

The Piedmont Rotarian

ROTARY DISTRICT 7690 • April 2001 • DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

"Create Awareness, Take Action"

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JACK'S COMMENTARY



Jack Green

Our Rotary year is now in full swing and headed down the finish line. I know that most of our clubs have completed their community service project and are wrapping up their international project, and you are now preparing to attend District Conference in Wilmington. I know that those of you that have registered and will attend the conference will have a wonderful time celebrating our Rotary successes. Currently, Rotary

District 7690 has a record number of clubs, 44 out of 46, registered to attend this year's conference.

Once we have returned from Wilmington, I want us to do what President Frank Devlyn has asked us to do all year long and that is turn our attention to membership. In the March issue of The Rotarian, Frank Devlyn has sent out to each of us a personal invitation and challenge to bring a new member into Rotary. His hard-hitting question is: Have you invited someone to your Rotary club this year? If you have not, I encourage you for the benefit of your own club to bring in at least one new member this month. And remember, the best source for new members are our newest members. A good place to look for new Rotary members are our Rotary alumni, such as group study exchange team members, ambassadorial scholars and former Rotarians and those Rotaractors who may be turning 30 years old or older.

We know that Rotary cannot meet the challenge of today's world without a solid base of enthusiastic and committed members. We are counting on every Rotarian to "Create Awareness and Take Action." Take up President Frank Devlyn's challenge, fulfill the promise of Rotary, ask someone to join today. Your greatest contribution to your Rotary club may be the person you just asked to join. Also I would like to remind you that the Presidential Citation forms must be submitted directly to Jack Green, 916 Northshore Court, High Point 27265. Let's finish the year on a very strong note!



DISTRICT 7690 WELCOMES LARRY WRIGHT AS THE PRESIDENT'S REP TO DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Larry Wright has been the owner of a design-build landscape contracting firm in the metropolitan Detroit area since 1976. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Eastern Michigan University and is an Advanced Master Gardener.

Larry has been a member of the Rotary Club of Taylor since 1983, Club President 1991-92, and District Governor 1995-96. He has also served as District Conference Treasurer and Conference Registrar for several Governors. Larry has served as District Area Annual Giving Chairman, Foundation Chair, District Rotary Volunteer Chairman, New Generations Chair, District Webmaster and has served as General Chair of the District Youth Exchange committee. He and his wife, Sarah, have hosted several exchange students from Sweden, Austria, Lithuania, Netherlands, Germany and France.

Larry has been a presenter at several Zone Institutes along with acting as Institute Registrar. He has served as Training Leader in Anaheim, jCA for the 1998-99 Governors Nominee, and Training Leader for Zones 27 & 28. He also served as a Discussion Leader at the Rotary Foundation Scholars Link Weekend in Evanston, IL. Most recently, he has been appointed a Zone Coordinator of the Rotary Education and Training Task Force.

Married to Sarah since 1976, Larry has two daughters, Rachele and Andrea, and grandson, Armand, all three are Paul Harris Fellows. Sarah and Larry are Paul Harris Fellows, Foundation Benefactors and Major Donors.

WE ARE #1 IN THE WORLD

It is now official. Rotary District 7690 has 68 Charter Members of The Bequest Society of the Rotary Foundation. We have accomplished the Number One status due to the number of charter members from our District. District 7690 will always maintain this recognition since the period for charter membership has ended. DG Jack Green congratulates all charter members and wishes to thank PDG Everett Padgett for his extensive efforts in helping the District achieve this fantastic accomplishment.

Directory Update Club Meeting Change:

THE
KERNERSVILLE
ROTARY CLUB is
now meeting on
Friday, 7:00 am
at Dudley Products.

GRAHAM
ROTARY CLUB
President,
Bert Maddox
1023 S. Main St.,
Burlington 27215
(B) and (F)
336-227-4420

Welcome Back!

Rotary District 7690 is happy to welcome back Past District Governor Ralph Bowden who has recently moved back to Greensboro. PDG Ralph was governor in 1988-89. Ralph is a member of the Crescent Rotary Club. His address is 9 Flagship Cove, Greensboro 27455.

