

THE MOUNT AIRIAN ROTARIAN

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THE BUDBREAK WINE FESTIVAL IS ALMOST HERE



Proceeds from the festival benefit numerous local and international charitable projects and organizations.

The committee for the festival has been hard at work for several months and the 2nd Annual Budbreak Festival will begin on Friday, April 29. Judging of the wines entered into competition is open to the public and will be held in the Mount Airy Museum of Regional History Annex. The *Wine Competition Awards Ceremony* will be held Friday evening at 6:00 in the Old North State Winery.

Tickets for the Friday evening Awards Ceremony and Saturday's events can be purchased from Rotary members; Lowes Foods; select Neighbors locations; select Downtown merchants or via PayPal on line from the website: www.budbreakfestival.com

Sixteen wineries will be present this year with a wide selection for your tasting pleasure. Choose those you like the best and purchase a few bottles for you or for gifts. Enjoy tenor saxophonist Bobby Keys who will be joining the **Mediocre Bad Guys** on the entertainment stage. Bobby is best known for his long association with the Rolling

Stones, but he has also played with music greats Marvin Gaye, John Lennon, Lynyrd Skynyrd, B. B. King, Eric Clapton, Sheryl Crowe, Barbara Streisand, and Joe Cocker to name a few. **The Attractions Band**, a well known beach music band, will also be on hand for those with "summer days, cool nights, and shagging on their minds". Rounding out the entertainment will be jazz singer **Diana Tuffin** from Detroit who will also perform some blues and Motown selections.

Feast on delicious items from **13 Bones, The Lodge at Primland and Maples Restaurant at Olde Mill**. Browse the art booths from 6 local/regional artists. The Downtown Merchants Association will be selling T-shirts for all who like to keep track of the festivals they attend.

Kimberly Van Scoy from WXII will be our emcee on Saturday and we're so pleased to have her with us.

Buy your tickets early and save. It's going to be a great week-end in Mount Airy so mark your calendar and make plans to bring family, friends, neighbors and anyone else you can think of.

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JOSH CLARK PLACES FIRST IN WORLD PEACE ESSAY CONTEST



Josh Clark at the UN

Congratulations to Josh Clark from Mount Airy High School who was named the first-place winner in the American Freedom Association Global Issues Study Program - World Essay Contest. Josh was one of four finalists from North Carolina chosen to present their essays in New York.

The theme this year, *How Can the United Nations Encourage Nations to Go Green?* Josh will present his paper to us in the near future and we look forward to hearing from him. This was a good experience and one Josh encourages other students to participate in.

Josh is the son of Rotarian Nelson Clark and his wife Lisa.

APRIL

Birthdays & Anniversaries

April 1.....Horace Bondurant

April 11.....Carol Burke

April 11.....Bill Johnson

April 14.....David Adkisson

April 14.....Craig Hensley

April 20.....Benny Lisk

April 25.....PJ Snow

April 30.....Kate Appler

April 2.....Amy & Bill Johnson

April 8.....Ken & Kari Gulaian

April 12.....Kate & Mark Appler

April 21.....Tom & Mary Fawcett

April 25.....Aaron & Leanne Routh

National Relief Charities have a Mount Airy connection



Gary and Mary Ann Cook

Rotarian Gary Cook and his wife Mary Ann have been actively involved in the plight of Native Americans for a number of years.

They both have Cherokee heritage. They made a decision to take action and support programs that would benefit the people in the Southwest and Northern Plains. Because of their support, a Nursing scholarship fund has been setup to provide educational opportunities. They both understand that education is one of the most important benefits a person can get to help them rise above the poverty level and to enable them to assist others.

Many thanks to Gary and Mary Ann for their kindness and generosity.

Environmental Cleanup Day

Once again, many thanks to those who came out on March 19 to help clean up the roadway and improve our environment. Thanks to Tom Fawcett for having the vests, bags, and signs ready and waiting when we arrive. This is a small task with big rewards. See you next quarter.



O2 Energies – Looking for Ways to Bring Solar Power to You



Betty Ann Collins and Joel Olsen, Jr.

Joel Olsen who is Managing Director of O2 Energies, gave us an overview of a new project just getting started here – Mount Airy Solar. While solar power is in its infancy, there are states and a few countries who are taking bold steps to find ways to harness this resource to help with the ever increasing need for electricity. The solar farm here in Mount Airy will be on land adjacent to the Waste Water Treatment Facility off of Highway 52. This is good, flat land that is open to full sunlight and will provide enough energy for 200 homes. The power generated will be fed into the Duke Power grid.

For more information on solar energy and O2 Energies, go to www.o2energies.com

Rotarian Personal Profile —Lenise Lynch



Lenise Lynch

Greg Perkins said it best when describing Lenise Lynch as having an Electric personality. Lenise joined Rotary a little over two years ago and from the very beginning she's been a woman on the move.

This is a young woman who leads an active life as the mother of two young children; the General Manager of the Hampton Inn; and a student about to receive an Associate Degree in Business from Surry Community College. But wait, that's not

all. Once she gets her Associate Degree she is moving forward to acquire her Bachelor's Degree in Business from Gardner Webb.

Lenise has worked on and volunteered for several different projects in Rotary. This writer had the pleasure of working with her in collecting money for The Salvation Army two years ago. She never met a stranger and wasn't the least bit hesitant to sing Christmas Carols in the middle of the mall. She also led a team in collecting canned goods for our annual food drive. A tough competitor, she made it plain we would all have to work hard to keep up.

The funniest story yet is how she became a Duke University fan. When pressed several years ago to pull for a team in the ACC tournament, this New York native was unsure who to pick. She did remember however the good times she and her dad had spent watching the Dukes of Hazard. And the rest is history.



Please remember to mark your calendars to participate in the March of Dimes walk to be held on May 14 beginning at Veteran's Park. We have a few who have signed up, but we'd like to see many more. Please consider bringing your family and friends to join you on this walk and to help raise funding for research on ways to prevent premature death in babies under 1 year of age. Vera Reynolds is acting as our team leader so please let her know if you will be walking or if you need additional information. She can be reached at verannareynolds@gmail.com.

Our own Ben Cooke is heading this year's campaign so let's help him raise the 2011 goal of \$50,000 .00.



UPCOMING MEETINGS FOR INTERACT-VENTURE CLUBS

April 2 - there will be an IV event at Camp Raven Knob – Come climb the Knob and receive your own “I Climbed the Knob” pin.

May 17 – Meeting at the Old Hickory Council for Interact-Venture officers, outgoing and incoming, for the 2011-2012 school year.

Australian “Slang Terms”

In preparation for our Aussie (pronounced Ozzie) friends in the fall, we will have a few slang terms in our monthly newsletter to help us get in the spirit for their visit.

Bathers – swim trunks

Biscuits – Cookies

Chips – French fries

Car park – Parking lot

Mackers – McDonald's

You Right? – May I help you? Do you need anything?

APRIL 2011

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ROTARIAN</u>	<u>SPEAKER & PROGRAM</u>
April 5	Steven Simpson	Patrick Merrell on “Gangs”
April 12	Betty Wright	Angie Smith, Director of SCC-Choir
April 19	Greg Perkins	Fred Folger – Personal Profile
April 26	TBA	

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

ROTARIAN	SPOUSE	ROTARIAN	SPOUSE	ROTARIAN	SPOUSE
David Adkisson	Ellen	Todd Harris	Betsy	Britta Needham	Jeff
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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