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BUDBREAK WINE FESTIVAL – YEAR #2 A SUCCESS



Left: Main Street in Mount Airy fills with visitors enjoying the wine festival.

Below, left: Vendors provide a little shade along with goods to purchase.

Below: A judge for the Wine Tasting compares two favorites.



Last year when the first Budbreak Festival was held we harbored a dream that this could become an annual event. The success this year brings that dream closer to reality. The crowd was larger; the organization better; the vendors happy; and money was made. This very well might turn into “the” event for Rotary and the Downtown Business Association.

Chief organizer Bob Meinecke had this to say “The Budbreak Wine Festival committee recently met to discuss this year’s festival. The consensus from everyone was that the event was well received. Some of the things that stood out were the relocation of the

bandstand and the addition of a covered tent area used for dining and enjoying the music. The response from our vendors both repeat and new was that they are on board for next year with ideas that will help us make the festival bigger and better.

Thanks to all the committee members, Rotary volunteers, the Downtown Business Association (DBA) and companies like Surrey Bank and Trust, Interlam Designs, Andrew Pearson Designs, Workforce Carolina, Pine State Marketing, Cooke Rental, B&L Jewelers, Old North State Winery, Mount Airy Museum of Natural History, and supporting companies like SouthData, Inc., The Hampton Inn and

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LEADING THE WAY

OFFICERS 2010-2011

Alton Gaither
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Kate Appler
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Greg Perkins

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Steve Lindsley

David Adkisson

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BUDBREAK WINE FESTIVAL (CONT.)



A final vote between two favorite wines during the wine tasting.

the Mount Airy News for making this year a success. For other sponsors not connected to Rotary members, please review the festival website. We look forward to making this event become not only a major fund raiser for our charities, but an economic benefit for our community.

Our efforts raised over \$10,000 and the best is yet to come.”

As with any event, it is the people behind it that make the difference. Thank you to all our Rotary Club members who spent hours of their time devoted to making sure all the

details were considered and planned for; who spent time meeting, making calls and selling tickets; and those who worked the event making it a fun and pleasant experience for those who attended. We offer thanks as well to the DBA and their members who worked alongside our Rotarians. Without both groups this event would not have been possible.

Heres to the 2012 Budbreak Wine Festival – May it grow and blossom like the vines for which it is named.

Photos provided by Liz Blevins

Mount Airy Approves Recycling Program

There was much debate about curbside recycling, but in the end a majority of council members voted in favor of the program. Pictured below is Rotarian council woman Teresa Lewis receiving a pair of green flip flops from Jim Grimes; and David Adkisson presents council member Jon Cawley with his Green Award.



David Adkisson gives Jon Cawley Green Award.



Teresa Lewis receives flip flops from Jim Grimes.

JUNE

Birthdays & Anniversaries

June 3.....Dick Wimbish
 June 4.....Eric Hodges
 June 8.....Betty Ann Collins
 June 14.....Fred Folger
 June 15.....Eddie Bondurant
 June 24.....Ken Gulaian
 June 27.....Greg Perkins

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 June 1.....Benny & Pam Lisk
 June 6.....Derek & Mary Higgs
 June 14.....Sue & Hal Brownfield
 June 14.....Ann & Tom Vaughn
 June 20.....Bob & Kathy Moody
 June 23.....Steve & Polly Gross
 June 25.....Marion & Michael Goldwasser
 June 30.....John & Bobbie Collins
 June 30.....Craig & Allison Hensley

March of Dimes Event

Thanks to Ben Cooke for once again hauling his cooker and putting up a tent for the March of Dimes Walk-a-Thon. Rotary has been serving up hotdogs with slaw and chili for many years at this event and without Ben Cooke, Jeffrey Ellis, Sue Brownfield and Dick Johnson it would not have been possible again. Per Ben “Dick and Jeffrey went above and beyond by helping take down other tents and getting everything packed up at the end of the day. I couldn’t have done it without them.”

We also thank Brenda Goings (former Rotarian) for helping her friends. This project is near and dear to her heart and Brenda was our “go to” person for many years.

