

# The Piedmont Rotarian

ROTARY DISTRICT 7690 • June 2005 • DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

*"Celebrate Rotary"*

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

## DG NEWSLETTER FOR JUNE



Don Allred

District Conference is a time for the District to remember, to celebrate, to fellowship, and to reward accomplishments. Memories that will stick with me: Mayor Summey, the President's representative Eric Adamson, the female club presidents hula-hooping, the assistant governors versus the past district governors, the German GSE team trying to figure out why everyone was spelling YMCA in sign language,

the Clemmons Club trying to get 47 people on stage to accept the Gold Club award, Rota-runners, Rotaractors selling drink tickets, hilarious Charlie Laine, the Rotary-Against-Drug speech, Winnie Morgan with her Carolina shirt and goose hat, the sticky table decorations, the All Reds, the Elderly Brothers, The Reverend Doctor G. Howard Allred, the Belly Roll Me party, the Asheboro Club demonstrating why Rotarians no longer sing, everybody holding hands and singing Auld Lang Syne anyway and many, many more. It really was a time to remember.

I've learned this year that Rotary is a lot more than an organization of business people eating lunch together once a week. Rotary is Carl Treleven from the Crescent Club traveling to Nigeria to administer the polio vaccine. Rotary is dentist Pat Kilpatrick from the Asheboro Club traveling to Brazil to do volunteer dental work. Rotary is the eight Greensboro Clubs banding together to provide a playpark for the children of Guilford County. Rotary is 37 clubs opening their pocketbooks to provide over \$200,000 in shelter for tsunami victims. Rotary is district Rotarians opening their hearts and homes to the German GSE team and making them feel welcome.

Rotary is many things to many people; but to me, it is a caring, concerned group of dedicated people committed to international understanding, goodwill and peace.

As you may recall, the German GSE team had trouble getting a flight from Washington to Greensboro and had to drive down. A recent email from the team leader back in Germany said that although North Carolina may not be first in flight, District 7690 is definitely first in hospitality. To that I can only add, "Amen."

Pat and I are grateful for the opportunity to share this year with you and for the hospitality that we were afforded. We have built up a storehouse of memories that will sustain us for years to come. We pledge our support to Phil and Karen and will do all within our power to help them have a successful year. We pledge our support to District 7690 Rotarians to help them "do all the good they can, by all the means they can, in all the ways they can, in all the places they can, at all the times they can, for all the people they can, as long as ever they can." John Wesley said it. Rotarians live it.

*Yours in Rotary, Don and Pat.*



## **DG Don Allred Introduces DGE Phil Morris as the Incoming Governor 2005-06 Rotary District 7690**

Phil Morris was invited to join the Rotary Club of Furnitureland in 1978 to fill the classification of Public Library Administration. He was asked to edit his club's newsletter in 1979 and to launch its website, [www.FurniturelandRotary.org](http://www.FurniturelandRotary.org) in 1998. He was elected club president for 1999-2000. He and his wife Karen, have served on several District Conference committees. Phil was appointed as Assistant Governor for the Greater High Point area in 2001-2002 and again in 2002-2003.

In 1987 he organized the first District 7690 Club Bulletin Exchange, a project that has evolved into the formation of the District Club Bulletin Committee. In 1999 he developed the district's website, [www.Rotary7690.org](http://www.Rotary7690.org), which was recognized at the RI Convention in San Antonio as the best website in Zone 33 for 2001. He manages the District's e-mail network. In 2001 he was asked to develop a website for Rotary Fellowships. The website [www.RotaryFellowships.org](http://www.RotaryFellowships.org), has been recognized by Rotary International as a resource for the Rotary Fellowships program.

Phil was born in New Haven, Connecticut. He attended Central Methodist College in Fayette, Missouri and received his Masters of Library Science from Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, New York. He returned to Central Methodist College as Director of Libraries. He also served on the staff of the High Point Public Library. He served for many years on the executive committee of the High Point Chamber of Commerce's Leadership:High Point program. His wife, Karen, is a charter member of the Oak Hollow Rotary Club in High Point, serving as club president in 2004-2005. They are Paul Harris Fellows, benefactors, and charter members of the Rotary Foundation's Bequest Society. Their hobbies include photography, web design, music and travel, and, apparently, Rotary!

