



**THE GATEWAY**  
**South Gateway Rotary Club**  
 Service Above Self

Week of  
 May 12  
 2009

**THOUGHTS FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Don't you just love this time of year? I have a couple of dogwood and plum trees which are just full of bloom and they fill the air around our house with a wonderful sweet smell. They are beautiful this time of year which helps you forget the very long, cold winter just passed.

I have just a couple of reminders, first, Board members let's plan on meeting this Tuesday as scheduled whether or not I have the figures from the auction/fun raiser, I will give my recommendations for next year's fund raiser. I attended the orientation for our newest members. Welcome! Glad you are a part of South Gateway Rotary and hope you enjoy your Rotary experiences. I would encourage you to be a part of the process of Rotary: attend the meetings, be part of the fund raisers and work days, be on various boards and committees and yes, be a part of the offices including President. Rotary needs to grow with new people and fresh ideas. With that in mind, we welcome you!

Have a good week,  
 Jerry Hunt, President

**The Orientation—great turnout! Last Friday, May 8 a great mix of members, guests and hopefully future members turned out to learn more about the history of Rotary, our Rotary club and responsibilities of membership. The pizza was great and the questions were right on.**

**New Member Induction**

On Tuesday, May 26 three new members approved by the Board of Directors will be officially inducted into the South Gateway Rotary club at the regular meeting. We hope everyone will make a special effort to attend the meeting to give them a warm South Gateway welcome into the club. They are James Summers, Jr. Bobby Williams and Nikki Hutchinson. There may be a fourth new member by this date.

**DUTY ROSTER**

May 12, 2009  
 Greeter—Gary Pippenger  
 Raffle—Tom Schneider  
 Invocation—Penny Shepherd

**Birthdays**

Kane Brolin (23)  
 Butch Morgan (29)

**Anniversires**

**Paul and Catherine White (12)**

**Future Programs**

**5-12-09**—Sharon Burden, Exec. Dir. of Alcohol and Addiction Resource Center  
**5-19-09**—The Crossing will be presented an upcoming project and is to be give a donation from the club  
**5-26-09**—Tom Gruber, speaking on the present state of home buying  
**6-2-09**—Kevin Wilson, the Philadelphia Chocolate Company  
**6-9-09**—TBA  
**6-16-09**—Dinah Harris, Natatorium Renovation

## **SOUTH GATEWAY TUTORIAL**

### **SOUTH GATEWAY ROTARY CLUB**

*Chartered January 5, 1975*

*One of 55 Rotary clubs in District 6540*

*District 6540 encompasses Northern Indiana south to Peru, Indiana*

*District 6540 is one of 700+ districts worldwide*

#### **Benefits of Membership**

- ✚ Become connected with Michiana. Effect positive changes working with other professionals like yourself, by addressing community needs.
- ✚ Establish business contacts and personal relationships through a local, regional and international network of volunteer professionals.
- ✚ Have fun with friends at lunch on Tuesdays. Learn something new each week.
- ✚ Gain an understanding of and have a tangible impact on international humanitarian needs.
- ✚ Enhance your leadership and personal skills.
- ✚ Involve your family in promoting service efforts. Show them the importance and have them experience the feeling of “giving back.”

#### **Responsibilities of Membership**

- ✚ Members are expected to attend weekly programs of the club. Opportunities to makeup attendance include attending the regular meeting of other Rotary clubs, attending various other Rotary meeting, or attending a club service project authorized by our club Board of Directors. Current cost of our terrific lunch at The Landing is \$10.
- ✚ Members are required to pay annual dues, currently \$130 per year, which includes Rotary International, District 6540 and our club dues as well as a subscription to the monthly *Rotarian* magazine. A one-time \$30 processing charge applies to new members. Employers often pick up all or a portion of both these costs.
- ✚ Members are expected to participate in local or international activities or projects of our South Gateway Rotary Club.
- ✚ Members are encouraged to aspire to leadership or committee roles within our club. Throughout the year, members are asked (required) to sell or assist with various fundraisers such as “Breakfast with Santa” or “Duck Race Along the Race” sales. The funds received will be put toward our community grants and programs.
- ✚ Members are asked to consider giving to the Rotary Foundation through EREY (**E**very **R**otarian **E**very **Y**ear) Suggested contribution is \$100 per year.

