

THE Mount Airian ROTARIAN

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4th of July Celebration More Than Just Fireworks

The fireworks on July 4th were fun and exciting, but it was also a time for The Mount Airy Rotary Club and The Surrey Sunrise Rotary Club to request donations of food and money for several organizations in our community.



Jeff, Jill, Ray and Bob

On Tuesday, July 13, Jeff Coutu of the Surrey Sunrise Club and Bob Meinecke of the Mount Airy Club presented checks totaling \$1,619.00 to Ray Key of Foothills Food Pantry; Jill Borders of Yokefellow Co-Operative Ministry; and

to Veteran's In Distress Herb Joyce who was unable to attend. In addition to the funds, several hundred pounds of canned goods were also collected and distributed.

Rotary Membership

Membership in the Mount Airy Rotary Club allows us to fellowship, build friendships, and most importantly, participate in service activities. Therefore, it is important that we all take an active approach in not only the recruitment of new members but also retaining our current members. As we move into a new Rotary year, we want to continue to invite our friends, neighbors, and colleagues to experience the fun, friendship, and commitment to service that the Mount Airy Rotary Club has to offer. Our membership goals for the year

include achieving a net increase of two members as of March 26, 2010 and retain 85% of our current membership. In order to achieve these goals, we plan to identify prospective member target markets to make our club look like our community as well as promote club activities in the local media. We also would ask each member to bring in one prospective member during the year. Increasing club membership will be a challenging task as in previous years, our membership has decreased, but it is a goal we can achieve!

Upcoming Guest:

District Governor Mike Conrad will be with us on August 18.

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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 Galthier

President Elect

Tim Marion

Past President

BOARD MEMBERS

Kate Appler

Ann Vaughn

Amy Johnson

Steve Lindsley

Greg Perkins

Jim Petelle

Blood Drive Exceeds Goal!
Total Pints Donated: 34
Goal: 30



Rotary Golf Tournament

September 8 at Cross Creek Country Club

Plans are fully underway for our golf tournament in **September**. Donations for prizes are needed; hole sponsor opportunities; and most of all – getting teams together.

This is always a fun event and an important fund raiser for our club. Don't be shy about playing – you don't have to be good – just have fun.



Triad Flight of Honor

– taken from Rotary District 7690 website

On **Saturday, October 3rd** one hundred (100) World War II veterans will board a US Airways chartered flight from Greensboro to Washington, DC for a one-day trip to visit the WW II Memorial and other interesting sites. Regretfully, our country is losing nearly 1,500 WW II veterans each day and this is a tremendous way to show tribute and thanks for their service and sacrifice. Priority will be given to veterans who have never seen the

WW II Memorial and who otherwise would not be able to go due to financial and/or physical limitations. The Mount Airy Rotary Club will be sponsoring one veteran and one guardian who will go along as their escort. If you know of a veteran who would like to attend, please go to www.rotary7690.org to contact Mitzi Ellis, Past District Governor or contact one of our club officers.

Dee Porter presents “The Civil War and Surry County”

Dee Porter, son of former Rotarian Doug Porter and wife Arlette, received his Master's Degree in American History from NC State University with a concentration in the American South.

Through research of letters from private collections; documents from state, federal, and university archives; and exhaustive newspaper searches, Mr. Porter presented an interesting program on how the Civil War affected the citizens of Surry County. It was a time of extreme hardship, starvation and disease. Though Surry County was far from the battlefield, local residents encountered military operations and witnessed the brutality of war in their own backyards.

Beginning in the fall, Dee will begin work on his doctorate in Southern History at the University of Mississippi (Ole Miss).



