



Decatur Rotary Club

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November 10, 2010

Please visit our website at decatur-rotary.org where you can update your contact information, view videos from past Rotary meetings and find out who our upcoming speakers are. Don't forget to join our [LinkedIn Group](#) and [Facebook Page](#) as well!

Elliott Augustine & Andrea Greengard

President's Corner



President C.J. called the meeting to order

The Four-Way Test:

In everything that we think, say or do:

Is it the **TRUTH**?

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

Announcements:

Annual Nominations:

The annual nominations process for future club leadership will begin in the near future - be thinking about your interest in serving.

First Thursday Socials:



Announcements

Rotary Networking Resources

District 6900 has created this resource to help Rotarians in our district find employment. To find out more visit the [district web site](#) and look for Career Networking.

Decatur Rotary is now on Facebook. Check out the page for updates and become a fan. View the [Decatur Rotary Facebook Page](#) here.

Decatur Rotary is now on LinkedIn. Check our page for updates and to join our group. View the [Decatur Rotary LinkedIn Group](#) here.

NEW!! Link to the most recent District 6900 Newsletter:
[District Newsletter](#)

Book Of The Week

There was no "Book Of The Week" this week.

Guests & Visitors

Todd Speed gave the

The First Thursday event at Bhojanic was very successful. Keep on the lookout for an email with information about next months' First Thursday Social. Remember, these socials count as make-ups!

President CJ stated she had spoken with **Gloria Kusmik** in regards to **Joe's** health. President CJ announced that she hoped we would be able to use technology to stay in touch with Gloria and Joe while Joe is isolated.

Next Week - Table Shifting!

Dr. Jagdish Sheth: Emory University

John Adams introduced the speaker Dr. Jagdish Sheth.



Dr. "Jag" Sheth presented an interesting program on the importance of the economic relationship between the US and "Asian-centric" countries, particularly our relationship with India.

Dr. Sheth stated that the two largest markets with over 1 billion people each were China and India. He added that beginning in 1991, India started to reform its economy by introducing more opportunities for free markets and a capitalistic economic system. Dr. Sheth indicated that some research shows that by 2050 the largest economy in the world will be India.

Dr. Sheth stated that in the coming years there will be three major impacts on economic systems - the race for resources, the race for markets and the race for geo-political dominance. Dr. Sheth stated that if the US and India were aligned together, both would achieve economic gains. In addition, Dr. Sheth pointed out that metro-Atlanta can be a key hub for headquarter operations for companies from India.

Dr. Sheth concluded by providing five insights into future US economic strength:

1. Develop a pro "Asia-centric" approach to trade.

invocation.

Our Guests included:

Sharon Johnson:
Guest of the Club

Charles Bell MD:
guest of **John Adams**

James Reynolds:
guest of **Betty Spiker**

Ruth Garner:guest of
Bedros Sharian, Jr.

Courtney Johnson:
guest of visiting Rotarian
Lawrence Sharp

Our Visiting
Rotarians included:

Mark DiGiovanni
from Stone Mountain

Lawrence Sharp from
Emory-Druid Hills

Bill Smith from
Brookhaven

2. The US is the best country in the world for innovation and invention.
3. The US must attract foreign investment, especially in the manufacturing segment.
4. We must invest in the aging infrastructure.
5. By necessity, we will continue to rely on entrepreneurship.



Photo: Dr. Jagdish Sheth

In honor of our speaker, Dr. Sheth, the book "Real-Time Marketing and PR: How To Instantly Engage Your Market, Connect With Customers and Create Products That Grow Your Business" was donated to the DeKalb County Library.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Reported by Peggy Merriss

Photography by Mark Hastings & Marcia Lampe

Speakers At A Glance

November 12, 2010:
Candler Broom & The
Jef Jel Project

November 19, 2010:
TBA

November 26:
No Meeting
Happy Thanksgiving!

Officers of the Decatur Rotary Club:

'Round the Room...

President:
C.J. Becker

President-Elect:
Jason Conn

Past President:
Bryan Downs

Secretary:
Betty Spiker

Treasurer:
John Bennett

Sergeant-at-Arms:
Doug Torbush

District Governor:
Casey Farmer

Birthdays!



Nov 2: Linda Harris

Nov 3: Scotty Candler

Nov 4: Gloria Kusmik

Nov 6: Marv Fralish

Nov 8: Jay Durham

Nov 10: Bob Wilson

Nov 12: Ginny Byrd Porter

Nov 13: Jim Baskett

Nov 25: Bedros Sharian Jr

Nov 28: Robert Brown

Nov 29: Darro Willey



Decatur Rotary Club Members at Park Renewal Day



Jack Gerlach and President of the Druid Hills Emory Rotary Club,
Lawrence Sharp



Assistant District Governor Bill Smith from the Brookhaven Club, a Club guest, and **Jon Manns**



President C.J. and **John Adams** and answer questions before the meeting

Sincerely,

The Rotary Bulletin Committee
Decatur Rotary Club

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