

The Piedmont Rotarian

ROTARY DISTRICT 7690 • March 2006 • DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

"Service Above Self"

Phil Morris, District Governor, 2207 Porsha Lane, High Point, NC 27265

ROTARY KATRINA FUND



Phil Morris

"Phil, this is Stuart Lance [District 6820 Governor] with Rotary in Starkeville, Miss. I wanted to call you and thank you personally for so much of what you all have done; you have just been wonderful people ... wonderful ... humanitarians ... and great Rotarians. And it is really touching to receive this kind of donation this kind of help on a continued basis, it means so

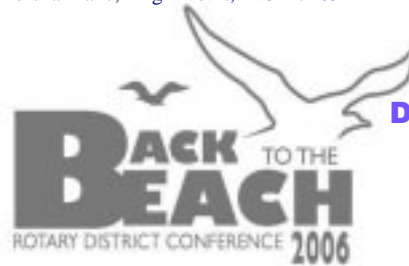
much. So, I am sure Bill Foster will be writing and thanking you formally, but I just wanted to let you know. We wish the best for you and all your friends. Thanks so much."

Some day I hope you are fortunate as I was to get a message like this on your answering machine from a close friend you probably may never meet. Several days earlier I had another wonderful experience when, on behalf of an extraordinarily generous Rotary District 7690, I took a check for \$35,000 to the post office and mailed it to our friends in Districts 6820 and 6840. This represents \$25,000 that was contributed by you and \$10,000 that was released from district funds.

I explained the intent and concern of our district in an accompanying letter. "I am enclosing a check from Rotary District 7690 for \$35,000 to be applied to the *Rotary Katrina Fund* . . . I encouraged clubs of District 7690 to provide assistance in whatever way their membership felt most meaningful. Contribution to our district disaster relief fund was only one of the options that clubs selected. If I were to add together the value of our clubs' contribution, both material and monetary, I would estimate that our participation to the effort would be valued between \$70,000 - \$80,000.

This fund appealed to our Rotary clubs because it promises that all funds will be managed by local Rotarians and local Rotary clubs from 6840 or 6820. We realize that following a disaster of this magnitude many individuals and agencies will have needs that cannot be addressed by the frequently rigid guidelines that larger national agencies must adopt. I promised the clubs of 7690 that their contributions to the *Rotary Katrina Fund* would be used to help restore a new normalcy for those individuals and agencies that the Rotarians in clubs in 6840 and 6820 might identify. The Rotarians of District 7690 agreed with me that the best people to manage our relief funds are the Rotarians of your districts. Armed with the 4-Way Test we believe in you and what you do.

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**District 7690
District Conference
April 20-23, 2006
Myrtle Beach
Marriott Resort
at Grande Dunes**

As you read this article, District Conference will be only about a month away. The plans are made. The conference brochures are in the hands of the District 7690 Rotarians, and hotel rooms at Grande Dunes have been booked. We are ready for a conference that I am sure you will find to be both interesting and entertaining.

Please keep in mind that the deadline for reserving a room at the Myrtle Beach Marriott Resort at Grande Dunes is March 21. You don't want to miss this hotel. It is the only oceanfront resort in Myrtle Beach to have received the AAA four-diamond designation. Grande Dunes was also selected as "Best of the Beach" in the resort category in 2005 by the *Myrtle Beach Sun News*.

Our featured speaker at conference will be Glen Ward from Columbia, South Carolina. Mr. Ward addresses audiences all across the country as a full-time, professional humorist and inspirational speaker. Our representative from the Rotary International President will be PDG Mary Margaret Fleming from California. Mary Margaret is the recipient of many unique Rotary awards including being honored at the Barcelona International Conference as one of the Most Distinguished District Governors in the World. We look forward to hearing from both of these individuals.

Optional activities for the afternoons at conference will include kayaking on Friday and canoeing on Saturday and golf at the Myrtlewood Golf Club on Friday. Of course, the attractions of Myrtle Beach will also be available. Shopping opportunities abound for those who are so inclined. The hotel's beach and pools will be available for our use as will the Hibiscus Spa for those who could use a little pampering. Our entertainment on Friday night will be the Dueling Pianos duo from Myrtle Beach followed by a beach music shag party sponsored by the Clemmons Rotary Club. Saturday night will be our banquet and the recognition of clubs receiving Gold Club this year.

Make your plans now to attend District Conference in Myrtle Beach April 20-23. If you have any questions, send me an email at DC2006@Rotary7690.org.

See you at the beach.

David Pruette, Conference Chair 2006

**Rotary
International
Presidential Award
and
Rotary District 7690
2005-2006
Gold Club Award**

Club Presidents:

The completed 2005-2006 Presidential Citation Certification form and the 2005-2006 Gold Club form and materials must be sent to your respective assistant governor so that he may review them and submit them to Governor Phil Morris by the April 1, 2006 deadline. If your assistant governor has not discussed a timetable for this to happen, please give him a call.

Assistant governors have been asked to encourage all their clubs to do this because in some instances it has been discovered that many clubs are not taking credit for many of the activities they are doing.

