

The Piedmont Rotarian

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"Celebrate Rotary"

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

DG NEWSLETTER FOR APRIL



Don Allred

I did not have a district theme this year because I felt the RI theme, "Celebrate Rotary", was broad and powerful and anything I offered would only dilute the celebration. I did have an emphasis, however, and that was to spread the word about Rotary. Rotary is the world's oldest service organization. Most people don't know that.

Rotary organizes the exchange of over 8,000 students from 82 countries every year. Most people don't know that.

Rotary has spent over \$600 million on the eradication of polio. Most people don't know that.

The Ambassadorial Scholarships program has sent more than 30,000 men and women from 100 nations to study abroad since 1947. Today it is the world's largest privately funded international scholarships program. More than 1,100 scholarships were awarded for study in 2002-03. Through grants totaling approximately \$26 million, recipients from some 69 countries studied in more than 64 nations. Most people don't know that.

Every year Rotary provides transportation, food and lodging for scores of non-Rotarians to spend four to six weeks in a foreign country in a cultural and vocational exchange program known as Group Study. These team members "experience the host country's institutions and way of life, observe their own vocation as practiced abroad, develop personal and professional relationships, and exchange ideas." Most people don't know that.

Every day the 1.2 million Rotarians around the world are working diligently to make their communities a better place to live, to eradicate disease and poverty wherever they find it, and to foster international understanding, goodwill and peace. Most people don't know that.

In the new Club President's Manual, there is a functional grouping of club committees: membership, service projects, The Rotary Foundation, public relations and club administration. There it is--right there in the basic committee structure: public relations. We have official permission to toot our own horn.

If Rotary is to grow and prosper we need to let people know what we are doing. Young people today are too busy with their careers to join an organization that just meets and eats. A vibrant organization like Rotary, however, that is really making a difference in the world, is where one wants to be--if, and this is a big "if", one knows about it.

Form a media relations committee in your club, please, and "let's get the word out" about the world's finest service organization: Rotary International.

Rotary District 7690 Welcomes Eric E. Adamson As The President's Representative To The 2005 Rotary District Conference In Charleston



Eric has been a member of the Rotary Club of Front Royal, Virginia for 31 years. He was president of his club in 1980 and District Governor for District 7570 in 1995-96. In the District he has been District RYLA chair for 10 years, and involved on the committee for 25 years. As District Polio Chair for the past seven years, the District raised over \$600,000 for Polio Eradication. He has founded and visited Foundation matching grant projects in South Africa, Costa Rica, Argentina and India. He was a GSE team leader to Argentina and this year he led a Grant Discovery Team to Mexico and Costa Rica and Panama, where they returned with 16 matching grant projects for his District.

Active in Council of Legislation matters, Eric was a District Delegate in India in 1998, C&B Committee Chair and COL Operations Committee in 2001, and Member at Large to Council in 2004. This year he was appointed by President Glenn to an R.I. Committee to review, evaluate, and make recommendations to the Board of Directors of Rotary International for changes to improve the Council.

At Rotary International he has been an Instructor for incoming District Governors at the International Assembly in Anaheim, California and has chaired several R.I. Committees. He currently chairs the Zone 33 Rotary Leadership Institute Executive Committee which has held 11 leadership seminars throughout the Zone this year.

With the Rotary Foundation, he has served as a Zone advisor to the Annual Fund and Permanent Fund, and received the Award for Meritorious Service from the Rotary Foundation. He has represented the President of Rotary International to many District Conferences not only in the US, but in Europe and Latin America. Eric and his wife, Linda are Major Donors to the Rotary Foundation, and Special Bequest Society Members.

In his community Eric has also volunteered his services. He has been a Trustee of a National Trust for Historic Preservation estate; a vestryman, Sunday School teacher and Trustee of his church; a member of the Board of local hospital, and is a Trustee of the Northern Virginia Regional 4-H Board. Eric retired from active law private law practice but is currently corporate counsel to several companies in which he is a principal. He attended the University of Virginia where he received his B.A. and Juris Doctor degrees and George Washington University where he obtained a Masters of Law in Taxation. He and his wife have four grown children and five grandchildren (of whom they are very proud.)



TSUNAMI RELIEF UPDATE

Clubs in the district continue to make donations to aid the victims of the Tsunami.

Rotary District 7690 has raised over \$200,000 for this relief effort and leads the world in the purchase of shelter boxes to help house the thousands without homes.

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COMMUNITY FITNESS & HEALTH CHARITY BIKE RIDE

Summit Rotary will hold their annual Charity Bike Ride fundraiser on April 16, 2005. Registration for riders will begin at the Lewis Recreational Center at 8:30 am and the ride will kick off promptly at 9:00 am. There will be three routes to accommodate riders of all degrees of ability; a 50 mile ride for serious riders, a 20 mile ride for reasonably fit riders and a 5 mile ride for families with younger children. Riders may participate for a \$35. registration fee which goes to support Summit Rotary's many youth activities, scholarships and other local causes. All riders will receive breakfast and lunch and a commemorative t-shirt as well as the opportunity to participate in a drawing for one of two scooters donated by one of our sponsors.