Have You Read?

The article "Celebrating the Rotary Fellowships," written by Past District Governor Ray Taylor of the Pinehurst Rotary Club was published in the January edition of The Rotarian magazine. PDG Ray has served as Vice Chairman of the 2000-01 RI Fellowships Task Force for RI.

Congratulations

Past District Governor Everett Padgett has been appointed by incoming RI President Richard King to serve as Zone Coordinator of the Avoidable Blindness Task Force for the 2001-02 Rotary year. This task force operates under the general direction of the Avoidable Blindness Executive Steering Committee.

Technology Task Force

This task force continues to develop the On-Line Learning Center of materials that are of value and interest to all Rotarians. All Rotarians should visit the center. It is located on the web at:

www.frankdevly.org/technology/learning.

Liability Insurance for Rotary Clubs

Rotary International will be requiring all clubs in the United States and Canada to purchase liability insurance through the Secretariat in Evanston. Previously the coverage for clubs in District 7690 has been provided by Huggins Insurance in Salem, Oregon. This is an effort by RI to make sure that all clubs have the necessary insurance to protect them in the event of a liability claim. The premium charge will be based on the membership as of 6/30/01. Further information on the program will be mailed to each Rotary club by Rotary International. Certificates of insurance for events will have to be required from Rotary International after 6/30/01. For further information on the RI program, each club should refer to the mailings from RI.

Rotary District Office

CLOSED

During the week of April 23-27, the Rotary District Office will be closed. Margaret Padgett, District Executive Secretary, will be attending the Rotary International Council on Legislation with PDG Everett Padgett in Chicago. Faxes can be received at 336-841-7690. Any messages should be directed to 336-869-4128.

PDG John Haynes has had a successful kidney transplant and is recovering at home in Mt. Airy. Well wishes can be sent to: P.O. Box 1707, Mt. Airy, NC 27030.

AREA X CLUB NEWS

Area 10 consists of the following clubs: Jonesboro, San-Lee, Sanford and Siler City. All clubs have been working to reach their goals and the district goals.

Jonesboro:

The Jonesboro Rotary Club under the leadership of President Harold Evans is currently working on their annual major fund raiser, a \$10,000 cash give-away. This fund-raiser usually nets the club approximately \$9,000 which is donated to local charities. The club also sponsors a Scholarship Golf Tournament with proceeds going for local scholarships. The club is hoping to increase the scholarship amounts this year. Membership is growing with seven new members this year. The club also holds a weekly raffle which benefits Operation Smile. The Jonesboro Rotary Club works jointly with the Burlington Rotary Club in an international project. Another joint club project in Area 10 is the sponsorship of a new Rotaract Club at the Central Carolina Community College. The club also hosted a very successful Shadow Day for the first time this year.

San-Lee:

The San-Lee Rotary Club, the youngest of the four clubs in Area 10, is under the direction of President Robyn Carpenter and has been very busy this year. The club gave the first-ever Four Way Test awards. The members have taken tours of the local Boys and Girls Club, the cosmetology school at Central Carolina Community College and the new Cooperative Extension Center. At Christmas, the club adopted two families through the school social worker. The club enjoyed shopping for these families. The San-Lee Club also cleaned up a stretch of highway that they had adopted. A project of helping the kids at Haven, a local women's shelter for abused women, with school supplies is a new emphasis for the club. The San-Lee Rotary Club has also joined efforts with the other two Sanford Rotary Clubs in sponsorship of a new Rotaract Club at Central Carolina Community College.

Sanford:

The Sanford Rotary Club is the largest club in Area 10 and is under the direction of President William Pretty. A major emphasis this year is on the Rotary Foundation. The club is striving to be 100% Sustaining Paul Harris members. The club's membership is continuing to grow. The club is also involved in two international projects, one with the Clemmons Rotary Club and one with the Greensboro Rotary Club. The major fund-raising event has just

been completed. It is a \$10,000 cash give-away raffle with the profits going to local charities, student scholarships and other worthy causes. The Sanford Rotary Club is also involved with the sponsorships of the Rotaract Club at Central Carolina Community College.

