

THE Mount Airian ROTARIAN

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Officers 2005-2006

- Jay WilliamsPresident
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Weekly Meetings

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

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FOUNDATION MONTH

November is Foundation Month and we were please to have with us on Nov.15th, Dr. Stuart Fountain. Stuart has the distinction of having served as District Governor two times. He is currently serving as the district Foundation Chairman and gave us a report on what our district accomplished this past year. The contributions we make to the Foundation are used in many ways to better the lives of folks whose very lives are in jeopardy because of the condition under which they live. The Foundation also sponsors the Group Study Exchange. Last year we had a group from Germany, this year the group is from Taiwan and anyone interested in hosting one of these visitors in April should contact Stuart through the Randolph Rotary Club. The Foundation sponsors Ambassadorial Scholars, Cultural Scholars, the Matching Grants Program, Simplified Grants Program, the Polio Eradication Program, and others.



Dick Johnson discusses Foundation projects with Tom Webb



Dr. Fountain speaking to the membership about the Foundation

Three clubs have achieved Triple Crown status. 100% Paul Harris Members, 100% Sustaining Members, and 100% Benefactor Club Memembrs.

58% of the clubs in District 7690 have achieved 100% Paul Harris Membership. That is the greatest percentage of any district in the USA, worldwide only one district in Korea is ahead of us with 60%.

Dick Johnson reported that our dollars have gone to build and install water wells in Nigeria to aid a teaching hospital where the patients have to provide their own water. We have assisted two leper colonies in Nigeria with water wells, tools, medicine and latrines. This year in joint collaboration with the Surry Sunrise Club and the King Club, money will be provided to build

water wells and latrines in another area of Nigeria. It is hard for us to imagine not having clean water close at hand to drink, cook with, bathe in, etc. The number of people who will benefit from this project is 39,000, and the cost to each club is a mere \$1,100. Finally, we have distributed 22 boxes of used school books to an area along the Gulf Coast and have 50 additional boxes ready to send.

District 7690 Contributions

Polio Eradication.....Over \$400M over the past three years.

Annual Fund
Last years contributions\$389M

Permanent Fund
Last years contributions\$73M

Tsunami Relief Effort
Shelter Boxes\$211M

District Per Member Avg.\$119.00 District Mt. Airy's club average.....\$101.00



Stuart Fountain and John Springthorpe

HE PROFITS MOST WHO SERVES BEST

RECENT PROGRAMS

November 1 - Our fellow Rotarian Vera Reynolds stepped up to the plate on short notice and gave us a very good personal profile of herself. These are always interesting, and gives us a chance to get to know more about each other. Vera grew up in Ararat, Virginia, one of four children, and graduated from Blue Ridge High School. At the urging of her mother, Vera boarded a Greyhound bus, donned in a blue suit, hat and gloves and made her way to Virginia Union University. Her initial idea was to become a doctor, but along the way she found a love for children and determined her true calling to be a teacher. In 1971 Vera returned to this area and was hired as a teacher in the Surry County School system. She was the first black teacher to be hired. It is apparent when you meet Vera that race is not an issue with her. She credits her mother with teaching her that people are people, and what matters is what's on the inside. This is the message she passed on to her three children. She and William raised them to be fine young adults prepared to go out into the



Left: Gary York and Tom Howe, Director & Gen Mgr of UNC-TV;
 Middle: Ron Sutphin, Dennis Thompson, and John Collins;
 Right: Myra Dove learning more from Dennis about the SEDP

world and make their way. Thank you Vera for a very interesting look into your life.

November 8 - Gary York once again did a fine job in securing a speaker for Rotary. Tom Howe, Director and General Manager of UNC-TV provided us with some very interesting information. UNC-TV, also known as Channel 4, has been on the air for 50 years. They have an audience range from 4 to 10 million viewers. Their budget is \$27.5M with 38% of that coming from donations of \$25.00 or less. The average gift is \$70.00. Fifteen percent of the budget comes from Federal and State funding. Children aged 2 – 17 watch an average of 3 hours per day. In the South, 64% of folks watch TV while they are eating dinner, compared to 40% in the rest of the country. Children's programming accounts for 40% of on air viewing. Every year 5,000 people earn their GED through UNC-TV. The longest running show is NC People hosted by William Friday.

