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Congratulations Betty and Burke

Thank you to Betty Wright and Burke Robertson for their contributions to the Rotary Foundation that makes them Level 1 Paul Harris Fellows. At the Foundation Dinner we heard so much about how our district gives so generously and what those dollars actually mean in terms of projects that help so many worldwide. CHEERS!!!

“I am only one, but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something, and because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do something I can do

—Edward Everett Hale”

Food Drive Update

It was so heartening to me last year to see how our club got into the spirit of giving when Tim came up with the idea of competition for our Food Drive. I knew that CB was looking down from heaven on us and cheering us on, and now his daughter Karen has taken the challenge. In just two weeks we have collected and donated over 900 cans of food. Every day I read something in our paper about how desperate our food banks are and the large numbers of people they are attempting to assist. Our goal of 1,500 cans by year-end should be blown away easily based on the giving thus far.

Folks, this is one of those very easy requests we make that costs you very little, but has significant impact. Don't let a week go by that you don't bring at least two cans of food to Rotary with you. If writing a check suits you better, hey we'll take care of that too. We don't want to leave anyone hungry in our community if we can do something to help.



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LEADING THE WAY

OFFICERS 2010-2011

Alton Gaither
President
Kate Appler
President Elect
Cathy Stevens
Secretary
Marie Wood
Treasurer
Charles Dugger
Sergeant At Arms
Bob Meinecke
Past President

BOARD MEMBERS

Ann Vaughn
Greg Perkins
Jim Petelle
Steve Lindsley
David Adkisson

Personal Profile with Greg Perkins

When we have personal profiles at Rotary you learn some of the most interesting things. Greg Perkins is a bright, energetic and interesting member of our club. He is the owner of Perkins Financial located across the street from the Mount Airy Post Office.

When Greg asked wife Julie what he should talk about, she said he should talk about some of his quirky habits, since he has so many. We learned that Greg, like others you may know, eats only one thing at a time. The interesting thing about this is his method. Greg eats each item according to the cost; meats first, bread last. Ummmm While in college he used the \$3.00 per meal per day plan with the goal of seeing how much he could save for the week-end if someone else paid; if he skipped a meal, etc. The man is resourceful.

While recently attending a Rotary meeting on grants and matching grants he heard the question asked as to how many Rotarians we have under the age of 40. The answer

was less than 10%. The sustainability and continued success of Rotary depends on finding new and younger members to carry on the traditions and work of this fine organization. Greg feels a connection to the older generation who have learned and experienced so much. It is these members who can mentor to new members by providing insight and guidance. We look to the day when Greg's children, Owen and Olivia, might one day follow in the footsteps of their dad and carry on the work started in 1905. Because of Greg's interest in Rotary and its long term sustainability, our board will look at creating a program to pinpoint under age 40 men and women who exemplify the ideals of Rotary and would like to join.



DECEMBER

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Dec. 1.....Ralph Forbes
 Dec. 5.....John Lockhart
 Dec. 10.....Marion Goldwasserz
 Dec. 10.....Gray Parker
 Dec. 13.....John Collins
 Dec. 14.....Aaron Routh
 Dec. 16.....Teresa Lewis
 Dec. 16.....Stephen Simpson
 Dec. 19.....Bob Moody

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Dec. 07.....Britta & Jeff Needham
 Dec. 24.....Ashley & Lynne Hinson
 Dec. 28.....David & Ellen Adkisson
 Dec. 31.....PJ & Joy Snow

East Surry High School – Cardinals Interact Club

We were honored to have with us Cathy Coats Harpster, Interact District Chairman 7690 from the Southern Pines Club with us on November 16 to speak with us about the Interact program and the responsibilities of all concerned. Vera Reynolds is the Rotary sponsor and working with Carol Burke they have gotten this new Interact Club off to a good start.

President Greg Thorn spoke briefly about their interest in giving back to others and one of their first projects is collecting DAWN dishwashing liquid which will be sent to contacts in the Gulf to wash birds contaminated by oil from the BP Oil spill.



