

# The Piedmont Rotarian

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

*"Rotary Shares"*

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I love September! We get flashes of the cooler months that lie ahead, the months that fill many of us with energy following a summer slowdown. As a school boy I always thought of September as a new beginning, a clean slate, and a chance to do better. Maybe this will be the month your club feels that renewed energy. Remember, it all begins with you.

Rotary designates September as New Generations Month and we are focused especially on getting and retaining younger members. Rotary International puts a major emphasis on the world's youth and young adults with numerous programs and scholarships that foster world understanding.

Rotary Youth Leadership Academy (RYLA) was officially adopted by Rotary International in 1971. It is one of the most significant and fastest-growing programs of Rotary service. RYLA programs often lead to the formation or strengthening of Rotaract and Interact clubs. RYLA participants often go on to become Youth Exchange students or Ambassadorial Scholars. This past month, DGN Mike Conrad and I had an opportunity to speak with the RYLA participants about opportunities in Rotary beyond RYLA. The District RYLA program is operated by the Greensboro Club and participants come from around our District. Being with these talented students is an uplifting experience. I have already received e-mails from participants who are interested in the Youth Exchange Program and Ambassadorial Scholarships. These young men and women are our future.

Rotary's motto is "Service Above Self." Sadly, some of today's youth feel "it's all about me." This is definitely not the case with the participants in the various youth and young adult programs offered by Rotary. So, why have so many of the alumni of these programs not joined Rotary? A major reason may be that they have not been asked!

There are definitely potential Rotarians near you. Have they been asked? It's not for everyone, but I'll bet you can recognize that special person. Bringing in younger members provides our clubs with a renewed energy and a brighter future. What happens after a new person joins Rotary is up to each of us. We need to involve them  
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## Exchange Students - Host Families Needed

Next year seems like a long way off, but now is the time to start planning next year's Youth Exchange. ESSEX will handle the details, but District 7690 Rotary Clubs we need to step forward with two important components. First, between now and the end of November, we need to identify rising juniors or seniors, inform them about the youth exchange opportunity, and encourage their application for either the short term exchange next summer, or the long term exchange for the 2008-2009 school year. Lots of details at [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) or [www.exchangestudent.org](http://www.exchangestudent.org), or look for the District 7690 orientation sessions to be held in early October. Remember, young people from Rotarian families ARE eligible for this program.

Second, we need clubs to step forward now and commit to hosting an exchange student beginning next August, for the '08-'09 school year. In some areas, two or three clubs might join together to sponsor a student: Sanford, Pinehurst, High Point, Winston-Salem, Mt. Airy, Burlington, or Greensboro (as they have done this year). Obviously we have the capacity as a district to host as many as 7-8 students. What we need is the desire to make this opportunity available to young folks from other countries who are committed to the exchange student experience and the impact it has in fostering Rotary's goal of world peace and understanding. If your club is ready to say "Yes" to this opportunity, call Bob at 336-851-2748 or Cory at 336-643-1783, or e-mail us at [bdnewt@yahoo.com](mailto:bdnewt@yahoo.com). We need your support and your commitment NOW. We can work out the details in the coming months.

## Call for District Governor Candidates

Any club wishing to submit a candidate for District Governor for 2010-2011 Rotary year must submit his or her name with complete qualifications NO LATER than OCT. 29, 2007. Forms have been mailed to club presidents.

The Chairman of the Nominating Committee is PDG Don Allred. The candidate must be available for an interview on Thursday, November 1.

The completed forms should be mailed to the Rotary District Office, 114 Willoughby Park, High Point, NC 27265 and must be received by October 29, 2007.

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114 Willoughby Park Dr.,  
High Point, NC 27265  
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immediately. These new members are not interested in the "meet and eat" club. They want to roll up their sleeves and make a difference in the community and the world.

Once they have joined Rotary, are we doing what is necessary to keep them in our clubs? Do we provide an effective orientation program? Do we get them involved? For all of us, but particularly our younger members, time is valuable — they are being pulled in many different directions — new careers, new families, etc. But they join because they want to make a difference. If they are not involved, we won't keep them in Rotary very long.