John Collins introduce Ron Sutphin, VP and Dennis Thompson, Capital Campaign Chairman with the SEDP. The Surry Economic Development Partnership is a public/private partnership working to attract new business, and to work with existing business in our community. Areas of help and expertise include: finding grants for infrastructure, assist with Foreign Trade Zones, workforce development through Surry Community College, liaison between government entities, and assist with relocation or expansion within the county. They help sponsor, along with the Mount Airy and Elkin Chambers of Commerce, an annual Business Plan Competition with the next one scheduled for the Spring of 2006. The winner is provided assistance in putting the business into practice. The past two winners, Magmar Feed Company and Galaxy Filters are successfully fulfilling their dreams of business ownership. Every five years the SEDP has a capital campaign drive and this year the 5-year goal is \$1,000,000.00. Corporate and private pledges can be spread over the five year period. Public funding is approximately 60%, and 40% comes from the private sector. Those interested in the SEDP can learn more by going to www.surryedp.com.



Alton Gaither, Dr. Jim Wilson, Vera Reynolds, and Joan Inman celebrate Vera's personal profile and her remembrances of her inspiration from Rosa Parks.

November 22 – Economic Development is something we talk about locally, regionally, statewide, and nationally. There are wide ranging opinions on a variety of issues relating to the subject, and we were pleased to have

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>ROTARIAN</u>	<u>PRESENTER & TOPIC</u>
December 6		Jones Show Choir, with Jennifer Chilton, Director
December 13		North Surry High School Honors Chorus, Sylvia Lowry, Director
December 20		Gentry Middle School 7th & 8th Grade Ensemble, Susan Gentry, Director
December 27	Tim Marion	Will Marion - Program



UP COMING BLOOD DRIVE

Mark your calendars for January 17th. This will be our next blood drive, held at the Red Cross Center. This is an ongoing need in our community and your willingness to participate provides one more way Rotarians can get involved in our community to assist others. If you would like to help in the canteen, please let Kate Appler know. Kate is our Blood Drive coordinator and will be glad to answer any questions you have.

ENVIRONMENTAL EXCURSION EVENT

Tom Fawcett has a way with words doesn't he? I love the way he has renamed our "trash pick-up day". Our latest EEE was on November 5th and the turnout was terrific, so maybe renaming it was just the ticket! Nineteen folks showed up bright and early on that Saturday, and in less than 30 minutes had picked Greenhill Rd clean as a whistle. Eleven bags of trash were removed from the sides of the road. Thank you Rotarians for being environmentally friendly.

INTERACT CLUB ELECTIONS

On October 29th Steve Lindsley presided over the recent elections of the Mt Airy High School Interact Club at Golden Corral. The club has over 50 enthusiastic members who enjoy participating in the club's activities. The students work on a variety of community projects, including Habitat for Humanity, a food drive, and a Christmas project. Judy Rhoden and Marie Goldwasser serve as student advisors. The Mount Airy Rotary Club is proud of these students and their willingness to participate in activities to better our community.



Paul Harris Awards

We were pleased to have Dr. Stuart Fountain with us on a day when we had four Paul Harris Awards to present. Those receiving their awards from Stuart and John were: Robert Rogers, Kate Appler, Kirby McCrary, and Chip Bondurant. Tim Marion and Aaron Routh will be presented with theirs at a later meeting.



New Paul Harris Fellows – Chip Bondurant, Kirby McCrary, Kate Appler, Robert Rogers flanked by John Springthorpe, Jay Williams and Stuart Fountain.

“ I am an enthusiast, but not a crank in the sense that I have some pet theories as to the proper construction of a flying machine. I wish to avail myself of all that is already known and then, if possible, add my mite to help on the future worker who will attain final success.

- WILBUR WRIGHT -



Mt. Airy High Interacters, along with Steve Lindsley, son Connor, John Collins, and Judy Rhoden.



2006 Officers, Matt Welker, Hollis Theard, Nicholas Taluri, Erika Soloman, Amy Deborde and Randy Cockerell with Steve Lindsley and son Conner

BEST WISHES TO THOSE CELEBRATING:

Birthdays:

- 5Ralph Forbes
- 5John Lockhart
- 13John Collins
- 14Aaron Routh
- 16Teresa Lewis
- 19Bob Moody
- 26Haywood Merritt
- 28CB Roberson

Anniversaries:

- 8Ron & Diana Ellis
- 19Ron & Vera Spivey
- 19Ashley & Lynne Hinson
- 27David & Ellen Adkisson
- 19Robert & Cama Merritt
- 27PJ & Joy Snow

HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

CB Roberson is once again parking his car out front to take food donations for this holiday season. The items collected will be distributed to the Foothills Food Bank and perhaps one other agency if the collections are great enough. Thank you CB for organizing this for our club.



