



CRESCENT ROTARY NEWS

“Celebrating 50 Years of Service Above Self”

NOVEMBER 2015

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

November is my favorite month. I love the chill in the air. I love the faint smell of a fire burning somewhere in the distance. I love to watch the leaves swirling around. I love wearing a pullover to stay warm while playing golf. I love sweatshirts. I love the fact that football is in full swing, and that college basketball will soon tip off. I love the feeling of patriotism that comes with Veteran’s Day. I love anticipating Thanksgiving, and the immediate transition into the Christmas season thereafter. Whew---that’s a lot of love!

In addition to all of that, I love that we have so many great things to look forward to at Crescent in November. Sam Hummel has arranged an offsite meeting for us at the YWCA on November 2nd---it’s good to get out of the house once in a while. Rick Martin is firing up the BBQ pit at Pigstock at Shooting Star Farm on November 7th, which is shaping up to be a terrific event. Tommy Webb has a big crew headed to the Rotary Foundation banquet at the Koury Convention Center on the evening of the 11th. Speaking of the Koury Convention Center, we may need to rent it out for our program on November 16th, as Lisa Hazlett has arranged for Miss North Carolina to come and speak to us. Something tells me the front tables may fill up very quickly at that meeting. There is the always popular Third Thirsty Thursday. This month it will be held in Summerfield at the home of Chip and Kerri Person, as we host club favorite Rebecca Byerly, who is back in town to update us on her documentary, *Women of the Mountain*. And to close out the month, Abby has lined up Ollie Chandhok, Editor of the *Triad Business Journal* as our program.

Community service remains in high gear during November, as we continue to raise money for the CART Fund, and potentially put Vice President Brian Sowers behind the wheel of a go-cart to race against fellow Rotarians from across the district. Speaking of Brian, he has several opportunities coming up to volunteer for Purple Heart Homes projects, with the next one fittingly falling on Veterans Day. At our November 9th club meeting, the Salvation Army truck will be parked out front to receive our donations for the *Apartment Essentials* program. And lastly, we will be serving Thanksgiving Dinner at the *Boys and Girls Club* on the 24th from 4:00-7:00pm. From experience, this is a very fun and rewarding opportunity to serve.

Crescent’s bylaws call for board nominations and elections in November each year, as well as the selection of a President-Nominee who will succeed President-Elect Abby Donnelly. From what I have seen and heard of the process thus far, I can assure you that Crescent will be in excellent hands for years to come.

See---November really is the best month. And in my book, Crescent really is the best Rotary club. The two just seem to go hand-in-hand. Life is good.

Rich



MONDAY MEETINGS

- 11/9 Foundation & New Member Talks
Salvation Army Truck Onsite
- 11/16 Kate Peacock—Miss North Carolina
- 11/18 Board of Directors—4:00
Carolina Bank Annex

MEMBERSHIP NEWS:

October Attendance :

85 Members

Thirsty Third Thursday!

Join us every 3rd Thursday of the month. Our next informal meeting will be **November 19—Women of the Mountain**. This is a great time to ENJOY fellowship with fellow Rotarians!

5:30-7:00 pm
The Home of Chip and Kerri Person
5876 Stanley Huff Road
Summerfield, NC 27358

Rebecca Byerly will give us all an update on her documentary **Women of the Mountain**.



Calling All Rotarians

Which Crescent Rotarian would you like to see do a program (hear their story, share more about their business or industry, etc.)? Send your best idea to Lisa.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- 11/7 Pigstock—4:00-7:00
5624 Davis Mill Road,
Pleasant Garden
- 11/11 Foundation Banquet—Koury
Convention Center
6:00—9:00
- 11/19 Third Thirsty Thursday
5:30-7:00
5876 Stanley Huff Road
Summerfield

BIRTHDAYS

Abby Donnelly—11/9
 Eric Fitzgerald—11/10
 Rich Spiker—11/11
 Wilson Sheldon—11/16
 Randy Carson—11/23
 Dick Hall—11/24
 Mark Snyder - 11/26

WEDDINGS

Charlie Witzke—11/3, 36 yrs
 Bill Pearson—11/5, 33 yrs
 Dick Barron—11/7, 23 yrs
 Sharon Schlachter—11/8, 12 yrs
 Scott Slabbekoorn—11/9, 24 yrs
 Max Seifert—11/12, 48 yrs
 Sam Hummel—11/22, 46 yrs

CLUBDATES

Sam Hummel—11/3, 40 yrs
 Brian Sowers—11/5, 25 yrs
 Linda Higgins—11/28, 21 yrs



ROTARY FOUNDATION

November is Foundation Month for Rotary International, and we at Crescent will be paying attention to that topic during the Fall. What is that Foundation? How does it affect Crescent Rotary and our efforts and activities? How can we be more involved with the Rotary Foundation?

