

75 Years of Service Above Self



Current New Albany Rotary Club members are, front from left, H. F. Mason, Charlie Carr, Bill Tucker, David Holmes, James Coleman, James Ray Davis, Tommy Barkley, Jay Herrington, Ray Collins, Jack Brown, Tim Benjamin, Timmy Little, Bill Smallwood, Walter Cecil Harrison Jr., Lou Schuler, Walt Harrison, Leroy McMillin, John Young, Tom Cooper, Tom Jones, Bruce Bullwinkel, Rodney Shands, Lynn West, Giles Lindley; back from left, Will Ford, Jim Allen Browning, Jim Owen, Glenn Duckworth, Phil

Morris, Bo Collins, Johnny Anderson, Steve Robbins, Frank Madden, Kelton McClinton, Dickson Simmons, Herbert Graham Rogers III, Eric Harding, Bob Bailey, Tom Shands, Fred Rogers, Bob Gault, Steve Livingston, Bill Rutledge, Steve Wilson, O. G. Thomas, Richard Hardy, Eddie Bramlitt. Not present were Lugie Brown, Bill Cornelius, James Downs, Jim Henson, Allen Maxwell, Robert Parks, William Alvis Parks, Kenneth Quinn and John Tompkins.

A Salute to the New Albany Rotary Club on its Diamond Anniversary

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A history of the New Albany Rotary Club

The first Rotary club in the world was organized in Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A., on 23 February, 1905, by Paul P. Harris, a young lawyer, who gathered together in a spirit of friendship and understanding a group of men, each of whom was engaged in a different form of service to the public.

That basis of membership — one man from each business and profession in the community — still exists in Rotary. At first, the members of the new club met in rotation at the various places of business of the members, and this suggested the name "Rotary."

Aberdeen, Mississippi was the first club in North Mississippi and was organized in 1921. A charter member of the Aberdeen club, Mr. Sykes, father of Mrs. J. Frank Hall of New Albany (Dorothy Sykes), encouraged the organization of a club in New Albany and the Aberdeen club sponsored the New Albany club, which became the Number 2 club.

The Rotary Club of New Albany, Mississippi, was organized on January 21, 1924 and was elected to membership in Rotary International on February 26, 1924, with the formal charter #1,643 issued on that date.

Charter members:

Doyle M. Branyan, bookkeeper; B. L. Coulter, City Schools Superintendent; Ernest Hawkins, stave mill operator; J. Frank Hall, Sr., banker; D. H. Hall, Sr., lumberman; Dr. Arthur Hudson, dentist; Jamie G. Houston, Sr., merchant; Baxter N. Knox, Sr., attorney; Perrin H. Lowery, insurance; W. G. McGill, Sr., bottler;

R. E. Rowland, compress superintendent; A. L. Rogers, banker; J. B. Shannon, Sr., automobile dealer; J. A. Smallwood, banker; R. L. Smallwood, banker, E. J. Stephens, cotton ginner; Frank S. Wilbanks, Sr., insurance; Dr. E. H. Wesson, physician; T. W. Tate, co-op creamery operator; and Guy M. Houston, Sr., insurance.

New Albany organized the Tupelo Club in 1925, and the Ripley Club in 1936. New

Albany and Ripley then organized the Corinth Club in 1936 and the Booneville Club in 1937.

New Albany Rotary initiated negotiations which led to the establishment of the first garment plant in New Albany, the old Ferguson-McKinney Co., out of which grew the Tupelo Garment Co. and still later the Irwin B. Schwabe Manufacturing Co. and associated plants.

New Albany Rotary Club encouraged the organization of New Albany's second oldest club, the Kiwanis Club, since it was felt that because of the classification system used by Rotary, an additional service club was definitely needed in New Albany.

Later the Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs were instrumental in the construction of an indoor basketball court or gymnasium. In appreciation the school board named the structure the Ki-Ro Gym, and it served the school well for many years.

Rotary furnished substantial leadership all down the years for nearly every movement for the constructive good of the city and county, co-operating with other civic, educational or religious groups. One such promotion was the highly successful Rural Community Development Councils, commonly known as "RCDC."

According to the late W. O. Rutledge, long-time publisher of the *New Albany Gazette*, "Much of the early life of New Albany Rotary Club revolved around the old Rainey Hotel and particularly the main dining room which was renowned far and wide for its good country style food." "Uncle Bill" and his wife "Miss Laura" were the operators and they prided themselves on their fried chicken, steaks and, above all, country ham, red-eye gravy and biscuits.

Rotarians ate for a dollar a plate with seconds if you wished and for years they were faithfully served by the late Albert Sanders, who sold a little "corn" and later "legal booze" on the side, and his assistant waiter, Leroy Prather.

The annual highlight was "Ladies Night" when wives or

escorts of members dressed up in their long dresses and kid gloves and flowing capes to show off their splendor and eat a sumptuous meal in the Rainey dining room and hear a guest speaker, which one wife described as "dull as all get-out."

New Albany Rotary Club met at the Rainey until sometime during WWII when they moved to Cliff Wells' Place on Cleveland Street near what is now Mattie Thompson School. Next they went out to what was then Beacon Hill Cafe.

From there they moved downtown again to the second floor of the late Charlie Marbury's Whiteway Restaurant. Then on to Southland Motel Restaurant, Geneva's Lizard Thicket Restaurant, and presently to Oaks Country Club's Dining Room.

All the while the dollar-a-plate charge was gradually on the increase minus the country ham and other choice delicacies.

One of the major early undertakings of the New Albany Rotary Club was the joint sponsorship, along with clubs of the District, in getting the Memphis Crippled Adult Hospital in operation, and supporting it generously until its shutdown when all the crippled adults in the area of its operation who were eligible for treatment and or care had been rehabilitated or were being seen after under various state or federal programs."

After the discontinuance of the hospital, the Rotary clubs began support of the Kidney Dialysis program and helped many patients by providing dialysis equipment for centrally located units, our nearest being in Tupelo.

At one of the club meetings a few years ago, Walt Harrison shared an idea he had gotten while making up attendance with the Gatlingburg Rotary Club.

Each week the members were given the opportunity to stand and relate a particularly happy moment or occasion that had happened in their family in the past week such as a birthday, anniversary or a child or grandchild doing something that they

were very proud and happy about. After telling about their happy moment they donated (whatever amount they wished) to a fund that was accumulated and used to try to help make someone else happy.

This club voted immediately to adopt this plan and to date many thousands of dollars have been contributed to the Sharing at Christmas Program.

During the 1998 club year N.A. Rotary donated \$3,000.00 to a fund to help correct a very young school-age child's teeth so that the child could talk and feel good about himself.

With a keen interest in education and the school system, the club has donated in excess of \$13,000 to the Endowment for Excellence in Education fund as well as furnishing volunteers to man the annual fish fry event.

Additionally, each year the N. A. Rotary club sponsors several youth to the Rotary Leadership Conference, an intensive training program for our leaders of tomorrow.

One member of the club, the late W. T. Lowery, set a record of 35 years of Perfect Attendance.

The club has been fortunate to have had fine and genuine fellowship all through the years of its existence with programs presented by some of the nation's outstanding personalities, giving emphasis to the objectives of Rotary, to club service, vocational service, community service and international service.

These are concrete benefits, but not to be overlooked, has been the service rendered by the club in developing and cementing friendship among its members and other citizens that would never otherwise have been possible. The fine spirit of unity and good-fellowship has contributed largely to its success.

New Albany Rotary Club has had 73 Presidents and 22 Secretary-Treasurers. It has had two members who have had the honor and distinction of serving as District Governors — Jamie G. Houston, District Governor 1938-39, and Hugh N. Clayton, District Governor 1965-66.

**Program Agenda for
75th Anniversary Dinner**

7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, 1999
Oaks Country Club

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| Dinner | |
| Music | Denise E. Taylor, Pianist |
| Invocation | Rodney E. Shands |
| Welcome | Bob Gault, President |
| Introduction of Special Rotary Guest | |
| Presentation | Janice Johnson, District Governor |
| Introduction | Rodney E. Shands |
| Address | U.S. Sen. Thad Cochran |
| Closing | Bob Gault, President |

Rotarian and U.S. Senator Thad Cochran to be keynote speaker

Thad Cochran is the senior United States Senator from the State of Mississippi.

