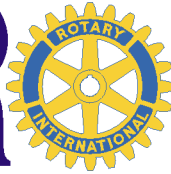


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ROTARY DISTRICT 7690 • JANUARY 2009 • DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

*"Make Dreams Real"*

*Charles Allen, Governor, PO Box 623, Randleman, NC 27317*



Charles Allen

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

**WOW, What a great time to be a Rotarian and to be Your District Governor!**

**We've completed six months of our Rotary Year and we only have six months left to complete the many great projects and events planned.**

January is "ROTARY AWARENESS MONTH" and I have two questions for you:

1. What methods are you using to communicate "Rotary" to your clubs, families, and your communities?
2. How often are you communicating to your communities the projects and events your clubs have planned?

Now, ask your self one more question, "Do my friends, family and community know about Rotary because of what they see me doing to "Make Dreams Real"?"

### **Coming Events:**

Our GSE Team begins their adventure of a life time on January 1, 2009 when they leave for India District 3250 and they are scheduled to return February 5, 2009. Please keep GSE Team Leader Joe Kelly (Summit Rotary) and GSE Team members Carrie Myers, Amanda Martin, Jenna Fariss, Shanthony Exum in your thoughts and prayers during their trip. Follow their adventures on their blog that will be set up on the District Website at [www.Rotary7690.org](http://www.Rotary7690.org).

The 2009 District Rotary Against Drugs Speech Contest will be held February 21, 2009 at GTCC Jamestown Campus. If you have questions please check out the information on the District Website at [www.Rotary7690.org](http://www.Rotary7690.org).

The 2009 Carolinas' PETS will be March 19 -21 at the Sheraton Greensboro at Four Seasons Hotel in Greensboro, NC. This Presidents-Elect Training Seminar is required for each incoming President-Elect and each President-Nominee is encouraged to attend. Register now to beat the January 24 deadline at: <http://www.carolinaspets.org/registration/register.htm>

Saturday, April 4, 2009 will be Rotary District 7690 "FAMILY OF ROTARY DAY" at the North Carolina Zoo in Asheboro, NC. Details will be coming out in the month of January.

The "Rotary Youth Leadership Program" at Guilford College will be in July 2009. The leadership team from the Rotary Club of Greensboro will be sending out information in January.

The Rotary District 7690 52<sup>nd</sup> District Conference will be April 23 – 26, 2009 at the Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort and Conference Center. Registration materials will be sent out in January. You can check out the early details at our District 7690 website: [www.rotarydistrict7690.org](http://www.rotarydistrict7690.org) or <http://rotary7690conference.com/>

This year, 2009 will present us with great opportunities and challenges. Opportunities that will allow us to stretch as we reach out to others through Rotary "Service Above Self" efforts to "Make Dreams Real". Challenges will come as we strive to increase membership in our clubs during uncertain economic events, but we must share with others the privilege of being a Rotarian. "Whether you think you can or you can't, your right".

**Remember, Rotary Teamwork Will "Make Dreams Real".**

Yours In Rotary Service,  
*Charles*

## "DREAMS" SET IN MOTION FOR 2009 CONFERENCE!

Happy New Year fellow Rotarians! Well it is hard to believe that the holidays have come and gone and now our "Make Dreams Real" Conference is just a few short months away.

Within a couple of weeks, you will be receiving your registration packets in the mail. But why wait? You can actually go to our website at [www.rotary7690conference.com](http://www.rotary7690conference.com) right now. In this trying economy, our Conference Leadership Team has worked extra hard this year to plan a conference that is affordable to any Rotarian wishing to participate. The beautiful Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort has given us a special discounted conference rate of \$158.00 per night. You may wish to plan ahead and book your reservation now by clicking on the "Hotel Registration" link on our website.

This is a perfect opportunity for you and your family to come be part of the Rotary Conference experience! Inspirational speakers... great food and fellowship... awesome entertainment... and a chance to see programs on how our individual Rotary Clubs make a difference around the world. As Rotarians, we create our tomorrows by what we "Dream" today!

We invite you and your family to join us April 23-26, 2009 for an exciting, funfilled conference as we "Make Dreams Real" in Myrtle Beach.