The Presidential Citation material will be forwarded to RI for approval, and The Gold Club Citation will be awarded at the Saturday evening banquet at the 2006 District Conference. The Presidential Citation information and forms and the Governor's Gold Club materials and forms may be found at

www.rotary7690.org/7690-district-Resources.shtm.

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Our hearts, prayers and hopes are with you as you help the communities in your area begin to walk again. Thank you for your commitment to SERVICE Above Self."

Thank you, District 7690 Rotarians for your expression of care, concern and love for those with whom you share this fragile globe!

Now, I have been bracing for this moment all year. As I am writing this message District Governor Elect Mitzi Ellis has boarded the plane that will take her to International Assembly in San Diego where she will receive the training and instructions that she will be sharing with us in the 2006-2007 Rotary Year! Last year at this time, I had a conversation with then District Governor and Brother Don Allred. He was contemplating that the term of District Governor should really be for two years. "During the first year you make all your mistakes, Don told me." Then the second year is spent doing Rotary right. (By June 30 he had revised his thoughts on the matter.) This year has passed so quickly that it makes my head spin. It's not the passage of time although that is reason enough. I am overwhelmed that in such a short time so much good has been done by so many wonderful people in our 50 Rotary clubs.

And I will be learning much more of what you have been doing as the Assistant Governors begin to send me the details of your program that you will be submitting in the form of your 2005-2006 Gold Club reports. I am already impressed.

And when you read this our Group Study Exchange team will have reached Tai Chung, Taiwan. They have been meeting weekly since the team was formed last fall, studying the language and the culture of our Rotary partners to the Far East. They will be back and you will want to take part in sharing their experience, at District Conference 2006 at Myrtle Beach on April 20-23. Have you registered yet? I think you will find another article about District Conference 2006 in this newsletter. You will want to register very soon as there are a limited number of rooms available at the Marriott at the Grande Dunes.

**FAMILY OF
ROTARY DAY
AT THE NC ZOO**

Join in the fun of the Third Annual District 7690 Family of Rotary Day at the N C Zoo April 1st from 9 to 5. Bring the whole family and enjoy a wonderful time at the Zoo. Registration begins at 8:30 AM at the North America Entrance where you will pick up your tickets for the Zoo and for a picnic lunch at the Lakeside Picnic Area near the Africa Entrance. All participants must pre-register so your tickets will be ready for you at the registration table.

Once you have your tickets, enjoy seeing the new Australia Exhibit featuring kangaroos, wallabies, birds and reptiles, the Rocky Exhibit featuring polar bears, seals, sea lions, sea birds, and Arctic foxes and the Cypress Swamp with alligators, cougars, turtles and water fowl. Don't miss the Zoo's newest simulated 4D ride "Deep Sea". Then it is on to Streamside, Black Bear, Prairie, Red Wolf, Grizzly Bear, and the Sonora Desert. Be sure to stop in the Junction Plaza and ride the new Endangered Animal Carousel.

When you reach Africa, be sure to stop for a picnic lunch between 11:30 - 1:00 and visit with DG Phil Morris and fellow Rotarians and their families. Then it's on to Africa with lions and the Kitera Forest featuring the Zoo's troop of chimpanzees as well as elephants, gorillas, giraffes, zebras, a variety of antelope, monkeys, and the beautiful Aviary filled with tropical birds.

SEND IN YOUR REGISTRATION TODAY. Prices are \$16 for adults and for children under 12. NOTE: Children MUST be accompanied by an adult preferably a Rotarian.

SEE YOU AT THE ZOO!

Call For District Governor Candidates

Any club wishing to submit a candidate for District Governor 2008-2009 Rotary year must submit his/her name with complete qualifications **NO LATER** than April 30, 2006. Forms have been mailed to club presidents. The chairman of the Nominating Committee is PDG Henry Brown. The candidate must be available for an interview on Thursday, May 11. The completed forms should be mailed to the Rotary District Office, 114 Willoughby Park, High Point, NC 27265 and must be received by April 30.

AREA 8 CLUB NEWS

Charles Allen, Assistant Governor

Asheboro

Ed Clayton, President

Community, Vocational & Youth Projects:

Mentoring with challenged students; Job Shadowing; Youth Leadership Camp participants (RYLA); Student guest weekly from three (3) High Schools (Asheboro, Eastern Randolph and Southwestern Randolph); Trees Asheboro Project; Big Sweep Project; Salvation Army Bell Ringers.

International Projects:

Rotary Foundation Individual Grant for the Pat & Namoi Kilpartrick to travel to Fundacao Esperanca in Santarem, Brazil for a dental clinic project.

World Community Service Project

in Uganda with the Kabarole Rotary Club for a science lab in Bigodi Secondary School in Uganda.

Foundation Goal(s):

\$ 100.00 per member

Major Fund Raiser(s):

Vacation Home Auction

Membership Goal:

12 new members in 2005 – 06. Currently have 8 new members.