When he was elected to the Senate in 1978, he became the first Republican to be elected to a statewide office in Mississippi. He has been re-elected with landslide margins three times, and he was unopposed in the 1990 election. For twelve years he served as an elected member of the Senate Republican leadership.

He is Chairman of the Senate Subcommittee for Agriculture Appropriations. He also chairs the Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation, and Federal Services.

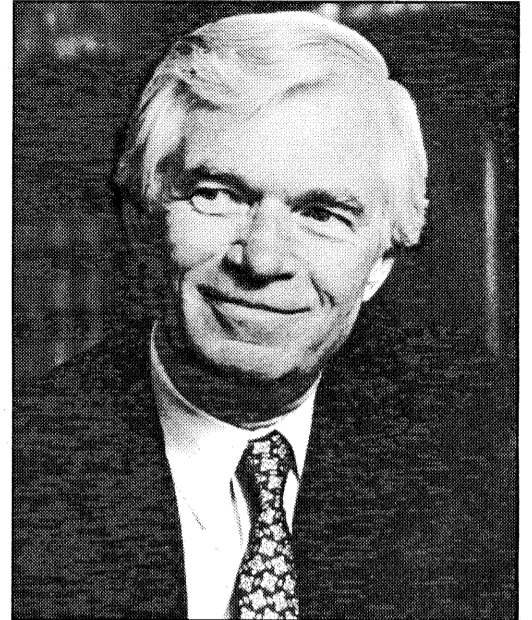
He serves on the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Naval Academy and the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution. He is also a member of the Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry Committee and the Rules Committee of the Senate.

Before going to Washington in 1973 to serve in the U.S. House of Representatives, Senator Cochran practiced law in Jackson, and he served as an officer in the U.S. Navy.

He was born in Pontotoc, Mississippi, was educated in the public schools of the State and earned his college and law degrees from the University of Mississippi. He studied international law for a year under a Rotary Foundation Fellowship at Trinity College Dublin, Ireland.

He has been awarded honorary degrees from Mississippi College, Kentucky Wesleyan College, Blue Mountain College and the University of Richmond.

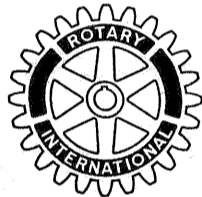
He and his wife, the former Rose Clayton of New Albany, Mississippi, have two children, Clayton and Kate.



Sen. Thad Cochran

Rotary International Mission

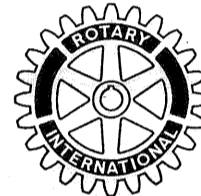
The mission of Rotary International is to assist and guide Rotarians and Rotary Clubs to accomplish the Object of Rotary, to ensure Rotary's continuing relevance, and to help build a better world, emphasizing service activities by individuals and groups that enhance the quality of human dignity, encouraging high ethical standards, and creating greater understanding among all people to advance the search for peace in the world.



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New Albany Rotary Presidents and Secretary-Treasurers by year

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| 1924-26 | Baxter N. Knox, Sr. | J. B. Shannon, Sr. | 1962-63 | Robert J. Shannon, Jr. | W. C. Harrison, Jr. |
| 1926-27 | Perrin Lowery | Frank Wilbanks, Sr. | 1963-64 | James M. Edwards | W. C. Harrison, Jr. |
| 1927-28 | Guy M. Houston, Sr. | William Norris | 1964-65 | J. B. Shannon, Jr. | W. C. Harrison, Jr. |
| 1928-29 | Jamie G. Houston | Dick Rowland | 1965-66 | Curtis Daniel | Jack Herrington |
| 1929-30 | R. E. Rowland | J. Frank Hall | 1966-67 | W. C. Harrison, Jr. | Jack Herrington |
| 1930-31 | W. G. McGill | W. J. Norris | 1967-68 | G. W. 'Bill' Henson | Jack Herrington |
| 1931-32 | James B. Shannon, Sr. | Arthur L. Rogers | 1968-69 | Efraim Delgadillo | Jack Herrington |
| 1932-33 | T. H. Hamilton, Sr. | Arthur L. Rogers | 1969-70 | Tom Carter | Kenneth Beasley |
| 1933-34 | A. L. Rogers | W. P. Daniel | 1970-71 | Jack Herrington | Kenneth Beasley |
| 1934-35 | W. P. Daniel | Leonard Herrington, Sr. | 1971-72 | Ken Hampson | Tom Cooper |
| 1935-36 | L. H. 'Bun' Coffey | J. R. Wynn | 1972-73 | Holace Morris | Tom Cooper |
| 1936-37 | John P. Kirkland | J. R. Wynn | 1973-74 | Joe T. Wilkins, III | Tom Cooper |
| 1937-38 | Hugh N. Clayton | Joe Rogers | 1974-75 | Gerald P. Maxey | Tom Cooper |
| 1938-39 | Leslie Darden | Joe Rogers | 1975-76 | Kenneth Beasley | Tom Cooper |
| 1939-40 | Jamie G. Houston | Joe Rogers | 1976-77 | Rodney Shands | Tom Cooper |
| 1940-41 | Rudolph R. Scott | Joe Rogers | 1977-78 | Tom A. Jones | Tom Cooper |
| 1941-42 | Thomas E. Goodman | Baxter N. Knox, Jr. | 1978-79 | Leslie E. Sumner | Tom Cooper |
| 1942-43 | Malcolm Houston | Robert J. Shannon | 1979-80 | Richard Russell | Tom Cooper |
| 1943-44 | Leonard Herrington, Sr. | W. T. Lowery | 1980-81 | Roger McMillen, Jr. | Tom Cooper |
| 1944-45 | Harold F. Crouse | W. T. Lowery | 1981-82 | W. O. Rutledge, III | Tom Cooper |
| 1945-46 | Rufus Moore | Lee S. Rogers | 1982-83 | Robert M. Carter | Tom Cooper |
| 1946-47 | Grady W. Harwell | Guy M. Houston, Jr. | 1983-84 | Fred Rogers | Tom Cooper |
| 1947-48 | W. T. Lowery | Guy M. Houston, Jr. | 1984-85 | Walter Grace | Tom Cooper |
| 1948-49 | Edgar J. Stephens | W. C. Wilbanks | 1985-86 | Tommy Barkley | Tom Cooper |
| 1949-50 | W. Ormsby Rutledge | W. C. Wilbanks | 1986-87 | James Downs | Tom Cooper |
| 1950-51 | Roger H. McMillen | W. C. Wilbanks | 1987-88 | Phil Morris | Tom Cooper |
| 1951-52 | Cecil Frazier | W. C. Wilbanks | 1988-89 | Bo Collins | Tom Cooper |
| 1952-53 | Thomas Hamilton, Jr. | W. C. Wilbanks | 1989-90 | Jim Henson | Tom Cooper |
| 1953-54 | Roger A. Norman | W. C. Wilbanks | 1990-91 | Leroy McMillen | Tom Cooper |
| 1954-55 | W. C. Harrison, Sr. | W. C. Wilbanks | 1991-92 | Bill Smallwood | Tom Cooper |
| 1955-56 | Billy H. Smith | W. C. Wilbanks | 1992-93 | Dickson Simmons | Tom Cooper |
| 1956-57 | Hugh Stephens | W. C. Wilbanks | 1993-94 | Lavelle Woodrick | Tom Cooper |
| 1957-58 | Robert Shands | W. C. Wilbanks | 1994-95 | Lugi Brown | Tom Cooper |
| 1958-59 | H. G. Rogers, Jr. | W. C. Wilbanks | 1995-96 | Kelton McClinton | Tom Cooper |
| 1959-60 | Bill Hanseman | W. C. Harrison, Jr. | 1996-97 | Bruce Bullwinkel | Tom Cooper |
| 1960-61 | W. C. 'Billy' Wilbanks | W. C. Harrison, Jr. | 1997-98 | Tom Cooper | James Ray Davis |
| 1961-62 | Carl Stephens | W. C. Harrison, Jr. | 1998-99 | Bob Gault | James Ray Davis |

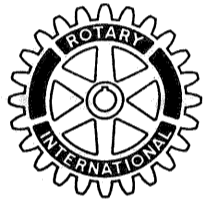
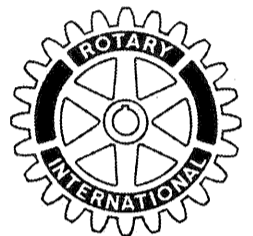
The Rotary symbol — the cogwheel

When the first Rotary club met the founders decided to meet in each other's office once a week in rotation. Thus the name for the club was chosen as ROTARY.

