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CAROL BURKE RECEIVES 2ND PHF PIN



Congratulations and many thanks to Carol Burke for achieving her second PHF pin. Carol's dedication to Rotary comes in many forms as well as this additional recognition of her monetary contributions.

This makes two members this year who have received 2nd pins – Paul Belk and now Carol.



Pres. Greg Perkins and Carol Burke

JADE HUGHES ADDRESSES ROTARY CLUB

Jade Hughes and Jordan Jackson along with several other Interact students visited our club to lend support to Jade as she talked to us about the many projects the Mount Airy High School Interact Club coordinated and participated in this past year.

These students achieved an impressive list of projects: Habitat for Humanity; Salvation Army Stockings for Needy Families; Literacy Program in conjunction with Mount Airy Rotary; helped with the 1st Annual Mayberry Triathlon as volunteers; participated in the Lupus Walk and the Jericho Project where they collected books and school supplies to send overseas.

Their club went from a handful of members to over 50. They attracted so many students they had to start meeting in the auditorium. What a great problem to have.



MAHS Interact Club



Jade Hughes and Jordan Jackson

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**2012-2013 THEME:
PEACE THROUGH
SERVICE**

Rotary Receives Thank You From Tharrington and Flat Rock Schools

Principal Molly Anderson from Flat Rock Elementary and teacher Annette Hughes from Tharrington presented Rotary with a slide show of the kids and Rotarians reading to each other. Both Ms. Anderson and Ms. Hughes expressed their sincere thanks for making the connection with students. Reading is the foundation of learning and helping children develop an interest in reading automatically gives them a head start. We were also presented with a photo book showing the kids and Rotarians. Both of these are visual reminders of how learning can be fun.

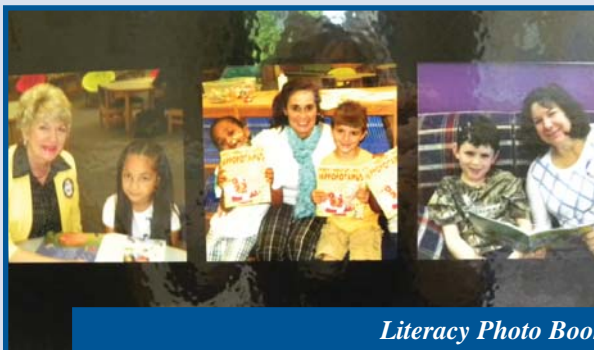
Greg Perkins presented Ms. Anderson and Ms. Hughes checks for their schools in the amount of \$1,200.00 each to help with their reading programs.



Pres. Greg Perkins , Principal Molly Anderson and Brenda Edwards



Brenda Edwards , Annette Hughes and Pres. Greg Perkins



Literacy Photo Book

Teacher Appreciation Day at Rotary

Greg had a really great idea to invite teachers who are retired or close to retirement to Rotary to thank them for their many years of dedication to the young minds entrusted to them. One teacher in particular, Sue Kirkman, stood out for Greg from when he was about 7 years old. Ms. Kirkman had a strong influence on him and her words and encouragement helped him through college and into his professional life.

Many of the teachers spoke about the joy of working with students amid the everyday happenings. Some students stand out more than others and when a student reconnects years later and tells them how much they appreciated and learned from them, it's a humbling moment. It is times like these when a teacher knows for sure their effort was worth it and a life was changed. Van Lankford got to see his former teacher Mrs. Little. Seems Van may have been on the receiving end of a paddling for something he did. A lesson well remembered.



Pres. Greg Perkins with Sue Kirkman



Barbara Haynes with Susan Gentry

County Manager Chris Knopf Talks About the County Budget



County Manager Chris Knopf

Not many of us would willingly take on the unenviable job of creating a county budget, but that's what Chris does. Can you imagine that task? Thank you Chris for being "that guy" who's dedicated to creating a budget in the best interests of our citizens and community. Would we all agree 100% with your plan, probably not, but your job and the job of our County Commissioners is to do the best they can in spending our tax dollars wisely.

An important budget item to be addressed is jail doors that don't lock. Seems that's been a problem at the county jail for quite some time. What we have are old, outdated cells with doors that nobody makes parts for anymore. Sheriff Andy Taylor had it better than that, even if he did hang the key on the wall. Along with

improved doors is budgeting for a few more deputies. This makes sense when you realize our county has minimal if any coverage when shifts change. Heaven forbid there are multiple emergencies at the same time – it happens.

Our schools need capital improvements – you have to have a good roof. And then there is the problem with the HVAC system at Surry Community College. Time erodes more than memories.

Our airport needs expansion. This project has been in the works for years and may seem to move along at a snail's pace, but it's getting closer and closer to fruition. Construction could begin by October. Because of the later start part of the funding could fall into this year and part of it next year.

Growth and Development. Many people talk about this frequently, but without the infrastructure, the amenities, the educated workforce we're just another small but pleasant town that could die a slow death. Investment in our future comes at a price and a balance. We have so many good people here willing to get involved in governance, business, education, community activities, etc. Let's all stay informed about how our money is spent. Offer suggestions or ideas to those we elect and don't be afraid to participate in the process.

UPCOMING ROTARY EVENTS

Rotary Trash Pick-up Day (Environmental Excursion for the enlightened) – June 22

Rain and drizzle kept us away on our regularly scheduled day, so June 22 is our make-up day. We will meet in the parking lot at Cross Creek CC at 8:30. All who willingly signed up before please do so again. We make short work of it when lots of people show up. Let Faith know you'll be there.

