

The Whirling Wheel

Fayetteville Rotary Club

District 6780

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 friendship?

#4 Will it be BENEFICIAL to
all concerned?

Our Program Today:

George Wells, Songwriter

Presented by Don Counts

George Wells celebrated his 55th year in songwriting in June of 2017.

Back in 1962, he was doing a lot of flying and spending time in airports. He decided to try his hand at lyrics to pass the time. Meeting many songwriters on his travels along the way, he'd get a lot of ideas for the songs he would write. He wrote as often as he could and estimates that over the years, he's written 5,000 lyrics.

George's longtime co-writer, Billy Stone, and he spent several years knocking on the doors in Nashville. Together, they placed a total of about 25 songs with a number of publishers. One such publisher placed their song, *Turn the Record Over*, in a full-length movie, "From Nashville with Music".

George's real joy comes from the people he has met. He worked with Gene Stallings, Charlie Walker, Neil Bonnett, Jim Hamill, and Orval Profit. He and Billy have also worked hard in the studio with many legends in the music business. This year, they have released three songs and two videos.

As George puts it, "So the love for the skill of writing lives on."



George and Barbara Wells

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Sad news regarding Rotary International President-Elect

It is with a heavy heart that we share the sad news that the President-Elect of Rotary International, Sam F. Owori, died Thursday night as a result of post-operative complications from a planned surgery. Please keep his wife, Norah, the Owori family, and Sam's friends around the world in your thoughts and prayers. Carol Foster shared that she met Sam in Atlanta and that he had a great sense of humor and love for Rotary and family.



Honorees

Outgoing Rotary Club President Frank Tuttle honored Paul Richardson and Marisa Thornton as Rotarian of the Year and the James S. Hereford, Jr., Service Above Self Award recipient, respectively, for Rotary year 2016-17. Frank also presented a special gift, a Rotary pendant necklace, to Carol Foster for all of her good work in the club.

Rotary Birthdays

Sandy Morrison July 3
David Kidd July 6
Brenda Pinkston July 12
Melanie Laten Aug. 2
Carol Foster Aug. 8
Mike Henderson Aug. 22

Important notes

Next week District Governor Deborah Alexander-Davis will be visiting our club. She will be meeting with our leadership team at 10:30 a.m. here at the Best Western. All past presidents, officers and committee chairs are asked to attend.



Be sure and sign up for the Rotary Fun Night – Dinner and a Play – that will be on Thursday, Aug. 3. We'll meet at Sam's at 5:30 p.m. for a Dutch-treat dinner and then walk over to the Museum for the play at 7.

Our Club Visioning Session with Ivan Jones will be held Thursday, Aug. 17, from 3-7 p.m. upstairs in the multi-purpose room at the Municipal Building. Please sign up to attend! This will be a significant step in helping our club be successful!!



Stay connected

The Rotary Club of Fayetteville has a Facebook page that is regularly updated.

Or check us out online:
www.fayettevillerotary.com

Membership Corner



Propose a Member!

The Fayetteville Rotary Club does a lot in our community! Share our story with prospective members, and let them know they are always welcome!

Upcoming Dates

Tues., July 25 District Governor's Visit
Tues., Aug. 1 No Meeting (See Thursday, Aug. 3)
Thurs., Aug. 3 Rotary Fun Night: Dinner & A Play
Tues., Aug. 8 Member Orientation
Sat., Aug. 12 District Foundation, Membership and Youth Seminar, Tullahoma
Thurs., Aug. 17 Club Visioning Session with Ivan Jones, 3-7 p.m., Upstairs, City Hall
Tues., Aug. 22 Yoga, presented by Melanie Laten
Tues., Aug. 29 TBA by Al Horsman
Tues., Sept. 5 Member Orientation
Tues., Sept. 12 Open
Tues., Sept. 19 TBA by Owen Bagley
Thurs., Sept. 21 United Nations International Day of Peace
Sat., Sept. 23 RYLA: Camp Nakawa, Crossville