Since rotation suggested a wheel, the early Rotarians chose the cogwheel as their official symbol for their new club because it was first a wheel that drives or causes other wheels to turn, and secondly because each cog on the wheel had equal importance — none was special.

Therefore, the cogwheel, turning with every cog working in unison to turn other wheels to produce results,

Thus was the vision for Rotary established, a service club made up of a diversity of members all working together to be of help and service to others.



Bruce A. Bullwinkel, M.D.

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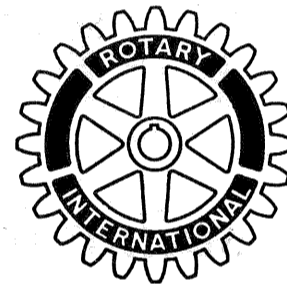
H. F. Mason, M.D.

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Why I'm proud to be a Rotarian

By Walter C. Harrison
February 1999

I'm proud to be a Rotarian!!

I'm proud to belong to a service club that is known and recognized all over the world. A club that is part of a worldwide organization of over 29,367 clubs in 159 countries and geographical regions with over 1,188,816 members

Rotary Clubs have already donated 330 MILLION dollars to the POLIO PLUS drive and I'm proud that our club supports this project.

I'm proud to be a part of an organization that has already inoculated ONE BILLION children worldwide against:

- Polio
- Diphtheria
- Whooping cough
- Tetanus
- Measles
- T. B.

The target is worldwide

immunization and eradication of these childhood scourges by the year 2005.

I'm proud when I go to our schools and see copies of the Rotary Four Way Test framed on the walls of many classrooms, and I'm proud that this club recognizes the need for quality education and has already contributed over \$13,000 to the school Endowment for Excellence in Education program. This does not count \$ 1,500 that our club gave to the school for computer equipment.

I'll always remember the thrill and honor I felt when I was invited to join Rotary in 1955 and become a member of the same club with my father and so many men whom I admired and respected.

At that time, anyone addressing a fellow member as "MR." was quickly fined a DIME which was added to our monthly bill. My bill was always several dollars

higher because I could NEVER call many of those men by their first name.

W. P. Daniel
Leonard Herrington
Roger McMillin
Lee Rogers
Rufus Moore
J. L. Spence
Paul Owen
Bob Shands
W. T. Lowrey
W.O. Rutledge
Bun Coffey
Wyatt Hill
G. W. Harwell
Hugh Clayton
and my dear friend —
Roger Norman — cost me a lot of dimes.

Never shall I forget the honor I felt at being elected President of this club in 1966, nor the tremendous encouragement and cooperation this whole club gave me. During that year we had perfect attendance every week for the entire month of February — a

record for our club. And there were 62 members at that time.

And yes, I can tell you who the very best president of this club was — GRADY HARWELL reminded us quite often that he had been our best.

There are so many great memories this club holds for me:

1. The day Grady Harwell and Paul Owen discovered that they were both eating the same salad at the Rainey Hotel,

2. Hugh Clayton cutting off Mr. Leonard Herrington's tie right under the knot for some reason,

3. Ormsby Rutledge eating and slipping out of the meetings early to go fishing,

4. The aviator who talked so loud and the airplane rides he gave us after the meeting,

5. Charles Kitchens program at the Southland when his "school system

expert" upset us so,

6. And the program at the Lizard Thicket that Bobby Carter was so reluctant to bring in to the meeting,

7. When Roger McMillin Jr. accepted the Paul Harris Memorial for his father,

8. David Malone, who had very poor hearing, stirring his tea in the plastic cups at the Lizard Thicket and drowning out the program every week,

9. Bill Brown going to sleep after the meal every week, except the week when his wife Tiny gave the program and he wore dark glasses,

10. Wyatt Hill singing "Working on the Railroad"

11. Hugh Clayton directing "Smile" with that left hand as he, W. T. Lowrey, Roger McMillin, Bill Henson, and Jim Edwards lead the singing,

12. The pride we all felt when we honored Roger (Please see WHY, p. 6)

Rotary 75th Anniversary



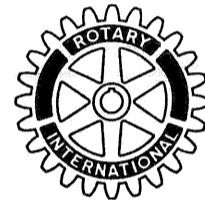
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Why

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Norman and Carl Stephens as Paul Harris Fellows, and the loss we shared as this award was given, posthumously, to Chuck Crews' family!

13. The fun we had with Bob Gault when his after program comments got so out of hand,

14. And the laugh we got when Allen Maxwell, a devoted Miss. State Bulldog fan picked them to lose on one of the weekly football polls & we found out,

And I'll never forget a District Governor making his official visit to our club and telling us that Roger Norman had an improper classification and shouldn't be in the club. Joe Houston, our bulletin editor at the time wrote the following week — "The District Governor visited our club last week and we endured him."

I vividly remember the District Conference at the Rivermont Hotel in

Memphis when Efraim Delgado explained to Billy Smith and me what the SQUAB we were eating was. We ate else at that meal.

Many remember Charlie Williams making a movie of our club activities over a two year period — and Roger Norman hamming up every scene he was in.

Do you remember the dances we used to sponsor with the big bands — Wayne King and Jan Garber, who were tremendous, and then Bob Crosby, who flew in to Memphis, hired some union musicians and ended that project?

Rotary has met in a lot of places. A couple of years ago, because of a proposed price increase for the meals, we discussed moving to a different place and I listened in awe as the leading business men of New Albany discussed how the difference between a meal at 4.75 per week and 6.00 per week "would amount to

about 5.50 per quarter."

But WHERE we meet and WHAT we eat does not mean nearly as much to me as the FELLOWSHIP we enjoy with one another every week.

I really feel that in this club every member CARES about each other. We share happiness and sorrow with one another, and I'm proud of this.

To me, the New Albany Rotary Club is the PEOPLE who make up this club — past and present. — the traditions of the club in the past and the hopes and aspirations we hold together for the future.

We're proud to be Rotarians because of what this club has done and stood for in the past.

But what it is in the future is in our hands. We can make it anything that we want—hopefully, a COG-WHEEL, our Rotary symbol, where every cog is of equal importance and dependent on the others to

turn other wheels to make great things happen in our community and world for those who follow.

I like the CHARGE and the CHALLENGE of our motto "Service above Self".

I'm proud that my son

chose to join this club, as have some of my oldest and closest friends.

I'm PROUD to a Rotarian ! I'm proud to be associated with each of you! YOU are Rotary to me and I'm honored to be one of you!

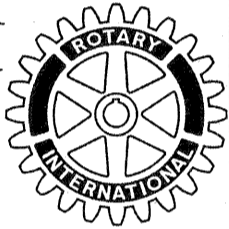
50 Year Banquet New Albany Rotary Club

Oaks Country Club, February 22, 1974

Program

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| Invocation | Rev. James T. McCafferty, Jr. |
| Dinner | |
| Welcome | Joseph T. Wilkins III, President |
| Presertation of Guests | |
| Introduction | Hugh N. Clayton, Past District Governor |
| Address | Roy D. Hickman, 1972-73 International President |
| Recognition of Past Presidents, Members of other Clubs, and guests | |
| Closing | Joseph T. Wilkins III |

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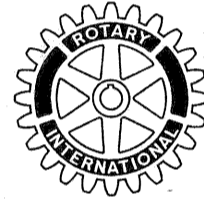
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SHIPS?
- 4 Will it be BENEFICIAL to
all concerned?

