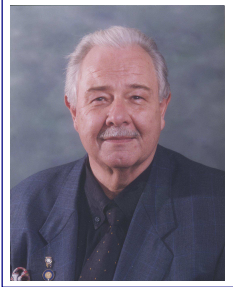




# The Piedmont tarian

ROTARY DISTRICT 7690 • APRIL 2011 • DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

*"Building Communities, Bridging Continents."  
Wes Patterson, 405 Pinefield Place, Thomasville, NC 27360*



Wes Patterson

My how this year has gone by so quickly! I invite all Rotarians in 7690 to consider serving as district governor. You cannot imagine the fun you can have, the friends you can make and the experience of learning about Rotary at its best.

I have just had the privilege of judging the district contest for Rotary Against Drugs and then the multi-district contest that covers North Carolina. Our district winner, Kevin Littlejohn, Jr. blew everyone away in the state finals. Kevin is one of the speakers for district conference on Saturday, April 3. I hope you will have the opportunity to hear him.

Kevin is going to Mars Hill in the fall on a football scholarship. I told him at the Shadow Day event in Greensboro that public speaking is his talent. Kevin was sponsored by the East Greensboro Rotary Club, and his coach was Marvette Artis. When the multi-district contest had concluded, I could not tell who had the biggest smile, Marvette or Kevin's dad, Kevin Littlejohn, Sr.

At district conference another speaker will be our peace scholar, Eduardo Costa. I am looking forward to an opportunity in April to hear all twenty presentations by the peace scholars that are studying in our state. For those of you who are wondering if the youth that will follow us are less quality than we, I can assure you these two gentlemen will change your mind.

I am writing this before district conference; however, we can agree that Wilmington and this conference will inspire Rotarians of 7690 to be bigger, better and bolder. This is Ray Klingensmith's wish for us. Although our district has been a shining star for Rotary, let us continue to make it better in the future. I am sure our incoming governor Terry Titus would agree.

## **CALLING ALL CLUBS PRESIDENTS-ELECT, CLUB OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**

**PLAN TO ATTEND THE  
DISTRICT ASSEMBLY  
MAY 13, 2011**

**GTCC, JAMESTOWN CAMPUS  
APPLIED TECHNOLOGY CENTER**

**FOR A MORNING OF ROTARY  
INFORMATION AND PLANNING FOR  
THE UPCOMING ROTARY YEAR**

**Registration 8:00 - 8:30 am**

**Continental Breakfast at 8:00 am**

**Informative Training Sessions  
Concluding at Noon**

**Cost \$15 per person (includes  
breakfast)**

**(If you have questions, please call the Rotary District Office at 336-885-7690). Registration will be available online at [www.rotary7690.org](http://www.rotary7690.org) through the calendar in the district database.**

**THE  
JAPANESE  
DISASTER  
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CAN HELP:**

**If you or your  
club would like to  
help Japan,  
go to  
[www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)**

**Information is  
available on how  
you can donate  
through the  
Rotary  
Foundation.**

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## **Rotary District 7690 High School Rotary Against Drugs Speech Contest**



On Saturday, February 26th, Rotary District 7690 held its annual Rotary Against Drugs High School Speech Contest at Guilford Technical Community College in Jamestown. Students presented speeches aimed at convincing their fellow students to avoid drugs and alcohol abuse. Students advanced to the district competition by competing at their local high school.

Fourteen students participated in the District Competition, and the top three finalists are eligible to advance to the Multi-District Competition to be held in Chapel Hill on Sunday, March 20. These winners will compete with students from Rotary Districts 7710, 7720 and 7730 in North Carolina and District 7570 in Virginia. The winners of the 2011 District Contest are:

**Kevin Littlejohn**, first place, Dudley High School, sponsored by the Rotary Club of East Greensboro.

**Essence Lytch**, second place, Western Guilford High School, sponsored by Guilford Rotary Club.

**Marquis Hackett**, third place, Southern Lee High School sponsored by Sanford Rotary Club.

**Nathaniel Peterkin**, fourth place, Pinecrest High School, sponsored by Southern Pines Rotary Club.

**Reba Everhart**, fifth place, Wesleyan Academy, sponsored by High Point Rotary Club.

**Kevin Littlejohn  
was the  
Multi-District  
first place  
winner for the  
RAD contest.**



# The Foundation APRIL 2011 Corner



## Investing less than US\$2 a week through the Foundation changes lives

Worldwide, Rotary Foundation Matching Grants are saving and changing lives. Since the first Matching Grant was awarded in 1965, more than US\$335 million has been distributed through more than 30,000 grants.