Group hears report on Civil War



Anne, Doug, Dee and Arlette listen to comments

AUGUST

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 2.....John Haynes
- 5.....Steve Gross
- 6.....Nelson Clark
- 9.....Bucky Holcomb
- 14.....Tony Marion
- 14.....Peter Lydens
- 20.....Ted Ashby
- 21.....Cathy Stevens
- 23.....Bob Meinecke
- 30.....Bill Refvem
- 30.....Peter Cook
- 31.....Ricky Bowman

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- 1.....Kirby & Tammy McCrary
 - 3.....Dick & Sue Ellen Wimbish
 - 5.....Darrin & Lisa Hartness
 - 6.....Bill & Joanna Refvem
 - 19.....Twyla & Roger Sickmiller
 - 22.....Mark & Deidre Rogers



Habitat for Humanity

From humble beginnings sixteen years ago Habitat for Humanity in Mount Airy is coming on strong. Over those past 16 years, 26 new homes have been constructed. Early on it was a challenge to find folks needing the assistance Habitat for Humanity could provide, but due to current economic conditions those numbers are increasing.

Tim VanHoy is the Director, with Jenny Anderson as Community Coordinator and Melissa Tickle as the Re-Store Manager. The store brings in enough funding to cover overhead which allows contributions to be used in full for home building. While the homes are geared for a particular family, the typical home is 1,100 square feet; three bedrooms; combined kitchen, dining, living area; and one bathroom.

Sad Announcement

On Friday, July 31 Tim passed away at Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem. Our condolences go out to Tim's family and all those who knew and loved him. Tim set an example by doing work that helped and encouraged others. His passing leaves a hole in our community that cannot be easily replaced.

There is a laundry room that could be converted to a bathroom if the need is there.

General requirements include 60-70% of median income or roughly \$28,000 for a family of 4; 20 year mortgage; and 200 hours of sweat equity (100 hours on their own home and 100 hours on another home being built).

United Fund Campaign – Downtown Rocks

United Fund of Surry is partnering with Mount Airy Rotary, as an event sponsor, for the kick off to the United Fund Campaign. Downtown Rocks is a communitywide music event which will be the start to the fundraising for United Fund. It will be held on August 22, from 7:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. The featured Bands will be NF52, a teen band from Dobson, from 7:15-8:00, Mid-Life Crisis from 8:15-9:30, and Mediocre Bad Guys from 9:40-11:00. Also featured is Kids Rock Yard, a kid's game area. Food, wine and beer, and sodas will be available for purchase. Tickets are \$10.00 for ages 11 and up, under 11 free.

It will promise to be a blast for the entire family!!!!

Rotary Footnote

Doug Yarboro is currently the Clinic Director of Northern Rehab in Mount Airy. He is a graduate of Elon University with a Doctorate degree in physical therapy as well as a MBA from Fayetteville State University. He was a member of the GSE Team from District 7730 to Japan in 2006. He is engaged to Amanda Martin and will be married on September 5, 2009. They have purchased the Edward Ashby House on Cherry Street and are in process of revitalizing the home and garden.

This is a labor of love that Susan Ashby would be proud of. Amanda and Doug looked at older homes for months, but kept coming back to the historical home on Cherry St. We are blessed to have this fine young couple living in Mount Airy and taking such interest in one of our most historical houses.

This section is for notes of interest about our members that others might not know. If you have something you would like to share that others don't know about you and would find interesting, please let Joan know at jsinman@southdata.com or call 783-5959.

The more elaborate our means of communication, the less we communicate
- Joseph Priestley

August 2009

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ROTARIAN</u>	<u>SPEAKER & PROGRAM</u>
Aug 8	Horace Bondurant	Rebecca Byerly – Journalist and former GSE
Aug 11	Bucky Holcomb	Melinda Beauchamp-Richard Vaughn Josh & Marie Reynolds Hospital Guest House
Aug 18	District Governor Mike and Mary Ann Conrad along with Area 1 AG LeeSa Cornelius	
Aug 25	Allen Johnson	Jeff McPherson – Heart & Stroke Association

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

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

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

Honorary Members	2
Active Members.....	95
Total Membership.....	96
Paul Harris Fellow.....	85

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