*In  
Loving  
Memory*

**Richard D.  
Meisky  
1918-2005**

**Past  
District  
Governor  
1984-1985  
Rotary  
Club of  
High Point**

**Rotary District 7690 Office**  
114 Willoughby Park Dr.,  
High Point, NC 27265  
[www.Rotary7690.org](http://www.Rotary7690.org)  
[www.Rotary.org](http://www.Rotary.org)

Artwork: Shelley Graphics 2004

## REPORT FROM THE OUTBOUND GSE TEAM

Well, we have been here two weeks and have two weeks to go. We are all staying in a hotel in Koln and have just come from the church service at the Dom. It was simply amazing. We have met many great families and have had some wonderful hosts for day trips. This trip has taught me a lot about Germany and myself.

My first host family in Bad Berleburg, the Eigner's were great - they were very accomodating and I had my own small room with a bathroom nearby. For my first time out of the states, and the first time staying in a home with strangers, this family of 5 made it easy on me. They were extremely patient with my lack of German language skills. Plus, Tim was right down the hall from me if we ran into a problem that poor German and hand gestures could not work out. Their youngest child was named Carolina (pronounced Carolena) and she was adorable. The mother did not work (as quite a few do not when small children are at home) and the father ran a pharmacy on the ground level of the home. Pharmacists in Germany are on call 24 hours a day. Their 12 year old son was able to drink wine with dinner and eat Mon Cheri's (a very strong liquor candy).

(This host family also 'broke me in' to the norms of life in Germany. Duvet covers and one pillow... one towel... lunch meat and cheese and bread for breakfast with tea or very strong coffee... women in submissive roles, although it is changing... no women in Rotary, except for three clubs across the entire area of Germany... not everyone has a computer... the z and the y are interchanged on the German Keyboard... not everyone knows English)

The second host family in Saarburb, the Ebert's were interesting. Christian and his wife, Andrea ran a winery and their home was the place for wine tastings. They had three girls who were also very cute. Andrea ran the business side (selling, arranging distributors, etc.) while Christian took care of the workers and hosted the wine tastings. The day after we got to the vineyard, Andrea left for a trip to New York to arrange for a distributor to take on their Riseling. So, that left Miranda and me in a home with Christian, his three girls and the girls' Au Pair (nanny) which is something else that most children of business elites have. The home was very large and cold... the beginnings of my cold!

The third host family in Wittlich has been my favorite so far. The Gaenz were so wonderful! Rolf owns and manages a company that makes bottling machines. Rolf and his wife Edilia (she is from LA, California) were super hosts. They have a totally sweet 15 year old daughter who spoke perfect English as well. They asked the questions that we expected and were open to my views. I learned in this home that every business in Germany must be a member of the Chamber of Commerce. The Gaenz see this as not a good thing and didn't feel like they got anything out of it. The Chamber here is a government organization that does a lot of the things we do but, it combines with all the business organizations as well. The Chamber of Commerce in Frankfurt has 100 employees.

The fourth host family, I also shared with Miranda. This was the home of the Kellerman's. Christian Kellerman and his wife Brigitte have 5 children. The husband farms beets and wheat for beer. They have 100 hectares of land. The home was a very large, cold place - full of family history. Miranda and I were on the third floor of the home.. in rooms normally for the maid. This family has one nanny and one maid. They were interesting, as well.

Now we are in a hotel and I am happy.

Miss you all!

Stacey Walker, *member of the Rotary District 7690 GSE Outbound Team*

# CLUB NEWS from Area 10

The Siler City Rotary Club's annual fund raising event for Chatham Hospital was held last Fall, and generated approximately \$40,000 for the hospital.

