

Reynolda Rotary Review

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August 8, 2008

UPCOMING MEETINGS . . .

REYNOLDA - *Meets Fridays at 12:30 p.m. in the Winston Room of the LJVM Coliseum*

- August 15 Betty Taylor, CEO of CenterPoint Human Services. Her topic will be "Mental Health Reform 2.0". Host: Bert Wood
- August 22 Doug Edgeton, COO of WFU Health Sciences. "Triad Research Park: Transforming Downtown". Host: Art Gibel
- August 29 Nikki Byers, Executive Director of IMPRINTS, "Building Strong Families and Strong Communities." Host: Dave Richards
- September 5 TBA. Host: Ron Rinn
- September 12 Our own Ted Burcaw, Principal at Cook Elementary School. "Challenges of Raising Student Achievement at Cook." Host: Everette Witherspoon
- September 19 Tami Rhyne, Program Coordinator, Deaf Studies Program at WSSU. Host: Francine Madrey
- September 26 Brian Short, General Manager of the Winston-Salem Storm (new ABA pro basketball team). Host: Lindsay Yancey

STRATFORD – *Meets Thursdays at 12:30 p.m. at Forsyth Country Club*

- August 14 District Governor Charles Allen
- August 21 Penni Bradshaw of Contangy Brooks and Smith
- August 28 Dr. Susan Phelps, Dean Educational Partnerships, FTCC
- September 4 Michael/Ben Hough, "Taking a Company Public". How Hatteras Financial became public and listed on the NYSE

CLEMMONS – *Meets Wednesdays at 7:00 a.m. at the Village Inn – Clemmons*

- August 13 District Governor Charles Allen
- August 20 Don Timmons, "School Kid Chronicles"
- August 27 Classification talks
- September 3 WFU Basketball Coach Dino Gaudio
- September 10 Vana Bris Bois, "The Importance of Membership"
- September 17 Amy Hughes, "Triad Free to Breathe"

WINSTON-SALEM – *Meets Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m. at the Benton Convention Center*

- August 12 Brent McKinney, PART, "Light Rail"
- August 19 Peter Marsh, Workplace Strategies, "Sustainable Design and Growth in our Community"
- August 26 Rence Callahan, Walter Robbs Callahan & Pierce, "Building and Owning a Green Building"

WESTERN FORSYTH – *Meets Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m. at Big Shotz Tavern in Clemmons*

ATTENDANCE . . .

<u>Reynolda</u>	<u>Stratford</u>	<u>Winston-Salem</u>	<u>Clemmons</u>	<u>Visiting Rotarians</u>
Aug 1 - 51	Aug 1 - 1	Aug 1 - 1	Aug 1 - 0	DG Charles Allen, Randolph Rotary Club
Aug 8 - 45	Aug 8 - 2	Aug 8 - 3	Aug 8 - 0	ADG, Van Sherrill, Kernersville Rotary Club

Other Guests: (August 1) LuSa Cornelius, Stephen Evans, Kevin Austin, all from the Yadkinville Rotary Club but were guests of Mike Swain (August 8) Jenna Farris, guest of Thorns Craven; Holly Ready and Emmanuel Brown, guests of Bob Parker; Michael Krenz, guest of Mark Thompson; Brian Soper, guest of Debbie Marshall

CLUB NEWS . . .

PROPOSED MEMBER: BRIAN SOPER
Employer: Kenan Soper Bryant, Ltd.

Classification: HR Consultant
Sponsor: Debbie Marshall

If there are no objections received by Sylvia within 7 days, then Brian will be inducted into Reynolda Rotary.

PROPOSED MEMBER: NANCY YOUNG
Employer: Nancy Young Communications

Classification: Communications Consultant
Sponsor: Bert Wood

If there are no objections received by Sylvia within 7 days, then Nancy will be inducted into Reynolda Rotary.



is Membership and Extension Month.

ROTARY FACT. Volunteer Service Grants support the international travel of qualified Rotarians and their spouses to provide a needed service to a community or to plan the implementation of a needed project.

MEMBERSHIP NOTES:

Get well wishes go out to **DENISE FRANKLIN**, who is at home recuperating from surgery. She sends her thanks for the flowers we sent her; she is working from home for now, hopefully returning to the office in a few weeks.

