

# The Piedmont Rotarian

ROTARY DISTRICT 7690 • February 2003 • DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

*"Sow the Seeds of Love"*

Henry Brown, District Governor, 495 Crest Rd., Southern Pines, NC 28387

## SEA OATS, ANYONE?



Henry Brown

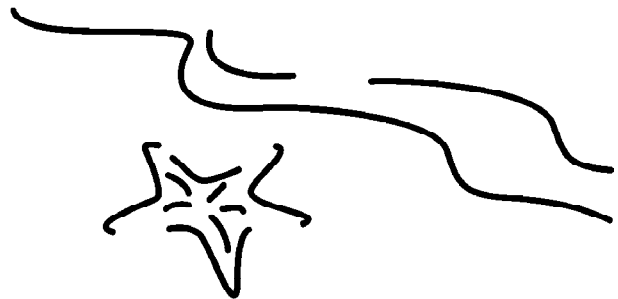
Strange crop, sea oats, but that's exactly what our thoughts are turning to as Rotarians across the district, restless for spring here in the dead of winter, begin to lay plans for the trek down to Sea Trail and the District Conference. As you read this column, you should have in hand the registration form

and the initial information about this year's conference at Sunset Beach beginning April 24. The deadline date for early registration -- and a savings of up to \$50 -- is February 14, surely an easy-to-remember date even in the schedules of busy Rotarians.

Sunset Beach is located about 30 miles back up the coast from Myrtle Beach very near the state line and the little fishing village of Calabash, which is distinguished by its multiple "original" Calabash seafood restaurants. While it may be some 225 miles, as the crow flies from Mt. Airy, the most distant point in our district, the area is quite comfortably accessible by various combinations of US 220, US 74, NC 904 and ultimately NC 179, which will put you at the front door of the Sea Trail Conference Center.

As you plan your route, consider passing through Whiteville on US 74 and then nearby Lake Waccamaw to stop by the Boys & Girls Homes there to see the Rotary Cottage which is supported by several of the clubs in District 7690. Register while you're there for one of the \$100 gift certificates redeemable at Rose Furniture in High Point, just a little "extra" arranged by one of your fellow Rotarians.

The conference agenda will again feature reports and presentations by exciting New Generation students, the visiting GSE team from Nigeria and announcement of the Gold Club winners. Hear inspiring and provocative speakers who will be showing us how to do our best. Take part in a literacy project for all attendees which is designed to help the school kids in our host district #7730.



After the morning plenary sessions on Friday and Saturday, the afternoons are free to do as you please. There is a variety of activities to tempt you, or you may prefer to just sit in the gentle breezes and watch the clouds go by. The pace picks up at night with good food and music and prime time to catch up on visiting with seldom-seen Rotarian friends. Sunday morning's reflective Interfaith Service provides an appropriate close to the conference weekend and we hear a final word on Rotary from the RI president's representative and our own incoming District Governor.

Come to celebrate our achievements. Come to celebrate your achievements. Come to celebrate. And don't forget to look at the sea oats!!



# FEBRUARY IS WORLD UNDERSTANDING MONTH

## DIRECTORY UPDATES

### LEXINGTON ROTARY

New president, Chris Allred

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### KERNERSVILLE ROTARY

Meeting Location:

First Christian Church

(Wed. 7am)

1130 N. Main Street

Kernersville

### GREENSBORO ROTARY

Meeting Location:

New Central YMCA

(Wed. 12:30pm)

501 W. Market Street

Greensboro

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## IMPORTANT DATES FOR DISTRICT CONFERENCE

*Early Registration Deadline:  
February 14, 2003*

*Registration Deadline:  
March 10, 2003*

*Registration form may be  
downloaded from:*

*www.rotary7690.com*

*Any questions, call:*

*Margaret Padgett at the*

*District Office 336-885-7690*

## 2003 Rotary International Convention

Read your January 2003 Rotary Magazine for an excellent convention to be held in Brisbane, Queensland, Australia June 1-4, 2003. It will be a well attended and most enjoyable opportunity for all Rotarians from our District 7690 who attended. Australia and New Zealand are delightful to visit this time of year. They are just going into their fall and winter seasons so the weather will be great.