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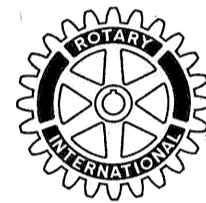


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on 75 years of service.***

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Rotary members at Golden Anniversary in 1974

Front from left, J. L. Spence, Percy Daniel, Leonard Herrington Sr., Vardell Ray, J. A. Thornton, Dr. Robin Bostwick, Kenneth Beasley, Efraim Delgadillo, Lee S. Rogers, J. B. Shannon, Dean Provence, Rodney Shands; second row from left, Bob Harrington, Tom Jones, Robert Ladner, Dr. Billy Smith, Dr. Chuck Crews, Wyatt Hill, Thomas Hamilton, Gerald Maxey, Tom Cooper, Rev. James McCafferty, Terry Morris, Bill Brown; third row from left, David Malone, Roger McMillin, Bob Sammons, George Smith, Walter Cecil

Harrison, William Alvis Parks, Billy Wilbanks, John D. Pennebaker, Allen Jackson, Billy Stewart, James Delgadillo; fourth row from left, Jack Herrington, W. O. Rutledge, Howard Lee Ray, Bill Henson, Herbert Rogers III, W. T. Lowrey, Dr. Jim Edwards, Malcolm Houston, Gordon Brewer, Bill Rutledge, Dr. Richard Russell; back row from left, Hugh N. Clayton, Holace Morris, Phil Morris, Collins Porter, Joe Wilkins III, Roger Norman, Harold Smith, Carl Stephens, Hugh Stephens.

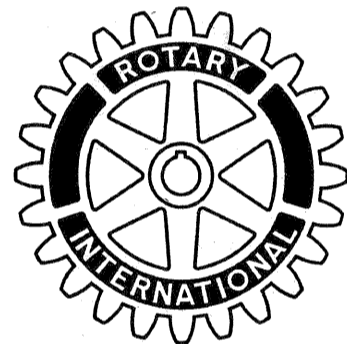
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Name: **Johnny Anderson**
 Birthday: **Nov. 21, 1956** Birthplace: **New Albany**
 Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
 Occupation: **Human Resource Manager — Benchcraft**
 Rotary Ann: **Beverly Robbins Anderson, from New Albany**
 Children: **Rob, 21 and Katie, 14**
 Personal background: **B.S. in Recreation, Univ. of Miss.; Alderman, City of New Albany; Deacon, Harmony Baptist Church**

Name: **Bob Bailey**
 Birthday: **Feb. 23, 1938** Birthplace: **New Albany**
 Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
 Occupation: **County Assessor - Tax Collector**
 Rotary Ann: **Marie Moody Bailey, from New Albany**
 Children: **Tracey Bailey, Sheila Carter**
 Personal background: **President, Miss. Assessors/Collectors Assn. 1996-97; Past Board of Directors, New Albany Rotary; attended Univ. of Oklahoma**

Name: **Tommy Barkley**
 Birthday: **July 5, 1952** Birthplace: **New Albany**
 Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
 Occupation: **Physician**
 Rotary Ann: **Bettye Lou Bennett Barkley, from New Albany**
 Children: **Angela, Ross, Corrie**
 Personal background: **Past President, New Albany Rotary**

Name: **Tim Benjamin**
 Birthday: **Dec. 18, 1952** Birthplace: **Baldwyn**
 Where raised: **Western Prentiss Co.** Year came to New Albany: **1976**
 Occupation: **Superintendent of Education, Union County School District**
 Rotary Ann: **Mitzi Wilhite Benjamin, from New Albany**
 Children: **Jennifer**
 Personal background: **Univ. of Miss.; Vice-President Three Rivers RESA Superintendents Assn.; Chairman, Y2K Committee, Miss. Assn. of School Superintendents; Board of Directors, Union Co. Literacy Council; Board of Directors, Lighthouse Enrichment Center; Board of Trustees, NEMCC**

Name: **Eddie E. Bramlitt Jr.**
 Birthday: **Aug. 18, 1952** Birthplace: **Philadelphia, PA**

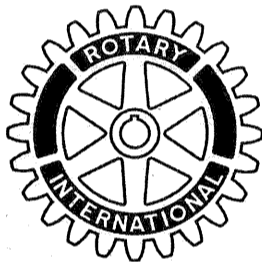
Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany: **1962**
 Occupation: **Farmer and Real Estate Developer**
 Rotary Ann: **Jamie Ann Maxey Bramlitt, from New Albany**
 Children: **Mike and Joey Bramlitt**
 Personal background:

Name: **Jack Brown**
 Birthday: **Sept. 28, 1949** Birthplace: **Memphis**
 Where raised: **Memphis** Year came to New Albany: **1995**
 Occupation: **Owner — Community Ford-Mercury, Inc.**
 Rotary Ann: **Terry Sweat Brown, from Memphis**
 Children:
 Personal background: **B.S., Univ. of Tenn.**

Name: **Lugie Brown**
 Birthday: **Oct. 25, 1946** Birthplace: **Coles (Amite Co.)**
 Where raised: **Coles, Miss.** Year came to New Albany: **1981**
 Occupation: **Banking**
 Rotary Ann: **Helen Cate Brown, from Sevierville, Tenn.**
 Children: **Todd, 27, and Shawna, 24**
 Personal background: **President, Bulletin Editor of New Albany Rotary; Univ. of Tennessee at Knoxville; Miss. State Univ.**

Name: **Jim Allen Browning**
 Birthday: **Aug. 8, 1947** Birthplace: **New Albany**
 Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
 Occupation: **CPA**
 Rotary Ann: **Angela Russell Browning, from Oxford**
 Children: **Dallas, Jennifer, Russell and Wanda Smith**
 Personal background: **Graduate, Miss. State Univ. and W. P. Daniel; CPA since 1975; American Institute of CPA; Miss. Society of CPA**

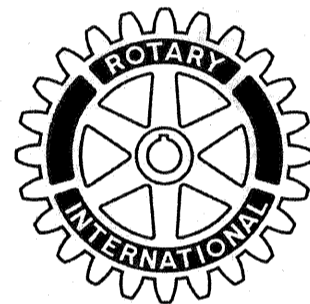
Name: **Bruce Bullwinkel**
 Birthday: **Oct. 14, 1948** Birthplace: **Morristown, N.J.**
 Where raised: **Somerville, Tenn.** Year came to New Albany: **1979**
 Occupation: **General Surgeon**
 Rotary Ann: **Lois Barnes Bullwinkel, from Natchez**
 Children: **Allan, 23, Stephen, 21, LeeAnne, 18, and Michael, 16**
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Personal background: **B.S., Univ. of Tennessee-Martin; M.D., Univ. of Tennessee-Memphis; Eagle Scout; Past President, Dean Provence Endowment for Excellence in Education; Member, New Albany School Board; Past President, New Albany Rotary; Member, UT College of Medicine Alumni Council**

Name: **Charlie Carr**
Birthday: **Oct. 1, 1939** Birthplace: **Batesville**
Where raised: **Panola Co.** Year came to New Albany: **1968**
Occupation: **Oil Jobber, Self-Employed**
Rotary Ann: **Lisa Marie Musick Carr, from Ripley**
Children: **Whitney, 12, and Chase, 9**
Personal background: **B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, Miss. State Univ.; Past President of New Albany Jaycees; Licensed Professional Engineer; Director, Miss. State Bulldog Club**

Name: **James Coleman**
Birthday: Birthplace:
Where raised: Year came to New Albany:
Occupation:
Rotary Ann:
Children:
Personal background:

Name: **Bo Collins**
Birthday: **Dec. 11, 1951** Birthplace: **Bruce**
Where raised: **Bruce and New Albany** Year came to New Albany: **1966**
Occupation: **Banker**
Rotary Ann: **Verna Whiton Collins, from Fresno, Calif.**
Children: **Robin, 27, Summer, 23, Skye, 20, Chelsea, 12, and Alex, 9**
Personal background: **B.B.A. in accounting from Ole Miss in 1973; Graduate, School of Bank Marketing, Univ. of Colorado, 1980; Past President, New Albany Rotary; Past President, Union County Development Assn.; Past Chairman, Union County Republican Party**

