

The Piedmont Rotarian

ROTARY DISTRICT 7690 • APRIL 2007 • DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

"Lead the Way"

Mitzi Ellis, District Governor, 2 Sturbridge Lane, Greensboro, NC 27408

...AND THAT SPELLS ROTARY



Mitzi Ellis

Rotarians from North Carolina and parts of South Carolina came together March 15-17 in Greensboro to participate in PETS (President-Elect Training Seminar). Over 550 Rotarians shared ideas and activities with each other to ensure a successful year

for our incoming class of Presidents. It is truly an inspirational experience to see so many folks united in their love and passion for Rotary. You would have been proud of PDG Phil Morris who worked so hard as the photographer for the event. PDG Carol Summerlin, PDG Tony Baker and PDG Don Allred shared their knowledge and expertise as discussion leaders. DGE David McCoy and his leadership team introduced their agenda for 2007-08 with great confidence and excitement for what promises to be another successful year for D-7690.

Over 400 Rotarians and guests will be celebrating Rotary at District Conference in a few weeks. New members and first time attendees will feel the excitement and genuine joy that we share as a Family of Rotary. We will celebrate our many accomplishments this year while making sure we have plenty of time for fun and fellowship at The Homestead.

Team spirit is alive and well in D-7690. It has been so exciting to see the collaboration that has taken place this year in our 10 areas. All of the clubs are working together to combine their resources and energy to serve those in need locally or in a financial way through RI fund raising. Our Dream Team of Assistant Governors are "leading the way" in this endeavor.

Ain't no way you can talk about us without mentioning our Foundation and the importance we place in participating in the many worthwhile programs and making contributions to RI. We are leaders in so

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Almost Heaven...Rotary at The Homestead April 13-15

The hotel is booked, the program is printed, the speakers are selected, and the date is approaching! We just have a few reminders for you as you prepare to pack your bags and follow Route 220 to The Homestead.

Remember to make a dinner reservation at one of the three restaurants for your Friday evening meal. Call 1-800-838-1766 to make your selection for the dining spot of your choice (included in your lodging cost).

Remember to head out *early* for the Homestead on Friday morning so that you will be in your seat before the opening event begins at 1:30 pm. We suggest an early start and a quick brunch on the way through the Virginia hills. You will be ready to drop your luggage with the doorman and stop at the registration desk on your way to the Grand Ballroom West. We will have some terrific door prizes during the Friday afternoon session and you must be present to win. We have entertaining and informative sessions planned each day and you will not want to miss a minute!

Remember that the fun really begins at the Past District Governor champagne reception at 5:45 pm on Friday evening. Everyone is invited to toast our PDG's at this special Crystal Ballroom event. Music and champagne will flow freely! Follow the reception with a gourmet dinner and a night at the Casino and you are well on your way to Heaven at The Homestead!

Many thanks to all of the Rotarians who have assisted with the planning and details to bring this conference to life! Anticipate the adventure, the fun, and the fellowship that await you at The Homestead!



Upcoming District Events

(www.rotary7690.org)

May 6

District Fellowship

Event:

**Take Me Out To
The Ballgame
Baseball at the
Grasshoppers**

May 11

**District Assembly
GTCC**

June 25

**Installation of
District Officers
HPCC**

(continued from page 1...) many areas here and enjoy great leadership from Patrick Eakes and his Foundation Committee.

Rest assured that membership recruitment and retention are top priorities this year and many clubs have been successful in bringing in new members who are talented individuals in our communities. We are getting more organized with our orientation procedures and I have personally witnessed many induction ceremonies that were meaningful to everyone present. District Chair Kelly Harrill has been great in sharing his creative and inspiring messages across the District.

Yes, I could go on and on about the many attributes that make our District so special. We are successful because so many of you are "leading the way" and putting Service above Self. I hope you know how much YOU inspire me to live my life to the fullest and to lead with honesty and integrity.

Let's stay focused for the last 3 months and finish our Rotary year with the same degree of energy and excitement that we started with on July 1 - **Together we will "Lead the Way"**

District Conference Photography Contest

We have a winner! A member of the respected Randolph Community College Photography Department reviewed the club entries and has selected their winning photograph. We will make this announcement at District Conference during the Saturday Awards dinner. The winning club will receive a \$1,000 donation to the Rotary Foundation in their name. A BIG THANKS to Biscuitville for sponsoring this project!

GSE Team Arrives

Our GSE team arrived at the Greensboro airport on March 23rd and were greeted by a group of "nutty" Rotarians singing a Rotary song while waving the flag of Scotland. We have a great team from District 1230 in Scotland and I'm sure many of you are now experiencing the joys of sharing your homes and communities with our guests. We are all looking forward to their presentation at District Conference. We encourage you to visit our district website www.rotary7690.org and click on GSE team leader Harry's kilt to read their blog which journals their experiences in District 7690. It's great reading!



Thomasville Rotary Club Celebrates 85th Anniversary

Dr. Bob Sprinkle Receives Order of the Long Leaf Pine Award

On a cool but sunny day in March, 2007 the members of the Thomasville Rotary Club met to celebrate their 85th year as a chartered organization. One of their members, Paul Bowles, celebrated his 90th Birthday the same evening, and as it turned out, there was even more cause for celebration. Dr. Bob Sprinkle, a past District 7690 District Governor, was awarded the Order of the Long Leaf Pine Award, the highest civilian award presented in the state of North Carolina.