Siler City:

The Siler City Rotary Club is a good example of a club that has been in existence for quite a while (they will celebrate their 75th anniversary in 2001/2002.) Growth had been stalled but in the last five years, the club has increased membership by 15. Some of the older members who have retired have gone on inactive status, but we know that once a Rotarian always a Rotarian. Siler City held its Annual Rotary Bazaar in October. The proceeds from the Bazaar, which has been the main fund-raiser for over 50 years, are given to Chatham Hospital to be used to buy equipment for the hospital. The club has raised and donated over \$1,600,000. The money has purchased CAT scanners, X-ray equipment, expansion to the emergency department, and many other items too numerous to mention. In addition, the club holds a spring Cash Raffle, which raises money for college scholarships given to students at our local high schools. At this point our Scholarship Endowment Fund is fully funded and will be self-sustaining. We raised \$13,000 in 1999 and \$17,000 in 2000. A portion of the money was put into the scholarship fund and the rest was used to fund international and community projects. We have sponsored two Ambassadorial Scholars. One went to Mexico for three months in 1999, and the other is going to Israel this summer. The goal of our club is to become 100% Paul Harris Fellows. We will be sponsoring 18 people this year and will continue the project until our goal is met.

Scott Reynolds has served Area 10 as the Assistant District Governor for the past two years. Scott is a member of the San-Lee Rotary Club. Scott was recently transferred out of the area by his business, but is being transferred back to Area 10 in the very near future.

**2001 Rotary District Conference
April 19-22, 2001
Wilmington, NC**

**If you would like to register,
call the District Office:
336-841-7690**

Attendance for February, 2001

CLUBS	6/30/00	MBR /	MBRS. /	MTGS. /	ATTEND
Alamance	49	49	4	62%	
Alamance Bkft	29	29	4	90%	
Archdale/Trinity	25	30	4	70%	
Asheboro	115	121	4	82%	
Burlington	46	47	4	67%	
Carthage	21	18	4	74%	
Clemmons	108	112	4	81%	
Crescent	121	125	3	80%	
Eden	67	63	4	75%	
Elkin-Jonesville	48	46	4	80%	
Furnitureland	61	69	4	79%	
Gate City	50	48	4	81%	
Graham	49	47	4	66%	
Greensboro	326	329	4	67%	
Gboro Arpt	33	36	4	75%	
Guilford	64	64	4	81%	
High Point	188	190	3	80%	
Jamestown	36	33	4	72%	
Jonesboro	56	62	4	80%	
Kernersville	38	49	4	80%	
King	19	22	4	85%	
Lexington	59	61	4	80%	
Liberty	23	25	4	71%	
Madison/Mayodan	44	43	4	76%	

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Mocksville	54	52	4	81%	
Mount Airy	115	121	4	86%	
Oak Hollow	26	24	4	58%	
Pinehurst	45	40	4	78%	
Randolph	55	55	4	87%	
Reidsville	96	98	3	71%	
Reynolda	123	129	4	79%	
San-Lee	34	30	4	77%	
Sandhills	30	33	4	74%	
Sanford	107	114	4	70%	
Siler City	83	75	4	68%	
Southern Pines	90	89	4	94%	
Stoneville	15	16	4	76%	
Stratford	150	160	3	71%	
Summit	140	144	4	78%	
Thomasville	75	74	4	64%	
Triad	49	52	4	71%	
Troy	31	33	4	72%	
Walnut Cove	14	18	3	82%	
Winston-Salem	260	256	4	56%	
Yadkinville	19	24	4	64%	
Yanceyville	32	30	4	65%	
DISTRICT	3318	3385		75%	

Special Upcoming Events...

- 2001 District Conference, Wilmington
April 19-22, 2001
- District Assembly, GTCC, Jamestown, NC
May 10, 2001
- 2001 Rotary International Convention, San Antonio
June 24-27, 2001
- 2002 District Conference, New Bern, NC
April 25-28, 2002
- 2002 RI Convention, Barcelona, Spain
June 23-26, 2002

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