The Rotary Foundation is the financial and philanthropic wing of Rotary. We give to the Foundation every year through our fundraising dollars, and we are able to utilize those dollars in current and future efforts. Maybe the best way to “see” the use of the Foundation is through our Rotary Magazine. The articles, photographs, and advertisements are almost entirely descriptive of our Rotary activities and service, within our local communities and our international efforts.

In this article I will simplify the Rotary Foundation by discussing two topics. The first is the international and long-term effort to eradicate polio throughout the entire world – POLIO PLUS. This effort began over thirty years ago, and we at Crescent have been involved in that funding for each of those years. Rotary’s original goal (from the early 1980’s) has multiplied over the years as donations have been collected and additional funders have been added, including the recent dollars from the Gates Foundation. POLIO now only exists in two countries – Yes, only two, with a small number of cases. Rotary will continue to meet that challenge to eradicate polio. Thanks to the Rotary Foundation (where each of us is involved and invested) we have made a difference.

The second example of how the Rotary Foundation works is through completing a grant process with Rotary International and with District 7690 for an investment of over \$100,000 in a permanent site for Operation Smile to do its important work in cleft lip or cleft palate reconstruction in Managua, Nicaragua. Crescent’s donation to this effort will be matched by our Rotary District funds and again by Rotary International funds for this total grant. Those dollars are mostly Foundation dollars that were donated to Rotary International by you and me and Rotarians around the world. We will then be making a difference in the lives of hundreds and maybe soon thousands of children and adults in Nicaragua who would not otherwise have this reconstructive potential.

Many, many other examples of the Rotary Foundation contributions and programs can be seen on Rotary sites, both at the international, district, and club levels as all clubs involving our 1.2 million membership enrollment have access to our collective potential.

The Rotary Foundation is the TREASURE that matches the time and talents of our members and communities throughout the world, the working dollars that change lives.

We should be proud and humbled by what we do and the responsibility that we have to make these differences in our world.

Thanks to each of you!

Tommy Webb

Crescent Rotary Foundation Chair





Board Meeting Agenda & Minutes - October 14, 2015

4:00—Meeting called to order

Secretary's Report—Read and approved

Treasurer's Report—A/R – Delinquent receivable (over 90 days) is under \$3,000. P&L was reviewed. Income is very close to budget. Expense is well below budget thanks to renegotiated contract with caterer. Eric updated board on reserves. CD matured and since the interest rate was essentially identical to the interest of a money market the funds were transferred to a money market so that it is more easily accessible if needed.

Business Items –

Fundraiser (Shrimp Boil) – Cliff Thompson and Justin Smith. Cliff informed board that Pryors has committed to providing beer; Pig Pounders is bringing a truck and will be providing an extensive selection of their beers. Gibbs is also on board. Wine – board discussed whether or not we should provide wine. Jon said he can approach some vineyards in the Yadkin valley to see if they are interested in making in-kind donations. There was also some discussion about having members donate wine, but it was decided that if we don't get any donated from vineyards that we suggest to members that they bring their own. Justin might be working to get tables and chairs donated – that would reduce the catering cost. We've secured between \$3,000 and \$4,000 in sponsorships.

Service Projects – Charlie Witzke emailed an update to Rich. Reminder about Project Rebuild which concludes on Oct. 16-17

Purple Heart Homes – Brian informed the board that we need 6-8 volunteers for the project on 10/29. He is concerned that the number of participants from the club has been dwindling and asked that board members try to participate and lead from the front.

Pigstock – is November 7 and Rich asked that we encourage club members to really support our team.

CART – Top 19 clubs in District 7690 will be able to send their president to participate in a go-cart race. Rich can't do it but Brian has agreed to drive in his place if we make the top 19. Rich will encourage members at upcoming meetings to donate.

Other Business – Rich Spiker

Rotary Foundation Banquet is Nov 11. We have 10 members signed up to go, but would like to encourage some younger members to go and participate. We will promote it at upcoming meetings.

November's Third Thirsty Thursday (Nov 19) will be at Chip Person's home and will feature special guest Rebecca Byerly who will be there to preview her movie. Members of Crescent, Gate City, Airport and Summit clubs will be invited to attend so she can thank them for supporting her effort.

Elections – Rich provided board with a status update for the nominating committee's work. He also informed the board that the nominating committee will be made up of the president-elect and the four most immediate past-presidents. Since Gunnar is no longer with the club Victor will take his place. The three current board members who will be rolling off are Lisa, Chip and Doug. In addition to nominations for those three positions the committee will need to nominate someone for President-elect. Rich will announce at upcoming meetings that the committee is accepting nominations. The committee will need to provide the board with a slate in the next 30 days.

Programming for meetings – Lisa said we are always looking for leads for new speakers, and she asked that if anyone has a suggestion that they send her the name AND the contact information for that person.

Eric informed the board that last year's taxes have been filed.

