

THE Mount Airian ROTARIAN

June, 2009



60th Anniversary Celebration a Joyous Event

Our celebration was a success and a lot of fun with 90 people in attendance. We had a great video using pictures collected by CB Roberson over the years which was very interesting. Some of those pictures date back many years. District Governor Charles Allen gave a warm and encouraging speech about the importance of Rotary and our club's 60 years of participation. We also had with us two former past presidents, John Stevens and Doug Porter, along with their wives.



DG Charles Allen

Thanks to Tim, Ann, Robin, Amy, Ben, Twyla and Joan for helping to organize this event. We want to also thank the many businesses that contributed gifts for door prizes and to Cross Creek for a delicious meal.

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Tim's Farewell Presidents Message



"Time flies when you're having fun." We all know that saying, and I will have to admit that this past year has indeed flown by! While we all have faced numerous challenges during this economic downturn, one of the enjoyable parts of my life this past year has been this Rotary club and our continued Service Above Self. It has truly been enjoyable to serve as your President, and I do appreciate each and every one of you and your support during this year.

I will have to tell you, though, that is has been a quick rise to the top of the club. I started in Rotary a little less than 5 years ago, and can recall my first meetings with everyone. I was scared, nervous, and a little intimidated when I thought of hanging out with the "heavy hitters" in Mt. Airy. Even though I felt that I did not belong with all the movers and shakers of this town, I quickly learned that they are human just like me, and through Rotary they all share a common bond of helping their fellow man. The past 5 years have been incredible, and I look forward to continuing my service through Rotary for many years to come.

I want to issue a challenge to each of you. At District Conference, we had many wonderful speakers who shared some of their Rotary experiences. One speaker in particular said he liked to see "angry" Rotarians. That struck me as odd, but as I listened to the man, it made

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LEADING THE WAY

OFFICERS 2008-2009

Tim Marlon.....President
Cathy Stevens.....Secretary
Marle Wood.....Treasurer
Charles Dugger...Sergeant
At Arms
Bob Melnecke.....President
Elect
Ben Cooke...Past President

WEEKLY MEETINGS

Tuesday, 12:10 pm
Cross Creek Country Club
1129 Greenhill Road
Mount Airy, NC

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perfect sense. You see, if you find an issue that bothers you, and makes your angry, you should work to improve that situation through Service Above Self. I have tried to do that with the CART program, but I don't feel I've done enough. As my Presidency ends, I am going to work even harder for this worthwhile program so we can hopefully help end the scourge of Alzheimer's soon.

My challenge to you is twofold. First of all, if you are in Rotary just to hang out with buddies and see how many business connections you can make, you should reconsider your commitment to the organization. When I started in the club, I had some of those same thoughts, but I feel that I have learned that "Service Above Self" is not just a motto, but should be a way of life for all of us. I guess I have grown in that respect. The challenge for you is to examine your own Rotary relationship and see if you are involved for all the right reasons. I urge you to become more involved in the club, to volunteer, and to participate as much as you possibly

can. That will deepen you relationship with your fellow man, and will probably improve your life as well.

The second part of my challenge is to find something in the world that is wrong, that makes you angry, and do something about it! It is easy to sit back and complain about the world and all the injustices we see on a daily basis. However, as Rotarians, we do have the resources to change the world and we should use those resources along with our energy, dedication, passion, and yes, anger, to make a difference. A journey of a thousand miles begins with the first step, and I hope each of you will find the strength, and the courage to begin that journey to improve our world.

Finally, it has been a wonderful year. I would like to thank each of you for making this such a great year, and I hope that you will show Bob and Alton the kindness, support, and dedication that you have shown me and my family during this time. Thank you.

JUNE

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 14.....Fred Folger
- 15.....Eddie Bondurant
- 27.....Greg Perkins

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- 4.....Greg & Lynette Cave
- 6.....Derek & Mary Higgs
- 13.....Frank & Amanda Sells
- 14.....Sue & Hal Brownfield
- 14.....Anne & Tom Vaughn
- 20.....Bob & Kathy Moody
- 23.....Steve & Polly Gross
- 25.....Marion & Michael Goldwasser
- 30.....John & Bobbie Collins

60th Anniversary Celebration

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Tim Marion presents a gift to DG Charles Allen and his wife.



Carolina Fan Jim wins Appalachian State picture



ADG Donna Thompson shares a moment with Macon Sammons and Robert Merritt



Tim Marion presents Robert Merritt the bucks he won from a drawing.



