

The Piedmont **Rotarian**

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

"Lend A Hand"

Robert Newton, District Governor, 1 Gwyn Lane, Greensboro, NC 27403

AS WE BEGIN



Robert Newton

Once again I have the opportunity to thank you for the honor and privilege of serving as Governor of your Rotary District 7690. I pledge my best effort to merit your confidence, and to advance the object of Rotary.

What exactly is the job of a District Governor? This has been a question in my mind since about August, 2001 when I was asked

to serve. As I have listened and learned about Rotary and its many and varied activities, programs, and events, I have increasingly wondered just how one gets a grip on something as wide and as deep as Rotary. And I still wonder, although not as much as before.

At our District Conference, Presidential representative Elliott Lowenstein reminded us that Rotary happens at the club level. The individual Rotary club is where it's at. Later, Phil Van Hooser offered a definition of service - meeting or exceeding expectations - and the four secrets to success beginning with determining destination. I was then reminded of one of the many publications received from RI, where the purpose of the district was described as one of fostering and supporting the success of individual clubs within that district.

Now the pieces began to fit. My job as District Governor is just like yours: service. But the object of my service is the clubs and Rotarians within our district, you who are club presidents and committee chairs and project participants and Foundation donors and just plain Rotarians, active within your clubs and working to achieve your own destination, your own success. Your success is my business. I am here to meet your expectations, or to exceed them if I can.

So, what are your expectations? I hope you have been thinking about that for yourself, your club, and your community as you plan for and contemplate the coming year. But what of your expectations of me, of your district leadership team? The answer is that I'm not entirely sure, but that I will continue to listen, and to respond. In the meantime, here's what you can expect:

1. Shared Mission, Vision, and Values; a common destination in each area of service
 2. Opportunity - equal opportunity, to be all that you wish to be.
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JONATHAN B. MAJIYAGBE
President, Rotary International 2003-2004

Chairman, African Regional PolioPlus Committee 2000-02
Chairman, World Affairs Committee 2001-02
Member, International PolioPlus Committee 2000-01
Trustee, The Rotary Foundation 1993-96
Director, Rotary International 1988-90

Jonathan B. Majiyagbe, a Senior Advocate of Nigeria, is principal counsel in J.B. Majiyagbe & Co., with a wide commercial law practice in Nigeria. Born in Lagos, he is a graduate of the University of London.

Mr. Majiyagbe is a member of the Honourable Body of Benchers, a former member of the interim judicial service committee, Kano State, a past vice president of the Nigerian Bar Association, and a member of the International Bar Association. He has served as a trustee of the Kano Lebanon Club and the Kano Club. He was a long-time Chancellor of the Anglican Diocese of Kano and is currently the Chairman, Nigerian Red Cross Society, Kano Branch. Mr. Majiyagbe is also a member of the Kano Chamber of Commerce, Industry Mines and Agriculture.

A Rotarian since 1967, Mr. Majiyagbe is a member and past president of the Rotary Club of Kano. He has served Rotary International as district governor, International Assembly Instructor, committee member, director and trustee of the Rotary Foundation. He is a recipient of the Rotary Foundation Meritorious Service and the Distinguished Service Awards.

As Chairman of the African Regional PolioPlus Committee and member of the International PolioPlus Committee, Mr. Majiyagbe is dedicated to the global effort to eradicate polio. Rotary's PolioPlus program, launched in 1985, is an aggressive public/private partnership to assist international health agencies and governments to certify the world as polio-free by the year 2005, Rotary's centennial anniversary. By that year, Rotary will have committed nearly a half billion US dollars to the eradication effort. To date, more than two billion children have been immunized against the deadly polio virus.

Attention
All Club
Secretaries:

Remember that
your attendance
figures are due
to the

District Office
by the 10th of the
following month.

You may fax it to
336-841-7690,
mail it to

114 Willoughby Park
High Point 27265
or e-mail it to

rotary7690@northstate.net

Please reconcile
your semi-annual
report from
Rotary International
and report the
same number of
members to
Rotary District 7690
as of 6/30/2003.
District dues are
based on each
club's membership
as reported for
6/30/2003.

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3. Encouragement - To seize opportunity,
to be successful. If not you - who?