All Rotarians are encouraged to participate in one of three ways:

1. Register, along with friends and family and participate as riders.
2. Your company can still participate as a sponsor and receive recognition in the triad community as a supporter of health and fitness and youth-oriented activities. Sponsorship levels start at \$250.
3. Through Summit's unique Charity Partners program your favorite charity can recruit sponsored riders to ride on their behalf and receive up to 75% of all funds raised through their efforts.

For more information see the Summit Rotary website:

www.summitrotary.org or contact Steele Smith at 336-454-8750. See you at the ride!

Council on Legislation Nominees

The following past district governors were nominated to be the representative at the next Council on Legislation:

Henry Brown - nominated by the Rotary Club of Pinehurst

Jack Green - nominated by the Rotary Club of Furnitureland

Robert Newton - nominated by the Rotary Club of Greensboro and the Rotary Club of Greensboro Airport

Everett Padgett - nominated by the Rotary Club of Willow Creek and the Rotary Club of Siler City

A vote will be taken at the 2005 Rotary District Conference. Each attending club will designate their voting delegates to participate in the voting.

CLUB NEWS

Congratulations to the Rotary Club of High Point!

The High Point Rotary club became the first club in our district to attain the club goal of \$20,000 in the "Legacy of Leadership" campaign. As you probably know the purpose of the drive is to raise \$1,500,000 to endow the operation and support of the children in the Rotary cottage at Boys and Girls Homes of North Carolina. The \$20,000 represents \$1 per member per week for two years.

"The Rotary Cottage at the Boys and Girls Home is a sanctuary for young people who have no place else to go," said District Governor Don Allred. "It is an honor for our District to contribute to the care and support of these future Rotarians."

If you would like to get more details, I encourage you to invite a speaker from Boys and Girls Homes. Please call me at 336-878-7830 to make the arrangements.

Sanders Dallas, District Chairman
Boys and Girls Homes of N.C.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 11 District Assembly at GTCC Jamestown Campus

District Assembly is a planning session for incoming club officers, directors and interested Rotarians. This is a district training event and offers the clubs the opportunities to meet with other incoming officers and district officers and chairmen. Registration for this event will be mailed to the incoming presidents-elect.

June 13 Installation of District Officers

This event will be held at the High Point Country Club and is open to all Rotarians. Registration for this event will be mailed to the incoming presidents-elect.

June 18-22 -RI Convention in Chicago

This will be the celebration of 100 years of Rotary. If you have not registered for this event and would like to go, visit the RI website at www.rotary.org for more information.

Attendance for February 2005

CLUBS	MEMBERS AS OF 6/30/04	CURRENT MEMBERS	MONTHLY% ATTENDANCE	MONTHLY MEETINGS	CLUBID NUMBER
Alamance	44	47	61%	3	6090
*Alamance Bkft	26	26	75%	4	23238
Archdale/Trinity	29	32	83%	4	29135
*Asheboro	116	114	78%	3	6052
Burlington	27	26	62%	3	6092
Carthage	19	19	63%	2	6053
*Clemmons	126	132	59%	4	29530
*Crescent	118	128	73%	3	6056
East Greensboro	12	20	57%	3	55569
Eden	43	42	82%	3	6058
*Furnitureland	56	59	77%	4	6059
*Gate City	54	59	89%	4	27995
Graham	37	36	83%	4	6107
*Greensboro	321	325	50%	4	6060
*Gboro Arpt	37	37	71%	4	31667
*Guilford	56	50	100%	3	22059
High Point	180	182	69%	4	6062
Jamestown	29	31	62%	4	6063
*Jonesboro	66	62	77%	4	22882
*Kernersville	46	60	90%	4	25027
King	21	19	63%	3	51294
Lexington	46	45	53%	4	6065
*Liberty	20	18	76%	3	6066
Madison/Mayodan	43	48	64%	4	6065
*Mocksville	61	60	62%	4	6069
*Mount Airy	114	111	70%	4	6070
Oak Hollow	12	16	59%	4	51358
*Pinehurst	30	23	92%	4	6072
*Randolph	77	80	81%	3	6074
Reidsville	80	75	70%	3	6075
Reynolda	117	107	71%	3	21534
S.G. New Gen.	23	19	70%	4	61795
Sandhills	44	43	78%	4	25530
Sanford	77	80	44%	4	6078
San-Lee	26	24	100%	3	30735
Siler City	69	68	70%	3	6079
Southern Pines	76	76	78%	3	6080
*Stoneville	14	15	50%	2	6081
Stratford	145	144	63%	4	6082
*Summit	134	136	72%	4	6083
Surry Sunrise	39	44	87%	3	57326
*Thomasville	80	79	68%	4	6084
*Triad	43	39	71%	4	6071
*Troy	30	35	63%	4	6085
Walnut Cove	41	42	40%	3	6087
*Willow Creek	17	18	79%	2	60367
Winston-Salem	255	249	54%	3	6088
Yadkin Valley	42	42	88%	3	30000
*Yadkinville	17	16	65%	4	51333
Yanceyville	24	23	63%	3	6134
DISTRICT	3259	3281	71%		

*100% Paul Harris Fellow Club

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