East Surry Interactors take Oath of Office



Interact Officers and Advisors



Vera Reynolds introduces President Greg Thorn

District Foundation Dinner – High Point Country Club

Mount Airy had a good turnout for this year's event. Thanks to Alton and Janice Gaither, Vera Reynolds, Marion Goldwasser, Bob Meinecke, Carol Burke, John and Barbara Haynes, Joan Inman and Kate Appler for attending.

Many accolades went out to all clubs for their generous contributions to the Foundation, but more importantly it is the actual results of these contributions that mean so much. It is the boots on the ground work made possible by donations that alleviate suffering, bring hope, provide education, provide basic human needs, and most important of all – saving lives. Our club is most fortunate to have Marion Goldwasser spearheading the work in Uganda. Anyone who has the feeling or the need to become involved in humanitarian trips outside our comfort zone can find other Rotarians with that same desire. Where there is a will, there is a way.

The keynote speaker for the dinner was John Smarge, Rotary International Director 2010-2012. John is a wonderful example of putting himself into action. He has participated in the PolioPlus National Immunization Days in India, been on a medical mission to Ternopil, Ukraine, and made multiple humanitarian trips to the Caribbean and Haiti. He told a poignant story about a little boy in the Bahamas who had been abandoned by his family. John met Cleo on a trip to a school where Rotarians delivered books and spent time talking and playing with the children. At night this child said he would sit on his bed and in the quiet hours would continuously question what he did that was so awful that his parents would desert him. The love of basketball brought John and Cleo together. This little boy found a friend in John who was able to help him see through the pain of being abandoned and to a future with hope.

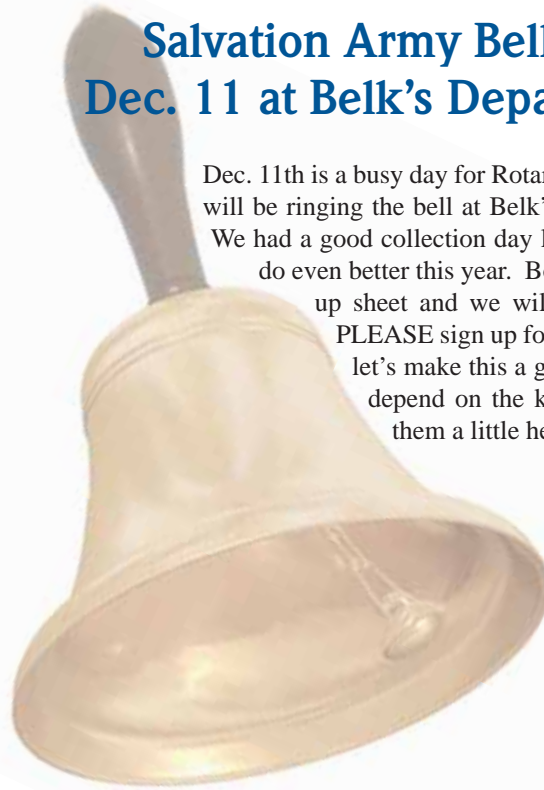


Time to Clean Up the Environment

On Saturday, Dec. 11 at 8:30 we will march ourselves out into the crisp morning air and enjoy each other's company as we pick up trash along the roadway for our last environmental cleanup for this year. We need 16 hearty souls to participate. That is the ideal number that gets us out and back in about 30 minutes or less.

Please let Faith, Tom Fawcett or Tom Webb know if you can make it. **We need you.**

Salvation Army Bell Ringing – Dec. 11 at Belk's Department Store



Dec. 11th is a busy day for Rotary. This is also the day we will be ringing the bell at Belk's for the Salvation Army. We had a good collection day last year and hope we can do even better this year. Bob Meinecke has the sign-up sheet and we will work together in pairs. PLEASE sign up for a **one hour** time slot and let's make this a good day for all those who depend on the kindness of others to give them a little help.



DECEMBER

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ROTARIAN</u>	<u>SPEAKER & PROGRAM</u>
Dec. 07	Darrin Hartness	Mount Airy High
Dec. 14	Ashley Hinson	
Dec. 21	Kirby McCrary	Millennium Charter Academy
Dec. 28	TBA	

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

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

Key: Past President Board of Directors Paul Harris Fellow

Honorary Members	1
Active Members.....	97
Total Membership.....	98
Paul Harris Fellow.....	78

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.....	Fairfield 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