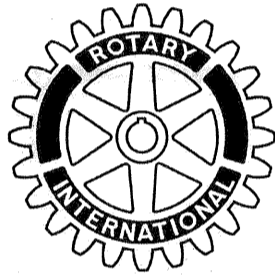
Name: **Ray Collins**
Birthday: **Oct. 2, 1959** Birthplace: **Bruce**
Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany: **1964**
Occupation: **Insurance**

Rotary Ann: **Patty Watkins, from Mountain Home, Idaho**
Children: **Ray Graham Jr., 5, and Bryce, 2**
Personal background: **Degree in Banking and Finance, Univ. of Mississippi; 6 years as Stockbroker; Certified Insurance Counselor; Member of First United Methodist Church**

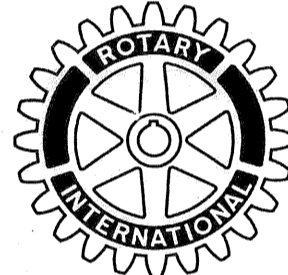
Name: **Thomas R. Cooper**
Birthday: **March 13, 1943** Birthplace: **Vicksburg**
Where raised: **Anguilla, Miss.** Year came to New Albany: **1965**
Occupation: **Union Grocery Co.**
Rotary Ann: **Gloria Wicker Cooper, from New Albany**
Children: **Will, Fran and Thomas - Columbus, Mary Katherine Cooper - Jackson**
Personal background: **B.S., Miss. State Univ.; 12 years on New Albany Board of Aldermen; 4 years Mayor of New Albany; Paul Harris Fellow - Rotary; Board of Directors, New Albany Rotary; 29 years as Secretary of New Albany Rotary; Past President of New Albany Jaycees; Past President, New Albany Rotary; Former Chairman, No. Miss. Mayors' Assn.; former Sec., Vice-Chairman and chairman, Three Rivers Planning and Development District; Former Member, Board of Directors - Miss. Municipal Assn.; Former Member, Board of Directors - Union County Development Assn.; Former Member, Board of Directors - No. Miss. Industrial Development Assn.**

Name: **William G. (Bill) Cornelius**
Birthday: **Sept. 4, 1951** Birthplace: **New Albany**
Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
Occupation: **John Deere Farm Equipment and GMC Truck Dealer**
Rotary Ann: **Carol Burchfield Cornelius, from West Union**
Children: **Anna and Will**
Personal background: **Graduated W. P. Daniel High School 1969; B.B.A., Univ. of Miss., 1973; Eagle Scout; Rotary 1977 to Present; Past President, Dean Provence Endowment for Excellence in Education; Yocona Area Council BSA Executive Board**

Name: **James Ray Davis**
Birthday: **Aug. 18** Birthplace: **Memphis**
Where raised: **Bruce** Year came to New Albany: **1992**
Occupation: **CPA**
Rotary Ann: **Camille Allen Davis, from Calhoun City**
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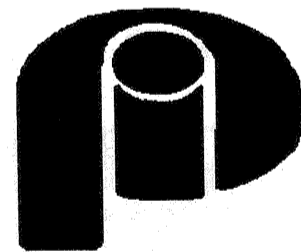


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Children: **Kyle, Christopher**

Personal background: **Rotary Secretary-Treasurer, 1997-1999; B.B.A. in Accounting, Univ. of Miss.**

Name: **James Downs**

Birthdate: **Nov. 20, 1936** Birthplace: **Oxford**

Where raised: **Lafayette Co.** Year came to New Albany: **1979**

Occupation: **Agriculture Specialist, USDA Farm Service Agency**

Rotary Ann: **Diane Jones Downs, from New Albany**

Children: **Julie Downs**

Personal background: **B.S. in Civil Engineering, Miss. State Univ.; Bridge Design, Kentucky Hwy. Dept.; 14 years Farm and Cotton Gin Operator; 13 years on Oxford School Board; Board of Directors, NE Power Assn., 11 years; County Extension Director of Farm Service Agency, 10 years; NA Rotary, 19 years; Past President of NA Rotary**

Name: **Glenn Duckworth**

Birthdate: **Dec. 3, 1947** Birthplace: **New Albany**

Where raised: **Ingomar** Year came to New Albany:

Occupation: **Executive Directory, Union County Development Association**

Rotary Ann: **Robbie Ellis Duckworth, from New Albany**

Children: **Savannah, 10**

Personal background: **Graduate NEMCC; B.A.E. and M.S. in math, Univ. of Miss.; additional graduate work at Univ. of So. Florida; Chairman, NEMCC Workforce Council; Prairie Girl Scout Council Board of Directors; Former President and on Board of Directors, Union County Historical Society; NA Rotary past Board of Directors; member, Cleveland Street Presbyterian Church**

Name: **Will Ford**

Birthdate: **March 21, 1941** Birthplace: **Memphis**

Where raised: **Memphis** Year came to New Albany: **1974**

Occupation: **Attorney**

Rotary Ann: **Jane Robbins Ford, from Etta**

Children: **Chris, Clint and Brent**

Personal background: **B.B.A., Memphis State University; Juris Doctor, Memphis State University; Omicron Delta Kappa; Delta Theta Phi Scholar; special Prosecutor, Wounded Knee, S.D. Indian Occupation, Asst. U. S. Attorney; Admin. Court Legal Society**

Name: **Bob Gault**

Birthdate: **July 6, 1961** Birthplace: **New Albany**

Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:

Occupation: **President - Gault Office Products**

Rotary Ann: **Melissa Bristow Gault, from Tupelo**

Children: **Keely, Sarah Vance**

Personal background: **B.S. in Economics, Miss. State Univ.; Current President, New Albany Rotary Club**

Name: **Eric D. Harding**

Birthdate: **Sept. 10, 1965** Birthplace: **Pontiac, Ill.**

Where raised: **Pontiac, Ill.** Year came to New Albany: **1995**

Occupation: **Physician**

Rotary Ann: **Katherine Harrison Harding, from Jackson**

Children: **William and Harrison**

Personal background: **B.A., Illinois Wesleyan Univ., 1987; M.D., Vanderbilt Medical School, 1991; Internal Medicine/Pediatric Residency, Vanderbilt Univ. Hospital, 1991-95; President-elect, New Albany Rotary, 1999-2000; Alpha Omega Alpha National Medical Honorary Society; 1998 Board of Directors, New Albany Rotary**

Name: **Richard Hardy**

Birthdate: **Dec. 30, 1948** Birthplace: **New Albany**

Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:

Occupation: **Vice-President/General Manager, Piper Impact, Inc.**

Rotary Ann: **Retta Callicutt Hardy, from Myrtle**

Children: **Clay, 18, and Drew, 15**

Personal background: **B.S. in Industrial Engineering from Miss. State Univ.; Board of Directors, NA Rotary Club; Former President and Board Member, Endowment for Excellence in Education; active in Boy Scouts, Church**

Name: **W. C. Harrison Jr.**

Birthdate: **July 6, 1931** Birthplace: **New Albany**

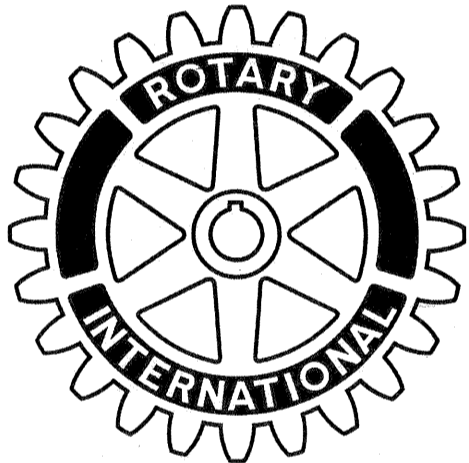
Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:

