

THE Mount Airian ROTARIAN

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FUN AFTER 5

On August 18, 2011 about 40 Rotarians and guests gathered at Cross Creek Country Club for our first Rotary After Five. There was much merriment as we spent the end of our working day on the Pavilion overlooking the golf course and the Blue Ridge Mountains. Approximately 6 prospective members attended the event and, hopefully, our numbers will increase with each After Five event. Those attending declared the event a success and we have already begun working on the next After Five evening. We will alternate venues and have already had several offers to host our group. In addition to all of Rotary's worthwhile projects, this should be a fun year!!!



Thanks Candace for getting this organized. We look forward to more enjoyable get-togethers. Maybe we could all go to the Carolina Canopy ZipLines for an event...that would be awesome.

SENATOR RICHARD BURR ADDRESSES ROTARY CLUB



Photo taken by Mondee Tilley of the Mt. Airy News

Sen. Burr addresses Rotary

We were pleased to have Senator Burr speak to us on Aug. 23 regarding the state of the US economy. The picture isn't pretty and Sen. Burr reiterated what we all know, which is everyone is going to feel the pain from any plan put into place to get us back on the track to

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LEADING THE WAY

OFFICERS 2011-2012

Kate Appler
President
Greg Perkins
President Elect
Cathy Stevens
Secretary
Macon Sammons
Treasurer
Charles Dugger
Sergeant At Arms
Alton Gaither
Past President

BOARD MEMBERS

David Adkisson
Jim Petelle
Ann Vaughn
Marion Goldwasser
Candace Sammons

Senator Burr, continued from front page

solvency. "Let me put into simple terms, the challenge that is in front of us. This year, we will end our fiscal year which is Sept. 30. As a country we will spend \$3.7 Trillion dollars. We will collect \$2.2 Trillion leaving us a shortfall of \$1.5 Trillion." As we can see, this problem is so large most of us can't even imagine what this means. He further went on to state that eliminating all discretionary spending and eliminated all expense relating to our national defense we would still be \$200 Billion shy of paying off the debt.

He does have feelings of optimism because we as a nation have always pulled together when the need was there and that time has certainly come. He further stated that North Carolina is attractive to businesses looking to expand and in fact there are more companies looking at North Carolina than he has seen in 17 years. These companies, on average, are looking to invest \$1 Billion or more in our state. One of the prime reasons for looking here is the large pool of graduates from colleges and universities. An educated workforce is of prime importance and as a state we have built an excellent school system for higher learning.

He went on to talk about numerous other topics that must be addressed by our leaders. We encourage all our elected officials to take the long look at what is best for this country and make the decisions that must be made to keep us not only relevant, but still a major power in the global economy.

Literacy Project

Brenda Edwards has done an outstanding job in getting this project underway and we appreciate her efforts and know we have a dedicated Rotarian in our midst. It is a rewarding experience for the child and the adult to share reading time together and the influence you may have on a child cannot be measured. If you have not already signed up, please do so. The time involved is minimal and we're only asking you to do this four times. Consider asking a family member, friend, or relative to participate.

Schedule:

FLAT ROCK 9:00 or 2:00

Friday, Sept. 30
Friday, Dec. 9
Friday, Feb 3
Friday, April 2

THARRINGTON

Tues., Wed., or Thurs: Between 9:00 and 10:00
Oct. 11, 12, 13
Dec. 13, 14, 15
Feb. 21, 22, 23
Apr. 17, 18, 19

SEPTEMBER

Birthdays & Anniversaries

September 2.....Jack Wilson
September 18....Gary Harold
September 24....Charles Dugger

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September 4.....Burke Robertson & Carolyn
September 4.....Todd Harris & Betsy
September 6.....Betty Ann Collins & Martin
September 8.....Greg Marshall & Lori
September 15.....Frank Mayberry & Jerri
September 20.....Greg Perkins & Julie
September 21.....Robin Hester & Thurman
September 29.....Jim & Teresa Lewis
September 29.....Karen Burnette & Bruce

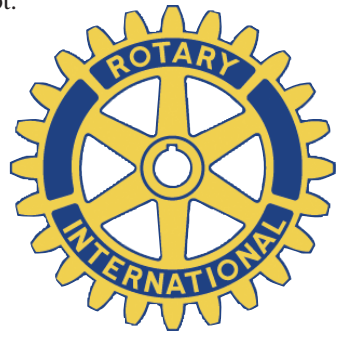


Welcome New Member Ray Milian



Ray Milian with his children and Alton Gaither

Ray has been a guest at Rotary many times and we are so pleased he has joined our club. He was joined by his daughter Christina and son Ramon as we inducted him into our club. Ray travels between his home in the Caribbean and his visits to Mount Airy to see his children. He is a Financial Consultant and owns his own company, Navigator, Inc. He proudly served in the military as an Air Force pilot.



Personal Profile with Cathy Eckenrod

Cathy is one of those members who kind of sits back quietly, but then surprises you with her quick wit and interesting life stories. She was just 13 years old when her mother passed away; the third child and oldest girl of 6 kids. Her father's work kept him away from home all week so with determination Cathy and her siblings stayed together and she acted as the surrogate mother to the brood.

