

The Piedmont Rotarian

ROTARY DISTRICT 7690 • NOVEMBER 2008 • DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

"Make Dreams Real"

Charles Allen, Governor, PO Box 623, Randleman, NC 27317

Greetings Rotarians of District 7690!



Charles Allen

WOW, What a great time to be a Rotarian and to be Your District Governor!

I now have had the honor and privilege of visiting with each of the 52 clubs in District 7690. The leadership team in each club has shared their goals and plans for this "Make Dreams Real" year. I continue to be enthused by the dedication to "Service Above Self" of the Rotarians in our clubs and your efforts to "Make Dreams Real".

You are truly an amazing group of Rotarians!

Sandra and I have just returned from the RI Zone 33-34 Institute where we shared the accomplishments of Rotary "Service Above Self" with over 400 Rotarians from the 27 Districts in Zone 33 & 34.

The RI focus for the month of November is "**The Rotary Foundation**" and while at the RI Zone Institute we were pleased to learn that District 7690 is a leader in Zone 33 and RI in our support to The Rotary Foundation. We were in the top five in every category for support of TRF as noted below.

Annual Giving: #4 @ \$ 446,412

Major Donors: #4 - 8

Major Gifts: #4 - 3

Per Capita Giving: #5 - \$ 145 per Rotarian

Total Contributions: #5 - \$ 561,167

New Paul Harris Society Members: #4 - 40

I thank you for your strong support of The Rotary Foundation.

The Foundation Banquet speaker this year is Past Rotary International Director Barry Rassin and he will share important information related to The Rotary Foundation while he is with us for this fellowship event.

Coming Events:

November 1, 2008 – Rotary District 7690 Football

Fellowship at Wake Forest University – Wake vs. Duke

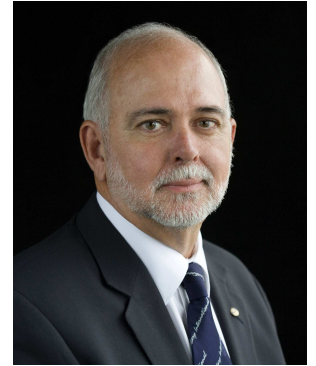
November 6, 2008 – The Rotary Foundation Banquet at High Point Country Club

November 21, 2008 – The Rotary Leadership Institute at High Point Chamber of Commerce

Rotary Club Leadership Teams! Let's continue to lead the clubs of District 7690 in their support for The Rotary Foundation this year. **Remember, Rotary Teamwork Will "Make Dreams Real".**

Yours In Rotary Service,
Charles

Rotary District 7690 Welcomes Barry Rassin, Past RI Director Guest Speaker, Rotary Foundation Banquet



Barry was born in London, England but moved to Nassau, Bahamas as an infant. At ten years old he went to the USA to continue his education from secondary to high school and College. He got his BBA from the University of Miami and his MBA in Healthcare from the University of Florida. He worked at The Miami Heart Institute and Mount Sinai Medical Center in Miami Beach, Florida until he went home to Nassau in 1979 with the goal of bringing modern medicine to the country. Today he is the President and CEO of Doctors Hospital Health System in Nassau, is the only Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives in his country and continues to challenge the organization to enhance the quality of care provided.

As a member of The Rotary Club of East Nassau, he learned the value of being a Rotarian. Barry has been a member since 1980 during which time he served his club as a Director, Secretary and then President in 1987-1988. He continues to be active in training at the club level. As District Governor in 1991-92 he learned about the greater world of Rotary within the ten countries of the District which flamed the spirit to do more for Rotary International. As an active member of the District he has been the DG Council Secretary, Polio Plus Chairman for multiple years, and District Trainer for multiple years. Once the District became a part of Zone 34 and he could participate in Zone training and other activities other opportunities came up that provided him an even wider scope of the Rotary World. Within the Zone he has served on the Directors Advisory Committee for a number of Directors, and has participated in Zone training for a number of years, from GETS co-chair to Training Coordinator for Zone Institute Training.