Occupation: **Automobile Dealer**

Rotary Ann: **Mary Elizabeth Morgan Harrison, from Sturgis (Morgantown)**

Children: **Walt III, Mary Morgan Little**

Personal background: **B.A., Ole Miss, 1953; President, New Albany Rotary, 1967-68 (Please see p. 12)**



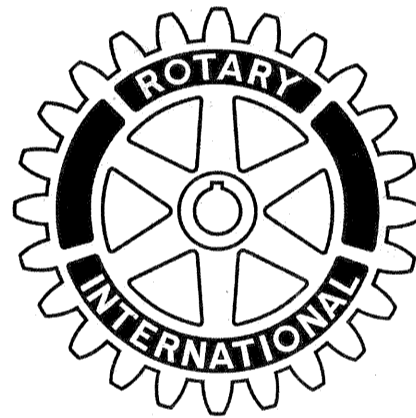
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Name: **Walter Cecil Harrison III**
Birthday: **Sept. 19, 1963** Birthplace: **New Albany**
Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
Occupation: **Chrysler, Plymouth, Dodge, Jeep Dealer**
Rotary Ann: **Raye Ann Alexander Harrison**
Children: **Walter Cecil (Sonny) Harrison IV, Alexander Ryan Harrison**
Personal background: **B. S. from Miss. State Univ.; President, Union Co. Chapter, MSU Alumni Assoc. 1997-98; Director, Connie Davis Fishing Rodeo; Rotary Sharing at Christmas Officer; past Board of Directors, NA Rotary; past Rotary Sergeant-at-arms**

Name: **Jim Henson**
Birthday: **Jan. 1, 1952** Birthplace: **New Albany**
Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
Occupation: **Owner, Harwell Distributing Co.**
Rotary Ann: **Susan Thompson Henson, from Doddsville**
Children: **Lee, Will, Walt**
Personal background: **President and Director, New Albany Rotary; Deacon and Chairman, New Albany Presbyterian Church**

Name: **Jay Herrington**
Birthday: **Dec. 7, 1960** Birthplace: **New Albany**
Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
Occupation: **Office Products Dealer**
Rotary Ann: **Tounia Swords Herrington, from New Albany**
Children: **Catherine and Elizabeth**
Personal background:

Name: **David Holmes**
Birthday: **June 14, 1932** Birthplace: **New Orleans**
Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany: **1934**
Occupation: **Retired; Ward One Alderman**
Rotary Ann: **Anne Darden Holmes, from Myrtle**
Children: **Spencer Holmes**
Personal background: **B.S. in Business Administration from the Univ. of Miss.; Rotary Board of Directors**

Name: **Tom Jones IV**

Birthday: **March 8, 1948** Birthplace: **Cleveland, Miss.**
Where raised: **Greenville** Year came to New Albany: **1990**
Occupation: **Director, Human Resources - Piper Impact, Inc.**
Rotary Ann: **Marolyn Yurkow Jones, from Cleveland**
Children: **Allison Kay Jones**
Personal background: **B.S.E., Delta State Univ.; Director, Miss. Manufacturers Assn.; Former Director, NA Rotary Club; Director, Community Relations Assoc.; Current Seniors Golf Champion, Oaks Country Club**

Name: **William Giles Lindley**
Birthday: **June 17, 1957** Birthplace: **Jackson**
Where raised: **Jackson** Year came to New Albany: **1998**
Occupation: **United Methodist Minister**
Rotary Ann: **Lisa Mitchell Lindley, from Brandon**
Children: **Charla and Chelsea**
Personal background: **Mississippi State University, Univ. of Southern Mississippi**

Name: **Timmy Little**
Birthday: **Oct. 1, 1962** Birthplace: **New Albany**
Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
Occupation: **Music Director, Bethlehem Methodist Church**
Rotary Ann: **Mary Morgan Harrison Little, from New Albany**
Children:
Personal background: **Myrtle High School, Northeast Miss. Community College, and Business Degree from Mississippi State University**

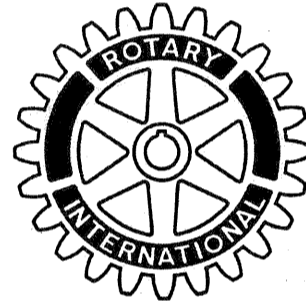
Name: **Steve Livingston**
Birthday: **July 9, 1948** Birthplace: **Tupelo**
Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany: **1949**
Occupation: **Attorney**
Rotary Ann: **Patsy Provence Livingston, from New Albany**
Children: **Amy, Price, Hays**
Personal background: **B.A. in History and Juris Doctor in Law from Ole Miss; City Prosecutor from 1976-1995; Municipal Judge 1995-present; Rotary Board of Directors; Rotary Sgt. at Arms**

Name: **Frank Madden**
Birthday: **Nov. 7, 1945** Birthplace: **Greenwood**
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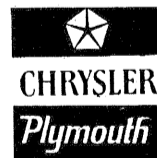


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Where raised: **Doddsville, Miss.** Year came to New Albany: 1972
 Occupation: **Merchant: Owner - Friendly City Tire**
 Rotary Ann: **Linda Pinion Madden, from Lambert**
 Children: **Tanya Millenden, Jennifer Goudelock, Frank IV, Leslie**
 Personal background: **B.S. in Business Administration from Delta State Univ.; Vice-President, Board of Directors, New Haven School; President, Kingston Ridge Homeowners' Assoc.; Member, First Baptist Church**

Name: **H. F. Mason**
 Birthday: **Sept. 22, 1967** Birthplace: **Greenville**
 Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany: 1969
 Occupation: **General Surgeon, New Albany Surgical Group**
 Rotary Ann: **Laura Brewer Mason, from New Albany**
 Children: **Ashley, 4, Jack, 1**
 Personal background: **B.A., Univ. of Miss., 1989; Taylor Medal in Biology; M.D., Univ. of Miss., 1993; 1993 Medical Student of the Year; Surgery Residency, Vanderbilt, completed July 1998; Eagle Scout**

Name: **Allen Maxwell**
 Birthday: **Sept. 13, 1955** Birthplace: **Greenwood**
 Where raised: **Greenwood** Year came to New Albany: 1994
 Occupation: **Insurance Underwriter**
 Rotary Ann: **Margaret Herrington Maxwell, from New Albany**
 Children: **Mary, Ed, Anne**
 Personal background: **Mississippi State University**

Name: **Kelton McClinton**
 Birthday: **Aug. 14, 1959** Birthplace: **New Orleans**
 Where raised: **Picayune** Year came to New Albany: 1986
 Occupation: **Dentist**
 Rotary Ann: **Cathy Coleman McClinton, from Okolona**
 Children: **Mark, 11, and Mary Catherine, 9**
 Personal background: **B.S., Univ. of Mississippi; D.M.D., Univ. of Mississippi School of Dentistry; Past President, New Albany Rotary Club**

Name: **Leroy McMillin**
 Birthday: **July 23, 1948** Birthplace: **New Albany**
 Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
 Occupation: **Buick, Oldsmobile, Pontiac Dealer**
 Rotary Ann: **Connie Bryson McMillin, from New Albany**
 Children: **Jenny, Emily, Natalie, Morgan**
 Personal background: **Graduated from W. P. Daniel H.S. and Miss. State Univ.; U.S. Army Infantry School; Past President, New Albany Kiwanis Club; Director, UCDA; United Funeral Service Director; Elder and Church Treasurer, Cleveland Street Presbyterian Church; Past President, New Albany Rotary Club**

Name: **J. Phil Morris**
 Birthday: **Jan. 24, 1942** Birthplace: **New Albany**
 Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
 Occupation: **Morris Scrap Metal, Inc.**
 Rotary Ann: **Susan Neely Morris, from New Albany**
 Children: **Phillip, Walt, Ben and Jamie**
 Personal background: **Past President, New Albany Rotary; B.B.A. from Ole Miss**

