

The Piedmont Rotarian

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

"Sow the Seeds of Love"

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

ONE MORE POINT!!



Henry Brown

How many clubs out there are looking for just one more point to add to the total on their Gold Club scoresheet? This is the time when you realize the importance of the contribution of each project item on that scoresheet. It is the total number of points that determines the winners of the Gold Club designation, of course, but those totals are made up of the virtually countless contributions by the individual members of

the clubs throughout the year. There it is again!! The Power of ONE!! Celebrate that notion within your clubs and recognize anew the importance of each of your members to the overall impact of our Rotary clubs in our communities.

When you are in a reflective mood, do you ever find yourself thinking about one person or one experience that had a profound effect on you? In my own Rotary experience I will never forget the enthusiasm of the Rotarian who secured my first pledge to contribute to a fund drive to get rid of polio. That was back about 1986 and I think of Mac, now deceased, and how proud he would be to know that Rotary is on the verge of eradicating this dread disease from the face of the earth. He made a difference. Each of us can make a similar difference as we interact with our Rotarian friends. It takes just one word or one act, so be careful how you do it.

Here's an idea: invite one of your new members to make plans to come with you to the district conference at Sea Trail next month. Help this new member to expand his or her knowledge of Rotary and to see what other Rotarians outside of your own club are doing to *Sow The Seeds of Love* this year. Help this new member to feel the warmth and richness of Rotary fellowship and to know how he or she contributes to the strength and usefulness of such a vibrant worldwide organization. You may be single-handedly responsible for an excellent Rotary crop, a future district committee chairman, an international director, or who knows?--a district governor!! All because you took a minute to give some attention to ONE fellow Rotarian.

Hey! There's that ONE more point on your club's Gold Club scoresheet! The tie-breaker! Go for it! I look forward to seeing you - both!! At Sea Trail!!



Fellowship - Friendship - Fellowships

The first two of these three words formed the foundation of Rotary almost one hundred years ago. The third word joined the lexicon of Rotary about forty years ago. Today they continue as the human connection we all share with Rotary International. Past President, Cliff Dochterman summed it up best when he said, "The fellowship of Rotary is friendship at its best."

Today we have almost 80 Rotary Fellowships formed by Rotarians with common interests ranging from Astronomy to Yoga - Mountain Climbing to Stamp Collecting - Fishing to Chess. They add an extra dimension to the Rotary experience and provide the personal connection with Rotary beyond your fellow club members. Information about each of them can be found on the Fellowships website: www.rotaryfellowships.org

District 7690 has had a unique connection with Rotary Fellowships almost from their very beginning. Stuart Kennedy, still an active member of the Thomasville club, along with Colonel Dibb of the Southern Pines club organized and conducted one of the first International Golfing Fellowships tournaments in Pinehurst, over 25 years ago. A second one was held in Pinehurst in 1998, also the venue for the 1992 United States Golfing Fellowship.

Mark Crotts, from Winston-Salem was an early President of the Flying Rotarians and later the Chairman of the Rotary International Fellowships Committee. This year of 2002-03 it has been my opportunity to chair the International Committee and attempt to Sow the Seeds of Love through extending the opportunities to share the benefits of Fellowship and Friendship. While my term has only a few months remaining, the benefits of Fellowships and Friendship Exchanges will be around as long as human beings are joined together in Rotary clubs.

DIRECTORY UPDATES

ROTARY CLUB OF SAN-LEE

Now meets at
Golden Corral
Mondays at 7:00 am

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CALL FOR DISTRICT GOVERNOR CANDIDATES

Any club wishing to submit a candidate for District Governor for 2005-2006 Rotary year must submit his or her name with complete qualifications NO LATER THAN APRIL 30, 2003. Forms will be mailed to club presidents. The Chairman of the Nominating Committee is PDG John Haynes. The completed forms should be mailed to the Rotary District Office, 114 Willoughby Park, High Point 27265 and must be received by April 30, 2003.

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At the 2002 PETS and District Assembly, I asked each club president to appoint a Friendship/Fellowships Chair and to promote the benefits of Friendship Exchanges with other clubs, districts and individuals; to promote the benefit of Fellowships in retaining members; to add relevancy to the individual Rotarian's Rotary experience; to add the pure joy of making new friends in all parts of the world. I am asking again for the current club president and the incoming president of each club in the district to appoint a Friendship/Fellowships Chair to help us spread the joys and benefits of Rotary membership beyond the club experience.

June is Fellowships month - your new chair can help your club celebrate this month with such things as joint club meetings, an open house for the people of your community to show your club's activity and contribution to the life of your community, to invite your members to involve their entire family in a club meeting, or party, or project.

I am asking the Assistant Governors to help in following up this appeal to add a new feature to your club and to help DGE Bob Newton build an even better district with Friendship and Fellowships programs in 2003-2004.

-PDG Ray Taylor
Chm. RI Friendship/Fellowship Committee

IN MEMORIAM

**WILLIAM DELMAS (W.D.) LEE, JR.
FEBRUARY 6, 2003**

**Past President of the
Rotary Club of High Point**

**District Governor of
District 7690 1973-74**

**Executive Secretary of the
Rotary Club of High Point**

Paul Harris Fellow

Friend to all

District Conference

.....UPDATE.....