In 1985 Cathy met Skip Eckenrod; they eventually married and she came to live in Surry County where Skip had started a business in high end Italian laminate. That grew into a full line of Architectural wall panels in a wide variety of colors, designs, textures and sizes. This is a fabulous company and well worth a visit to their showroom to see what is being designed and manufactured here in Mount Airy.



Enviromental Clean-up Day—Sept. 10

Come one; come all to our Sept. 10 trash pick-up day at Cross Creek Country Club. The time is 8:00.

We need at least 16 people to make the task go smoothly and quickly. The more the merrier. Please let Tom Fawcett or Faith Ashby know if you can make it. We need 16 folks to make short work of this.



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Fr. Bernard McCoy—Cistercian Monk

Van McCoy may have been born and raised in Mount Airy, but at the tender age of 16 he left home and began a journey that eventually led him to the Cistercian order where he gained the position of Superior of the Cistercian Abbey in Sparta, Wisconsin. His good friend Ann Vaughn introduced him to our club several years ago, and it was our pleasure to welcome him back again this summer.

Fr. McCoy is an intelligent, gregarious man devoted to his order. His program for our club recently was based on the idea of bringing together Non Profit/For Profit enterprises together for the greater good of others. A good example of this is the Girl Scouts where the For Profit business of cookie sales supports the Girl Scout programs. The idea is that people will purchase from a For Profit entity when they know profits are going to support a Non-Profit organization. The For Profit business makes money to support its workers and operations and the non-profit organization derives much needed financial support to continue their work. Put another way: Purchase with a Purpose.

Fr. McCoy will be spending this next year in Ireland. We wish him well and hope he will come back again and update us on what he experienced and learned while there.

1. Fr. Bernard McCoy
2. Guests visiting to hear from Fr. McCoy
3. DG Terry Titus, Fr. McCoy and Ann Vaughn

SEPTEMBER 2011

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ROTARIAN</u>	<u>SPEAKER & PROGRAM</u>
Sept. 6	Eric Hodges	Dr. Robyn Hakanson – Upcoming trip to Guatemala
Sept. 13	Bill Refvem	Eric Leathers – Young Life of Surry
Sept. 20	Vera Reynolds	Interact Program
Sept 27	Paul Belk	Chief Dale Watson & Lt. Armbrister - Crime Prevention

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

ROTARIAN	SPOUSE	ROTARIAN	SPOUSE	ROTARIAN	SPOUSE
David Adkisson	Ellen	Gary Harold	Vicki	Bob Moody	Kathy
Kate Appler	Mark	Todd Harris	Betsy	Britta Needham	Jeff
Faith Ashby	Ted	John Haynes	Barbara	Gray Parker	Sandra
Ted Ashby	Faith	Craig Hensley	Allison	Richard Patterson	Kaye
Paul Belk	Cecelia	Robin Hester	Thurman	T.J. Payne	Sharon
Ed Bondurant		Derek Higgs	Mary	Greg Perkins	Julie
Horace Bondurant	Jewel	Ashley Hinson	Lynne	Jim Petelle	Ann
Ricky Bowman	Lori	Eric Hodges		Hugh Peoples	
Sue Brownfield	Hal	Bill Holcomb	Kim	John Priddy	Sandra
Carol Burke		Bucky Holcomb	Will	Gene Rees	Peggy
Karen Burnette	Bruce	Sandy Hurley	Bill	Bill Refvem	Joanna
Nelson Clark	Lisa	Joan Inman	Donna	Joanna Refvem	Bill
Betty Ann Collins	Martin	John Jackson		Vera Reynolds	
John Collins	Bobbie	David Jessup	Alan	Burke Robertson	Carolyn
Gary Cook	MaryAnn	Alison Johnson	Bill	Aaron Routh	Lee Ann
Ben Cooke	Lone	Amy Johnson	Tina	Candace Sammons	Macon
Adam Delp	Tammy	Bill Johnson		Macon Sammons	Candace
Charles Dugger	Shirley	Dick Johnson	Ann	Brandt Scholz	Lynn
Cathy Eckenrod	Skip	Van Lankford	Teresa	Frank Sells	Amanda
Brenda Edwards	Allen	Jim Lewis	Jim	Steven Simpson	Maria
Matthew Edwards	Glenda	Teresa Lewis	Pam	P.J. Snow	Joy
Regina Edwards		Benny Lisk	Alice	Cathy Stevens	Mark
Jeffery Ellis		John Lockhart	Linda Wright	Ann Vaughn	Tom
Tom Fawcett	Mary	Peter Lydens		Dale Watson	Celena
Fred Folger		Lenise Lynch	Lori	Anne Webb	Tom
Ralph Forbes	Erika	Greg Marshall	Tammy	Tom Webb	Anne
Alton Gaither	Janice	Kirby McCrary	David	Jay Williams	Beth
Marian Goldwasser	Michael	Carla Majure	Cindy	Jack Wilson	Marie
Jim Grimes		Tim Marion	Jerry	Dick Wimbish	Sue Ellen
Steve Gross	Polly	Frank Mayberry	Judy	Marie Wood	Tycho, Jr.
Ken Gulaian	Kari	Robert Meinecke		Betty Wright	Hylton
Raymond Hanna		Ray Milian		Doug Yarboro	Amanda

Key: Past President Board of Directors Paul Harris Fellow

Honorary Members	1
Active Members.....	95
Total Membership.....	96
Paul Harris Fellow.....	77

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

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.....	Fairfield 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