Multi-District Speech Contest

The Multi-District Speech Contest was held in Chapel Hill. Our top three winners from D-7690 presented and did a GREAT job. However, we did not win at this level of the competition. One of the Rotarians who has been involved with this program for many years said she felt it was the best group of students ever! Thanks to all of you who supported this important district youth program and we hope that you will recruit students for next year.

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**The Duke-UNC Rotary Center for International Studies
in Peace and Conflict Resolution
Fourth Annual Rotary Fellows Spring Conference
Saturday April 14
The Terry Sanford Institute - Duke University
Challenges for Peace and Development in the 21st Century
Conference Program**

8:30 am	Registration
9:00 am	Welcome and Introductions
9:45 am	Keynote Address "Achieving peace through prosperity: what is needed in the Middle East" Dr. Inder Sud, Adjunct Professor of the Practice of International Affairs at George Washington University and Former Director for the Middle East at the World Bank
10:30 am	Adjourn to Breakout Sessions
10:45 am	Breakout Session 1
11:45 am	Break
12:00 noon	Breakout Session 2
1:00 pm	Lunch
3:00 pm	Adjourn

Peace Fellow Presentation Topics

Afghanistan, Congo, and Colombia:
Ideologies and Conflict in the Post-Cold War
Presenter: Juan Esteban Ugarriza

Kazakhstan: Analyzing the Spillover Effect of the
Regional financial Center of Almaty
Presenter: Olga Nesterova

Africa: Using Information to Achieve Better
Development Results
Presenter: Matthew Ford

Nepal: Integration of Internally
Displaced Persons
Presenter: Stephanie Borsboom

Argentina: Crisis, Scavenger Cooperatives and
How to Deal with Unemployment
Presenter: Martin Kunik

Timor-Leste: Using Australian Aid to
Resolve Violent Conflict
Presenter: David Chick

Bangladesh: HIV and Social Exclusion
Presenter: Nidhi Khosla

Challenges in the Military's Role During
Peacekeeping Operations
Presenter: Roland Bolado

Community-Driven Development in
Post-Conflict Situations
Presenter: Ana Salazar

Sovereign Debts and the Odious Debts Doctrine
Presenter: Yvonne Wong

Please RSVP online at www.RotaryPeaceCenterNC.org

by April 6, 2007
919-843-4887

Attendance for February 2007

CLUBS	MEMBERS AS OF 6/30/06	CURRENT MEMBERS	MONTHLY MEETINGS	MONTHLY % ATTEND	CLUB ID NUMBER
*Alamance	54	58	4	54	6090
*Alamance Bkft	30	29	4	82	23238
Archdale/Trinity	34	29	4	58	29135
*Asheboro	119	121	4	70	6052
Burlington	24	25	4	73	6092
Carthage	20	23	4	79	6053
*Clemmons	133	144	4	81	29530
**Crescent	120	119	4	72	6056
East Greensboro	18	15	4	67	55569
*Eden	40	37	4	78	6058
*Furnitureland	56	60	4	70	6059
**Gate City	57	61	3	94	27995
*Graham	39	42	3	61	6107
*Greensboro	310	311	3	47	6060
*Gboro Arpt	41	40	4	70	31667
*Guilford	55	60	4	75	22059
*High Point	172	171	3	65	6062
Jamestown	23	22	4	82	6063
*Jonesboro	63	58	3	70	22882
*Kernersville	67	71	4	85	25027
King	22	21	3	89	51294
*Lexington	45	44	4	64	6065
*Liberty	19	21	3	71	6066
Madison/Mayodan	53	41	4	76	6067
*Mocksville	66	49	4	57	6069
*Mount Airy	106	105	4	83	6070
Oak Hollow	15	12	3	67	51358
*Pinehurst	31	35	3	67	6072
*Randolph	79	79	4	83	6074
Reidsville	74	71	3	75	6075
Reynolda	110	107	4	62	21534
**Sandhills	36	39	3	66	25530
*Sanford	67	56	4	59	6078
San-Lee	26	28	3	93	30735
*Siler City	64	63	3	72	6079
Southern Guilford	11	12	4	61	61795
*Southern Pines	67	76	4	80	6080
*Stoneville	14	19	4	81	6081
*Stratford	127	124	3	57	6082
*Summit	125	127	4	80	6083
Surry Sunrise	34	38	4	70	57326
*Thomasville	72	77	3	90	6084
*Triad	42	42	4	74	6071
*Troy	36	33	4	75	6085
Walnut Cove	21	23	4	49	6087
**Willow Creek	19	19	3	72	60367
Winston-Salem	255	254	4	46	6088
Yadkin Valley	39	42	4	68	30000
*Yadkinville	17	17	4	73	51333
Yanceyville	23	20	4	68	6134
DISTRICT	3189	3190		71%	

*100% Paul Harris Fellow Club

**Triple Crown Club

District 7690 Calendar

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