

The Triad Trumpet



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EMPLOYEE OF EXCELLENCE

Web Site: www.triadrotaryclub.org



Elizabeth Fisher & Sara Roberts

Elizabeth Fisher, Director of the Media Center at Oak Hill Elementary, was named by our club as our Employee of Excellence. Elizabeth was recognized for the quality of work that she does for her students at Oak Hill and for her help in getting us started with the **Books for Oak Hill Project**. Pictured with Elizabeth is Oak Hill Principal Sara Roberts.

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Spring Cleaning ---

This has been a challenging and exciting Rotary year. While the club has been unable to do some projects it has done previously, members have come forth with needed support and enthusiasm to complete others.

“Making Dreams Real”--- Particularly rewarding has been the personal involvement by so many to make sure that this year’s **Seniors Day in the Park** took place. Likewise, the financial backing for the **Stop Hunger Now** food packaging event involved both club members and members of the Jamestown Rotary Club (much appreciated!).

Special note to those who contribute to The Rotary Foundation online: contributions to the Annual Fund for 08-09 need to be in by May 31.
President Blair

FAMOUS DEFINITIONS FROM THE MENSA INVITATIONAL-

Bozone: The layer of substance surrounding stupid people that stop bright ideas from penetrating. The bozone, unfortunately, shows no sign of breaking down in the near future.

MAKE UPS

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 do a make-up online by visiting www.rotaryclubone.org!

PAUL HARRIS FELLOW AWARDS



Brant, Ben, Maxine, and Tammy

Asst. District Governor Brant Burgiss presented Club members Ben Settles, Maxine Kennedy, and Tammy Grisso with the Paul Harris Fellow Award on April 21.

The members who contributed money to the Rotary Foundation and used their points to name them PHF's were:

Richard Kerr, Larry Linthicum, Sharon Lipscomb, Tammy Grisso, Brant Burgiss, Michaela Jarrett, April Porterfield, Jerry Streetman, Ray Coble, Nick Platt, Pat Hogan, Larry Wright, Tom Beasley, Bruce Laney, Jerri White, Jim Gayle, Stewart Hartley, and Owen Bertschi.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 28, 2009 No Club Meeting

May 1, 2009 Crazy Golf Tournament and Picnic.

May 9, 2009 Stop Hunger Now
Clubs will gather to prepare Food Packets

May 12, 2009 Seniors Day at the Park

June 21 – 24, 2009
IR Convention Birmingham, England

July 19-25 Rotary Youth Leadership Camp

HONORARY ROTARIAN



Station Manager Ron Inman & Dave

Ron Inman was named Honorary Rotarian by our club at the April 21 meeting. Ron is Station Manager for Channel 45, ABC Affiliate. Ron has supported our many projects over

the years by providing free advertising at his station. Ron also honored us by giving our club the \$10,000 grant from Oprah's Big Give which then helped us set up the Post Polio Foundation. Presenting the award is Dave Farshing, Sales Manager for ABC Channel 45 and twice Past President of our Club.

STOP HUNGER NOW EVENT



The Stop Hunger Now Event is scheduled for 9:00 AM on Saturday, May 9. Michaela Jarrett is coordinating the event scheduled to be

held at River Landing. Volunteers will package nutritious meals that will be used to feed the hungry wherever they are most needed. Michaela provided each member with loose change collection containers, which helped fund the project. We have already received a \$1,200 district simplified grant designated for this event, and the Jamestown RC provided funds as well.

THE WARE SHOALS NEWS



Jerri White, Humor

For this month's newsletter I found this wonderful story that I wanted to share with you. It reminds me of my dear Aunt Esther who could make

the most delicious **Chocolate Chip Cookies**.....

An elderly man lay dying in his bed. In death's agony, he faintly smelled the aroma of his favorite cookie - chocolate chip - wafting up the stairs. He gathered what remaining strength he had, and lifted himself from the bed. Leaning against the wall, he slowly made his way out of the bedroom and, with even greater effort, forced himself down the stairs, gripping the railing with both hands. With labored breath, he leaned against the door frame, gazing into the kitchen.

Were it not for death's agony, he would have thought himself already in Heaven. There, spread out upon racks on the kitchen table and counters, were literally hundreds of his favorite chocolate chip cookies.

Was it Heaven? Or was it one final act of heroic love from his devoted wife, seeing to it that he left this world a happy man? Mustering one great final effort, he threw himself toward the table, landing on his knees in a rumpled posture. His parched lips parted, the wondrous taste of the cookie was already in his mouth, seemingly bringing him back to life.

His feeble hand stretched to its limits, he reached for a mouth-watering sample. Just then, his wife smacked his hand with a spatula. "Stay out of those," she said. "They're for the funeral."

Jerri