

THE Mount Airian ROTARIAN

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Rotary Golf – It Was FUN and SUCCESSFUL



Beckie Derrick and John Hollingsworth came to play.

Hampton Inn. Those on the team: Zack Blackmon, Monty Blackmon, Earl Varney and Dale Fowler. The winner of the Longest Drive and Closest to the Pin turned out to be the same lucky person. Congratulations to Gary Pruitt for this double win.

For added interest the organizers came up with a drawing. Anyone could purchase tickets for some very nice items. Rotarian Cathy Stevens of Acme Stone donated a \$500.00 marble vanity which was won by Faith Ashby; Pat Woltz donated one of her beautiful prints that Herb Mason won; and Gene Clark from Ligna Furniture donated a beautiful TV entertainment center won by Jim Petelle.

The golf match was so much fun that the editor of this newsletter was too busy playing and forgot to take more than one picture, and that one was before we ever got started. We offer many thanks to Anne Webb and Jim Petelle who spearheaded the tournament this year. They along with others collected some very nice items to be awarded to the players. The winning team, with a 56, was sponsored by Zack Blackmon of the

We want to thank the many companies who either sponsored a team or purchased a hole sponsorship. To those companies who donated gift items – thank you. Everyone’s generosity once again helped the Mount Airy Rotary Club have another successful tournament. It looks like we raised somewhere around \$3,500 to help support the various projects of Rotary.

Candace Sammons Joins Rotary

Candace is well known in our community, not only as the wife of Rotarian Macon Sammons, but for her volunteer work at the Mount Airy Museum of Regional History. She brings energy, commitment and leadership to whatever project she undertakes, and we look forward to her service to Rotary. Welcome Candace.



Ann welcomes Candace to Rotary

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LEADING THE WAY

OFFICERS 2009-2010

- Bob Meinecke**
President
- Cathy Stevens**
Secretary
- Marie Wood**
Treasurer
- Charles Dugger**
Sergeant At Arms
- Alton Gaither**
President Elect
- Tim Marion**
Past President

BOARD MEMBERS

- Kate Appler**
- Ann Vaughn**
- Amy Johnson**
- Steve Lindsley**
- Greg Perkins**
- Jim Petelle**

Good Help Makes Clean-up Easy



Good Helpers

Our Environmental Excursion on Saturday, Sept. 12 was a great success because of all the folks who turned out to pick up trash. We were at the meeting place by 8:00 and done shortly after 8:30. Tom signed in about 17 helpers.

I want to thank Tom and Faith for working with this ongoing beautification project which makes such a difference. There's nothing like picking up old fast food bags; beer bottles; tobacco juice in a paper cup and many other interesting items to remind you why your mother taught you to never throw anything out the window. The new Director of the Mt Airy Museum, Matt Edwards, and his daughter Olivia volunteered to help as well. Matt is a Rotarian in Greenwood, SC.

Gary Cook was instrumental in getting several "grabbers" that keep us at arms length from rotten bananas and other items of interest. Thanks Gary!



Tom and Anne getting it done.



Dick and Greg photo op.

OCTOBER

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1.....Katie Mabry
- 2.....Julie Moore
- 3.....Twyla Sickmiller
- 4.....Richard Patterson
- 7.....Jeffrey Ellis
- 11.....Faith Ashby
- 13.....Greg Marshall
- 16.....Ashley Hinson
- 17.....Jim Petelle
- 25.....Kirby McCrary
- 29.....John Priddy

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- 2.....Steve & Lori Lindsley
 - 5.....Chris & Angie Nichols
 - 14.....Joan & Bill Inman
 - 14.....Nelson & Lisa Clark
 - 18.....Peter & Linda Lydens
 - 22.....Macon & Candace Sammons
 - 25.....Cathy & Mark Stevens
 - 31.....Gary & MaryAnn Cook

Matching Grant Project Update

We have been notified by Larry Aiken, District MG Co-Chair that funds totaling \$31,095 for the Sustainable Farm grant #69980 will be heading to Chihuahua, Mexico within a few weeks. We appreciate all the individuals and clubs within District 7690 who have participated in this project. The Mount Airy Rotary and the Sunrise Rotary participated from this area.



Start Planning Now for District Conference

2010 District Conference

Grove Park Inn Resort & Spa
Asheville, North Carolina

Friday, April 23, 2010 through Sunday, April 25, 2010.

Stay tuned for details . . .

Mt. Airy High School Interact-Venture Club Officers Installed

On September 15, Interact Advisor Howard Mayo along with parents and guests looked on as six students accepted the responsibilities for the following offices.