Barry has received the Service Above Self Award from the Board of Directors of Rotary International and was given the Charlie Braham Achievement Award in Jamaica for his Rotary involvement. He is a multiple Paul Harris Fellow, Major Donor, Benefactor, and Bequest Society member. He was also given the National Award of Health Hero by the Bahamas Ministry of Health and PAHO.

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 6th is the annual Rotary Foundation Banquet. The banquet will be held at High Point Country Club. To make reservations, call the district office at 336-885-7690.

November 21st is the Rotary Leadership Institute at the High Point Chamber of Commerce.



**HAPPY
THANKS-
GIVING
TO ALL
ROTARIANS!**



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ROTARY FOUNDATION UPDATE

As Governor Charles notes in his article, our district was recognized in the top five in every support category announced at the recent Zone Institute. Our Zone 33 covers 13 districts across both Carolinas, both Virginias, and eight counties in Tennessee.

In addition to these prominent rankings in our zone, our district led the entire Rotary world in 100% Sustaining clubs in 2007-08 for the third straight year. To be a 100% Sustaining club, every Rotarian in a club must give at least \$100 to the Annual Programs Fund. Over half of our clubs, 27 in all, met this challenge.

District 7690's crowning achievement was announced at District Conference in April. We were certified as the first district in the Rotary world to have all of its clubs certified as 100% Paul Harris Fellows. Our district once again has set a new standard of excellence in the Rotary world.

One of the best aspects of Our Rotary Foundation is Rotarians determine how every penny of our donations is spent. Half of that money is available directly to our district and is applied to programs such as District Simplified Grants (\$25,000 was available to clubs in our District this year) and Scholarships (three Ambassadorial Scholars and four Cultural Scholars are studying abroad in 2008-09). The other half goes to the World Fund, which we access through programs such as Group Study Exchange and Matching Grants.

In addition to the programs mentioned above, Our Rotary Foundation is committed to eliminating polio from the planet. Along with our partners, UNICEF, the World Health Organization, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, we are closing in on our goal.

Rotary has an important new partner in the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, which has contributed a \$100 million challenge grant to our polio eradication efforts. We will meet their challenge by raising another \$100 million over the next three years. I have no doubt our district will do its part by surpassing our goal of \$250,000.

Our Rotary Foundation is successful because of the efforts and support of individual Rotarians, their clubs, and districts. Our mission to achieve world understanding and peace is a lofty goal that can only be achieved through the sustained action and commitment of all Rotarians.

Every club in our district can contribute to the polio fund and average at least \$100 per member in Annual Programs Fund support this year. We are already four months into the 2008-09 Rotary year, so I hope you will *Make Dreams Real* across our world by making your contribution today!

ROTARY DISTRICT 7690 NOMINATES 2011-2012 GOVERNOR



The Rotary District 7690 Nominating Committee, chaired by Past District Governor Phil Morris, has nominated Terry Titus of the Yadkinville Rotary Club to serve as District Governor of Rotary District 7690 in 2011-2012. The Committee would like to thank the candidates, Joe Kelly of the Summit Rotary Club and Terry Titus of the Yadkinville Rotary Club for their dedication to District 7690 and their willingness to serve.

The Rotary District 7690 Manual of Procedure and Policy states that:

Following the announcement no later than December 1 by the District Governor of the recommendation of the Nominating Committee to the clubs, any club in District 7690 may propose by way of resolution naming the candidate (whose name shall have been previously submitted to the Nominating Committee prior to the October 24th deadline) and certifying that the candidate meets the qualifications established by RI. If challenge candidates are received, the procedures for a mail ballot are determined by the Nominating Committee and ballots are mailed to the clubs. Any challenge must be received by January 1 and should be sent to the office of the District Governor. If no challenges are received by February 1, the candidate of the Nominating Committee shall be declared the DGND. If a mail ballot is necessary, the DG announces the results of the mail ballot by March 1, and the winner shall be declared the **DGND**.



District 7690 GSE Team To District 3250 in India

Front Row L-R Shanthony Exum, Jenna Fariss
Back Row L-R Carrie Myers, Joe Kelly, Amanda Martin

Shanthony is a graphic designer who lives in Winston-Salem and works in Greensboro. She is a graduate of N.C. State University. While in India she hopes to visit various design firms and tour architectural monuments and museums.