Make your reservations promptly - see The Rotarian for September 2002 for full information on registrations, hotels, tours, etc. Please contact me at (336) 882-6139 or fax (336) 812-8959 if I can be of any assistance.

Bob Rankin,  
*RI Convention Chair*

## AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

In December, information concerning the application process for ambassadorial and cultural scholarships was mailed to each club president. Please note that April 15, 2003 is the absolute deadline for returning any applications for these scholarships. There will be mandatory personal interviews for each ambassadorial candidate of Saturday, May 10, 2003 and Saturday, June 6, 2003 for the applicants for cultural scholarships. Any questions should be directed to the district chairman, John Womack at 336-889-5441 or at jawhp@northstate.net

## Rotary Youth Leadership

The Rotary Youth Leadership Program at Guilford College will be held July 20-26, 2003. The Program, sponsored by the Greensboro Rotary Club, in cooperation with the Center for Creative Leadership in Greensboro, is in its twentieth year. The program provides 54 selected high school juniors and seniors throughout Rotary District 7690 an opportunity to develop effective and responsible leadership skills.

The program will again be held on the Guilford College Campus utilizing the College's dormitory, cafeteria and recreational facilities. David Clem of the Greensboro Rotary Club is Program Director. Staff leadership advisors are outstanding college students from North Carolina who previously participated in the program. In addition to the professional staff of the Center for Creative Leadership, other program staff will be representatives of the business and professional community. Prominent state and local leaders will visit and speak with participants and assist in self-assessment of career potentials and goals.

Each participant is nominated by his/her high school principal, reviewed by the local Rotary Club Selection Committee with final selection made by the Program's Executive Committee. Program participants will not be restricted by race, sex, religion or national origin.

Participants are sponsored by local Rotary clubs for the entire cost of the program, including room and board. For nomination a student must have shown leadership capability and maintained a "B" average in school. Interested rising juniors or seniors should contact their high school principals or their local Rotary Club for information on the Program.



# AREA VII CLUB NEWS

Area 7 includes four clubs- Lexington, Mocksville, Thomasville, and Willow Creek.

## Rotary Club of Lexington

President, Chris Allred

1. Sustain and grow the membership base by setting up 10 teams and assigning five Rotarians per team.
2. Participate in the Rotary Foundation by sustaining member project of \$100.
3. Participate in the Polio Eradication Program by making a club donation this year and next year.
4. Induct three new Paul Harris Fellows this year.
5. Have annual Pancake Dinner to raise funds to support their scholarship program at the high school. Three \$2,000 scholarships
6. President-Elect Chris Allred has stepped up to President to finish out the term of Earl Snipes, who has taken a new job in another city.

## Rotary Club of Mocksville

President Carl Lambert

1. A strong campaign has begun to raise \$7000 for Polio Eradication Program.
2. The Fall Raffle was a success by raising \$21,000 to benefit Davie High School students for scholarships.
3. Made a major contribution to Storehouse for Jesus, local service in Mocksville that meets local needs for food and clothing for the less fortunate.
4. Sponsored a holiday blood drive at the Rotary Hut.
5. Set up a schedule for ringing the bell for the Salvation Army during the holidays.
6. Had their annual Christmas luncheon at Bermude Run attended by over 150 Rotarians and their guests.
7. In coming months plan to name Paul Harris Fellows.
8. Goal is to send 7 members to the District Conference.

## Rotary Club of Thomasville

President Wes Patterson

1. Establish a 5 in 1 club where you have a chairman and 4 Rotary members whose goal is to bring one new member during the year.
2. To establish 1 new Interact club in the local high school.
3. Set a goal of 75% attendance and presently averaging 65%.
4. Emphasis on awarding Paul Harris Fellows this year, so far 12 have been awarded this year.
5. Have achieved the \$100 per member to the Rotary Foundation this year.

6. Have 5 new benefactors. Have submitted an application for outbound GSE team to Nigera, have an application for an ambassadorial scholarship, submitting 3 applications for youth leadership seminars. The club has donated \$9500 in community service projects, \$9000 of which is our local scholarships and are sponsoring a shadows day for the club.
7. Fundraising events: deliver the local telephone directories in Thomasville \$6000, annual scholarship raffle \$10,000, a new project annual event called Champagne and Diamonds and through this project expect to clear \$10,000 to put into LET'S MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THOMASVILLE.
8. Polio eradication goal has been surpassed - club has raised \$12,000.