President – Abby Bledsoe
Vice President – Rachel Harris
Secretary – Jillian Epperson
Chairman of Local Projects – Ellie Bledsoe
Treasurer – Wade Lewis
Chairman of International Projects – MacKenzie Culler

The installation of officers for the Interact Club is always a special treat. We get to meet and visit with students who have chosen to join Interact as a way to better our community and the world at large. Being go getters, 10 members of the club undertook a fall cleaning up of the grounds for the American Red Cross on Saturday, Sept. 12 during Community Cares Day. They mulched, trimmed, cleared debris and performed other tasks needed by the organization. This was much appreciated by everyone at the Red Cross Center.

Mt. Airy High School Interact-Venture Club – NEWS ALERT

The pinning ceremony for the general membership of the Mt. Airy High School Rotaract-Venture Club will be on Friday morning, October 23 at 7:15 a.m. at Mt. Airy High School auditorium. All Rotarians are encouraged to attend to lend support to our high school club. Carol Burke can provide any additional information if needed.

Early College Interact-Venture Club

At the Rotary meeting on September 22 we recognized the newly chartered Early College Interact – Venture Club. This newly formed group will be under the direction and leadership of Superintendent Dr. Ashley Hinson. The officers for the club are:

President – Terry Hutchins
Vice President – Hallie Fields
Secretary – Allie Pfitzner
Treasurer – Ashley Mendenhall
Public Relations – Hannah Reynolds

Others who will be responsible for helping to guide this new club are:

Principal – Celia Hodges
Teacher Advisor – Sarah Lawrence
Assistant – Sandra Priddy
Rotary Liaison – John Priddy
Venture Liaison – Kevin Cheek
Youth Services Coordinator – Carol Burke


This is a very exciting time for our club and for the many kids involved in the various offshoots of Rotary. We are encouraged by their numbers and their desire to be involved in the community and world at large.

Special thanks to Carol Burke who has spearheaded these efforts.



Dr. Hinson, Will Pfitzner, Sandra Priddy, Hallie Fields, Hannah Reynolds and Carol Burke

United Fund Community Cares Day at Yokefellow Ministries



Brenda Goings was instrumental again this year in coordinating groups to offer their time and energy in helping various United Fund charities in our community. She got some good help from Abby Bledsoe, the new President of the Interact Club. This is a project Kate Appler devised about five years ago to bring volunteers from the community into the agencies to help them with things they don't have the time, money or resources to do.



Several members of our Rotary club volunteered to clean the space where Yokefellow Ministries is located in the Jones School Resource Center. Bob and Judy Meinecke, new member Lenise Lynch, Joan Inman and Mary Ruth Matthews a lady who read about it in the paper, assisted Jill Borders and Chris Aho of Yokefellow with vacuuming; dusting; washing down furniture and equipment, cleaning windows; and sweeping. They then helped stock and organize the food on the shelves. Space is limited in what was a 6th grade classroom in the old Jones School. From this limited space Jill and Chris verify the needs of those who come to them. Thanks to folks who purchase extra food and donate it to the food bank those in need of food can come to Yokefellow for assistance.



Please consider purchasing some extra cans of food next time you are shopping and take it by Yokefellows. Your donation can mean the difference between someone going hungry and being fed.



From Top; Getting Started, Chris, Lenise and Judy, Finding the right spot



**MOUNT AIRY
CITY SCHOOLS**
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MOUNT AIRY ROTARY COMPASSION FUND

Steve Lindsley spoke about specific needs of elementary students and how this new fund can be accessed by the principals to cover the costs of items needed. If you care to donate to this fund please make your check payable to Mount Airy City Schools and note it as the Mt Airy Rotary Compassion Fund.
Mail to:

**Mount Airy City Schools
PO Drawer 710
Mount Airy, NC 27030**



Emily Taylor Will Be Missed



We were saddened to learn of the death of a former member of our club, Emily Taylor. Ms. Taylor passed away on Sept 7 after several years of declining health. She retired from teaching after 36 years; served on the city's Board of Commissioners for 6 years and was the first female mayor of Mount Airy holding that office from 1993 to 2001. She joined our Rotary club in October 1996 and left due to health issues in October 2006.



Every great achievement is the victory of a flaming heart.

—Ralph Waldo Emerson 1803-1882, American Poet, Essayist

October 2009

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ROTARIAN</u>	<u>SPEAKER & PROGRAM</u>
Oct. 6	Doug Yarboro	TBA
Oct. 13	Eddie Bondurant	Devin Tilley – Rotary Youth Leadership Camp
Oct. 20	PJ Snow	Matt Edwards, Director Mount Airy Museum of Regional History
Oct. 27	Ricky Bowman	Bernie Mann – <i>Our State Magazine</i>

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

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

Key: Past President Board of Directors Paul Harris Fellow

Honorary Members1
 Active Members.....95
 Total Membership..... 96
 Paul Harris Fellow..... 81

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.....	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