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Welcomes

Today's Speaker:

J. K. Murphy

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J. K. Murphy is the Managing Editor and Vice President/Content of the Marietta Daily Journal and Times-Journal, Inc.

J. K. grew up on the south side of Indianapolis. After earning a bachelor's degree in journalism from Indiana University in 1980, he began work as a reporter/photographer at the Greensburg (IN) Daily News and was named editor of that paper in 1983. He later moved to The Republic newspaper in Columbus, IN, where, over the next 13 years, he served as city editor, news editor, and managing editor.

Murphy came south to the Gwinnett Daily Post in 1998 as executive editor. He was named Publisher in 2005.

In 2013, he was appointed Vice President/Content with responsibilities for all seven newspapers of Southern Community Newspapers, Inc. In April of 2015, he moved to the Marietta Daily Journal.

With his wife, Pam J. K. live in the Cumberland area of Cobb County and are currently building a home in Marietta. They have three children and five grandchildren.



Adele Grubbs - December 4
Jim Trapnell - December 5
Mark Adams - December 6
Dan Oliver - December 6
Jim Speed - December 7
Bert Reeves - December 9
Tom Maloy - December 10
Caitlyn Cooper - December 13
Terry Pendley - December 19
John Knox - December 26
Marla Blackstone - December 31



THE WINNERS: JIM FAUSETT, LEE PENCE AND TERESA JONES

WHEN WE LAST MET

Minutes from the November 14 Meeting



TOM MALOY

President **Jesse Evans** called today's Rotary meeting to order. Past President **Tom Maloy** gave the Invocation. In accordance with the Club's bylaws, the Club voted on this second meeting in November all the Directors and Officers to serve under President-Elect **Chris Bethel** for the coming Rotary year starting in July 2019. Ballots were duly collected and counted by

Co-Secretary **Marla Blackstone** and Assistant Governor **Mark Barbour**. Every person nominated was elected.

After **Neera Bahl** came to the podium to announce two visiting guests, our Director of Membership, **Kelly Maxwell**, presented Neera with her blue member badge. President Jesse recognized and thanked **Mary Ansley Southerland** for organizing the "Because of the Brave" event for Veterans Day. AG Mark congratulated his older brother **Don Barbour** on his birthday. Mark then led everyone in singing "Happy Birthday" to Don.



MARK BARBOUR

There were several announcements by President Jesse regarding coming events in November for Marietta Rotarians to attend including a work day for *Crutches 4 Africa*, a Friday night social at *3 Amigos* and the *Salvation Army's Red Kettle Kickoff*. In December there is the 12th annual *Holidays Around the World Children's Party*.

Former Mayor **Bill Dunaway** is reported resting at home following hospitalization.

Many beams of Sunshine brightened the room. AG Mark reviewed several commendations by District Governor Court Dowis for the singular reception that the Club afforded DG Court last week. Dr. **John Knox** rose to pay tribute to **Harold Hobbs** and Harold's son Adam for faithfully leading, cooking and serving the Club's monthly meal at MUST Ministries. In the continued spirit of remembering Veterans Day, **Jim Burns** told about his uncle, believed killed in action during WW II, who by great industry arrived halfway across the country just in time



TODAY'S SPEAKER, MILTON OVERTON, DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS AT KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY.

for the wedding of Jim's brother near the war's end. **Joe Atkins** announced that his son, Joseph Jr. will be recognized as a U.S. Army ROTC Distinguished Military Graduate at Saturday's University of Georgia football game. Furthermore, Joseph just learned that the Army gave him first choice of branch by assigning him to Military Intelligence.

In the absence of Mayor Dunaway, PE Chris introduced today's speaker, Milton Overton, Director of Athletics at Kennesaw State University. Milton and KSU's President, Dr. Pamela S. Whitten share a mutual goal for students participating in the school's athletic teams to be passionate about academic excellence even as they demonstrate superior athletic performance on the school's playing fields. According to Overton, the KSU Owls are putting together a most successful NCAA Division 1 season this year. Praise was heaped upon Head Coach Brian Bohannon for intentionally recruiting players with strong character and academic credentials. Three autographed game balls were won by Rotarians who correctly answered our speaker's challenging sports questions—**Teresa Jones, Jim Fausett** and **Lee Pence**. President Jesse thanked Overton and noted that the Club would be donating the book, "Mary Poppins," in his honor.

Today's meeting closed with **Charles Kilgore** and Don Barbour both punting in the opportunity drawing conducted by **Chuck Core** and Neera Bahl just before Past President **Fred Beloin** led in the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-Way Test.

