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"Create Awareness, Take Action"

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JACK'S COMMENTARY



Jack Green

It has been a wonderful experience visiting our clubs during the month of August! District 7690 is off to a great start. I am very pleased to see the large number of clubs who have included an international project in this year's planned programming. I would like to see us direct all of our share money this year!

Membership is still a priority. After attending Tim Albertson's membership development training seminar, it is evident that we should continue to attack membership. Congratulations on a job well done, Tim. We would also extend a special thank-you to Brian Donley and the John Wesley College for hosting us.

All twenty Proactive Task Forces are now up and running. Please visit them on the international web site at www.rotary.org. It is truly exciting to read the action team updates and to see what Rotarians are doing world wide. I would like to draw your attention to "Jobs for Disabled Persons" which has listed goals, job opportunities and barriers to employment, and a survey you can participate in to let the Rotary World know what you are doing in this area.

Be proactive, take advantage of the army of Proactive Rotarians serving in the international Task Forces. Try new projects. Create awareness. Take action. And most of all, have fun. Look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our District fall social football game at Wake Forest on the 9th day of September, 2000.



**REMEMBER
SEPTEMBER IS NEW GENERATIONS MONTH!**

New Generations Task Force

As most of you know, RI President Frank Devlyn established 20 task forces this year to carry out his objectives for the year. We no longer have committees or a chain of command. Task Force Members are 1100 experienced Rotarians who are "turned loose" to create awareness, motivate, and take action. Imagination is encouraged to take new direction, be proactive.

New Generations is one of those task forces with a directive to be actively engaged in finding more and better ways to make a difference in the expansion of youth activities. Since we are working with prospective and/or future Rotarians, I believe the benefits from our Task Force will have far-reaching and long-term returns. As we build up a larger cadre of young people who are affiliated with Rotary's youth programs, future generations will have greater understanding of Rotary. Perhaps they will be inspired to be a Rotarian. Membership Development can be greatly enhanced by the work of New Generations.

New Generations encompasses all youth. Rotary clubs benefit from the involvement with youth. Youth energize clubs and inspire club members. Did you have a high school student participate in the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Speech Contest last year? If your club members listened to these contestants as a Rotary club program, your members were inspired. If your club participated in a Shadows program last year, then your members were energized by working with these bright students.

Rotary's goals include adding 500 new Interact and Rotaract clubs this year. Our district goal is to add four new clubs. I think we can do better. My goal is to add eight new clubs this year. We can also send more students to the Rotary Youth Camp and sponsor more youth exchange students.

People often learn more from the things they see us do than they do from the words they hear us speak. Involving our youth organizations in Rotary projects can have significant value now and in the future. Include youth in your weekly Rotary programs, your committee activities, your fund raisers and socials. Honor your youth with special recognition award scholarships, be an advocate for youth. They are our future. Youth yearn to

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District Governor's Club Visits for October

October 3
Guilford

October 5
Gate City

October 6
Reynolda

October 10
Yadkinville

October 17
Yanceyville

October 17
Jamestown

October 19
Troy

October 24
Eden

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be heard and appreciate the opportunity for service and achievement. Rotary can be this support system for them.

You have the opportunity to share and learn from other Rotary clubs about Rotary youth activities at the New Generations Workshop on Thursday, September 7, 1:15 pm - 4:00 pm at the Magnolia Manor, 8818 West Market St., Greensboro. We will have representatives from Rotaract, Interact, Youth Exchange, Youth Leadership Program, Shadows and other Rotary sponsored Youth Programs, also the youth who participated in each of these programs who will share what the program meant to them. Bring information about your youth programs to share with the other attendees. Make sure your club sends at least one or two persons to attend the workshop. The registration form will be faxed to every club President or you can call Margaret Padgett (336-869-4128). Registration fee is \$5.00 per person.

Terry Ball
Zone 33 New Generations Task Force
Coordinator
www.frankdevlyn.org/newgenerations

Interact

Congratulations to Rotary clubs that have plans to sponsor Interact clubs. High schools are searching for clubs with clear goals and structure to support the schools' curriculum. What better opportunity could there be? As Interact members participate in projects that increase their understanding of community needs and other cultures, they are surely more prepared for their future. Also, they begin to see the wonderful work of Rotary International. Many of these young people will surely become Rotarians.

I am really excited to hear that many of our Rotary clubs are moving forward with plans for Interact clubs. Some of these include Gate City's recent success with a new program at Southern Guilford High School, Elkin-Jonesville Rotary Club's plans for Elkin High School, Reidsville Rotary Club's tremendous effort to sponsor two clubs - one at Reidsville High School and one at Rockingham High School. This club has some exciting plans for fundraising as well.

