



March 2007

Web site: www.triadrotaryclub.org

SUMMARY OF RECENT MEETINGS

On February 20, Tammie Grisso invited Pamela Cable, the author of Southern Fried Women, to visit the club. Pamela read an excerpt from her book and told us a little bit about growing up in an evangelical environment and the struggles that she entailed after leaving the church. Pamela's next book, Televenge, is due out this summer. For more information, visit her web site at www.pamelacable.com.

On February 27, Dave Farshing had another Bulls and Barrels presentation for potential sponsors. Congratulations to Pat Hogan for winning the 50/50 drawing!

On March 6, Blair Rankin invited Captain Larry Casterline to speak to us about his recent trip to Mexico in September. The trip was sponsored by UNC and City of High Point.

While in Mexico, his group toured a children's home that offers them a home and employment. They also attended a lecture on micro financing, which teaches residents at poverty level how to save money for the future.

On March 13, Jerry Koontz (Ted Koontz' father) joined us to talk about the Senior Games in High Point. Anyone over 55 is eligible to participate. The games are being held in High Point from April 30-May 11 and include football, softball, horseshoes, tennis, bocce ball, golf, bowling, putt-putt and many more. There are also the Silver Arts program that include arts and crafts and the Literary Arts program that includes writing and performing arts. To participate, you can sign up at the senior center for \$8.

On March 20, Jack Hamilton spoke to us about the Rotary Foundation. Jack reminded us about the many things the Rotary Foundation does to make this a better world!

HOUSE PROJECT UPDATE

Thank you to Blair Rankin, Nick Platt, Steve Farabee, Ray Keuthe, Ted Koontz, and Jack Hamilton for coming out to the house project work day on March 3rd. They did a great job cleaning up the job site!

BOOK DONATION PROJECT

A new project our club took on this year benefited the students at Florence Elementary School. On March 5th, president Brant Burgiss presented four new award-winning books to the school's library.



Photo courtesy of Al Ferguson

As part of this District-wide project, each Rotary club was asked to donate books to a library in their community, to honor the vocation of past district governor Phil Morris. Pictured with Burgiss are principal Ed Herring, librarian Marina Bonomo, members of Florence Elementary's Student Council, and Burgiss' daughter Ashley.

MAKE UP'S

Looking for a make-up? Just visit www.rotary7690.org for the most complete listing of make-up meeting locations in our area. You can also visit any other Rotary Club meeting in the area!

CALENDAR

March 27—We will not be meeting at the String and Splinter due to furniture market. We will celebrate "Rotary in the Workplace" at Bill Davis Racing instead. A box lunch will be provided at 11:30. Address: 300 Old Thomasville Road, High Point.

April 3—Jerri White has the program and team 6 has door prizes.

April 10—We will meet at the house instead of the String & Splinter; bring a bag lunch! Al Ferguson will preview the Occupational Friendship Exchange. Team 7 has door prizes.

April 17—Richard Kerr has the program. Team 8 has door prizes.

April 24—We will meet at the Pistol Range of the HP Police Dept at 10:00 AM to see a tactical demonstration. Lunch provided by Marc Cutrell. Al Ferguson has the program and team 1 has door prizes.

CLUB BIRTHDAYS

Brandy Farabee – 3/25 (Steve)
Jennifer Ferguson – 4/6 (Al)

THE 4 WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

THE WEB WINO SPEAKS

Words of Wisdom from the President

We are pleased to announce that Tom Smith of Kernersville has applied for membership in our club after attending several meetings. He will be inducted into membership the first of April, and we hope to post his photo and a short biography in our next issue of The Triad Trumpet. Charlie Davis proposed Tom for membership.

The Scholarship Committee has been hard at work lately, selecting Students of the Month and getting ready to review applications and conduct interviews with area high school students who are competing for our two scholarships. Many thanks to those who serve on this committee: Blair Rankin, Bruce Laney, Don Nichols, Arlene Reardon, Tom Foster and Charlie Davis. We appreciate your service to our club and community!

Treasurer (and President-Elect) Nick Platt reports that many of our members are not paying their dues on time. If you have not paid your bill for the current quarter (Jan-Mar), please do so now, because the invoices for next quarter are going out soon! The Board has recently enacted a new payment policy, which will be reflected at the bottom of the new invoices. It is important that we pay our dues so we can meet our club's financial obligations.

If you haven't noticed it yet, be aware that we have slightly altered our schedule of meetings for April and May. On Tuesday, April 10th we will meet at the house for our regular club meeting. Several of our members haven't seen the house yet, so we wanted to create an occasion for a visit! Each member should bring a bag lunch to this meeting. On Tuesday April 24th, we will meet at the firing range of the High Point Police Department at 10:00 AM to see a tactical demonstration by the police force. Marc Cutrell will be our "chef of the grill", and we are hoping to arrange it so our members will have a chance to shoot some weapons after the tactical demo has concluded. This special event has been coordinated by our own Al Ferguson, on the occasion of our Occupational Friendship Exchange with the police force in Aachen, Germany.

On Sunday, May 6th, we will join with other Rotarians from our district to watch the Greensboro Grasshoppers play the Hickory Crawdads at the new baseball stadium in downtown Greensboro. This is a Family of Rotary event, so bring your spouse/significant other and the kids! The excitement begins at 3:30 with special Rotary events and a picnic; first pitch is at 5:00 PM. Interested members should contact Murray White for more information.

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OF ROTARY WITH EVERYONE!**

DOOR PRIZE / WORK TEAMS FOR 2006-2007

Team 1

Tom Foster-**Captain**
Michaela Jarrett
Murray White
Owen Bertschi
Earl Donnelly

Team 2

Bruce Laney-**Captain**
Dave Farshing
Vern Martell
Tammie Grisso
Jack Hamilton

Team 3

Arlene Reardon-**Captain**
Chris Finan
Larry Dunlap
Larry Linthicum
Tom Smith

Team 4

Sharon Lipscomb-**Captain**
Steve Farabee
Jerri White
Jay Motsinger
Ray Kuethe
David Parker

Team 5

Ted Koontz-**Captain**
Brant Burgiss
Don Nichols
Toye Payne
Richard Kerr
Jody Susong

Team 6

Brian Donley-**Captain**
Stew Hartley
Jerry Streetman
Charlie Davis
Al Ferguson
Jim Sloop

Team 7

Jim Gayle-**Captain**
Ray Coble
Woody Hathaway
Blair Rankin
Larry Wright
Kirk Wilson

Team 8

Pat Hogan-**Captain**
Nick Platt
Marc Cutrell
Connie Laster
Murray Catton