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"Celebrate Rotary"

Don Allred, District Governor, 1426 Lake Drive, Asheboro, NC 27205



DG NEWSLETTER FOR DECEMBER



Don Allred

I'm sure you will find this hard to believe, but there seems to be some misunderstanding about the Presidential Citation of 04-05. I know what you are thinking - what could possibly be confusing about a Rotary award? There are only a few thousand of them and they all make perfectly good sense in some form or fashion. The Presidential Citation, however, is the big one and could stand a little clarification. It reads: to receive the 2004-05

Presidential Citation, clubs will undertake a well-rounded program of activities within each of the four Avenues of Service. Determine the number of activities your club must undertake based on the size of your club's membership according to the following chart: 50 or fewer members, 2 accomplishments; 51-150, 3 accomplishments and so on (the form is available on our website, www.rotary7690.org) Select activities under the Opportunities for Services listed in this brochure and achieve them between July 1, 2004 and April 1, 2005. Complete the Presidential Citation Certification Form and send it to your district governor.

Here's the confusing part: for a club of 50 or fewer members, is it two accomplishments in each of the Four Avenues of Service for a total of eight accomplishments or is it two accomplishments total? And the answer is: it's two accomplishments in each of the areas for a total of eight. However, there is a wide range of activities that can be accomplished to qualify for the citation. For example, in the club service area, there is starting a new Rotary Club, a formidable task. There is also the appointment of a Family of Rotary committee, not so difficult a task. In fact, as you look through these accomplishments, a lot of them are being done anyway for Gold Club. So the Presidential Citation should be a piece of cake. Take the time to fill out the paperwork, send it in and next year when Governor Phil is making his rounds, he will be presenting your club the Centennial Presidential Citation to hang on your wall, an adornment any self-respectful wall would be glad to have.

I'm sure you will also find this hard to believe, but there is a new award on the Rotary horizon--The Rotary Centennial Service Award for Professional Excellence. This is an unusual Rotary award in that it is for non-Rotarians. It is intended to recognize exceptional community representatives, who may not have been exposed to the work and values of Rotary, yet their dignified ideas are similar to Rotary. Candidates should be established members of their profession, demonstrate high ethical standards, have achieved professional distinction, have experience training and/or mentoring others in their profession and have a record of community service.

If you know of such non-Rotarians and would like to nominate them for this award, write up their qualifications and submit them to me by March 22, 2005. Hope your holidays are merry. Happy Rotary for 2005, the birthday year.

Family of Rotary

Glenn E. Estess Sr., 2004-05 Rotary International President, has retained *The Family of Rotary* as a major initiative of Rotary this year. The initiative encourages clubs to care for Rotarians and members of Rotary's extended family (spouses, children, parents and the spouses of deceased Rotarians) and for families in the communities in which we live. December is *The Family of Rotary* month so look for special ways to include family members in club activities this month.

Rotary International website (www.rotary.org) has lots of great suggestions. Search under *Family of Rotary* for a complete list. And here's another idea, just for clubs in District 7690:

Celebrate National Family Week. Founded in 1968 by Sam Wiley, who was a teacher and administrator in Indianapolis, National Family Week is celebrated every year during the week of Thanksgiving and recognizes that strong families are at the center of strong communities and a strong country. According to Peter Goldberg, president and CEO of the Alliance for Children and Families, the major sponsor of the celebration, "Ordinary families are extraordinarily important to our communities and our country. When America's diverse families and children are healthy, our nation prospers. That's why we hope everyone will take time during National Family Week to honor the connections that support and strengthen families year-round."

During December, find a speaker from your community to speak to your club about "the state of the family," or about a family issue of special importance to you. This may point the way for your club to become engaged in a community activity or special event that supports strong families--Rotarians extending their compassion for their own families to the communities in which they live.

Julia Nile, District Chm. Family of Rotary



**MERRY
CHRISTMAS
AND
HAPPY
NEW YEAR
TO ALL
ROTARIANS
AND THEIR
FAMILIES!
HAVE A
SAFE AND
JOYOUS
HOLIDAY!**

**FOOTBALL
FELLOWSHIP
ENJOYED
BY MANY**

Over 400 Rotarians and guests attended the Wake Forest vs UNC football game on November 13 for food, fun, and fellowship. Attending a Wake Forest football game has become an annual event for Rotary District 7690. It is a chance for Rotarians to mix with other district Rotarians in a fun, casual atmosphere.

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Rotary Foundation Banquet

Rotarians and guests enjoyed meeting and hearing Past Rotary International President Jim Lacy who was the guest speaker at the annual Rotary Foundation Banquet on November 11. It is always an evening of recognition for the accomplishments of individuals and clubs in their giving to the Rotary Foundation. The following clubs were recognized for their giving in the 2003-2004 Rotary year:

Tops in Per Capita:

First Place:	Gate City -	\$266.83
Second Place:	Yadkinville -	\$227.78
Third Place:	Clemmons -	\$216.53

Tops in Total Annual Contributions:

First Place:	Greensboro -	\$32,550.00
Second Place:	Clemmons -	\$26,200.00
Third Place:	Stratford -	\$24,500.00

***Mark Your Calendar
for the 100 Year
Celebration of Rotary***

DG Don Allred is asking that all clubs cancel their meeting for the week of February 21 and bring your club to the special birthday celebration of 100 years of Rotary on Wednesday, February 23. The luncheon will be held at the Guilford Ballroom at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro. Doors will open at noon and the luncheon will be from 12:30- 1:30pm.

The cost will be \$15 per person. Guests are invited. Registration materials will be mailed to each club in January.