If you need an Interact Handbook that details the process of starting a club, please call. Also, the New Generations Conference on September 7th will be a great opportunity to learn or share about Interact. Thanks to all for caring about our young people!

Anne Murr, Interact Chair

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

If your club needs information or help with a club project for youth, call on one of the following district chairs for help:

Interact - Anne Murr, (B)336-605-3300; (H)336-288-5560
Rotaract - Scott Hummel (B)336-334-4936;
(H)336-292-4159
Youth Exchange - Ron Fields (B)336-273-5111;
(H)336-605-0056
Youth Leadership - Ray Covington (B)336-334-5677;
(H)336-274-3456

Web Site for Your Club

President Frank Devlyn has committed his Rotary year to developing a communications infrastructure that will connect the entire Rotary community electronically. A few things every Rotary Club should be thinking about include:

Web Sites: President Frank and District Governor Jack want each club to have a web site in place. This may sound overwhelming to many of you. But in fact your club can have a web site in place in an afternoon if you have a computer and the capability of browsing the internet. Of course it won't be a killer web site, but you can communicate the fact that you do exist, where you meet and how to get there. You can even give someone browsing your site the ability to send you e-mail. There are several ways to do this, and I will be glad to meet with anyone who wants to know more. I'll even help you build a small web site! Beyond the cost of your computer and your internet connection, it doesn't need to cost you a cent. Be sure to let me know if your club already has a web site so I can include it on the District 7690 site.

egroups: egroups.com is a free mail service available on the internet that many committees and task forces in Rotary have been using extensively. Those who participate can communicate by e-mail with everyone in the group without having to collect e-mail addresses and load them on their personal computer. We have set up an egrow for District 7690. District Governor Jack has asked that all club presidents, presidents-elect, and club internet communications officers and club bulletin editors to join the egrow. In fact, we invite any interested Rotarian in District 7690 to join.

Here is how to do it. Send an e-mail to: Rotary7690-subscribe@egroups.com. You don't need to fill in any other part of your e-mail form. Shortly you will receive e-mail asking you to confirm your intention to subscribe. Click on "Reply" and "SEND" the message. That's all you do. You will receive instructions on how to use the egrow. If you'd like to discuss a web site for your club, or if you have any questions about Rotary7690@egroups.com, please contact me.

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AREA III CLUB NEWS

Area III Rotary clubs which consist of Burlington, Alamance, Alamance Breakfast, Graham and the Yanceyville Club are off to a fast 2000-2001 start. Officers are in place and plans and objectives are complete. All the clubs are in Alamance County except Yanceyville which is in Caswell County. I have visited every club at least once and most clubs several times. In order to keep up with all the activities of these clubs, I am sure I will have to visit often. It is going to be a very busy and exciting year.

BURLINGTON

Leadership of the Burlington Rotary Club this year is President Randy Welch, President-Elect Mark Podolle, and Secretary Al Spinks. The club has already started planning for the annual Rotary auction that they along with the other two Burlington clubs hold each year. They are collecting items to auction off and welcome any donations. They also are beginning to solicit teams for the Rotary golf tournament that the three Burlington clubs hold each fall at Stoney Creek Golf Course. This is always a great golf outing that raises money for Rotary projects throughout the year. They also use money raised in these events to fund Rotary Educational scholarships.

The Burlington Club also has a fund drive each year to help support a local food bank. They feel that the food bank and education are the two most important areas of support this year.

ALAMANCE CLUB

Leadership of the Alamance Rotary Club this year is President Wes Budd, President-Elect Mike Dunning and Secretary Penn Corbett. The Alamance Club has four important fund raisers planned this year. They plan to start with the Rotary Golf tournament at Stoney Creek and then on to their fall yard sale. They will follow these up with a paper sale in January and plan for a bag lunch once a quarter to raise money for the CART fund.

The Alamance club believes that at-risk youth and impoverished elderly citizens are their two major areas of concern this Rotary year. They plan to use funds raised to sponsor kids for the Junior Police Academy as well as present several scholarships to local area high school students.

ALAMANCE BREAKFAST

President Rob Malburg, President-Elect William Inabinitt and Secretary John Kinney have ambitious goals for the Breakfast Club this year. They plan to increase scholarship funding for Alamance County High School students. The club plans to sponsor the DARE program in the public school system and to sponsor a new Rotaract Club at Elon College this year. They have identified youth drug education as another area they plan to support.

Alamance Breakfast has three major projects to raise funds that support these programs. They have a paper sale, a pancake breakfast, and they are also active in the Rotary golf tournament at Stoney Creek Golf Course.

If you visit or make up at the Alamance Breakfast Club, be sure to be on time and don't forget your Rotary pin.

