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District 6820 Newsletter

Revised Website is up and running. Just *Rotary 6820* and you have it. More improvements to come.

District Directories were sent to Club Presidents and Secretaries last week.

Rotary Katrina Fund was started before the hurricane came ashore. Rotary Districts from many areas of our nation and some other countries have/and are sending donations to Starkville for distribution into the affected areas through Rotary Club Presidents. Our donation /funding mechanism is in place and working. The distribution mechanism will be complete today. The funds will be dispersed by Dist. Treasurer Bill Simmons. This is all being done in cooperation with S. Alabama District 6880, NOLA 6840, the district S. and West of NO District 6800. Neil Alford, DG, of Slidell has been working closely with us. What could be more efficient and effective than sending dollars to a local Rotary Club President for distribution to other Rotarians in need of help for medicines, cell phones, gas, etc. without an overhead charge?

Membership Seminar in Jackson was well attended. Our thanks to Jim Stanley, District Trainer, Darryl Stewart, Jane Molloy of Shreveport for helping us look for ways to increase membership.

Rotary License Plate is on the way. Kay Steed will be getting information out on it. Cost \$31, our district ultimately gets \$10 of that.

Two Fine Ambassadorial Scholars were recently selected. Fleetwood Loustalout III of Jackson is working on his Ph.D in Nursing at the University Medical School. His specialty is diabetes and obesity. Ben Hammond of Pearl recently received his degree from the University of Mississippi with a degree in International Studies and History with a 3.96 grade point average. He will study in S. Africa. Our thanks to Edley Jones III for chairing this committee.

What a Change we have seen and will see for so many of our fellow Mississippians and neighbors. They will need *and have* our support and prayers.

Club Presidents...please make copies of this and pass on to those who need to know!

Yours in Rotary,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stuart Vance".