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

"Reach Within to Embrace Humanity"

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Welcome to one of the most important Rotary months of the year: Vocational Service Month. Without our vocations, we do not have the Rotary organization.

Let us take time this month to showcase how our vocations, build stronger families, support better clubs and strengthen communities and the world. Remember all the things in our clubs and communities that center around our vocations: shadow days for our youth, student mentoring, literacy programs, classification talks and surveys, career days, and these are just a few. Everything we do in our vocations directly correlates to building a better foundation with our families, our clubs, communities and the world.

As we celebrate this month, let us adhere to:

- *The promotion of the highest ethical standards in our occupations
- *The recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations
- *The contribution of your vocational talents in your home, club, community and the world
- *The values expressed in the 4-Way Test and
- *The dedication for Rotarians in Business and Professions creed

Go out in your communities and spread the word of Rotary, Lead by Example and "Reach Within to Embrace Humanity." Find new ways to engage your vocation with the communities you serve, and most of all have fun in everything we do.

We are faced with many challenges in today's economic and social climate, but if we adhere to the basic principles of "Service Above Self," we will transform ourselves, and all we touch into a better place to live and work. Thank you for all you do for yourselves, your clubs, the communities you serve and the world.

Don't forget to sign up a team to come to the District Golf Tournament at Cedarbrook Country Club on October 27, 2011.

Call For District Governor Candidates

The 2011-12 Nominating Committee Chair, PDG Charles Allen, asks that any club wishing to submit a candidate for the leadership role of District Governor for Rotary year 2014-2015 to submit his or her name with completed Application Forms to the Rotary District Office **NO LATER than OCTOBER 25, 2011.**

Application Forms have been mailed to club presidents or are available from District Executive Secretary Margaret Padgett phone: 336-885-7690, e-mail: rotary7690@northstate.net, or fax: 336-841-7690).

The candidate must be available for an interview on Tuesday, November 1 at the Forsyth Country Club
3101 Country Club Road
Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27104
(forsythcc.org?) .

The completed forms should be mailed to the Rotary District Office
114 Willoughby Park
High Point, NC 27265
and must be received by **October 25, 2011.**

CLUB NEWS

Terry's Ticker:
23 official visits
through September
65 club visits completed
30 Rotary events and area meetings

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 27
District Golf,
Cedar Brook Country
Club, Elkin

November 9
Rotary Foundation
Banquet

November 18
RLI
High Point University

November 17 & 19
Grants Management
Seminars

The Troy Rotary Club
now meets at
Uwharrie Mountain Lodge
1045 Albemarle Rd. in Troy
on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

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FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE

Dear Rotarian Friends,

I, Rtn Guru Gandhi GSE Team leader, visited North Carolina RID 7690 in 2009. I request and invite all of you to visit RID 3250 my state (Bihar & Jharkhand) India while going to attend the Rotary International convention going to be held from 6th to 9th May 2012 in Bangkok, Thailand.

Fortunately I am Chairman of the Friendship Exchange Committee of RID 3250 this Rotary year. We will also arrange your stay at New Delhi and visit to TAJ MAHAL at Agra. Please let me know of your interest.

*We will really love to host you. Thanks and regards,
Rtn GURU GANDHI*

BRIGHT BEGINNINGS

Bright Beginings prepared 150 underprivileged children with new clothes, shoes and school supplies on April 13. The BACK-TO-SCHOOL SHOPPING trip was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Kernersville and the YMCA of Kernersville.



"Bright Beginnings is a program that started several years ago when the YMCA/Rotary Club learned that local students had to sit out of Physical Education classes when they didn't have appropriate footwear," explained John Coulter, Executive Director of the Kernersville Family YMCA. "The program has grown each year with the generosity of our community and the growing need of local children and families."

Each year the YMCA and Rotary Club work with the Home School Coordinator or Social Worker at 6 area elementary schools to identify the students who are most in need. Each child is paired with a Shopping Buddy and receives a donated \$50 gift card to Wal*Mart or Target where volunteers accompany them in the process of purchasing an outfit, new shoes, and other essentials.