If you forget either of these, I can assure you that the Sergeant-at-Arms, Bill Weckerly, will collect a dollar. Some say he is ruthless. By the way, the Alamance Breakfast Club is one of the few clubs in this District that is 100% Paul Harris Fellows!

GRAHAM CLUB

Leadership in the Graham Rotary Club this year consists of President Bert Maddox as well as President-Elect Gary Felts and Secretary George Baxter. The Graham club has two primary fund raisers each year. They have a shoulder sale that is usually held around Thanksgiving, and their own golf tournament that is held in the spring. These fund raisers support five scholarships that are given to high school seniors each year as well as supporting a little league team. They also are active in the back to work program and they have given bikes to local underprivileged children.

This year they plan two major projects other than the ones they normally participate in. They plan to form an Interact club at Graham High School. They also plan to continue their international project, Save the Children. This project takes a team of doctors and Rotarians to South America to examine and save the sight of many children that would otherwise lose their sight. The Rotary clubs in Alamance County have decided to partner on this international project.

The Graham Club is making an effort to become a 100% Paul Harris Fellow club. They presently have 31 Paul Harris Fellows.

YANCEYVILLE

President Wayne Talbert and Secretary Julie Thompson have the Yanceyville Rotary Club off to a good start. On my visit to their club, Jeff Rudd, County Manager, was the program. He discussed re-evaluation and property values in Caswell County.

Yanceyville has a fund raising golf tournament held each year at Caswell Pines. On my visit, dates were being discussed. They also raise money through a walk-a-thon. At the present they are involved in a project to help with restoration of the Court House fence, and they continue to be involved in projects that involve helping children.

Area III is well underway and excited about this Rotary year!

James B. Honeycutt, Jr., Assistant District Governor, Area III

James Honeycutt is serving his first year as Assistant District Governor for Area III. James served previously as Area Rep in Area III for the 94-95 Rotary year. James is presently employed as District Manager in the Burlington district for Piedmont Natural Gas Company. James has been a Rotarian for 12 years and is a Paul Harris Fellow. He is also past president of the Alamance Breakfast Club. James is married to Bonnie and has one daughter, Stacy. James is currently a member of the Alamance Club.

Attendance for July, 2000

CLUBS	6/30/00	MBR ./	MBRS. /	MTGS. /	ATTEND	CLUBS	6/30/00	MBR. /	MBRS. /	MTGS. /	ATTEND
Alamance	49	51	3	55%		Mocksville	58	51	3	84%	
Alamance Bkff	29	29	4	94%		Mount Airy	115	117	3	81%	
Archdale/Trinity	25	25	3	58%		Oak Hollow	26	27	4	75%	
Asheboro	115	116	4	75%		Pinehurst	45	45	3	76%	
Burlington	46	46	4	73%		Randolph	55	51	3	92%	
Carthage	21	21	4	68%		Reidsville	96	93	4	55%	
Clemmons	108	109	4	76%		Reynolda	123	124	4	66%	
Crescent	121	123	5	69%		San-Lee	34	34	4	82%	
Eden	67	66	3	69%		Sandhills	30	32	4	63%	
Elkin-Jonesville	48	52	4	67%		Sanford	107	107	4	73%	
Furnitureland	61	63	4	83%		Siler City	83	83	4	68%	
Gate City	50	54	3	84%		Southern Pines	90	87	4	72%	
Graham	49	48	3	78%		Stoneville	15	14	3	85%	
Greensboro	326	327	3	67%		Stratford	150	152	4	69%	
Gboro Arpt	33	32	3	75%		Summit	140	136	4	75%	
Guilford	64	68	3	72%		Thomasville	75	78	3	57%	
High Point	188	186	3	77%		Triad	49	50	3	75%	
Jamestown	36	36	3	73%		Troy	31	32	4	68%	
Jonesboro	56	57	4	72%		Walnut Cove	14	15	4	72%	
Kernersville	42	37	4	84%		Winston-Salem	260	260	3	53%	
King	19	20	4	70%		Yadkinville	19	21	3	78%	
Lexington	59	59	4	80%		Yanceyville	32	32	3	68%	
Liberty	23	22	3	71%		DISTRICT	3326	3331		73%	
Madison/Mayodan	44	43	3	76%							

Special Upcoming Events

- **Rotary Football Fellowship, Winston-Salem** **Sept. 9, 2000**
- **New Generations Workshop, Greensboro** **Sept. 7, 2000**
- **Golf Fellowship, Asheboro** **Sept. 21, 2000**
- **Rotary Foundation Banquet, H.P. Country Club** **Nov. 1, 2000**
- **2001 District Conference, Wilmington** **April 19-22, 2001**
- **2001 Rotary International Convention, San Antonio** **June 24-27, 2001**

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