Name: **Jim Owen**
 Birthday: **Oct. 29, 1942** Birthplace: **New Albany**
 Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
 Occupation: **Senior Vice-President, Finance, Bench Craft, a Division of Lifestyle Furnishings International**
 Rotary Ann: **Sylvia Savini Owen, from Hobe Sound, Fla.**
 Children: **Dianne, 20, Jennifer, 17, and Jamie, 14**
 Personal background: **Alderman-at-large, 1985-present; Vice-mayor, 1992-present; City of New Albany Tourism Council; Chairman, Three Rivers Planning and Development District; Board of Directors, NA Rotary Club; Board of Directors, Miss. Furniture Assn.; Miss. Manufacturers Assn. Legislative Committee; Boy Scouts FBC Coordinator 1988-98; Former District Chairman, Miss. Municipal Assn., Legislative Committee; B.B.A. in Business Administration from the Univ. of Mississippi in 1964; Member, First Baptist Church**

Name: **Robert Parks**
 Birthday: Birthplace:
 Where raised: Year came to New Albany:
 Occupation:
 Rotary Ann:
 Children:
 Personal background:

Name: **William Alvis Parks**
 Birthday: **Aug. 26, 1929** Birthplace: **New Albany**
 Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
 Occupation: **Third Generation Chevrolet Dealer, Second Generation Tree Farmer**
 Rotary Ann: **Charlsie Lucille Austin Parks, from Northeast Mississippi**

Children: **William IV, Marilyn, Margaret, Carol Anne, Robert Edward Lee**
 Personal background: **New Albany High School Little 10 Conference Football Honorable Mention Blocking Back (1947); Basketball, Baseball; Miss. State College (1951) Phi Eta Sigma, Lambda Chi Alpha, Omicron Delta Kappa; Treasurer, Sigma Chi; Treasurer, Senior Class; Vice-President, Business School Student Government; Student Council Representative; Lt. Col., USAFR**

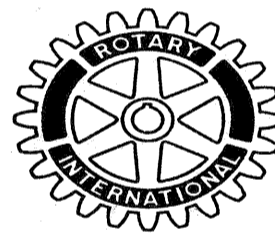
Name: **Kenneth Quinn**
 Birthday: **July 26, 1939** Birthplace: **Memphis**
 Where raised: **Walnut, Miss.** Year came to New Albany: 1964
 Occupation: **Superintendent of New Albany Public Schools**
 Rotary Ann: **Anna**
 Children: **Sherry and Chuck**
 Personal background: **Masters at Miss. State Univ.; Spec., Univ. of Miss.; Bulletin Editor, Rotator Weekly Bulletin**

Name: **Steven G. Robbins**
 Birthday: **May 2, 1958** Birthplace: **Fort Huachuca, Ariz.**
 Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany: 1958
 Occupation: **Accountant/Consultant**
 Rotary Ann: **Paula Hill Robbins, from New Albany**
 Children: **Anna Kate, 8, Will, 2**
 Personal background: **Bachelor of Accountancy from Ole Miss, 1983; CPA, 1986; Eagle Scout; Explorer Young American Award**

Name: **Frederick R. Rogers**
 Birthday: **Aug. 10, 1946** Birthplace: **Memphis**
 Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
 Occupation: **Attorney**
 Rotary Ann:
 Children: **Brad Rogers and Robbins Rogers**
 Personal background: **B. A. Degree, Univ. of Miss.; Law Degree, Miss. College School of Law; Past President, New Albany Rotary Club**

Name: **Herbert G Rogers III**
 Birthday: **Oct. 3, 1942** Birthplace: **Jackson**
 Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany: 1946
 Occupation: **President - Rogers Investments Inc.**
 Rotary Ann: **Swift Chandler Rogers, from Greenwood**
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Dear Fellow Rotarians:

Congratulations on your club's 75th anniversary. I send you warm greetings on behalf of all the world's Rotary clubs as you celebrate this milestone of fellowship and service. As one of the early Rotary clubs, your club occupies a special place in the history of our organization and in the growth and development of Rotary in your part of the world.

This year, as you plan ways to commemorate this special anniversary, I ask you to keep in mind our focus on "Community Concerns and Children." Celebrate 75 years of service by working to improve the quality of life in your community, making it a place where children can learn and thrive.

Three-quarters of a century ago, someone dreamed of starting a Rotary club here in New Albany. Perhaps it was a Rotarian from a nearby community, or maybe it was a community member who had heard of the positive impact that Rotary service was making in other areas. All the good your club has accomplished has evolved from that single dream — a dream that has been enlarged and enriched over the past 75 years. In 1998-99, I encourage each of you to FOLLOW YOUR ROTARY DREAM and add your own important contribution to your club's record of achievement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jim".

James L. Lacy
President

New Albany Rotary Club Member Profiles

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Children: **Herbert Graham Rogers IV, Laurance Nicholas Chandler Rogers**
 Personal background: **B.B.A., Univ. of Miss.; Past President, Independent Insurance Agents of Mississippi; Rotary Bulletin Editor**

Name: **William O. Rutledge III**
 Birthday: **July 1, 1942** Birthplace: **New Albany**
 Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
 Occupation: **Attorney**
 Rotary Ann: **Gayle Mercier Rutledge**
 Children: **Bobby, Will, Doug, Bridgforth, Marc, Stewart and Logan**
 Personal background: **Rotary Past President; Law Degree, U.S. Army (Vietnam Veteran) Captain; Director, Bank of New Albany**

Name: **Louis B. Schuler**
 Birthday: **Jan. 13** Birthplace: **Pittsburgh, Pa.**
 Where raised: **Pittsburgh** Year came to New Albany: **1996**
 Occupation: **General Manager - Wal-Mart Distribution Center**
 Rotary Ann: **Marie Hermanson Schuler, from Colorado Springs, Colo.**
 Children: **Connie Hust, Kathy Sciutto, Lou Schuler Jr., Michael Schuler, Chris Schuler**
 Personal background:

Name: **Rodney E. Shands**
 Birthday: **May 5, 1947** Birthplace: **New Albany**
 Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
 Occupation: **Attorney**
 Rotary Ann: **Ginger Moore Shands, from McComb**
 Children: **Kate, 23; Leslie, 19; Nancy, 19**
 Personal background: **Univ. of Miss. B.A. and J. D. Degrees; President, New Albany Rotary 1976; Rotary District World Community Service Chairman 1974-75 and 1977-78; Rotary District Community Service Chairman 1988-89; County Attorney 1972 to date; Past President UCDA; Tallahatchie Arts Council, Third Circuit Court Bar Assn., Past Board Member Leadership Mississippi, Univ. of Miss. Law Alumni Assn.**

Name: **Thomas A. Shands**
 Birthday: **March 25, 1950** Birthplace: **New Albany**
 Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
 Occupation: **Physician - Internal Medicine**
 Rotary Ann: **Debbie Wingo Shands, from New Albany**
 Children: **Drew, 14, Will, 12, Christopher, 1 1/2**
 Personal background: **B.S. in Medicine, Univ. of Miss., 1972; M.D., Univ. of Miss. School of Medicine, 1976; Completed Residency in Internal Medicine, 1979; Board Certification in Internal Medicine and Geriatrics; American College of Physicians**

Name: **Dickson Simmons**
 Birthday: **Feb. 11, 1949** Birthplace: **Pontotoc**
 Where raised: **Pontotoc County** Year came to New Albany: **1979**
 Occupation: **Partner - Twitty Insurance Agency, Inc.**
 Rotary Ann: **Dianne Reeder Simmons, from New Albany**
 Children: **John Christopher Simmons**
 Personal background: **President, Rotary Club 1992-93; President, Professional Insurance Assoc. of Miss., 1987; B.B.A., Miss. State University, 1972**

Name: **W. C. (Bill) Smallwood Jr.**
 Birthday: **Aug. 18, 1933** Birthplace: **New Albany**
 Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
 Occupation: **Investor**
 Rotary Ann: **Margaret Binkley (Peggy) Smallwood, from Goodlettsville, Tenn.**
 Children: **W. C. Smallwood III**
 Personal background: **Graduate, Univ. of Miss.; Past President, Union County Development Assn.; Sec.-Treas., Board of Trustees, Union County General Hospital**