*David Caughron*  
2009 Conference Chairman



## PETS REGISTRATION

The annual PETS Training for incoming presidents-elect is scheduled for March 20-21 at the Sheraton in Greensboro.

This is required for all incoming club presidents. If you need a form to register, go to the district's website.

At the district's website, scroll down to "Rotary Links" and click on PETS registration form.

Deadline for registration is January 24<sup>th</sup>. Registration for this event is not handled through the district office. You must register through the information provided on the form.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Terry Titus of the Yadkinville Rotary Club will serve Rotary District 7690 as the District Governor in 2011-2012.

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## 2009 RI Convention in Birmingham, England, June 21 – 14, 2009

**"Be a part of history and celebrate the 100th Rotary convention, which will take place in Birmingham, the heart of England!"**

Now is the time to make plans to attend the 100th Rotary convention that will be an experience that will inspire you, inform you about the great accomplishment of Rotary on an international level, and also provide you with resources and motivation to move your club forward. By participating in an RI Convention, you'll gain a broader appreciation of Rotary's global impact and strengthen your commitment to service. Confirmed speakers to date are Mia Farrow, actress, humanitarian, and polio survivor, Dame Jane Godall, renowned primatologist and humanitarian, Deepa Willingham, Founder of PACE Universal and Tom Henderson, Founder of Shelterbox. We will also be treated to unbelievable entertainment and of course, where there are Rotarians there are many fun events to participate in.

[Click here for a brochure with the details of the event.](#) In addition, you can go to [www.Rotary.org](http://www.Rotary.org) and find everything you need to know about the convention. You will also find the information to register online.

Finally, if you plan to attend the RI Convention, you must come to the "Southland Breakfast." This will be a chance for all Rotarians and spouses from Zones 33 & 34, (Districts in the Southeast and Caribbean) to get together with our RI Board Member, Eric Adamson, other dignitaries including, John Kenny, our RI President for 2009 – 10 and by-the-way, enjoy some great southern grits. The "Southland Breakfast" will be held on Monday, June 22 at 7 am at the National Exhibition Center in Birmingham. The cost of the ticket is \$45 per person and these tickets can only be obtained from me. Please email me at [MikeConrad@Rotary7690.org](mailto:MikeConrad@Rotary7690.org) if you wish tickets for the breakfast.

Should you have questions, please don't hesitate emailing me at [MikeConrad@Rotary7690.org](mailto:MikeConrad@Rotary7690.org) or phoning me at 336-404-0951. I can assure you that attending a RI Convention will be an impactful event not only for you as a Rotarian but for your spouse as well.

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- 24 desks for a community school in the Solomon Islands



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# District 7690 Rotary Leadership Institute 2008

District 7690 hosted the 5th Annual Rotary Leadership Institute on Friday, November 21. The venue was the beautiful and well-appointed High Point Chamber.

Chamber President and Rotarian Tom Dayvault donated the use of the facility to Rotary for the second year. Over 40 Rotarians participated in the event, and we honored 13 who officially graduated from the three (3) part program. Faculty facilitators came from as far as Asheville and Cary to support our RLI and our own Bob Newton, Marcus Crofts and Abby Donnelly rounded out the faculty list. The energy was high as participants shared their Rotary experience and discussed ways to improve our clubs, district and world through Rotary.

Click here to see photos!

[http://www.rli33.org/announce/annoucepages/2008-11-24\\_HPtNCRLI\\_pix.html](http://www.rli33.org/announce/annoucepages/2008-11-24_HPtNCRLI_pix.html)

This is a great opportunity to learn more about Rotary and build relationships across the district. Please consider joining us next year for the 2009 Rotary Leadership Institute. I look forward to seeing you there!

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## Schedule for the Rotary Against Drugs Speech Contest

**Tuesday, February 17, 2009** - Let Dona Neal know the name of the student (and school) who your club is sponsoring.

**Saturday, February 21, 2009** - The District 7690 competition will be held at 9:00 AM @ GTCC – Jamestown Campus

**Sunday, March 22, 2009** - The Multi-District competition in Chapel Hill (note: this is during the same weekend of PETS) If your club's speaker advances to the Chapel Hill competition it is strongly urged that a representative from your club join the speaker that afternoon in Chapel Hill.