CB Roberson – Rotary Food Drive Collection

SERVICE Above Self ...ROTARY INTERNATIONAL THEME FOR 2005-2006



MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

	ROTARIAN	SPOUSE		ROTARIAN	SPOUSE		ROTARIAN	SPOUSE
■	Cooper Adams	Ginny	■	John Haynes	Barbara		John Priddy	Sandra
	David Adkisson	Ellen	■	Derek Higgs	Mary		Gene Rees	Peggy
	Kate Appler	Mark		Ashley Hinson	Lynne		Bill Refvem	Joanna
■	Faith Ashby	Ted		Bill Holcomb	Marjorie		Vera Reynolds	William
	Ted Ashby	Faith		Bucky Holcomb	Kim		C.B. Roberson	Jamie
	Herb Atkins	Ann		Larry Hopkins	Eva		Burke Robertson	Carolyn
	Paul Belk	Cecelia		Jack Horne	Donna		Mary Kathryn Robinson	Joe
	Chip Bondurant	Patricia		Rob Hower	Gail	■	Mark Rogers	Deidre
	Ed Bondurant		■	Joan Inman	Bill		Robert Rogers	Deborah
	Horace Bondurant	Jewel		John Jackson	Donna		Aaron Routh	Lee Ann
	Ricky Bowman	Lori		David Jessup	Renee		Macon Sammons	Candace
	Tommy Brannock			Alison Johnson	Alan	■ ■	Frank Sells	Amanda
	Don Brookshire	Sylvia		Bill Johnson	Laney		Ken Shelton	Susan
	Sue Brownfield	Hal	■ ■	Dick Johnson			Twyla Sickmiller	Roger
	Carol Burke		■	David Jones	Betty		P.J. Snow	Joy
	Greg Cave	Lynette	■	Jim Lewis	Teresa		George Snyder	
	Kevin Cheek		■	Teresa Lewis	Jim		Ron Spivey	Vera
	John Collins	Bobbie		Steve Lindsley	Lorie	■	John Springthorpe	Karen
	Ben Cooke	Lone		John Lockhart	Alice		Louis Stanfield	Linda
	Adam Delp		■	Greg Marshall	Lori		Cathy Stevens	Mark
	Myra Dove		■ ■	Cindy McBride	Ramey		George Summerlin	
■ ■	Charles Dugger	Shirley		Kirby McCrary	Tammy		Emily Taylor	
	Ron Ellis	Diana		Tim Marion	Cindy		Wanda Urbanska	
	Tom Fawcett	Mary		Robert Meinecke			Ann Vaughn	Tom
	Fred Folger		■	Haywood Merritt	Claire	■	Anne Webb	Tom
	Ralph Forbes	Erika	■	Robert Merritt	Cama		Tom Webb	Anne
	Alton Gaither	Janice		Mike Milligan	Judy	■ ■	Melissa White	Jason
	Brenda Goings			Kenny Moles		■	Jay Williams	Beth
	Jeff Gordon		■	Bob Moody	Kathy	■	Jack Wilson	Marie
■	Jim Grimes	Louella		Julie Moore	Jack		Jim Wilson	Judy
	Steve Gross	Polly		Chris Nichols	Angie		Dick Wimbish	Sue Ellen
	Tonda Hall	Jamie		Ron Niland	Marie		Steve Woronoff	
	Raymond Hanna			Richard Patterson	Kaye		Betty Wright	Hylton
	Gary Harold	Vicki	■	T.J. Payne	Sharon		Gary York	Charlotte
	Todd Harris	Betsy		Hugh Peoples				
■	Bonnie Hawks	Lane		Gerhard Pilcher	Denise			

KEY: ■ Past President ■ Board of Directors ■ Paul Harris Fellow

Honorary Members3
 Active Members103
 Total Membership106
 Paul Harris Fellow102

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	Elkin-Jonesville	Prime Sirloin	7:45 am
Wednesday	Surry Sunrise	Prime Sirloin	7:30 am
Wednesday	Galax, VA	Presbyterian Church	Noon
Thursday	Hillsville, VA	Shoney's Restaurant	Noon
Thursday	King	Town & Country Rest.	7:00 am
Friday	Reynolda	Winston-Salem Col.	12:30 pm