Community members and Rotary club participants got involved in the cause by donating and volunteering. Funding included community support and a Rotary District Grant. After the shopping trip, students and volunteers enjoyed a cook-out and day of fun at the Kernersville Family YMCA.

DG TERRY CONTINUES HIS CLUB VISITS



TERRY P. TITUS
District Governor
2011-2012



KALYAN BANERJEE
Rotary International President
2011-2012

Please Join Us for the Rotary Foundation Banquet District 7690
with featured guest speaker
Kalyan Banerjee

Wednesday, November 9, 2011
Paul Harris Society Members' Reception at 5:30 pm
Cash Bar Reception at 6:15 pm
Dinner at 7:00 pm
at the
Joseph S. Koury Convention Center in Greensboro, NC

Registration Information

- Cost per person is \$50.
- Each club will be responsible for handling their members reservations to insure that clubs with more than 4 members attending will have reserved seats together.
- Club Presidents will receive link to registration in mid-August. Deadline for registration is October 12, 2011.
- Rotarians outside of District 7690 are cordially invited to join us. Registration forms will be available online.

Kalyan Banerjee, a member of the Rotary Club of Vapi, Gujarat, India, since 1972 has been chosen our RI President for 2011-2012. Banerjee's vision of Rotary is to 'blossom from being the world's most recognized service organization to being the most important NGO [nongovernmental organization] in the world. 'Rotary, it is said, has the strength of a government and the tenderness of a parent,' he added.



Banerjee is a director of United Phosphorus Limited, the largest agrochemical manufacturer in India, and the chair of United Phosphorus (Bangladesh) Limited. He is a member of the Indian Institute of Chemical Engineers and the American Chemical Society, a past president of Vapi Industries Association, and former chair of the Gujarat chapter of the Confederation of Indian Industry. He earned a degree in chemical engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur, in 1964.

Banerjee's wife, Binota, is a social worker and Inner Wheel club member. The couple have two children and four grandchildren.

PERSISTENCE PAYS OFF FOR LITTLE HEARTS



IN 2001, NINE CLUBS FROM DISTRICT 7690 WERE INVOLVED IN EFFORTS TO ERADICATE THE STREP THROAT VIRUS WHICH RESULTED IN HEART PROBLEMS IN CHILDREN AROUND LEON, NICARAGUA. THIS EFFORT WAS LED BY SHERWOOD LAPPING. THOUGH THE HEALTH NEEDS OF THE CHILDREN THERE WERE IDENTIFIED AS CHRONIC BY THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION, SHERWOOD'S UNTIMELY DEATH NEARLY BROUGHT THE EFFORTS FOR THE PROJECT TO A STANDSTILL. SIMPLY PUT, A WORTHY PROJECT NEEDED A NEW CHAMPION!

CARLOS PEREIRA OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF CLEMMONS FIRST LEARNED OF THIS PROJECT WHILE IT WAS BEING REVIEWED AT THE 7690 DISTRICT CONFERENCE IN 2005. CARLOS DECIDED THAT HE COULD LEAD A REVITALIZATION OF THE PROJECT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CHILDREN OF HIS BIRTH COUNTRY, NICARAGUA. HIS HOME CLUB GAVE HIM SUPPORT AND A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION WITH 501(C)(3) STATUS WAS FORMED TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE. THE CORPORATION WAS NAMED "SAVING LITTLE HEARTS OF NICARAGUA, INC."

SINCE THOSE EARLY STRUGGLES THERE IS LIFE IN THE PROJECT. THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF SOME OF THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- SEVERAL WATER WELLS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED;
- ADDITIONS TO A HOSPITAL AND ALSO A CLINIC FOR EARLY IDENTIFICATION AND TREATMENT OF THE CONDITION HAVE BEEN FUNDED;
- HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT AND TEACHING MATERIALS FOR CHILDREN HAVE BEEN SHIPPED;
- SEVERAL OPERATIONS FOR CHILDREN WITH HEART PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED;
- MULTIPLE PENICILLIN DOSES HAVE BEEN ADMINISTERED;
- STREET CHILDREN HAVE BEEN FED;
- LIAISON WITH ROTARY IN NICARAGUA HAS BEEN STRENGTHENED; AND,
- A SUPPORT TEAM HAS GONE IN COUNTRY EACH YEAR SINCE 2009.