Troy

Larry Lassiter, President

Community, Vocational & Youth Projects:

Our club sponsors boys baseball and girls softball for the youth of our community. We also have activities at the annual Troyfest for the children. We paid for 4 of our county teachers to go to World View in Chapel Hill this past fall. We were a sponsor of an art exhibit in conjunction with Montgomery Community College and one of our members and his wife were the major organizers.

International Projects & Foundation Goals:

We have been involved on two occasions in bringing the Kiev Symphony to our county. We plan to remain a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club in support of the Foundation and our goal is to contribute \$3,300 in that support.

Major Fund Raiser(s):

Our fall golf tournament which raised approx. \$5,000

Membership Goal:

We have lost two members this year, but our goal is to end the club year with a net gain of one.

Randolph

Cranford Knott, President

Community, Vocational & Youth Projects:

Rang the Salvation Army Bell during the holidays, organizing a Bloodmobile for the community as well as a Shadow Day with local middle school students. Sponsored as well as hosted a Rotary Youth Exchange student from Spain. Sponsored a Rotary Drug Awareness speech contest with over 20 students participating. Will submit at least one applicant for RYLA.

International Projects & Foundation Goals:

World Community Service Project

"Saving Little Hearts in Nicaragua" participation with 8 other district clubs. Dr. Kathleen Riley, MD will travel to Nicaragua with the Duke Medical team in May 2006 to assist and translate into Spanish for the team.

"Saheli Vocational Training and Family Welfare Centre for Women" in Nawada, India with the Rotary Club of Nawada, India, District 3250.

Participate in the Every Rotarian Every Year program with a goal of \$200 average per capita giving for the year. Currently a 100% Paul Harris Fellow club as well as a sustaining Paul Harris Fellow Club. Will participate in hosting the GSE team from Taiwan in April.

Major Fund Raiser(s):

Foundation Raffle and Drawdown held annually in February.

Membership Goal:

Net gain of at least 1 new member

Liberty

Bob Cromer, President

Community, Vocational & Youth Projects:

Boy Scouts - Distribution of dictionaries to 3rd grade-Dist. of books at Christmas parade, assistance to town recreation department. Sponsors participation in leadership program gives scholarship for character & educational merit. Sponsors health & immunization program.

International Projects & Foundation Goals:

100% Paul Harris Fellowship - Participates in Project Smile in third world countries for dental restoration.

Major Fund Raiser(s):

Annual golf Tournament
Pancake Breakfast
Reverse Drawing and Steak Supper

Membership Goal:

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Attendance for January 2006

CLUBS	MEMBERS AS OF 6/30/05	CURRENT MEMBERS	MONTHLY % ATTENDANCE	MONTHLY MEETINGS	CLUB ID NUMBER
*Alamance	49	56	63%	5	6090
*Alamance Bkft	26	29	84%	4	23238
Archdale/Trinity	32	33	61%	4	29135
*Asheboro	109	115	78%	4	6052
Burlington	24	24	74%	4	6092
Carthage	16	18	79%	4	6053
*Clemmons	126	136	72%	4	29530
*Crescent	122	121	63%	4	6056
East Greensboro	22	18	85%	4	55569
Eden	47	45	72%	4	6058
*Furnitureland	54	57	79%	4	6059
*Gate City	59	60	74%	4	27995
*Graham	37	38	66%	4	6107
*Greensboro	323	313	61%	4	6060
*Gboro Arpt	35	40	78%	4	31667
*Guilford	50	53	96%	4	22059
*High Point	174	174	74%	4	6062
Jamestown	34	29	73%	5	6063
*Jonesboro	61	65	82%	4	22882
*Kernersville	59	65	83%	4	25027
King	22	22	77%	4	51294
Lexington	44	46	62%	5	6065
*Liberty	18	19	67%	4	6066
Madison/Mayodan	52	53	72%	5	6067
*Mocksville	63	62	77%	3	6069
*Mount Airy	101	103	74%	5	6070
Oak Hollow	16	18	68%	4	51358
*Pinehurst	29	33	62%	3	6072
*Randolph	79	75	80%	4	6074
Reidsville	71	72	71%	3	6075
Reynolda	110	108	71%	2	21534
S.G. New Gen.	14	12	85%	3	61795
Sandhills	43	39	75%	4	25530
*Sanford	75	72	55%	4	6078
San-Lee	26	26	76%	4	30735
Siler City	68	67	75%	3	6079
*Southern Pines	68	68	75%	4	6080
*Stoneville	14	14	79%	4	6081
Stratford	146	132	67%	4	6082
*Summit	130	130	70%	4	6083
Surry Sunrise	45	42	66%	4	57326
*Thomasville	75	76	90%	4	6084
*Triad	39	42	75%	5	6071
*Troy	34	31	68%	4	6085
Walnut Cove	30	24	61%	4	6087
*Willow Creek	18	19	68%	4	60367
Winston-Salem	253	251	49%	2	6088
Yadkin Valley	40	42	67%	4	30000
*Yadkinville	17	19	71%	5	51333
Yanceyville	24	23	78%	4	6134
DISTRICT	3223	3229	73%		

*100% Paul Harris Fellow Club

District 7690 Calendar

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