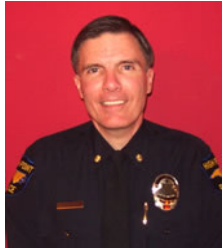




**JULY 2008**

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

**Message from Our President**



*Major Blair Rankin, Ret.*

As charter member Bruce Laney so aptly put during our recent 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Luncheon, the legacy of the Rotary Club of the Triad is one in which we all can be proud. More importantly, the club's traditions and energies ("If it ain't fun, it won't get done.") continue unabated into the next thirty years ... sure to be our best yet!

Additionally – Rotary year 2008-2009 will have a continuing theme of, "It's a great day to be a Rotarian!" ... And our club members are going to know why! I want to reemphasize the worth and importance of the individual Rotarian; through attendance and fellowship at club meetings and participation in club events and projects. Also, I want to create an

appreciation for what The Rotary Foundation has done worldwide and locally, with emphasis on the value of each Rotarian's informed financial support and commitment.

Lets all join together to "Make Dreams Real."  
President Blair

**Bobbi Martin Community Service Award**



*Dr. Hussey accepts award from Jerri White*

This year our Club has awarded **Dr. Michael Hussey** our prestigious award for volunteerism. Dr. Hussey is a retired Neurosurgeon from Johnson Neurological Clinic. He began his career after graduating from the University of Virginia Medical School in 1961. He served

in Viet Nam in the Army Medical Corps. He retired from Johnson Neurological Clinic in 1999. He has been volunteering at the Community Clinic of High Point as a Doctor for 5 years and works 2 full days a week. He sees as many as 30 patients a week. Jerri White says that he also pays his own liability insurance which is a big savings to CCHP.

### **Board Actions**

The Board of Directors has approved the following: Dues will increase to \$180.00 per quarter, effective October 1, 2008. Invoices will be mailed the last of the week prior to the beginning of the quarter and are due within twenty (20) days of the first of the quarter. Individual meals paid to the Sgt. at Arms are \$13.00.

### **MAKE UPS**

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 [make up online!](#)

### **Member Birthdays**

Tammie Grisso 7/31

### **Spouse's Birthday**

Ellen Foster 8/3

### **Anniversaries**

Arlene and Gavin Reardon 8/3/2002

Tom and Sheila Smith 8/10/1996

### **Membership Anniversary**

Tammie Grisso 8/8/2006

### **Program Responsibilities**

July 29 Jody Susong

Prizes Team 4

Aug 5 Murray White  
Prizes Team 5

Aug 12 Richard Kerr  
Prizes Team 6

Aug 19 Arlene Reardon  
Prizes Team 7

Aug 26 Larry Linthicum  
Prizes Team 8

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

August 1-

**Rotary Night** Friday August 1  
Eastern Music Festival – Guilford College's Dana Auditorium 6:30 PM  
Wine and Cheese on the lawn.

8:00 PM - Concert with Past District Governor Dave McCoy conducting. Contact Dave McCoy for complimentary tickets.

August 25-

### **\$50,000 Grand Prize**



### **First Annual Hole in One Shoot Out**

The Triad Rotary Foundation will hold its first annual Hole in One Shoot Out August 25, at Willow Creek Country Club. Entrants get 2 shots at \$50,000 cash prize!

Go to our Home Page and fill out the registration form and pick a Tee Time.

September 18-  
**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Ray Taylor District  
7690 Golf Tournament**  
Pinehurst Country Club, Asheboro

### **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?

### **Jerri White's Corner**

*By Jerri White, Visiting Columnist (Humor)*

#### The Watermelon King

Those of you who didn't make it to the club assembly missed a good evening. I was not looking forward to it because the guy thing of sitting around the Body Shop at Crescent Ford and/or Mercury is not my most favorite thing to do. It is not that I object to spending time with my guy friends, eating steak and the "fixins" as well as watermelon and pies. The truth is I absolutely do NOT do summer heat well.

But – I lucked out on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Owen has really powerful air conditioning and fabulous bar stools. Needless to say, I was a very happy camper.

These comments are the preamble to what I really need to report to the membership.

As many of you are aware, it was recently announced that watermelon has some of the same affects as Viagra. Who would have thunk it?

It is therefore incumbent upon me to report that there was a lot of watermelon being consumed on July 22<sup>nd</sup>. I mean A LOT. One of the members, a rather outspoken Democrat who shall otherwise remain anonymous, casually strolled by with SIX – I said 6 – chunks of watermelon on his plate.

I shall say no more.



I just wanted to relay a funny story I heard about Stewart Hartley when he was president of our club.

One day while he was leafing through his rolodex for a guest speaker to replace a last minute cancellation, the doorbell rang. It was two men who offered to do work around his house in return for a meal. He agreed to provide them a dinner if they would finish chopping the wood in the back of the house. Ten minutes later, he glanced out the window to see one of the men whirl across the lawn, performing a succession of cartwheels before disappearing into the bushes. Rushing out, he grabbed the second guy and gushed, "That was amazing! Do you think your friend would be willing to do that again at the Rotary Club this morning? I'll pay him twenty dollars!" "Hey Charlie!" the man yelled out. "This guy wants to know if you'll chop off another finger for twenty bucks!"