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Gene Hallman

President and CEO

Gene Hallman currently serves as President and CEO of Bruno Event Team, a Birmingham based sports marketing and event management company. He formed the company with partner Ronald Bruno in 1995. They currently employ more than 50 people.

Gene also created and serves as Executive Director of the Alabama Sports Foundation which serves as the sports' lobbyist for the City of Birmingham and the State of Alabama. Additionally, he created Zoom Motorsports and Five Star Event Catering, exclusive promoter and caterer for all events at the Barber Motorsports Park and other large parties at high-profile locations throughout the city. Finally, if he weren't busy enough, Gene created Think Positive, an in-house creative services and media buying division of Bruno Event Team.

Gene serves in numerous capacities in several sports including golf (Executive Director for the Regions Charity Classic chief among them) Barber Motorsports Park racing, baseball and football. He also is involved in high school and collegiate events.

Gene has served the community in a number of ways including Birmingham Business Alliance, Board of Directors; United Way's Alexis de Tocqueville Society Member; Bryant Jordan Scholarship Foundation, Board of Directors; Magic Moments, Board of Directors; March of Dimes, Advisory Board Member; and Emcee at the Annual Heart Ball Gala

Gene is a competitive long distance runner, having competed in New York City and Boston Marathons. He was also a Torchbearer for the Centennial Olympic Games, Atlanta 1996.

Gene received his M.B.A. (Magna Cum Laude) from the University of South Carolina in 1985 where he also received the MBA Outstanding Student Award. He completed his undergraduate work (Cum Laude) with a B.S. in Economics from The College of Charleston, South Carolina, 1982.

Gene was born in Anderson, South Carolina. He lives in Birmingham with his wife, Allison. He has two children, Ella Grace and Marshall. The family belongs to the Mountain Brook Community Church.

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In Memoriam Dr. Constance Pittman

Last Tuesday, President Joe Dean offered a moment of silence in memory of our beloved Dr. Constance “Connie” Pittman who passed away at her home on Friday, January 15 after an apparent heart attack.

She was a tireless supporter of Kiwanis International’s World Service Project - Iodine Deficiency Disorder (IDD). She traveled thousands of miles internationally for Kiwanis and UNICEF giving lectures and writing papers to help educate about the IDD disease.

She joined the Kiwanis Club in 1994 after attending one of our meetings as a guest to hear the Kiwanis International President’s presentation about IDD. In 2005 Connie was awarded the Andrew Gerow Hodges Service Award from our club for her work on the effort.

Born in China, Dr. Pittman came to America in 1946. A graduate of Harvard Medical School, Dr. Pittman became a U.S. citizen in 1958 and joined the staff of UAB’s medical school in 1961.

In her long career, Dr. Pittman served as chief of the Thyroid Research Laboratory at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Washington and worked nearly 20 years as director of the Endocrine Training Program at the University of Alabama School of Medicine.

She is survived by her husband, Dr. James Pittman, who is former Dean of the School of Medicine at UAB, two sons, Clinton and John and two grandsons.

She will be greatly missed.



Fellow Kiwanian, Jack MacKay Celebrated His 100th Birthday Last Tuesday at Kiwanis

Jack joined The Kiwanis Club of Birmingham in October 1960. He served on the membership and historical committees and was a loyal bell ringer during the holidays. In the mid sixties when our foundation was getting organized, Jack said he sold hundreds of tickets to the professional exhibition games. Thank you Jack for 50 of your 100 years in service to Kiwanis.



Past President, Luther Smith assists Jack with lighting of candle on his birthday cake.



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Next Tuesday's Program February 2, 2010 - 12 noon

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Upcoming Programs

- Feb 9 Jay Dardenne, Louisiana Secretary of State
"History of Louisiana"
- GUEST DAY** Jay is back by popular demand. This will be a great time to invite a prospective member, co-worker or VIP client.
- Feb 16 Fred McCallum, State President
AT&T Alabama
- Feb 24 We have graciously given our Tuesday date to The Rotary International Large Club Conference - Closing Ceremony/Meeting.
- KIWANIS WILL MEET ON WEDNESDAY THIS WEEK** Guest Speaker for our Wednesday meeting:
City of Birmingham Mayor, William Bell

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