In September, we will be holding seminars in Asheboro and Clemmons on Membership, Foundation, and Youth Services. I want to urge each of you to attend and to encourage a large group from your club to attend. Through these seminars we find ways to strengthen our clubs.

Remember "SHARE" Rotary with a friend or colleague. Give them an opportunity to see the Power of Rotary and be part of the finest service organization in the world.

## District Governor Sept./Oct. Visits

9/4/2007	Yanceyville
9/5/2007	Kernersville
9/6/2007	Troy
9/6/2007	Willow Creek
9/7/2007	Summit
9/11/2007	Pinehurst
9/12/2007	Sandhills
9/17/2007	Crescent
9/18/2007	Greensboro Arpt.
9/18/2007	Alamance
9/19/2007	Greensboro
9/21/2007	Oak Hollow
9/25/2007	S. G. New Gen.
9/25/2007	Guilford
9/27/2007	Stratford
9/28/2007	Southern Pines
10/2/2007	Sanford
10/9/2007	Winston Salem
10/18/2007	High Point

## Rotary Area 7690- Proud Sponsor of the Piedmont Ethics Award

Rotary District 7690 has teamed up with the Society of Financial Service Professionals to sponsor the Piedmont Business Ethics Award.

The Piedmont Business Ethics Award recognizes businesses that demonstrate the highest commitment to ethical business practices in everyday operations, management philosophies, response to challenges, treatment of employees and involvement in civic and environmental concerns. Winners will be recognized at an awards luncheon on November 29, 2007 at Starmount Country Club in Greensboro, where North Carolina Supreme Court Justice Paul Newby will be this year's keynote speaker.

Nominations are currently being sought by the Greensboro Chapter of the Society of Financial Service Professionals from the entire Rotary District/Piedmont Triad area of North Carolina for the 2007 Piedmont Business Ethics Award.

This is a great opportunity for Rotarians to nominate businesses in four categories: Less than 50 employees, 51 to 150 employees, 151 to 500 employees, and over 500 employees. Nominations that turn into entries count as a Gold Club requirement for Vocational Service for your club. In addition, your Rotary club and Rotary District 7690 will receive recognition as a nominator in the awards process. The deadline for entries is September 21, 2007.

For more information, or to nominate a local business, please visit [the website](http://the website) or [contact your](mailto:contact your) District Vocational Service Co-Chairs: Abby Donnelly (336) 884-1348 or [Abby@DrivenForResults.com](mailto:Abby@DrivenForResults.com) or Sue Jarvis (336) 922-2941 or [ken\\_suejarvis@alltel.net](mailto:ken_suejarvis@alltel.net).

## PEACE SCHOLAR COMES TO ROTARY DISTRICT 7690

Rotary District 7690, which includes Rotary Clubs in the Piedmont area of North Carolina, is pleased to welcome to North Carolina Rotary World Peace Fellow Willan (Will) Mendoza from Bolivia. Will is one of nine Rotary World Peace Fellows enrolled in the graduate program in the Rotary Center for International Studies in Peace and Conflict Resolution, a partnership between Duke and Chapel Hill. He will be studying in the Department of City and Regional Planning at Chapel Hill as well as taking classes on conflict resolution at Duke University. He anticipates a career in planning, economic development and education. His previous experience includes running his own IT consulting firm and teaching English as a second language.

Rotary District 7690 is providing host /counselors for Will during the two year Program. He is the first Rotary World Peace Fellow to be hosted by District 7690. His host counselors are Past District Governors Phil Morris (Rotary Club of Furnitureland), and Mitzi Ellis (Rotary Club of Crescent, Greensboro).

Rotary World Peace Fellows study in a master's level program in conflict resolution, peace studies, international relations, and other related disciplines. Rotary Peace Centers are located in seven leading universities around the world and admit about 70 Fellows to the program each year.

District 7690 is a Rotary Pioneer District for this program, having committed the \$50,000 needed to fund a Rotary World Peace Fellow during the inaugural year of the program, 2002-2004.



Deep River Rotary  
President Ken Hopkins  
welcomes Peace  
Scholar  
Will Mendoza.