Stop Hunger NOW – July 17

In just a **two hour** period, a band of volunteers plan to assemble 38,000 packaged meals to be sent to developing countries around the world and sometimes to areas experiencing a major disaster. These meals are made of rice soy; dehydrated vegetables and a flavoring mix that includes 21 essential vitamins and minerals. Many times the meals are given out at schools getting much needed food to children and to encourage school participation. These meals have a shelf life of 5 years. I understand this is an assembly line setup like none you've ever seen and while 38,000 seems like a huge number, **we can do it.**

The location has not been finalized, but will be by early July.

Marion Goldwasser Returns from Uganda

It was a long 26 hour trip, but a very important one. In her 10 day stay Marion was able to assist with mediation and negotiations between some of the principal and the outcome was a surprising success. While there she was able to attend the installation of the new president of the Gaba Rotary Club. Marion worked out the details for accommodations and teaching for the Vocational Training Team (VTT). This is a medical team who will be working with the ambulance team, the staff from 6 clinics, the traditional birth attendants and village health teams. She also visited clinics with the ambulance staff and Kitgum Rotarians; and cheered the arrival of the very sturdy and beautiful new ambulance.

Marion will have more on this along with pictures when she addresses our club in a few weeks.

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

ROTARIAN	SPOUSE	ROTARIAN	SPOUSE	ROTARIAN	SPOUSE
David Adkisson	Ellen	Raymond Hanna		Richard Patterson	Kaye
Jenny Anderson		Gary Harold	Vicki	T.J. Payne	Sharon
Kate Appler	Mark	Barbara Haynes		Greg Perkins	Julie
Faith Ashby	Ted	Derek Higgs	Mary	Jim Petelle	Ann
Ted Ashby	Faith	Eric Hodges		Hugh Peoples	
Paul Belk	Cecelia	Bill Holcomb		Beth Pequeno	Peter
Horace Bondurant	Jewel	Bucky Holcomb	Kim	Jason Pike	Jennifer
Sue Brownfield	Hal	Sandy Hurley	Will	Zane Poindexter	Lori
Carol Burke		Joan Inman	Bill	John Priddy	Sandra
Karen Burnette	Bruce	Donna Jackson	John	Gene Rees	Peggy
Nelson Clark	Lisa	John Jackson	Donna	Travis Reeves	Leslie
John Collins	Bobbie	David Jessup		Bill Refvem	Joanna
Gary Cook	MaryAnn	Alison Johnson	Alan	Vera Reynolds	
Ben Cooke	Lone	Amy Johnson	Bill	Burke Robertson	Carolyn
Jerry Cox		Dick Johnson		Aaron Routh	Lee Ann
Adam Delp	Tammy	Laney Johnson		Candace Sammons	Macon
Fred DeWeese		Mary Kilby	Bud	Macon Sammons	Candace
Cathy Eckenrod	Skip	Van Lankford	Ann	Steven Simpson	Maria
Brenda Edwards	Allen	Lee Lawson	Kevin	P.J. Snow	Joy
Matthew Edwards	Glenda	Jim Lewis	Teresa	Cathy Stevens	Mark
Regina Edwards		Greg Little	Julie	Ann Vaughn	Tom
Tom Fawcett	Mary	Peter Lydens	Linda Wright	Casey Vedder	
Fred Folger		Lenise Lynch		Dale Watson	Celena
Laurie Forbes		Barbi Manchester		Anne Webb	Tom
Ralph Forbes	Erika	Kirby McCrary	Tammy	Jack Wilson	Marie
Alton Gaither	Janice	Carla Majure	David	Dick Wimbish	Sue Ellen
Marian Goldwasser	Michael	Robert Meinecke	Judy	Marie Wood	Tycho, Jr.
Jim Grimes		Ray Milian		Betty Wright	Hylton
Steve Gross	Polly	Bob Moody	Kathy	Amanda Yarboro	Doug
Ken Gulaian	Kari	Britta Needham	Jeff	Doug Yarboro	Amanda
		Gray Parker	Sandra	Steve Yokeley	Ann

Key: Past President Board of Directors Paul Harris Fellow

OFFICERS 2012-2013

Greg Perkins
President
Jim Petelle
President Elect
Cathy Stevens
Secretary
Marie Wood
Treasurer
Matt Edwards
Sergeant At Arms
Kate Appler
Past President

BOARD MEMBERS
David Adkisson
Regina Edwards
Marion Goldwasser
Jim Lewis
Jim Petelle
Candace Sammons
Ann Vaughn

Honorary Members1
Active Members.....90
Total Membership..... 91
Paul Harris Fellow.....74

WEEKLY MEETINGS

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

MAKEUP MEETINGS

Monday.....Stuart, VA Rotary Park6:30 pm
Tuesday.....Winston-Salem Benton Conv. Ctr.....12:30 pm
Tuesday.....Yadkinville..... Yadkin Cultural Arts Ctr.7:30 am
Wednesday.....Yadkin-Valley..... Fairfield Inn7:45 am
Wednesday.....Surry Sunrise..... Prime Sirloin7:30 am
Wednesday.....Galax, VA Prime Sirloin.....Noon
Thursday.....Hillsville, VA Shoney's Restaurant.....Noon
Thursday.....King PB Clarks.....7:00 am
Friday.....ReynoldaWinston-Salem Col.....12:30 pm