The Club held its annual cash raffle on May 7. The raffle was very successful with around 200 people attending. The raffle was held at the Siler City Moose Lodge. The event was catered by Mattie Clark. Mrs. Clark served Rotarians and citizens of Chatham County Delicious BBQ and chicken pot pie. The event raised about \$13,000 which goes to scholarships, Chatham hospital Womens auxiliary and The Rotary Foundation.

The Jonesboro, San-Lee, and Sanford Rotary Clubs are still working toward a successful International Project with Mexico, a clean water project. The project has run into delays due to "red tape", but hopefully the issues will be resolved quickly.

The three Lee County Rotary Clubs also participated in a joint Centennial Project, which was completed over the winter months. A shelter was built by Rotarians from the three clubs at Sloan Park, a public park with tennis courts. In addition, six beautiful picnic tables made of cypress were built by Rotarians and placed at Depot Park, a new and beautiful public park located in downtown Sanford.



*"Tuesday, May 17, 2005, at their annual awards ceremony, the United Way of Forsyth County presented the Reynolda Club of Winston-Salem with the community volunteer organization of the year award the club's extensive support and service at Cook Elementary School. Mike Swain, the Chair of the Community Service Committee, who has been such an enthusiastic force in encouraging the Reynolda members to volunteer at Cook accepted the award for the club. Accompanying the award was a certificate of recognition from North Carolina Governor Mike Easley. In addition to President Gerald Chrisco, Mike, and six other Reynolda members, the club was very pleased to have Governor Don and Governor-Elect Phil at the breakfast."*

*Tom Bosworth  
Chair: Centennial Project, Reynolda Rotary Club*

## DISTRICT GOVERNOR NOMINATION

The Rotary District 7690 Nominating Committee, chaired by Past District Governor Stuart Fountain, has nominated David McCoy of the High Point Rotary Club of to serve as District Governor of Rotary District 7690 in 2007-2008. The Committee would like to thank both candidates, David McCoy of the High Point Rotary Club and Wes Patterson of the Thomasville Rotary Club for their dedication to District 7690 and their willingness to serve.

**The Rotary District 7690 Manual of Procedure and Policy states that:**

*Following the announcement no later than June 1 by the District Governor of the recommendation of the Nominating Committee to the clubs, any club in District 7690 may propose by way of resolution naming the candidate (whose name shall have been previously submitted to the Nominating Committee prior to the May 1st deadline) and certifying that the candidate meets the qualifications established by RI. If challenge candidates are received, the procedures for a mail ballot are determined by the Nominating Committee and ballots are mailed to the clubs. Any challenge must be received by July 1 and should be sent to the office of the District Governor. If no challenges are received by July 1, the candidate of the Nominating Committee shall be declared the DGN. If a mail ballot is necessary, the DG announces the results of the mail ballot by August 1, and the winner shall be declared the DGN.*

## CONGRATULATIONS TO MORE ROTARY FOUNDATION ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**The Rotary Club of Willow Creek has become the second club in the world to reach the Triple Crown.**

**The Triple Crown is a district award which recognizes clubs that achieve 100% Paul Harris Fellowship status, 100% Sustaining Members and 100% Benefactors.**

**Congratulations to Willow Creek.**

**The Rotary Club of Graham has achieved the 100% Paul Harris Fellow status and is #592 in the world for this accomplishment. District 7690 now has 25 clubs that have reached this mark.**

**The Rotary Club of Crescent was recognized as the first club in the world to achieve the Triple Crown in *The Rotarian* magazine in February, 2005.**

# THANKS FOR A GREAT DISTRICT CONFERENCE!

**Rotary District 7690 enjoyed a great conference April 28 – May 1 in Charleston, South Carolina. Those in attendance found the plenary sessions very informative, enjoyed the fellowship at several fun events and had free time to shop and tour in Charleston. Many thanks to all those who worked to make this a fantastic event and especially to Philip Shore who chaired the conference for this year.**

## The following awards were made to the clubs at the 2005 District Conference:

### Club Bulletin Awards

Small - Weekly - Oak Hollow Rotary Club  
Small - Monthly - Jamestown Rotary Club  
Medium - Weekly - Furnitureland Rotary Club  
Medium - Monthly - Gate City Rotary Club  
Large - Weekly - Winston-Salem Rotary Club  
Large - Monthly - Summit Rotary Club