## Rotary Club of Willow Creek

President Margaret Padgett

1. Is working toward the \$100 per member to The Rotary Foundation.
2. Being a brand new club may not submit a Gold Club form, if not this year will be an emphasis for next Rotary year.
3. Had a successful Christmas project for a family of four in need. Through generous giving of the new Rotary members, a gift certificate of \$650 was presented to the family for Christmas.
4. The club members enjoyed a Christmas social at the President's home.
5. Twenty-one new members joined the club and emphasis will be on membership growth.

*Area 7 Assistant Governor, Joe Bennett is a member of Rotary Club of Thomasville. He was recently named a Paul Harris Fellow by members of his club. Joe has been retired 5 years after being with Duke Power Company for 36 years.*

**Lexington- YMCA Tuesday, 12:15 pm**

**Mocksville - Rotary Hut, Tuesday 12:15 pm**

**Thomasville - Woman's Club, Wednesday, 12:05 pm**

**Willow Creek - Willow Creek CC, Thursday, 7:15 pm**

# Attendance for December, 2002

CLUBS	6/30/02	MBR / MBRS. /	ATTEND/NET	GAIN/LOSS	MTGS.	CLUBS	6/30/02	MBR. / MBRS. /	ATTEND/NET	GAIN/LOSS	MTGS.
Alamance	47	48	69%	0	2	Mocksville	72	69	68%	+2	3
Alamance Bkft	31	29	91%	0	3	Mount Airy	101	105	86%	0	3
Archdale/Trinity	32	32	77%	0	3	Oak Hollow	21	24	79%	0	1
Asheboro	118	121	72%	0	3	Pinehurst	24	25	81%	0	3
Burlington	40	38	68%	0	3	Randolph	67	71	73%	+1	3
Carthage	21	22	66%	0	2	Reidsville	91	82	72%	0	4
Clemmons	120	121	89%	-1	3	Reynolda	126	124	69%	0	3
Crescent	124	128	72%	0	3	Sandhills	42	40	86%	-1	3
East Greensboro	20	15	94%	0	3	Sanford	91	86	60%	0	3
Eden	54	55	72%	0	3	San-Lee	29	31	100%	0	3
Elkin-Jonesville	49	47	76%	+2	3	Siler City	69	68	73%	0	2
Furnitureland	58	64	82%	0	3	Southern Pines	80	79	81%	0	3
Gate City	50	51	89%	0	2	Stoneville	15	14	92%	0	1
Graham	40	41	85%	+1	2	Stratford	148	148	74%	0	4
Greensboro	332	342	66%	-1	3	Summit	143	140	73%	0	2
Gboro Arpt	34	40	77%	+2	3	Surry Sunrise	50	54	84%	0	3
Guilford	54	55	78%	0	3	Thomasville	87	84	55%	0	3
High Point	200	195	66%	0	2	Triad	48	49	69%	-3	2
Jamestown	35	35	81%	-1	3	Troy	30	31	70%	0	3
Jonesboro	63	60	75%	0	2	Walnut Cove	18	16	62%	-1	3
Kernersville	46	52	77%	0	3	Willow Creek	0	21	90%	0	2
King	23	23	90%	+1	2	Winston-Salem	256	258	56%	0	3
Lexington	55	52	62%	0	3	Yadkinville	23	24	66%	0	3
Liberty	21	21	95%	0	1	Yanceyville	22	22	68%	0	3
Madison/Mayodan	44	43	75%	-1	3	<b>DISTRICT</b>	<b>3364</b>	<b>3393</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>0</b>	

## Special Upcoming Events...

- **PETS Training for Presidents-Elect, Greensboro, NC**  
*March 7-8, 2003*
- **2003 District Conference, Sea Trail, Sunset Beach, NC**  
*April 24-27, 2003*
- **2004 District Conference, Asheville, NC**  
*April 22-25, 2004*
- **District Assembly**  
*May 15, 2003*

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