IN EARLY 2011 A CONTAINER OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS PROVIDED BY FORSYTH COUNTY MERCHANTS WORTH APPROXIMATELY \$70,000 WAS SHIPPED TO NICARAGUA. WHEN THE 2011 SUPPORT TEAM ARRIVED ON SEPTEMBER 17TH, THE CONTAINER HAD NOT YET BEEN RELEASED FROM CUSTOMS. LOCAL ROTARIANS WERE UNABLE TO EXPLAIN THE REASON FOR THE CONTAINER STILL BEING IN CUSTOMS. AFTER A CHANCE MEETING WITH THE VICE PRESIDENT OF NICARAGUA, JAIME MORALES, THE CONTAINER DELAY PROBLEM WAS DISCUSSED. SUBSEQUENTLY, A FORMAL MEETING WAS ARRANGED AT HIS VICE PRESIDENTIAL OFFICE. AT THE MEETING IN HIS OFFICE THE TEAM RECEIVED A COMMITMENT TO HAVE THE CONTAINER RELEASED. AN EXECUTIVE ORDER WAS THEN ISSUED BY THE PRESIDENT TO ACHIEVE THIS RELEASE AND EFFORTS WERE MADE TO INSURE FUTURE SHIPMENTS WOULD BE HANDLED PROMPTLY. THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR OF DISTRICT 4240 (PANAMA, COST RICA, NICARAGUA, AND EL SALVADOR), MRS. ROSA VELASQUEZ, WAS ALSO PRESENT AT THIS SECOND MEETING TO EVALUATE AND GIVE GUIDANCE FOR FUTURE EFFORTS BY THE TWO DISTRICTS. A JOINTLY ISSUED LETTER BY DISTRICT GOVERNOR TERRY TITUS AND DISTRICT GOVERNOR VELASQUEZ THANKED THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR HIS ASSISTANCE IN THIS HUMANITARIAN CAUSE.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SEPTEMBER SUPPORT TEAM ADDRESSING THE VICE PRESIDENT ON THE PROJECT NEEDS WERE CARLOS PEREIRA, CHUCK ALEXANDER, RON ZAMBOR, AND GIL DAVIS. OTHER TEAM MEMBERS PRESENT WERE JOHN STEWART, JOHN CROUCH, ASHLEY CANNON, VICKI SURRATT, AND CAROL FABER. THOUGH LED BY CARLOS AS A DEDICATED LEADER AND HIS TEAM, THIS PROJECT DEMONSTRATES THE SUCCESS OF THE GRANT PROGRAM IN OUR DISTRICT. BOTH CLEMMONS AND WEST FORSYTH PARTICIPATED IN THAT GRANT PROGRAM AND HAVE THE EXPERTISE TO HELP OTHER CLUBS WHO WISH TO BECOME INVOLVED IN THIS WORTHY PROJECT TO MEET CLUB GOALS OR HAVE ACTIVE, HANDS-ON, PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT.

The Foundation Corner

To achieve the Governor Award for 2011-12 District Governor Terry P. Titus has set the following Foundation Goals:

Foundation Goals	POINTS
Contribute an average of \$150 per member to Rotary Foundation	45
Secure one new Major Donor	20
Secure one new Bequest Society member	25
Secure one new Paul Harris Society member	30
Apply for a Global Grant or District Grant	25
Conduct a Rotary Foundation program	10
Ensure every member contributes to Annual Programs Fund (EREY)	10
Participate in a World Community Service project	10
Send at least two representatives to Fall Foundation seminar	20
Secure three new Rotary Benefactors	20
Participate in a Vocational service project or establish a VTT	25
Triple Crown Club	20
Sustaining Triple Crown Club; all new members must meet criteria	20
Foundation banquet 20% of club members or guests participate	20
Governors points (4)	30

I encourage you to look at all the available opportunities listed above as you participate in helping your club achieve the Governor Award this year. I want to focus on three of these goals this month. The timing of your participation in these three events is important for increasing your knowledge of and about the Rotary Foundation.