Roger celebrates his birthday with Twyla



Cathy and Robin enjoy the celebration

Rotarians Attend District Assembly



Rotary members attend District Assembly.

We had seven members turn out for District Assembly at Guilford Tech to learn techniques for membership recruitment and retention; Rotary Foundation understanding; and to learn more about service projects and how those are put together.

Thank you to these members for taking on the responsibility of club leadership. Whether it is Rotary, your work place, church or home, it takes people being actively involved to make it work and we appreciate all our members who participate in this life changing organization.

A Sneak Peek Into A Plan for April, 2010

by Bob Meinecke

Our Rotary Club will be teaming up with the Downtown Merchants Association, the Chamber of Commerce, the Mount Airy News, the Visitor's Center and others, to put together a fund raiser and community event for next spring. The event will be called the

"Bud Break" Food and Wine Festival and will be held on **Saturday, April 24, 2010**. It is proposed to be an annual event. Proceeds will be shared with the DMA and Rotary. Our portion will fund the Polio campaign, the United Fund and our other charities. More details to come as the plan takes shape.

RotaryFootnote

Did you know that Britta Needham is a member of the PGA? Okay, so it isn't the Professional Golf Association, but rather the Princess Golf Association which was formed in 2003. Six friends who enjoy golf and wanted to spend time with dear friends thought this would be the perfect venue. They even established a chapter in Kansas.

Britta's other interests include shopping, reading, baking, shopping, gardening, and shopping. Her favorite slogan: "Faith, Family & Fiends". When she isn't golfing or spending time with family Britta is busy at work with RBC Bank as the Market Executive. This includes Branch Manager and Small Business Banker. Britta has been with RBC since 1997, but began her banking career with Workmen's Federal in 1980.

This section is for notes of interest about our members that others might not know. If you have something you would like to share that others don't know about you and would find interesting, please let Joan know at jsinman@southdata.com or call 783-5959.

The fellow who does things that count, doesn't usually stop to count them.

- Source Unknown

June 2009

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ROTARIAN</u>	<u>SPEAKER & PROGRAM</u>
Date	Rotarian	Speaker & Program
June 2	Alton Gaither	Cody Spicegood – World Peace essay winner
June 9	Ben Cooke	Alexey Ferrell/Sandra Moore – Re-Directions Sentencing Services
June 16	Bob Meinecke	Ashley Mills –
June 23	Joan Inman	John Springthorpe – Mount Airy Airport Expansion project
June 30	Club Assembly	Installation of new officers