**Saturday, April 25, 2009** - The district winner is expected to give a speech at District Conference.

Dona Neal, *District 7690 Chair Rotary Against Drugs Speech Contest*

## Membership

Hello Rotarians of District 7690! We are half way through the Rotary year, and 66% of the way to our Gold Club deadline. Are you on track for membership? If not, it's time to take a look at your club and evaluate the following:

- 1.** Can you and other members of your club describe, in 30 seconds or less, a compelling emotional reason for joining YOUR Rotary club? People will join your club because they have an emotionally compelling need that can be met through membership in your club. If you can discover their need and fill it, you will gain a strong Rotarian. Many people are looking to give back and of course Rotary can be a great avenue for that.
- 2.** Are you and your fellow club members inviting people who would make great Rotarians to visit your club? Rotary is invitation only, so to grow, we all must invite prospective members to visit our clubs. New members bring new ideas, fresh perspective and creative energy to your club.
- 3.** Do you have fun, informative and engaging meetings? Fellowship, good programs and a great meeting environment encourage visitors to want to be a part of it and it facilitates the retention of existing members. Both are important for membership!

Your club is making a difference in the community and the world. Isn't it time to invite others to help make a difference as well? Make a commitment to invite someone to visit your club this month.

*Abby Donnelly  
District Chair  
Rotary Leadership Institute*

If you think training your people and having them leave is expensive, try not training them and having them stay.

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# Attendance for November 2008

CLUBS	MEMBERS AS OF 6/30/08	CURRENT MEMBERS	MONTHLY MEETINGS	MONTHLY % ATTEND	CLUB ID NUMBER
*Alamance	42	47	4	66	6090
*Alamance Bkft	28	27	4	73	23238
*Archdale/Trinity	24	26	3	78	29135
*Asheboro	104	93	3	70	6052
*Burlington	20	20	3	91	6092
*Carthage	17	20	3	76	6053
*Clemmons	133	117	4	76	29530
**Crescent	109	102	4	74	6056
*Deep River	9	8	3	96	51358
*East Greensboro	14	17	3	53	55569
*Eden	30	29	3	78	6058
*Furnitureland	58	60	4	73	6059
**Gate City	62	66	3	92	27995
*Graham	36	33	3	63	6107
*Greensboro	315	314	3	59	6060
*Gboro Arpt	42	42	3	69	31667
*Guilford	58	60	4	64	22059
*High Point	157	157	4	75	6062
*Jamestown	22	25	4	82	6063
**Jonesboro	49	49	3	70	22882
*Kernersville	72	70	3	79	25027
*King	22	20	3	77	51294
*Lexington	38	0	4	71	6065
*Liberty	21	19	3	53	6066
*Madison/Mayodan	37	33	4	72	6067
*Mocksville	49	57	4	58	6069
*Mount Airy	104	108	4	72	6070
*Pinehurst	39	43	4	71	6072
*Randolph	83	83	3	73	6074
*Reidsville	64	62	4	75	6075
*Reynolda	107	111	3	56	21534
**San Lee Sunrise	34	33	5	90	30735
**Sandhills	36	40	3	80	25530
**Sanford	38	35	4	73	6078
*Siler City	56	53	3	79	6079
*Southern Guilford	11	11	4	70	61795
*Southern Pines	78	85	3	76	6080
*Stoneville	16	17	3	80	6081
*Stratford	113	108	3	61	6082
*Summit	111	110	3	75	6083
*Surry Sunrise	35	37	4	69	57326
*Thomasville	77	77	3	97	6084
*Triad	37	37	3	83	6071
*Troy	30	32	3	74	6085
*Walnut Cove	21	21	3	65	6087
*Western Forsyth	(missing)	30	3	71	79812
**Willow Creek	15	13	3	80	60367
*Winston-Salem	253	250	4	40	6088
*Yadkin Valley	41	37	4	57	30000
*Yadkinville	20	22	4	66	51333
*Yanceyville	16	10	4	71	6134
<b>DISTRICT</b>	<b>3003</b>	<b>2976</b>		<b>72%</b>	