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1. The District 7690 Rotary Foundation Banquet will be at the Joseph S. Koury Convention Center in Greensboro, NC and 2011-2012 Rotary International President Kalyan Banerjee will be our featured speaker. October 12, 2011 is the deadline for club registration so contact your club president today to get registered. This is an event not to be missed.

2. The Rotary Foundation Future Vision Plan Grant Management Seminar (Fall Foundation Seminar) is scheduled for Thursday, November 17 or Saturday, November 19, 2011 and requires at least two members from your club to attend one of these seminars. This is one of the two Rotary Foundation required activities that will allow a club to become Qualified to participate in District or Global Grants.

3. As District Rotary Foundation Committee (DRFC) Chair I would consider it an honor and privilege to come to your Rotary Club meeting and present a Rotary Foundation/ Future Vision Plan (TRF/FVP) program for the club. One of my goals this year as the District Rotary Foundation Committee Chair is to spend more time at club meetings to communicate information on the Future Vision Process to club Rotarians.

If you have questions related to the Future Vision Plan process please contact me at www.charlesallen@rotary7690.org or go to <http://www.rotary.org/en/AboutUs/TheRotaryFoundation/Pages/ridefault.aspx>.

*Thank you for your continued support of the Rotary Foundation.
Yours in Rotary Service,
DRFC Chair Charles Allen*

Attendance for August 2011

CLUBS	MEMBERS AS OF 6/30/11	CURRENT MEMBERS	MONTHLY MEETINGS	MONTHLY % ATTEND NO.	CLUB ID
*Alamance	49	52	5	68	6090
*Alamance Bkft	14	14	5	86	23238
*Archdale/Trinity	20	21	5	55	29135
*Asheboro	90	91	4	69	6052
*Burlington	21	21	5	73	6092
*Carthage	14	17	4	70	6053
*Clemmons	106	103	5	73	29530
**Crescent	93	94	4	79	6056
*East Greensboro	16	16	4	48	55569
*Eden	30	33	5	75	6058
*Furnitureland	46	47	5	73	6059
**Gate City	66	66	4	82	27995
*Graham	33	34	4	79	6107
**Greensboro	301	299	5	63	6060
**Gboro Arpt	36	36	5	74	31667
*Guilford	52	50	5	74	22059
*High Point	136	135	4	74	6062
**Hillsdale Sunrise	25	25	4	62	99012511
*Jamestown	24	24	5	69	6063
**Jonesboro	36	36	4	75	22882
**Kernersville	86	84	5	81	25027
*King	24	24	4	60	51294
*Lexington	23	23	5	60	6065
*Liberty	22	22	4	73	6066
*Madison/Mayodan	33	34	5	70	6067
Midstate(Asheboro)	30	29	5	75	81879
*Mocksville	38	41	5	80	6069
*Mount Airy	92	94	5	69	6070
*Pinehurst	35	41	4	76	6072
*Randolph	73	73	5	78	6074
*Reidsville	59	57	5	66	6075
*Reynolda	104	107	4	55	21534
**San Lee Sunrise	22	20	5	84	30735
**Sandhills	44	44	0	80	25530
**Sanford	30	30	5	69	6078
*Siler City	41	41	5	72	6079
**Southern Guilford	12	12	5	81	61795
*Southern Pines	91	93	4	83	6080
*Stoneville	16	17	4	72	6081
*Stratford	104	107	4	40	6082
*Summit	83	81	4	70	6083
*Surry Sunrise	25	27	5	81	57326
*Thomasville	60	62	5	93	6084
*Triad	29	29	5	70	6071
*Troy	23	24	4	59	6085
*Walnut Cove	11	11	4	59	6087
*Western Forsyth	29	28	5	70	79812
**Willow Creek	16	16	3	75	60367
*Winston-Salem	266	261	5	36	6088
*Yadkin Valley	35	36	5	84	30000
*Yadkinville	20	22	5	62	51333
*Yanceyville	10	10	4	70	6134
DISTRICT	2794	2814		71%	

The District 7690 Calendar is available at www.Rotary7690.org/calendar.htm