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

ROTARIAN	SPOUSE	ROTARIAN	SPOUSE	ROTARIAN	SPOUSE
n n n David Adkisson	Ellen	n n n Jim Grimes	Louella	n n n Chris Nichols	Angie
n n n Kate Appler	Mark	n n n Steve Gross	Polly	n n n Gray Parker	Sandra
n n n Faith Ashby	Ted	n n n Raymond Hanna	Vicki	n n n Richard Patterson	Kaye
n n n Ted Ashby	Faith	n n n Gary Harold	Betsy	n n n Greg Perkins	Julie
n n n Paul Belk	Cecelia	n n n Todd Harris	Lisa	n n n Jim Petelle	Ann
n n n Albert Blackmon		n n n Darrin Hartness	Barbara	n n n Hugh Peoples	
n n n Ed Bondurant		n n n John Haynes	Thurman	n n n John Priddy	Sandra
n n n Horace Bondurant	Jewel	n n n Robin Hester	Mary	n n n Gene Rees	Peggy
n n n Ricky Bowman	Lori	n n n Derek Higgs	Lynne	n n n Bill Refvem	Joanna
n n n Don Brookshire	Sylvia	n n n Ashley Hinson		n n n Joanna Refvem	Bill
n n n Sue Brownfield	Hal	n n n Eric Hodges		n n n Burke Robertson	Carolyn
n n n Carol Burke		n n n Bill Holcomb	Kim	n n n Mark Rogers	Deidre
n n n Greg Cave	Lynette	n n n Bucky Holcomb	Bill	n n n Aaron Routh	Lee Ann
n n n Kevin Cheek		n n n Joan Inman	Donna	n n n Macon Sammons	Candace
n n n Nelson Clark	Lisa	n n n John Jackson		n n n Brandt Scholz	Lynn
n n n Betty Ann Collins	Martin	n n n David Jessup	Alison	n n n Frank Sells	Amanda
n n n John Collins	Bobbie	n n n Allen Johnson	Alan	n n n Twyla Sickmiller	Roger
n n n Gary Cook	MaryAnn	n n n Alison Johnson	Bill	n n n P.J. Snow	Joy
n n n MaryAnn Cook	Gary	n n n Amy Johnson		n n n Cathy Stevens	Mark
n n n Peter Cook		n n n Bill Johnson		n n n Ann Vaughn	Tom
n n n Ben Cooke	Lone	n n n Dick Johnson		n n n Anne Webb	Tom
n n n Adam Delp		n n n David Jones	Betty	n n n Tom Webb	Anne
n n n Charles Dugger	Shirley	n n n Jim Lewis	Teresa	n n n Jay Williams	Beth
n n n Ron Ellis	Diana	n n n Steve Lindsley	Lorie	n n n Jack Wilson	Marie
n n n Jeffery Ellis		n n n John Lockhart	Alice	n n n Dick Wimbish	Sue Ellen
n n n Tom Fawcett	Mary	n n n Peter Lydens	Linda Wright	n n n Marie Wood	Tycho, Jr.
n n n Fred Folger		n n n Greg Marshall	Lori	n n n Steve Woronoff	
n n n Ralph Forbes	Erika	n n n Kirby McCrary	Tammy	n n n Betty Wright	Hylton
n n n Deborah Friedman		n n n Carla Majure	David	n n n Doug Yarboro	
n n n Alton Gaither	Janice	n n n Tim Marion	Cindy		
n n n Kendra Garaventa		n n n Tony Marion	Janice		
n n n Brenda Goings		n n n Robert Meinecke	Judy		
n n n Marian Goldwasser	Michael	n n n Bob Moody	Kathy		
n n n Jeff Gordon	Kelli	n n n Julie Moore	Jack		
		n n n Britta Needham	Jeff		

Key: Past President Board of Directors Paul Harris Fellow

Honorary Members	2
Active Members.....	99
Total Membership.....	100
Paul Harris Fellow.....	88



MAKEUP MEETINGS

Monday.....Stuart, VA	Rotary Park	6:30 pm
Tuesday.....Winston-Salem	Benton Conv. Ctr.....	12:30 pm
Tuesday.....Yadkinville.....	Ace's Restaurant	7:30 am
Wednesday.....Yadkin-Valley.....	Comfort Inn	7:45 am
Wednesday.....Surry Sunrise.....	Prime Sirloin	7:30 am
Wednesday.....Galax, VA	Prime Sirloin.....	Noon
Thursday.....Hillsville, VA	Shoney's Restaurant.....	Noon
Thursday.....King	Town & Country Rest...7:00 am	
Friday.....Reynolda	Winston-Salem Col.....	12:30 pm

March of Dimes and Rotary – together a winner!



Rotary members manning the hotdog station



Hotdog preparations underway

The economy is suffering and many individuals are struggling to make ends meet, but that didn't stop the March of Dimes walkers on Saturday, May 16. Over \$47,471.00 was raised by the Mount Airy Chapter this year from individuals and organizations. Once again our club prepared and gave away hotdogs with all the trimmings. This year was a little sad for us because CB Roberson for many years was our "go to guy" for this event. Ben Cooke stepped up and did a great

job setting up the tents, tables and the cooker. Best of all, he kept a keen eye over those dogs so they came out just right.

Special thanks to Brenda Goings who organized and recruited Rotary members and others to help: Derek & Mary Higgs; Dick Johnson; Gary Cooke; Bob Meinecke; Tom Webb; Joan Inman; Sue Brownfield; Carol Burke; Ron and Jeffrey Ellis; Thomas Greenwood.

Rotarians off to Gulu, Uganda

Carol Burke and Marion Goldwasser left Monday, May 18 for a month long visit to Gulu, Uganda. They have a busy schedule and will have much to tell upon their return. Below is an example of one of three books designed and created by the Teacher Cadets in Janet Jones' Mt. Airy High School English class. The three books will be used to teach children about fruits and vegetables, plants and caterpillars.



Carol Burke and Marion Goldwasser present one of three books that will be used to teach children during their trip.





Mark Your Calendar

Blood Drive

When: Tuesday - July 28

Where: Red Cross Center – Westlake Drive

Time: 1:30 to 6:00 pm

