

Reynolda Rotary Review

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UPCOMING MEETINGS . . .

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

- December 10 Holiday Luncheon at Forsyth Country Club. Starts at Noon.
December 17 Christmas party for the students of Cook Elementary School.
December 24 No Meeting. **Happy Holidays!**
December 31 No Meeting. **Happy New Year!**
January 7 Mrs. Glenn Dobbs, "Studies in American History: Thomas Edison – A Brief Biography."
Host: Ted Mann
January 14 Operation Smile and the Rotary Foundation by Carl Treleven of the Crescent Club.
Host: Tom Bosworth
January 21 Professor David Lubin of the Art Department of WFU. Host: Frank McNally
January 28 TBA. Host: Joe Mickler
February 4 Billy Prim, President & CEO of Blue Rhino Corporation. Host: Wes Perry

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

- December 9 No lunch meeting. Holiday social tonight.
December 16 Doug Bassett, VP Sales, Bassett Furniture
December 23 No meeting.
December 30 No meeting.

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

- December 8 Will Martin, Legal Council for the N.C. Association of Realtors will speak on his competitive cycling experience in France
December 15 The West Forsyth High School All-Girls Choral Group will perform a Christmas show.
December 22 Chef Don McMillan from Simple Elegance will talk about ideas for a great Super Bowl party.
December 29 TBA

WINSTON-SALEM – *Meets Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m. at locations listed below.*

- December 7 Joe Lydon, CEO, Salemtowne Retirement Community. Benton Convention Center
December 14 Holiday Luncheon at Salem College. Reservations required.
December 21 George Little and Lee Martin, "Growing Grapes and Making Wine in North Carolina." Benton Convention Center
December 28 No Meeting

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS . . .

December 3 – Rick and Linda Snider spoke to us about Mercy Ships: Bringing Hope and Healing. Mercy Ships is a global charity founded in 1978. It is floating hospitals with dock for 4-6 months at any one destination. Doctors and volunteers with this organization have performed over 18,000 operations, served in 53+ developing countries, and completed 320+ agricultural projects. Rick and Linda joined Mercy Ships in 1997, and have lived on the ship for 5 years. Rick is the Program Officer and Outreach Minister on the ship. Mercy Ships are all about "touching one life at a time" and "showing the character and nature of a loving God."

ATTENDANCE . . .

<u>Reynolda</u> Dec 3 - 71	<u>Stratford</u> Dec 3 - 2	<u>Winston-Salem</u> Dec 3 - 1	<u>Clemmons</u> Dec 3 - 0	<u>Other Guests:</u> (December 3) Kelly Goodfellow, guest of Bert Wood
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CLUB NEWS . . .



REYNOLDA ROTARY HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

Next Friday, December 10 at **Noon**

Forsyth Country Club

There will be music, choral entertainment and a cash bar!

Please RSVP to Lynn by 5:00 p.m. on December 6.

Don't forget to bring your wrapped, child's gift to our Holiday Luncheon. Be sure and put the child's name on the outside of the package. List "Reynolda Rotary" in the *FROM* portion of the gift tag.

RAFFLE UPDATE

December 3: \$31 collected (Tom Bosworth won!) Todate we have raised \$578 for our Benevolence Fund

BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 3. • Six proposed members were approved by the Board. Their applications will be sent to the Information Committee for informational meetings with their sponsors. • We will hold a Fish Fry early next year (possibly in February). We will sponsor a Golf Tournament next spring. • Our next Board Meeting will be Friday, January 7, 2005.

BET YOU DIDN'T KNOW . . .

- **MIKE HUFFMAN** retired from Piedmont Natural Gas on November 30.
- As of November 21, \$4925 has been contributed to our Benevolence campaign from 22 Rotarians. That's an average of \$224 per person. Keep those checks rolling in!
- We need to send lots of get-well messages to former Reynolda Rotarian **GENE BARRIER**. He had an accident on Sunday that involved falling from a ladder at his home. He is in Forsyth Medical Center (Room 7127), and will be for 1-2 weeks followed by a 6-week recuperation at home.
- **EMMETT McCALL** is home after spending 17 days in the hospital. If you are wanting to visit, I would definitely call first; his blood counts have been too low, thus he must stay away from crowds and public places.
- Sympathy is expressed to **RIP FORD**, whose father passed away earlier this month. Also, **STEVE ASHWORTH's** father died just this week. Please keep these families in your thoughts and prayers.

COOK'S CORNER

- ★ Holiday Party for the kids of Cook School, Friday, December 17. After having lunch at the school, we will divide up into teams of 3-5 folks and each team will party with a class of students. Please let Mike Swain or Tom Bosworth know if you plan to attend and help with the parties.
- ★ The after-school tutoring program has been reinstated. It runs from 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. each school day. If you would like to volunteer, contact Mike Swain.
- ★ Upon the conclusion of our November 19 meeting, \$201 was collected for one of the students at Cook. Francine Madrey's lunch buddy is a female student that needs pretty much everything – from underclothes and outer wear, to school supplies. Francine will assist this student in getting the items she so desperately needs.

The Christmas Diet Song



'Twas the night before Christmas and all round my hips were Fannie May candies that sneaked past my lips. Fudge brownies were stored in the freezer with care in hopes that my thighs would forget they were there.

While Mama in her girdle and I in chin straps had just settled down to sugar-borne naps. When out in the pantry there arose such a clatter I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter.

Away to the kitchen I flew like a flash tore open the icebox then threw up the sash. The marshmallow look of the new-fallen snow sent thoughts of a binge to my body below.

When what to my wandering eyes should appear: a marzipan Santa with eight chocolate reindeer! That huge chunk of candy so luscious and slick I knew in a second that I'd wind up sick.

The sweet-coated Santa, those sugared reindeer I closed my eyes tightly but still I could hear; On Pritzker, on Stillman, on weak one, on TOPS a Weight Watcher dropout from sugar detox.

From the top of the scales to the top of the hall now dash away pounds now dash away all. Dressed up in Lane Bryant from my head to nightdress my clothes were all bulging from too much excess.

My droll little mouth and my round little belly they shook when I laughed like a bowl full of jelly. I spoke not a word but went straight to my work ate all of the candy then turned with a jerk.

And laying a finger beside my heartburn I gave a quick nod toward the bedroom I turned. I eased into bed, to the heavens I cry if temptation's removed I'll get thin by and by.

And I mumbled again as I turned for the night in the morning I'll starve . . . 'til I take that first bite.