

# The Triad Trumpet



May 2007

Web site: [www.triadrotaryclub.org](http://www.triadrotaryclub.org)

## SUMMARY OF RECENT MEETINGS

On April 24, we enjoyed a day at the High Point Police Department firing range. Al Ferguson invited us to watch several SWAT team drills and then we enjoyed hamburgers and hot dogs! It was a very exciting and informative time for all who came! Thanks again Al for arranging this!



L-R: Chief Fealy, V. Mertens, Al Ferguson & B. Burgiss

On May 1, Al Ferguson arranged for Verner Mertens, a police officer Al met in Germany through the GSE a few years ago, to speak to our club. Verner spoke about his police force in Germany and told us about his experiences with the HP Police Department. Verner was in High Point visiting with the HP Police Department for 2 weeks. Everyone enjoyed hearing about Verner's experiences while in the U.S.

On May 8, Larry Wright invited Anne Jones from Camp Carefree to speak to our club. Camp Carefree is located in Stokesdale and provides a free one-week overnight camping experience for children with health problems and disabilities. They also offer a week of free camping to children with siblings who live with illnesses or disabilities. If you're interested in volunteering to be a counselor, visit [campcarefree.org](http://campcarefree.org).



Ray Kuethe and Blair Rankin serving seniors

May 15 was our annual Senior Day in the Park! We served hamburgers and hot dogs to over 200 seniors at City Lake Park in Jamestown. The Happy Tones performed for the seniors and then they were able to enjoy the rides and games at the park. Thank you to Larry Dunlap for arranging Senior Day and to all the Rotarians who volunteered!

On May 29, our club enjoyed Papa John's pizza at the Piedmont Saddle Club. We did a "walk thru" of the rodeo site and each committee met to discuss last minute details. Dave Farshing informed us that we had surpassed our sponsorship goal!

## HOUSE PROJECT UPDATE

As you can see from the photo below, the interior of the house is largely completed. We will be having a landscaping "party" the second week of June. Stay tuned for details!



*Rear staircase & family room, as seen from the kitchen*

## MAKE UP'S

Looking for a make-up? Just visit [www.rotary7690.org](http://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

June 1-2 – Annual Bulls 'n Barrels at Piedmont Saddle Club. Gates open at 5:30; bull riding starts at 7:30.

June 5 – Meet at String & Splinter. Owen Bertschi has the program, and team #5 has door prizes.

June 12 – Meet at String & Splinter. Murray Catton has the program; team #6 has door prizes.

June 19 – Meet at String & Splinter. David Parker has the program; team #7 has door prizes.

June 28 – (Thursday 6:00 PM) Awards Banquet at High Point Woman's Club.

## MEMBER NEWS

Larry Dunlap is now the proud owner of his own online travel agency. Please contact Larry if you need a flight, rental car, or hotel for your next business or pleasure trip.

## CLUB BIRTHDAYS

Ted Koontz – May 4  
Woody Hathaway – May 10  
Richard Kerr – May 17  
Ray Kuethe – May 20

## CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Murray Catton – May 2 (12 years)  
Brian Donley – May 10 (19 years)

## 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*

Everything is falling into place for our second annual Bulls 'n Barrels event, scheduled for Friday and Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Piedmont Saddle Club in Colfax. Committee chairman Dave Farshing reports that we should be "in the black" before the first carload of spectators arrives, thanks to increased sponsorships.

So a big THANK YOU goes out to all members who sold or bought a sponsorship for this year's event. Let's cross our fingers for good weather and a huge turnout of hungry rodeo fans.

Another year, another successful Seniors Day in the Park. Larry Dunlap seems to have this project down to a science. With our band of merry cooks (see photo below) and servers, we estimate that close to 300 seniors enjoyed lunch and bingo. Thanks to all Rotarians who helped make this day possible!



*Marc Cutrell cooks for the Senior Day in the Park*

I was proud to represent our club at the recent District Conference held at The Homestead last month. Governor Mitzi put on quite a show, providing inspiring speeches and recognizing Rotarians in our district for their service to their local and

world community. The whole conference committee is to be commended for a wonderful (but very wet) weekend.

On a similar note, I will be attending the Rotary International Convention in Salt Lake City next month. This will be my first international convention, so I am really looking forward to it. I hope to share my experiences when I return to NC.

It was no smoke and mirrors, just good old police work, when our club members witnessed a tactical demonstration by High Point Police Department's SWAT team in late April. The level of training and the dedication of the men on the tactical unit impressed us, and our hat is off to Al Ferguson for helping arrange this club outing.



*Tactical team demonstration at firing range*

As the month of May concludes, Foundation chairman Jack Hamilton is busy gathering last minute donations and commitments for Paul Harris Fellows awards. When Jack calls, please respond and donate as much as you can to this worthy charitable cause.

SHARE THE FUN  
OF ROTARY WITH EVERYONE...

*Invite a friend to Rotary!*

## 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