliable access to electricity has improved school attendance and helps students keep up with their studies.
- **Rotary clubs from Malaysia and India** used a Rotary grant to construct toilet blocks for girls at a public school in Chennai, India. Fewer girls miss school as a result of these new facilities.
- **The Rotary Club of Tripureswor, Nepal**, adopted the Gram Sudhar Lower Secondary School to improve classroom facilities and provide resources for students who otherwise cannot afford them. The club supports an early education facility, provides school uniforms, furnishes classrooms, supplies reading and educational materials, and sponsors trainings for teachers.

How else can Rotarians help?

- **Conduct assessments.** Determine core literacy and education needs in a particular community.
- Involve the whole family. Organize family events to empower parents and caretakers to remain actively involved in their children's education or to seek educational opportunities for themselves.
- **Find support.** Add your basic education and literacy project to Rotary Ideas to connect with project partners.

If your club sponsors a literacy project, remember to share its basic education and literacy impact on *Rotary Showcase*.

## THE ROTARY WAY



### The 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.

### Rotarian Code of Conduct

The following code of conduct has been adopted for the use of Rotarians: **AS A ROTARIAN**, I will:

- 1) Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life.
- 2) Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect.
- 3) Use my professional skills through Rotary to: mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world.
- 4) Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians.

### 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?

*Homewood Rotary Club members extend deepest sympathy to Bo Duke, whose father passed away this week.*



## September 22 Meeting Photos by Walter Mathis



## OCTOBER 20, 2016 ANNUAL DRAWING FOR SEC GAME TICKETS AND OTHER PRIZES

Please do your part as a Rotarian by selling tickets and finding great prizes to help make "Drawing Day" more exciting. In the spirit of competition, you should know that Glenn Ellis has already sold his 25 ticket quota and has asked for more! Proceeds benefit college-bound Homewood High School Seniors in need of financial assistance.

**YOUR PARTICIPATION IS IMPORTANT.  
DONATE A PRIZE. SELL A TICKET. HELP A STUDENT!**

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## Basic Education and Literacy Month

# SEPTEMBER 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 SPEAKER: James Spann, Chief Meteorologist, ABC 33/40	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 SPEAKER: David G. Dionne, Exec. Director, Red Mountain Park	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 SPEAKER: David Allen Jr Iberia Bank Wealth Advisors	16	17
18	19	20 BOARD MEETING 12 Noon Homewood Library	21	22 SPEAKER: Paul Harris Fellows and Rotary Int'l Foundation Program	23	24
25	26	27	28	29 SPEAKER: Valerie Boyd, Director, Alzheimer Prog. Canterbury Methodist	30	

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