(24 years); **Union County Red Cross Board; Exec. Board, Yocona Area Council, BSA; Recipient, Silver Beaver Award, BSA; Past President Rotary Club; United Methodist Church: Delegate to General Conference, member General Board of Global Ministries and United Methodist Committee on Relief; Southern Regional Education Board**

Name: **O. G. Thomas**
 Birthday: **Nov. 24, 1938** Birthplace: **Winona**
 Where raised: **Starkville** Year came to New Albany: **1967**
 Occupation: **Chartered Financial Consultant**
 Rotary Ann: **Jo Ann Aycok Thomas, from Hickory, Miss.**
 Children: **Karen, Sandi**
 Personal background: **B.S., Miss. State Univ.**

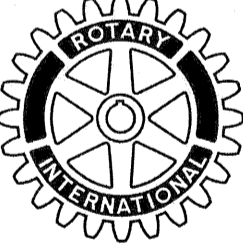

Name: **John Tompkins**
 Birthday: **Jan. 25** Birthplace: **Arkansas**
 Where raised: **Search, Ark.** Year came to New Albany: **1987**
 Occupation: **Administrator, Baptist Memorial Hospital-Union County**
 Rotary Ann: **Sandy**
 Children: **Chris, Andea**
 Personal background: **B.A., MSU; Hospital Administration, Univ. of Alabama; Board of Directors, Miss. Hospital Assn.**

Name: **Bill Tucker**
 Birthday: **Nov. 26, 1961** Birthplace: **Jackson, Miss.**
 Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany: **1966**
 Occupation: **Owner - The Windshield Doctor**
 Rotary Ann: **Kelly Banks Tucker, from New Albany**
 Children: **Will, 13, Rob, 11, Sam, 1**
 Personal background: **Rotary Officer, 1997-98**

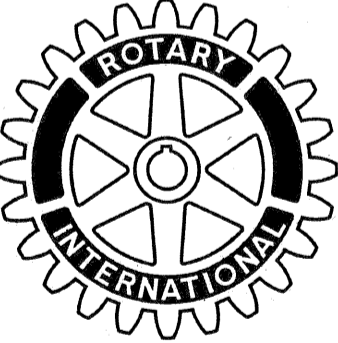
Name: **J. Lynn West**
 Birthday: **June 6, 1946** Birthplace: **Memphis**
 Where raised: **New Albany** Year came to New Albany:
 Occupation: **Assoc. Editor, New Albany Gazette**
 Rotary Ann: **Elizabeth (Lisa) Boyd, from Meridian**
 Children:
 Personal background: **B.A., Lambuth University; M.A., Memphis State University; Rotary Board of Directors, Bulletin Editor; Union County E-911 Commission; Union County Library Administrative Board of Trustees; New Albany Tourism Advisory Board**

Name: **Steve Wilson**
 Birthday: **Sept. 30, 1968** Birthplace: **Cleveland, Miss.**
 Where raised: **Cleveland** Year came to New Albany: **1997**
 Occupation: **Executive Officer and Assistant Vice-President, Peoples Bank**
 Rotary Ann: **Paige Keeton Wilson, from Jackson, Miss.**
 Children: **Taylor Rebecca, 11 months**
 Personal background: **Hinds Community College; Member, First United Methodist Church; Union County Family and Consumer Sciences Advisory Board; Charter Member, Hinds/Madison Kiwanis Club; Habitat for Humanity Volunteer-Jackson; Grenada Exchange Club**

Name: **John Young**
 Birthday: **Dec. 4, 1939** Birthplace: **Blytheville, Ark.**
 Where raised: **Arkansas, Kentucky, Missouri** Year came to New Albany: **1992**
 Occupation: **Commercial Real Estate Development**
 Rotary Ann:
 Children: **Chrystal, Michael, Terry, John Walker**
 Personal background: **High School Graduate, College, Farming, Farm Development, Commercial Development**

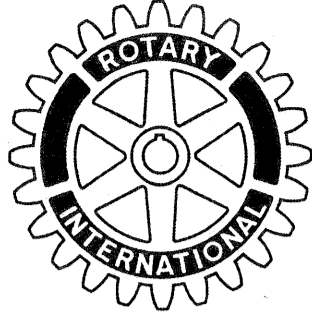
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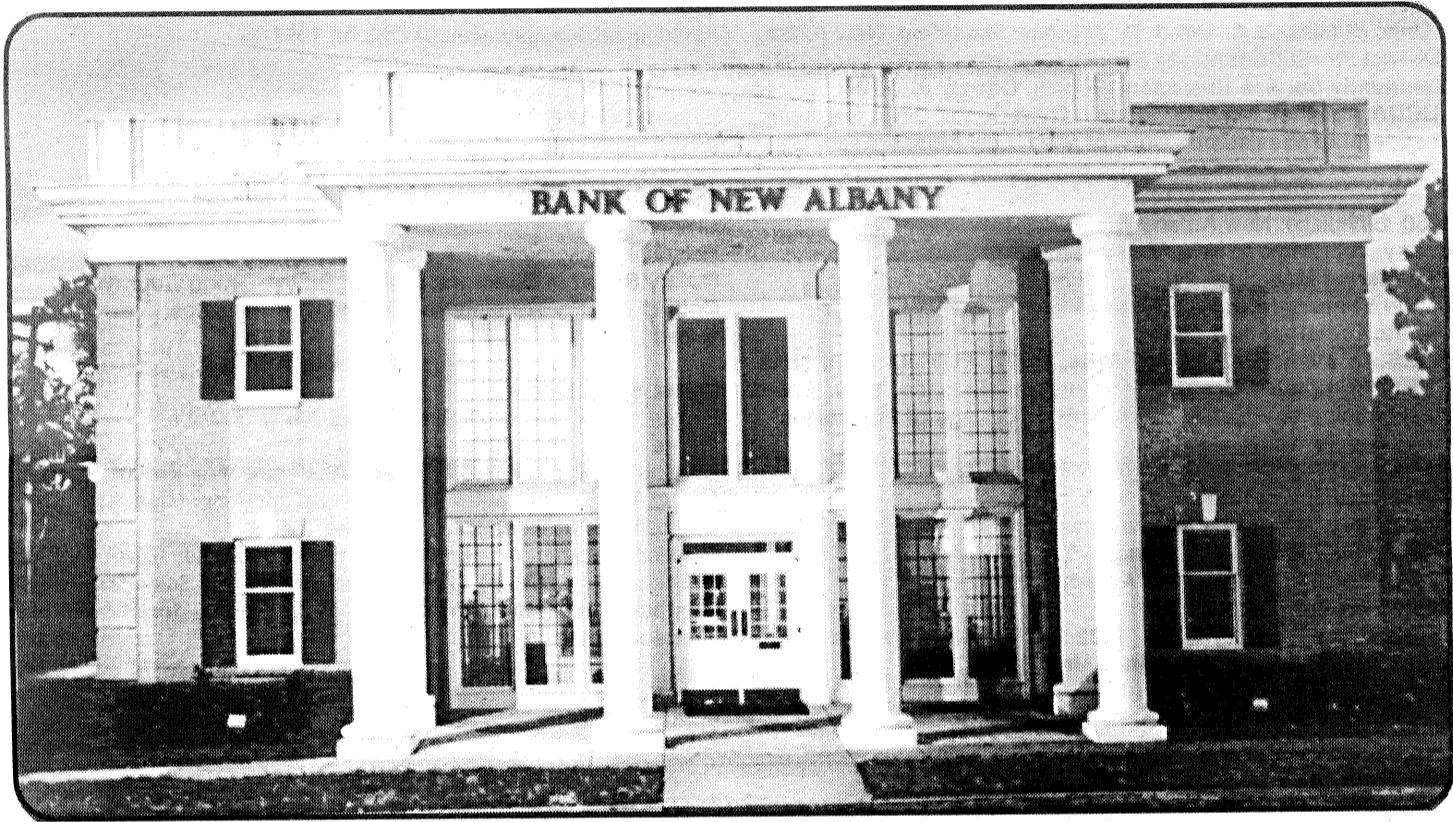
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