This is a tremendous achievement for Rotarians, who have made these grants possible through their generous donations to the Annual Programs Fund, and dedicated their time and talent to help carry out projects that put Service Above Self.

By giving \$100 a year -- less than \$2 a week -- to the Annual Programs Fund through the **Every Rotarian, Every Year** (EREY) initiative, Rotarians become part of the Foundation's mission to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.

Here is an example of a project made possible through Matching Grants.

### **Without water, there is no life**

In many parts of the world, people lack access to clean water, leading to disease and death. More than 3.5 million people die from water-related diseases each year, and more than 40 percent of those deaths are due to diarrhea, which UNICEF lists as the second-leading childhood killer. Polio also spreads through contaminated water.

Rotary club members have helped install 19,000 bio-sand filters, which make water safe to drink, through the Rotarian-led Children's Safe Water Alliance in the Dominican Republic. They've reached an estimated 100,000 people in 300 communities.

A child bathes in Río Bajabonico in La Grúa, Dominican Republic. Rotary club members have helped install 19,000 bio-sand filters, which make water safe to drink, through the Rotarian-led Children's Safe Water Alliance.



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For seven years, more than 200 clubs in 18 districts in Canada, the Dominican Republic, the United States, and other Caribbean countries have supported the effort, as has the Foundation, with 30 Matching Grants.

We believe every Rotarian has a story about EREY. Why do you give through **Every Rotarian, Every Year**? Send your story to [my.erey.story@rotary.org](mailto:my.erey.story@rotary.org), and it might be chosen to appear in the next EREY ad in The Rotarian.

Your contributions to **Every Rotarian, Every Year** help make projects such as these possible. Thank you to each of you that have given to the support of The Rotary Foundation and Rotary International.

*Yours In Rotary Service,  
PDG Charles L. Allen, District Rotary  
Foundation Chair 2010-13*

# Attendance for February 2011

CLUBS	MEMBERS AS OF 6/30/10	CURRENT MEMBERS	MONTHLY MEETINGS	MONTHLY % ATTEND NO.	CLUB ID
*Alamance	52	52	4	58	6090
*Alamance Bkft	17	18	0	72	23238
*Archdale/Trinity	21	21	4	67	29135
*Asheboro	89	90	4	70	6052
*Burlington	20	20	4	71	6092
*Carthage	15	18	4	75	6053
*Clemmons	109	106	4	71	29530
**Crescent	97	98	2	75	6056
*East Greensboro	16	18	4	45	55569
*Eden	26	32	4	80	6058
*Furnitureland	46	48	4	69	6059
**Gate City	65	67	3	85	27995
*Graham	33	35	4	74	6107
**Greensboro	304	305	3	68	6060
**Gboro Arpt	37	39	3	79	31667
*Guilford	54	55	4	73	22059
*High Point	138	140	4	67	6062
**Hillsdale Sunrise	22	25	3	70	99012511
*Jamestown	24	24	3	76	6063
**Jonesboro	36	35	4	80	22882
**Kernersville	85	87	4	82	25027
*King	20	20	4	74	51294
*Lexington	22	26	4	61	6065
*Liberty	22	22	4	77	6066
*Madison/Mayodan	32	35	4	87	6067
Midstate(Asheboro)	26	29	4	74	81879
*Mocksville	48	49	4	74	6069
*Mount Airy	97	96	4	71	6070
*Pinehurst	37	38	4	85	6072
*Randolph	76	78	4	68	6074
*Reidsville	58	60	4	62	6075
*Reynolda	95	102	4	61	21534
**San Lee Sunrise	21	21	4	110	30735
**Sandhills	39	43	4	72	25530
**Sanford	34	34	4	74	6078
*Siler City	44	41	3	74	6079
*Southern Guilford	11	13	4	81	61795
*Southern Pines	90	91	4	76	6080
*Stoneville	17	17	4	76	6081
*Stratford	104	105	4	48	6082
*Summit	91	86	4	76	6083
*Surry Sunrise	30	24	4	69	57326
*Thomasville	68	67	4	74	6084
*Triad	31	30	4	74	6071
*Troy	27	24	4	72	6085
*Walnut Cove	12	13	4	50	6087
*Western Forsyth	26	26	4	69	79812
**Willow Creek	16	17	4	75	60367
*Winston-Salem	257	259	4	42	6088
*Yadkin Valley	38	38	4	77	30000
*Yadkinville	23	21	4	71	51333
*Yanceyville	8	10	4	78	6134
<b>DISTRICT</b>	<b>2826</b>	<b>2868</b>		<b>71.89%</b>	

The District 7690 Calendar is available at [www.Rotary7690.org/calendar.htm](http://www.Rotary7690.org/calendar.htm)