4. Support - ideas, experience, tools,
contacts, partners, whatever you need. I will do
what our President has asked that we all do -
Lend A Hand. And when the occasion dictates,
that includes getting out of the way.

5. Gratitude - If Service Above Self is
meaningful, it must surely embrace thankfulness
for that done by others; that which would not get
done at all except for the service of others.

6. Celebration - especially of excellence,
where excellence speaks, not only to the skills,
tenacity, dedication and effort of individuals and
clubs, but also to the light cast along the path for
others; in itself a service, a gift.

7. Finally, Friendship and Fellowship -
the enjoyment of working together, of sharing
each other's company, of becoming President
Jonathan's vision of a Rotary Family.

Surely, these expectations cannot be met by me
alone, so I have asked for help. Many have
responded, and I am grateful. But others are
needed. If you are ready to serve, the opportuni-
ties await you. I encourage you to act, to take the
first step. I will support your endeavor, you will
have the gratitude of who knows how many
including me, and we will celebrate our success
together.

May God add his blessing to our Rotary service.

A Message of Sympathy from Edwin H. Futa, General Secretary, RI

Word has been received of the death of Ade
Majiyagbe, wife of Rotary International
President-elect Jonathan Majiyagbe, who
passed away on June 6, 2003. Funeral
services were held on Friday, June 13 at
11:30 am at St. Andrew's Church, Bathune
Rd., Stoke Newington, London N16, England.

Condolences may be sent to President-elect
Jonathan in care of the President's office at
World Headquarters. Memorial contributions
in honor of Ade Majiyagbe may be made to
"Ade's Hope Fund for the Education of
Women and Children" c/o The Rotary
Foundation, P.O. Box 75133, Chicago, IL
60675-5133.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR VISITS FOR JULY 2003

7/7	Crescent	7/22	Alamance
7/8	Guilford	7/22	Jamestown
7/8	Gso-Airport	7/23	Thomasville
7/9	Sandhills	7/23	Clemmons
7/10	Stoneville	7/24	Graham
7/14	Burlington	7/24	Liberty
7/15	Mocksville	7/28	Reidsville
7/15	Yadkinville	7/28	Alamance Br.
7/16	Arch.-Trinity	7/29	Pinehurst
7/16	Kernersville	7/30	Randolph
7/17	Troy	7/30	Sandhills
7/18	Asheboro	7/31	Walnut Cove
7/18	Oak Hollow	7/31	King
7/21	Siler City		
7/21	San-Lee		

2003-2004

DISTRICT DIRECTORY

The District Directory is now available on the
District's web site: www.rotary7690.org.
All club presidents, assistant governors, our
Executive Secretary and the District Leader-
ship Team have been advised of the password
required to access the directory, and they in
turn will provide the password to any Rotarian
in the District who asks for it.

We do not plan to print the directory as we
have done in the past, but you may print a
copy directly from the web site. The file is in
PDF format, the Adobe software for printing is
available free of charge from www.adobe.com.
If you encounter any problems, notify the
District office (336-885-7690). Updates and
changes to the directory will be done regularly
so correct information should always be
available. Comments and suggestions for
improving the directory, addressed to
Directory@Rotary7690.org are solicited and
always welcome.

*DG Bob Newton
draws a winner
for the door prize
at District
Assembly.
The door prize
was a bottle of
wine from
Biltmore Estates
as a souvenir
for the upcoming
2004 District
Conference
in Asheville.*

*Donating the prize
was Patrick Eakes, Chairman of the
2004 District Conference.*



2003-2004 DISTRICT CALENDAR

July 2003

Literacy Month

A NEW BEGINNING

- 1 Semi Annual Dues/Club Report to RI
- 10 June Attendance Report to District Exec. Secretary
Margaret Padgett
(This is the same for each subsequent month)
- 1-31 District Governor visits begin

August 2003

Membership and Extension Month

- 15 Annual District Dues (\$30) to District Office

September 2003

New Generations Month

- 4 District Golf Tournament & Family Picnic
- 18 Rotary Foundation Seminar, Clemmons for Areas 1,2,4,5, & 7
- 25 Rotary Foundation Seminar, Asheboro for Areas 3,6,8,9 & 10

