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Rotary club of Decatur



Ken was born in Madison, Wisconsin and received his B.A. from The University of the South (Sewanee, Tennessee). He received his law degree from Cumberland School of Law of Samford University (Birmingham, Alabama) in 1981.

He lives in Decatur, Alabama, where Ken and his wife, Lynn are members in the law firm of Blackburn, Maloney and Schuppert, LLC. Ken and Lynn's principal areas of practice are corporate, real estate, probate, estate planning and commercial representation.

Ken and Lynn are both active in their community. Ken has been president of the Decatur Jaycees, Vice-President of the Tennessee Valley Council of the Greater Alabama Council of the Boy Scouts of America and was presented the Silver Beaver Award in 1990. Lynn has been President and is legal advisor of the Junior League of Morgan County, Alabama.

Both have been a Director and President of the Old Decatur Historic Association. Ken has served on the Boards of the Morgan County Cancer Society, PACT (Parents and Children Together), Chamber of Commerce, Princess Theatre and Carnegie Visual Arts Center, and was a Trustee and Chair of Parkway Medical Center Board and is currently a Trustee of the newly formed Decatur Morgan Hospital Board.

They are both active members of St. John's Episcopal Church, and Ken has served as a Lay Eucharistic Minister, on the Vestry, as Senior Warden, as Treasurer and, now as Chancellor, and Lynn has been a Lector and Lector Chair since 1995.

Ken joined Rotary in 1982 and Lynn in 2008. Ken was recognised as a Paul Harris Fellow by his club in 1987. He was President of the Decatur Rotary Club in 1992-93 and served as District Governor of District 6860 in 1996-97.

His district duties included Assembly Co-Chairman 1990-92, Deputy District Governor - Operations, 1994-95, Chair of the Foundation Annual Giving program 1997-2000, and Foundation Coordinator, 2000-04. Ken and Lynn have served as RI President's Representatives in 1998-2015.

They have served as RI Training Leaders in 2001 and 2003. Ken has been a delegate and/or participant to the Councils on Legislation in 2001, 2004, 2007, 2010, 2013 and 2016, served as a RI Regional Membership Coordinator for 2003-05, as Zone 30 Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator for 2006-09, and served as a Member of the RI Communications Committee for 2009-12 and was Vice Chair for 2010-11.

On the Zone level, Ken and Lynn have been on the Executive Committee as Program Chair in 1999, as Arrangements Chair in 2001, as GETS leaders in 2000-04 and 2006-08, as Institute Vice Chair in 2003 and as Institute General Chair in 2004.

Ken served as a Director of Rotary International for 2011-13, a member of the RI Audit Committee for 2011-12, RI Strategic Planning Committee for 2012-15, and as Chair for 2013-15, Board Liaison to Constitution & Bylaws Committees for 2011-13, as a member for 2013-16, and as Chair for 2015-16, and Chair of the RI Board Council on Legislation Advisory Committee for 2011-13, and as the RI Vice President for 2012-13, and on the RI 2015 Convention Committee as Vice Chair for 2014-15.

Ken and Lynn served as the Aides for the 2014-15 RI President and First Lady, Gary and Corinna Huang of Taipei, Taiwan, and served as the Moderators of the 2016 International Assembly for RIP John and Judy Germ of Chattanooga, TN. Ken is currently serving as a Trustee of The Rotary Foundation for 2016-20, and as its Vice Chair for 2016-17.

Ken was named an Outstanding Young Alabamian in 1989, and was presented The Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service in 2000, the Rotary International Four Avenues of Service Citation in 2001, and The Rotary Foundation's Distinguished Service Award in 2006.

Ken and Lynn have one daughter, Elizabeth who is a Doctor of Physical Therapy with UAB Hospital in Birmingham, AL; all are Paul Harris Fellows. Ken and Lynn are Major Donors and Bequest Society Members. Ken and Lynn enjoy golf, swimming, gardening and "house restoration."