The 2004 District Conference is shaping up to be another special event. There will be again great opportunities for learning about Rotary as well as enjoying fun and fellowship with Rotarians around the district. Meetings will be held in the mornings with free time in the afternoon and special planned events in the evening. There is still time to register with the final deadline of registration being March 10. Each club is encouraged to bring a door prize of a value between \$15 - \$25; and each Rotarian is urged to bring at least one book appropriate for elementary children, grades K-5 for a literacy project in District 7790. Remember also on your trip to Sea Trail, stop by the Boys and Girls Homes in Lake Waccamaw to see the Rotary Cottage. Register while you are there for a \$100 gift certificate to Rose Furniture in High Point. Please review the following:
KAYAKING & CANOEING CHANGE: Dick Thomas will be able to do the Kayaking and Canoeing on Friday and Saturday. He has 12 Kayaks and 6 Canoes. Unless otherwise requested, participants will be booked with Dick.
WELCOME BAGS: Each club is asked to provide, prior to April 10, 50 items of modest value to be distributed in WELCOME BAGS. Company logo items are normal. You will receive further information as to where to send them.

2003 Rotary International Convention

**ATTENTION; ALL NEWLY ELECTED
CLUB PRESIDENTS and all others
planning to attend**

The deadline for PRE-REGISTRATION for anyone planning to attend the Brisbane, Australia Convention is March 31, 2003 and no mail or fax registration will be processed after that date--only "on-site" registration will be accepted.

Complete details regarding Registration, Housing, etc. for the Convention are provided in the January 2003 Rotarian Magazine. However, if there is any way I can be of assistance to you or your club please contact me at 336-605-5771 or Fax 336-812-8959.

Bob Rankin
RI Convention District Chair



AREA VIII CLUB NEWS

Area 8 includes four clubs- Troy, Randolph, Asheboro and Liberty.

Rotary Club of Troy

President, Dave Odom

Troy is sponsoring a "Rotary Against Drugs" competition in area high schools. The winners (one from each school) will be honored at a club meeting where they will give their winning essay. The students' parents will also be honored at the meeting. The club has met its target of \$100 per member for the Polio Eradication Campaign and is working toward becoming a 100% Paul Harris Fellow club.

Rotary Club of Randolph

President, David Blackwell

Randolph Rotary became a 100% PHF club in 2001. The club has launched a "PHF Friends" program to help it maintain that status. Each new Rotarian is expected to become a Sustaining Member of the Foundation upon entry. The club then matches that \$100. Next, the sponsoring Rotarian and other club members contribute "Recognition Points" in order to make that new Rotarian a PHF. When the PHF award is presented to the new Rotarian, his/her "PHF Friends" are recognized at the same time - Rotarians helping Rotarians to achieve a common goal.

Rotary Club of Asheboro

President, Mac Whatley

Asheboro Rotary enjoyed a successful golf tournament in conjunction with the Randolph Club with proceeds going to the Polio Eradication effort. Past President Jaci Betts, District Chair for GSE, has a five-member team visiting Nigeria in

May. Training sessions are underway. Discussions have begun on a suitable large-scale civic project for Rotary's centennial year. We hope to send a record number of folks to the District Conference at Sea Trail.

Rotary Club of Liberty

President, Dave Freeman

The Liberty Rotary Club has 21 active members and strives to maintain good attendance percentages. The club members enjoy good fellowship and participate in several community projects.

Area 8 Assistant Governor, Don Allred is a member of the Rotary Club of Asheboro. He has served the district as assistant governor for two years. In 2003-2004, Don will be the district governor elect for District 7690. Charles Allen of the Randolph Rotary Club will become the assistant governor for Area 8.

Quick Glance for Meeting Time and Location:

**Asheboro: AVS Banquet Centre,
Friday 12 noon**

**Liberty: Reitzel Center,
Thursday 6:30 pm**

**Randolph: AVS Banquet Centre,
Wednesday 12 noon**

**Troy: Trinity Methodist Church,
Thursday 6:30 pm**

Attendance for January, 2003

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 3	Mocksville	72	70	68% 0 4
Alamance Bkft	31	29	86% 0 4	Mount Airy	101	101	83% 0 4
Archdale/Trinity	32	32	77% 0 4	Oak Hollow	21	24	63% 0 3
Asheboro	118	120	87% -1 4	Pinehurst	24	23	82% -2 4
Burlington	40	36	79% -1 4	Randolph	67	71	73% 0 3
Carthage	21	22	66% 0 3	Reidsville	91	81	77% -3 3
Clemmons	120	119	80% -3 4	Reynolda	126	124	63% 0 4
Crescent	124	129	72% 1 3	Sandhills	42	42	79% +2 4
East Greensboro	20	15	94% 0 3	Sanford	91	86	62% +1 4
Eden	54	56	82% +1 4	San-Lee	29	31	100% 0 4
Elkin-Jonesville	49	48	69% +1 4	Siler City	69	68	82% +1 3
Furnitureland	58	65	78% +1 4	Southern Pines	80	81	87% +2 4
Gate City	50	53	85% +2 3	Stoneville	15	14	87% 0 4
Graham	40	40	75% 0 3	Stratford	148	148	74% 0 3
Greensboro	332	342	64% 0 3	Summit	143	135	70% -3 5
Gboro Arpt	34	39	84% -1 4	Surry Sunrise	50	56	85% 0 4
Guilford	54	55	82% 0 4	Thomasville	87	83	70% -1 4
High Point	200	196	67% 0 3	Triad	48	49	69% 0 4
Jamestown	35	36	82% +1 4	Troy	30	31	65% 0 5
Jonesboro	63	60	75% 0 3	Walnut Cove	18	16	62% 0 3
Kernersville	46	56	80% 0 4	Willow Creek	0	20	84% -1 4
King	23	23	83% 0 4	Winston-Salem	256	257	57% 0 4
Lexington	55	50	65% -2 4	Yadkinville	23	21	66% -2 4
Liberty	21	21	69% 0 3	Yanceyville	22	22	68% 0 4
Madison/Mayodan	44	45	67% 0 4	DISTRICT	3364	3389	74% -7

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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