October 2003

Vocational Services Month

Club Shadow Day Programs

- 14-19 Rotary Institute for Zones 33,34-Jacksonville, Fla for PDG's, DG, DGN and DGE
- 11 Football Fellowship, Carolina vs Wake Forest in WS
- 31 Deadline for reservations for RF Banquet on Nov. 6

November 2003

Rotary Foundation Month

- 6 Rotary Foundation Banquet, High Point

December 2003

Club Elections Month

- 31 Send report of Club Elections to RI and District Office
Report can be filed on RI web page:
www.rotary.org

January 2004

Rotary Awareness Month

A NEW BEGINNING

- 1 Semi-Annual Report and dues to RI
- 15 District semi-annual dues to Rotary District Office
- 14-22 Int'l Assembly for DGE

February 2004

World Understanding Month

- TBA Early registration deadline 2004 District Conference

March 2004

- TBA Final registration deadline for 2004 District Conference

- 1 DG calls for nominations for 2006-2007 District Governor
- 4-6 PETS Training, Greensboro, NC
- 31 DG Citation nominations due

April 2004

Rotarian Magazine Month

- 1 Presidential Citation for RI and Gold Club Awards due to DG Bob Newton
- 4 Spring Family Outing, NC Zoo
- 22-25 2004 District Conference, Asheville, NC
- 30 Nominations for DG must be received by District Office

May 2004

- TBA Interviews for District Governor
- 13 District Assembly
- 23-26 RI Convention, Osaka, Japan

June 2004

- TBA DG Installation for 2004-2005
2006-2007 Candidate announced

July 2004

- 1 Last date to challenge DG candidate for 2006-2007

Attendance for May, 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	47	69%	0	4		Mocksville	72	72	62%	+2	4	
Alamance Bkft	31	27	74%	0	3		Mount Airy	101	107	86%	+1	4	
Archdale/Trinity	32	27	80%	-3	4		Oak Hollow	21	23	55%	0	5	
Asheboro	118	117	78%	-2	5		Pinehurst	24	27	82%	-2	4	
Burlington	40	37	67%	0	3		Randolph	67	74	86%	1	4	
Carthage	21	22	73%	-2	4		Reidsville	91	84	72%	0	3	
Clemmons	120	121	77%	-3	4		Reynolda	126	124	64%	+1	5	
Crescent	124	130	84%	0	3		Sandhills	42	46	77%	-1	4	
East Greensboro	20	17	65%	0	4		Sanford	91	87	66%	-1	4	
Eden	54	59	74%	0	4		San-Lee	29	29	75%	-2	3	
Elkin-Jonesville	49	48	69%	-1	4		Siler City	69	71	79%	0	3	
Furnitureland	58	60	76%	-5	3		Southern Pines	80	80	85%	+2	5	
Gate City	50	52	88%	-1	5		Stoneville	15	16	75%	+2	5	
Graham	40	43	77%	+1	5		Stratford	148	148	64%	+3	3	
Greensboro	332	343	61%	0	4		Summit	143	132	69%	0	5	
Gboro Arpt	34	36	83%	0	4		Surry Sunrise	50	53	76%	0	4	
Guilford	54	53	100%	0	4		Thomasville	87	84	69%	-1	4	
High Point	200	193	58%	0	5		Triad	48	61	59%	+1	4	
Jamestown	35	34	72%	-1	4		Troy	30	29	71%	0	5	
Jonesboro	63	63	80%	0	4		Walnut Cove	18	16	62%	0	4	
Kernersville	46	55	74%	0	4		Willow Creek	0	21	90%	0	5	
King	23	25	76%	+1	4		Winston-Salem	256	258	54%	-3	4	
Lexington	55	49	62%	0	4		Yadkinville	23	21	67%	0	4	
Liberty	21	21	74%	0	5		Yanceyville	22	19	75%	0	4	
Madison/Mayodan	44	43	74%	0	4								
							DISTRICT	3364	3392	73%	-13		

Special Upcoming Events...

District Golf Tournament/Family Picnic - Stony Creek CC

September 4, 2003

Rotary Foundation Seminar - Clemmons, NC

September 18, 2003

Rotary Foundation Seminar - Asheboro, NC

September 25, 2003

District Football Fellowship - Winston-Salem, NC

October 11, 2003

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