~Scribe, Dale W. Covington
~Photos, Abbott Hall

MORE FROM LAST WEEK'S MEETING



**NEERA BAHL RECEIVES BLUE BADGE FROM KELLY MAXWELL,
MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR AND PRESIDENT JESSE**

2019 – 2020 RCM Rotary Board

The Marietta Rotary nominating committee presented the following members to serve on the RCM Board for 2019 – 2020. A vote was held and all were duly elected. They are as follows:

President Nominee. . . .Mary Ansley Southerland

Co-Secretary. . . .Marla Blackstone

Co-Secretary. . . .Jeff Cooper

Treasurer. . . .Brad Leskoven

Director of Administration. . . .Joe Atkins

Director of Club Service. . . .Teresa Jones

Director of Membership. . . .Kelly Maxwell

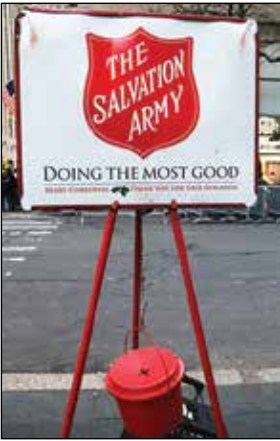
Director of Public Relations. . . .Thomas Sherrer

Foundation Director. . . .Brooke Cohen



PE CHIS BETHEL, MILTON OVERTON AND PRESIDENT JESSE

MARIETTA ROTARY SUPPORTS SALVATION ARMY'S RED KETTLE KICKOFF



President Jesse Evans, Captain Kettle and Deborah Marshall



President Jesse speaking at the Cobb County Red Kettle Kick-off



Entertainment was provided by the "Big Chicken" Chorus



How to get involved with the Rotary Club of Marietta's 12th Annual 'Holidays Around the World' Children's Christmas Party

DATE: Friday, December 14, 2018 from 6-8pm

TENTATIVE LOCATION:

Located in the YELLS Community Action Café', 779 Franklin Rd.(Gateway), Marietta, GA.

Dear Fellow Rotarians:

Every year we ask each member of our club to participate in some way for our annual Children's Christmas Party. This year, similar to last year, we will be working with the Franklin Road Community Association, the Marietta City Police Department Police Athletic League (PAL) & a variety of other local organizations & businesses. We will be purchasing at least 2-3 \$10 children's gifts for over 200 underprivileged children of all ages. We are providing toys/gifts, pizza & drinks, toiletry bags, a craft table. *Below are all the many ways you and your family can help, as many hearts & hands are needed to accomplish this community event.*

1. The easiest thing for you to do and most needed is to please consider donating a check for up to \$75. Your check must be collected on or before the December 5th Rotary Meeting. We will collect these at meetings each week starting at the November 7th meeting.

- Please make your check out to: MRFF or bring cash, we CAN NOT add it to your quarterly bill. - Please indicate in the memo: Christmas Party

2. Attend the Rotary Family Shopping Day & consider being an elf - help with the shopping event on Sunday, Dec. 9th from 1-3pm at Walmart on Cobb Parkway. Bring kids and grandkids to help us shop as they love to do this with you.

3. Help assemble Toiletry Gift Bags. Meet at the above party location on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 from 5:30pm-7:30pm to help assemble the toiletry gift bags.

4. Or help December 10, 11, or 12 from 10am-12noon sorting toys & setting up for the event at the above location on Franklin Rd. (see Holly for more details)

5. Most IMPORTANTLY.....Please attend the event on December 14 & help with the Rotary craft or refreshment tables, handing out gifts/toiletry bags/pizza or be a Santa's helper. We'll find the perfect thing for you to do.

Questions contact: Holly Walquist 770-424-4664 (holly@hollyenterprises.com) or via cell 404-518-4664.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, December 5, 2018	12:15 PM	Luncheon Meeting – Francois Gauthron: D-Day and Normandy Expert
Sunday, December 9, 2018	1:00 PM	Shopping Day for Children, Walmart on U.S. 41 near Big Chicken
Wednesday, December 12, 2018	12:15 PM	Chief Justice Harold Melton, Supreme Court GA
Thursday, December 13, 2018	10:30 AM	MUST Ministries Cook and Serve
Friday, December 14, 2018	6:00 PM	Annual Holidays Around The World Project
Wednesday, December 19, 2018	12:15 PM	Luncheon Meeting – TBA
Wednesday, December 26, 2018		No Meeting - Happy Holidays
Wednesday, January 2, 2019		No Meeting - Happy New Year!
Wednesday, January 9, 2019	12:15 PM	Luncheon Meeting – TBA
Wednesday, January 16, 2019	12:15 PM	Luncheon Meeting – Heidi Green, Chief of Staff for the US Dept. of Agriculture

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