## SEPTEMBER IS NEW GENERATIONS MONTH

If your club is looking for new ways to get involved with youth in your community or district-wide or find out about Rotary programs for youth, contact one of the following:

Rotaract Co-Chair: Howard Hicks at  
336-454-2516

Rotaract Co-Chair: Carl Stewart at  
336-882-0446

Youth Services Co-Chair: PDG Robert Newton at  
336-851-2748

Youth Services Co-Chair: Cory Newton at  
336-346-1380

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ROTARY CLUB OF SANFORD

The Rotary Club of Sanford has become the sixth club in Rotary District 7690 to achieve the Triple Crown status. The Triple Crown represents 100% Paul Harris Fellows, 100% Paul Harris Sustaining Members and 100% Benefactors to the Rotary Foundation. Congratulations to the Sanford Rotary for this great accomplishment.

## Successful Golf Tournament for Boys & Girls Homes

On June 4, 2007, the second annual Old Dominion/ Rotary Golf Day was held at Mid-Pines Inn and Golf Club in Southern Pines. PDG Henry Brown served as General Chairman for the tournament. Twenty foursomes participated in a Texas Scramble format. The ultimate winners were the children in the Rotary cottage at Lake Waccamaw. Henry and Chip Overby of Old Dominion gave Bill Thompson, President of Boys & Girls Home a check for \$16,000. A big thanks to all the Rotarians in District 7690 who participated.

*Sanders Dallas, Boys & Girls Homes of NC  
District Representative*

# Attendance for July 2007

CLUBS	MEMBERS AS OF 6/30/07	CURRENT MEMBERS	MONTHLY MEETINGS	MONTHLY % ATTEND	CLUB ID NUMBER
*Alamance	53	53	5	54	6090
*Alamance Bkft	27	27	4	73	23238
Archdale/Trinity	29	29	3	62	29135
*Asheboro	115	114	3	65	6052
Burlington	22	22	4	72	6092
Carthage	21	21	4	57	6053
*Clemmons	134	135	3	62	29530
**Crescent	114	115	4	67	6056
Deep River	8	8	4	97	51358
*East Greensboro	17	17	3	66	55569
*Eden	34	36	4	70	6058
*Furnitureland	51	55	4	61	6059
**Gate City	59	61	3	95	27995
*Graham	40	37	3	68	6107
*Greensboro	314	316	3	43	6060
*Gboro Arpt	39	40	4	68	31667
*Guilford	59	60	4	63	22059
*High Point	167	169	3	67	6062
Jamestown	21	22	4	89	6063
**Jonesboro	56	56	3	56	22882
*Kernersville	71	72	3	87	25027
*King	20	20	4	71	51294
*Lexington	49	50	4	61	6065
*Liberty	21	20	3	67	6066
Madison/Mayodan	40	40	4	76	6067
*Mocksville	47	47	4	69	6069
*Mount Airy	106	106	5	69	6070
*Pinehurst	35	36	4	82	6072
*Randolph	81	81	3	74	6074
Reidsville	67	67	4	73	6075
Reynolda	109	110	3	59	21534
**Sandhills	26	32	5	67	25530
**Sanford	40	40	3	82	6078
*San-Lee	51	51	4	50	30735
*Siler City	56	57	4	77	6079
Southern Guilford	12	12	5	70	61795
*Southern Pines	68	69	4	74	6080
*Stoneville	18	18	4	75	6081
*Stratford	122	122	3	55	6082
*Summit	121	120	3	77	6083
Surry Sunrise	37	37	3	74	57326
*Thomasville	76	75	3	90	6084
*Triad	40	40	4	72	6071
*Troy	33	33	3	70	6085
Walnut Cove	19	19	4	75	6087
**Willow Creek	17	17	3	77	60367
Winston-Salem	251	248	4	47	6088
Yadkin Valley	39	40	3	61	30000
*Yadkinville	20	20	4	74	51333
Yanceyville	18	18	4	63	6134
<b>DISTRICT</b>	<b>3090</b>	<b>3110</b>		<b>69%</b>	

\*100% Paul Harris Fellow Club

\*\*Triple Crown Club

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