### Gold Club Awards

Jamestown—Dan Jobe, president  
Oak Hollow—Karen Morris, president  
Willow Creek—Becky Handy, president  
Yadkinville—Ashley Titus, president

Alamance—Rick Alder, president  
Graham—Jeff Eldridge, president  
Greensboro-Airport—Ed Sigmon, president  
Kernersville—Duane Long, president

Furnitureland—Tim Ilderton, president  
Gate City—Tom Allen, president  
Randolph—Steve Rumbley, president  
Thomasville—Pam Gobel, president

Clemmons—Dave Solomon, president  
Crescent—Marci Brown, Brian Sowers, Ephraim Grubbs, presidents  
High Point—Brian Bunch, president  
Summit—Howard Arbuckle, president

### OTHER CLUB RECOGNITIONS

[Joe Ross Attendance Award](#) – Rotary Club of San-Lee  
[Arnold Schiffman Membership and Retention Award](#) – Rotary Club of Kernersville  
[Rotaract Club Participation Award](#) – Rotary Club of Willow Creek

# Attendance for April 2005

CLUBS	MEMBERS AS OF 6/30/04	CURRENT MEMBERS	MONTHLY% ATTENDANCE	MONTHLY MEETINGS	CLUBID NUMBER
Alamance	44	53	53%	4	6090
*Alamance Bkft	26	25	95%	4	23238
Archdale/Trinity	29	32	78%	4	29135
*Asheboro	116	109	74%	4	6052
Burlington	27	26	62%	4	6092
Carthage	19	18	65%	4	6053
*Clemmons	126	133	72%	4	29530
*Crescent	118	129	73%	4	6056
East Greensboro	12	22	47%	4	55569
Eden	43	47	72%	4	6058
*Furnitureland	56	60	56%	3	6059
*Gate City	54	59	96%	4	27995
Graham	37	37	76%	4	6107
*Greensboro	321	324	53%	4	6060
*Gboro Arpt	37	36	79%	4	31667
*Guilford	56	51	84%	4	22059
High Point	180	178	72%	4	6062
Jamestown	29	32	72%	4	6063
*Jonesboro	66	62	72%	4	22882
*Kernersville	46	61	80%	4	25027
King	21	22	80%	4	51294
Lexington	46	44	60%	4	6065
*Liberty	20	18	79%	4	6066
Madison/Mayodan	43	49	80%	4	6065
*Mocksville	61	64	62%	4	6069
*Mount Airy	114	105	68%	4	6070
Oak Hollow	12	17	59%	5	51358
*Pinehurst	30	32	73%	4	6072
*Randolph	77	81	85%	4	6074
Reidsville	80	75	77%	3	6075
Reynolda	117	107	73%	5	21534
S.G. New Gen.	23	18	70%	4	61795
Sandhills	44	43	67%	4	25530
Sanford	77	75	65%	4	6078
San-Lee	26	27	91%	4	30735
Siler City	69	70	72%	4	6079
Southern Pines	76	74	79%	5	6080
*Stoneville	14	14	75%	4	6081
Stratford	145	149	66%	4	6082
*Summit	134	135	75%	4	6083
Surry Sunrise	39	44	66%	4	57326
*Thomasville	80	79	72%	4	6084
*Triad	43	39	61%	3	6071
*Troy	30	34	60%	3	6085
Walnut Cove	41	41	45%	4	6087
*Willow Creek	17	18	65%	3	60367
Winston-Salem	255	250	52%	4	6088
Yadkin Valley	42	43	75%	4	30000
*Yadkinville	17	17	85%	4	51333
Yanceyville	24	23	71%	4	6134
<b>DISTRICT</b>	<b>3259</b>	<b>3301</b>	<b>71%</b>		

\*100% Paul Harris Fellow Club

**Special Upcoming Events** [Click Here for Special Upcoming Events](#)