Jenna is an actuary and a yoga instructor who lives and works in Winston-Salem. She is a graduate of Appalachian State University. While in India she hopes to make actuarial and yoga contacts and also visit Indian historical sites.

Carrie is a Girl Scout Camp Director who lives and works in Sophia, NC. She is a graduate of Mount Union College and the University of Toledo.[both in Ohio] While in India she hopes to see how outdoor experiences differ from those in the US.

Joe Kelly is the Rotarian Team Leader and lives and works in Greensboro. He owns Awards of Excellence. He is a graduate of UNC-Chapel Hill. While in India he hopes to see Rotary Projects and visit Indian historical and cultural sites.

Amanda Martin is a banking attorney who lives in Boonville, NC and works in Winston-Salem. She is a graduate of UNC-Chapel Hill and Campbell University. While in India she hopes to observe other attorneys and experience the culture of India.

The group has enjoyed preparing for the trip and is grateful for the guidance given by Alternate Team Leader Dr. Prithvi Hanspal of Asheboro. Dr. Hanspal was born in the area to be visited and has offered much information to help with preparations.

While in India the GSE Team plans to maintain a website and blog to share their adventures. Upon return the group looks forward to visiting clubs and talking about the trip. They will also help with the inbound team from India and make a presentation at District Conference.

Attendance for September 2008

CLUBS	MEMBERS AS OF 6/30/08	CURRENT MEMBERS	MONTHLY MEETINGS	MONTHLY % ATTEND	CLUB ID NUMBER
*Alamance	42	44	5	64	6090
*Alamance Bkft	28	28	4	75	23238
*Archdale/Trinity	24	24	4	77	29135
*Asheboro	104	101	4	53	6052
*Burlington	20	19	4	75	6092
*Carthage	17	20	4	83	6053
*Clemmons	133	130	4	70	29530
**Crescent	109	105	2	76	6056
*Deep River	9	10	4	83	51358
*East Greensboro	14	15	4	78	55569
*Eden	30	29	4	70	6058
*Furnitureland	58	59	4	77	6059
**Gate City	62	65	4	94	27995
*Graham	36	32	4	63	6107
*Greensboro	315	314	4	49	6060
*Gboro Arpt	42	42	3	76	31667
*Guilford	58	60	4	70	22059
*High Point	157	156	4	80	6062
*Jamestown	22	23	5	92	6063
**Jonesboro	51	45	4	74	22882
*Kernersville	72	73	4	76	25027
*King	22	21	4	79	51294
*Lexington	38	39	5	67	6065
*Liberty	21	19	4	59	6066
*Madison/Mayodan	37	36	5	68	6067
*Mocksville	49	55	5	71	6069
*Mount Airy	104	108	5	76	6070
*Pinehurst	39	43	4	76	6072
*Randolph	83	89	4	65	6074
*Reidsville	64	64	4	77	6075
*Reynolda	107	110	4	54	21534
*San Lee Sunrise	34	33	5	96	30735
**Sandhills	36	40	4	80	25530
**Sanford	38	35	5	66	6078
*Siler City	56	56	4	64	6079
*Southern Guilford	11	11	4	70	61795
*Southern Pines	78	85	4	78	6080
*Stoneville	16	17	4	88	6081
*Stratford	113	113	4	42	6082
*Summit	111	112	4	77	6083
*Surry Sunrise	35	36	4	65	57326
*Thomasville	77	76	0	93	6084
*Triad	37	38	5	82	6071
*Troy	30	31	4	74	6085
*Walnut Cove	21	22	4	71	6087
Western Forsyth	(missing)	24	5	82	79812
**Willow Creek	15	14	4	70	60367
*Winston-Salem	253	251	5	43	6088
*Yadkin Valley	41	39	4	60	30000
*Yadkinville	20	21	5	72	51333
*Yanceyville	16	16	4	45	6134
DISTRICT	3005	3048		72%	