Congratulations to **BILL BALL**, who has been promoted to Chief Financial Officer at Frank L. Blum Construction. Bill previously was controller.

MIKE WALTRIP has all sorts of free time on his hands since he retired recently from AON! Congratulations, Mike.

**August Board Meeting
moved to August 15
11:30 a.m.
Salem Room**

THANK YOU FOR THE CONTRIBUTIONS.

“On behalf of the staff and students at Cook Elementary School, I am writing to express our gratitude for the generous contribution of \$3,000 from the benevolence fund. This contribution will benefit the school in a variety of ways. I intend to use at least half of this contribution to enhance the use of technology in each classroom. The contribution will also be earmarked for supplements for student field trips and to provide incentives for parents and students for planned parent events through the year. It is difficult to measure the value of the support of Reynolda Rotary for the Cook Elementary community. The investment of financial and human capital in the community continues to build bridges of opportunity for children and greatly enhances the opportunities for student success. I am first principal of this school and a Rotarian second (but with no less pride). I am honored to be a part of a partnership of this scope and in the interest of what is best for children.”

Ted Burcaw, Principal

Cook Elementary School

“Please accept our sincere appreciation for the grant of \$1,500 from the Reynolda Rotary Club to help us continue the “Discover Agriculture Experience” for the students of Cook Elementary School. We look forward to expanding our farm program and reaching out to the community, especially those children at Cook, to share the treasure we have here.”

Norma Pearman

CDO, The Children’s Home, Inc.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS . . .

August 1 – Charles Allen, District Governor 7690 for 2008-2009 was today’s special guest. We met at Cook Elementary School – both for the Board Meeting with the DG as well as our luncheon meeting. Following the Pledge and Prayer, Cook Principal Ted Burcaw gave a brief update on Cook, specifically the strides that were made in math scores this past year. He told of the doors that were opened for 4 youth from the 5th grade that got to attend Camp Hanes. It was an opportunity they normally wouldn’t have gotten. Sylvia presented Ted with 3 books; this year we plan to honor our guest speakers with books that we will in turn donate in his/her honor to the Media Center.

District Governor Allen is grateful to Paul Harris for his vision Rotary. He feels that Rotary is the premier service organization – one that affects and changes so many lives. Currently there are over 32,000 clubs in over 200 countries. As Rotarians, we have an opportunity to give back and make a difference. DG Allen’s early days as a Rotarian – he was a RINO (Rotarian in Name Only). Value – that’s what was missing from his club. A few years ago while attending PETS, his thoughts on Rotary was shattered. He was challenged, just blown away by how much bigger Rotary was than beyond his own club. His passion is literacy, so after taking part in a club project to Costa Rica, he and his wife Sandra, came back to the States realizing that you CAN make a difference in other’s lives. For District 7690, Membership will be the #1 priority, not only gaining new members but retaining the members we do have. There are about 1.2 million Rotarians worldwide, but the number of members in the USA is shrinking. We can Make Dreams Real, but you must have good, quality members in clubs to bring this about.

Viva La Rotary!

August 8 – Sam Seifert, who was sponsored by Reynolda Rotary and was a member of the outbound GSE Team to Taiwan, was today’s guest. He brought along a slide presentation of pictures from his trip. Sam traveled 28 days (March 22 – April 18), and it took him 7500 miles from home. He and fellow teammates arrived about midnight in Taiwan, where members of District 3500 met them at the airport. Taiwan is known as the Mountainous Island encompassing 13,000 square miles but has a population of 23 million folks. The official language is Mandarin Chinese. District 3500 is made up of 3 counties, 69 Rotary clubs and 2500 Rotarians. Sam thought the food was exceptional. While visiting, the GSE Team toured Taipai 101, Lions Head Mountain (on which 7 temples are embedded), picked tea leaves, attended District Conference and acquired skills using chop sticks. While in Taiwan, he and his fellow teammates stayed with 7-8 families. The top 4 things that Taiwanese like to do are:

- Taking pictures/pictures being taken of them
- Eating
- Tea/drinking and rituals of tea
- Karaoke