Ben is the Chairman of the March of Dimes fund raising campaign this year and we appreciate the time and effort he has put into this worthy cause. The goal this year is \$50,000 and they have almost reached that number.

Charles Dugger Talks about WWII



Charles receives congratulations for his interesting talk.

Greg Perkins is an avid fan of history, especially when it comes to WWII. Charles Dugger served in WWII, so it was only a matter of time before Greg got together with Charles and started getting an education. Those initial dialogues turned into a Rotary presentation from notes in a journal kept by Nelson Futch. Charles and Nelson met at Navy boot camp and served together throughout their military tenure.

Charles and Nelson served aboard the aircraft carrier - USS Bennington. Their job was to arm the planes with 500 lb bombs and 5' rockets. It was hot, tiring work. Sleep was minimal. More often than not they slept below the flight deck on their all weather gear because to go below decks for only three or four hours sleep in a small bunk didn't seem worth the effort.

Their mission: Destroy Japanese Aircraft and their facilities.

For their part the Japanese announced via Tokyo radio that their aircraft would be repositioned to destroy US naval forces.

Despite Japan having the largest battleship ever built, the **Yamato** at 72,800 tons, US air and naval forces attacked and sank the ship on April 7, 1945. The US declared victory. While the Japanese suffered the most losses, the victory was hard won by the US. She too lost ships, planes and lives.

Nelson gave his diary to Charles who typed the notes and created a journal of their time serving in the Navy. We thank Greg for his interest in history which led to Charles sharing this information and his memories with our club. To Charles Dugger, Nelson Futch (deceased), and all who served with them - we salute you.

Kate Appler

- Upcoming Club President



Alton Gaither presents Kate Appler with his infamous gold plated pen.

Kate hasn't been sworn in as President and she's already up and running. She has updated us on plans for the future; announced committees and who will be chairing those; making plans for a big impact on our school system involving literacy; and in general displaying the leadership we all expect.

Alton presented Kate with one of his infamous gold plated (in plastic) Rotary pens and told her she will find the Rotary 2011-2012 year a challenge, but one she will never forget.



Mount Airy won the Club Bulletin Award at District Conference for the Large Club Monthly. Pictured above is Editor Joan Inman with Graphic Designer Beckie Derrick. Pulling the newsletter together is a team effort. THANK YOU BECKIE for your behind the scenes efforts.

If anyone has suggestions for the newsletter, please let Joan know. Contact her at jsinman@southdata.com.

JUNE 2011

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ROTARIAN</u>	<u>SPEAKER & PROGRAM</u>
June 7	Teresa Lewis	Frankie Andrews - Prescription Drugs
June 14	Bob Meinecke	Budbreak Wine Festival - Final Report
June 21	Greg Perkins	TBA
June 28	Alton Gaither	LeeSa Cornelius - 2011-2012 Officer Installation

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

ROTARIAN	SPOUSE	ROTARIAN	SPOUSE	ROTARIAN	SPOUSE
David Adkisson	Ellen	Gary Harold	Vicki	Britta Needham	Jeff
Kate Appler	Mark	Todd Harris	Betsy	Gray Parker	Sandra
Faith Ashby	Ted	Darrin Hartness	Lisa	Richard Patterson	Kaye
Ted Ashby	Faith	John Haynes	Barbara	T.J. Payne	Sharon
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
Nelson Clark	Lisa	Sandy Hurley	Will	Vera Reynolds	
Betty Ann Collins	Martin	Joan Inman	Bill	Burke Robertson	Carolyn
John Collins	Bobbie	John Jackson	Donna	Mark Rogers	Deidre
Gary Cook	MaryAnn	David Jessup		Aaron Routh	Lee Ann
Ben Cooke	Lone	Alison Johnson	Alan	Candace Sammons	Macon
Adam Delp	Tammy	Amy Johnson	Bill	Macon Sammons	Candace
Charles Dugger	Shirley	Bill Johnson	Tina	Brandt Scholz	Lynn
Cathy Eckenrod	Skip	Dick Johnson		Frank Sells	Amanda
Brenda Edwards	Allen	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