***Plans Underway
for the 2005
District Conference***

The 2005 District Conference Committee under the leadership of Chairman Philip Shore are hard at work planning the upcoming conference. The District Conference will be held on April 28 - May 1 at the Embassy Suites Airport in Charleston, South Carolina. The conference will follow the same format with morning meetings, ample free time each afternoon to enjoy the many sites of Charleston, and then fun and fellowship in the evenings. Make sure your club will be represented at this great event. Registration materials will be mailed to each Rotarian in January.

CLEMMONS ROTARY CLUB BUILDS HOUSE FOR CHARITY

Clemmons Rotarians have undertaken their largest project --building a 2,400 square-foot house in the Stonecroft subdivision in Clemmons. The house will be sold, and the proceeds donated to several charitable organizations. Ron Davis who has 10 years experience in the construction business is the club's chairman. The house is currently under construction. Davis said donations and discounts have come from realtors, heating, air, electrical contractors, masons and a brick company, lumber companies, grading and landscaping contractors, painters, sheetrock installers, and insurance company, attorneys and waste services. A list of contributors is posted on a large sign in the front yard of the new house. Members of the Clemmons Rotary Club furnish the grunt work each Saturday which involves disposing of building debris, sweeping and keeping the new house clean. The house has an appraised value of \$285,000 and will be finished in approximately 30 days. Some of the charities that will benefit from this project are: Cystic Fibrosis, scholarship programs, Make-A-Wish Foundation, Hand-In-Hand program for youth, and other worthy causes.

Information for this article was taken from "Clemmons Rotary Club Builds House for Charity" by Ann Sheek.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ROTARY CLUB OF WILLOW CREEK

The Rotary Club of Willow Creek has been certified at the Number 526 in the world to accomplish the 100% Paul Harris Fellowship status. The Willow Creek Club is also one of the youngest Rotary clubs in the world to achieve this accomplishment. Willow Creek will celebrate its second anniversary on November 24, 2004.



SUMMIT CLUB SPONSORS 7690 FELLOWSHIP AT SEA (INAUGURAL EVENT)

The inaugural Fellowship at Sea cruise just concluded with a marvelous trip to Bermuda. Sixty Rotarians and their guests from across District 7690 returned Saturday, October 2 from a week-long cruise to Bermuda. They cruised aboard Celebrity Cruise Lines Horlizon, which sailed from Norfolk, Va. on Saturday, September 25 and made port calls at St. George and Hamilton in Bermuda. The weather was warm and sunny for the entire trip, adding to the enjoyment of all. This inaugural event was sponsored by Summit Rotary, with Rotarians Steele Smith and Kay Allred acting as co-chairs for the event. The idea was to promote greater fellowship and cooperation among clubs throughout the District and to raise money for club projects. While all accounts are not yet settled, organizers believe that more than \$4,000 was raised to be distributed on a pro-rate basis among participating clubs. The following clubs had members and guests participating: Summit, Greensboro Airport, Crescent, Furnitureland, Stratford, Reidsville, Carthage, Sanford and Jonesboro.

Due to the strong encouragement of many across the District, Summit has already committed to sponsoring a second Fellowship at Sea event. It will be a cruise to Alaska, with an option to add a "Heart of Alaska" land tour. This trip will sail from Vancouver, BC on July 15, 2005 for a 7-day Alaskan Cruise. The land tour will come at the end of the cruise and add four nights to the trip. Information is being disseminated to Club Presidents now and follow-up club visits will be scheduled shortly. Tour space is very limited; those interested in the combined cruise/tour package are encouraged to contact Kay Allred at 336-664-0600 as soon as possible to ensure they are able to make a reservation.

Attendance for October, 2004

CLUBS	MEMBERS AS OF 6/30/04	CURRENT MEMBERS	MONTHLY% ATTENDANCE	MONTHLY MEETINGS
Alamance	44	47	64%	4
*Alamance Bkft	26	26	93%	4
Archdale/Trinity	29	32	78%	4
*Asheboro	116	115	77%	5
Burlington	27	27	65%	4
Carthage	19	19	62%	4
*Clemmons	126	132	74%	4
*Crescent	118	124	74%	4
East Greensboro	12	16	63%	4
Eden	43	43	78%	4
*Furnitureland	56	58	69%	3
*Gate City	54	58	89%	4
Graham	37	38	71%	4
*Greensboro	321	327	61%	4
Gboro Arpt	37	33	85%	4
*Guilford	56	55	89%	4
High Point	180	184	75%	4
Jamestown	29	30	88%	4
*Jonesboro	66	61	86%	4
*Kernersville	46	54	76%	5
King	21	21	83%	4
Lexington	46	48	75%	4
*Liberty	20	20	62%	4
Madison/Mayodan	43	44	83%	4
*Mocksville	61	60	67%	4
*Mount Airy	114	111	71%	4
Oak Hollow	12	13	78%	4
*Pinehurst	30	32	78%	4
*Randolph	77	70	78%	4
Reidsville	80	73	70%	4
Reynolda	117	110	64%	5
S.G. New Gen.	23	22	70%	4
Sandhills	44	43	71%	4
Sanford	77	80	55%	4
San-Lee	26	26	86%	4
Siler City	69	69	69%	4
Southern Pines	76	77	76%	5
*Stoneville	14	14	75%	4
Stratford	145	143	61%	4
*Summit	134	137	73%	5
Surry Sunrise	39	39	76%	4
*Thomasville	80	70	65%	4
*Triad	43	39	60%	2
*Troy	30	35	66%	4
Walnut Cove	41	43	63%	4
*Willow Creek	17	18	92%	2
Winston-Salem	255	257	48%	1
Yadkin Valley	42	41	81%	4
*Yadkinville	17	16	82%	4
Yanceyville	24	23	66%	4
DISTRICT	3259	3273	74%	

*100% Paul Harris Fellow Club

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