Rich quickly reviewed upcoming events for the club

Meeting Adjourned: 5:10 pm

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS—2015-2016

District

Governor—Larry Lassiter Assistant Governor—Claudia Cannady Foundation Advocate—Dupont Kirven Membership Advocate—Allen Rembert

Crescent

President—Rich Spiker President-Elect—Abby Donnelly Vice President—Brian Sowers Secretary—Jon Lowder Treasurer—Eric Fitzgerald Sergeant at Arms— Cliff Thompson
 Board Members—Barney Barnhardt (2 yr term), Justin Smith (2 yrs), Tommy Webb (2 yrs), Chip Cromartie (1 yr remaining), Lisa Hazlett (1 yr), Doug Stone (1 yr)

Committee Chairs

Crescent Foundation—Patrick Eakes	Club Service—Charlie Witzke	District Conf. Coordinator—Abby Donnelly
Family of Fun Directors—Mitzi Ellis & Ashby Cook	Football Pool—Mark Witte	Fundraising—Heather Cross & Justin Smith
Health & Happiness—Barbara MacKay Vinson	International Service—Wilson Sheldon & Bob Pitts	Membership/Classifications - Greg Brown
Member On-Boarding/Develop—Brian Sowers	Roster/Member Contact Info—Fred Binder	Photographer—Lloyd Bostian
Polio Plus Chair—Barry Utesch	Prayer & Pledge—Charlie Finch	Programs—Lisa Hazlett
Public Image/Newsletter—Doug Stone & Jennifer Parker	Rotary Foundation—Tommy Webb & Dupont Kirven	Vocational Service—Alec Pratto
Website/Social Media—Lisa Hazlett	Youth Services - Heather Cross	

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Go to those Internet pages and search for Rotary International for all the information.

Social networking sites aren't just for teens and people in their 20s. The greatest growth in Facebook comes from people ages 35-49. And from December 2007 to December 2008, Facebook experienced more growth in visitors ages 50-64 than those under age 18, according to a new Nielsen report called "[Global Faces and Networked Places](#)."

Check out the following link and join our [Facebook](#) page now! <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Rotary-International/726884451>

End Polio Now is a quarterly newsletter about polio eradication. The newsletter includes both the latest statistics and inspiring stories. [Subscribe](#).

Every Rotarian, Every Year offers Annual Programs Fund updates, articles on how Rotarians are meeting their clubs' goals, and stories about how Annual Programs Fund contributions enhance people's lives. [Sign up, see past issues](#).

The monthly **Future Vision Pilot News** connects you to new online Future Vision resources and information and reminds you of upcoming Future Vision pilot deadlines. Everyone is welcome to subscribe. [Sign up](#).

Interactive helps you experience through photos and videos the fellowship of Rotarians and young adults involved in programs such as [Rotaract](#), [Interact](#), and [Ambassadorial Scholarships](#). This e-newsletter is produced 11 times a year. [Read past issues and sign up](#).

The bi-monthly **International Service Update** e-newsletter provides current information about World Community Service, Rotary Volunteers, and Rotary Community Corps, as well as disaster relief and recovery. Visit [Service and Fellowship](#) for details about these programs. [Sign up](#) for the e-newsletter. Download an [International Service Update](#) e-newsletter.

The **Membership Minute** is a short e-mail newsletter that provides membership development ideas, resources, and tools. [Sign up and see past issues](#).

The New Generations monthly e-newsletter provides news and developments regarding Rotary's youth and young adult programs: Interact, Rotaract, and RYLA. To [sign up](#), enter your e-mail address, then select one of the New Generations options from the list. Please note that there are three separate contact lists for this newsletter ([Interact](#), [Rotaract](#), and [RYLA](#)) but all will receive the same publication.

The **PeaceNet** newsletter is a forum for the Rotary Centers community. [Sign up](#).

The biweekly **PR Tips** offers innovative ideas for clubs and districts to promote Rotary in their communities. [Sign up and see past issues](#).

Reconnections is the source for news about Rotary Foundation alumni. [Sign up](#).

The **RI Community Service** e-newsletter is published every two months and includes the latest service news and resources for Rotarians. [Sign up](#).

The RI Vocational Service e-newsletter provides Rotarians with Vocational Service news and resources every two months. [Sign up](#).

Rotary: Navigating the Global Network is intended for civic and humanitarian organizations around the world. Articles highlight Rotary's local and international work. [Sign up](#).

Rotary Training Talk keeps Rotarians informed about the latest news in RI training, including RI mailings, RI Board decisions that affect training, and training tips. [Sign up and see past issues](#).

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The **Rotary Youth Exchange Newsletter** is distributed monthly and contains information and updates on current Youth Exchange events and resources. It's intended for all Youth Exchange officers and interested Rotarians. Subscribe by sending a message to youthexchange@rotary.org.

Visions provides information about the benefits of charitable estate and financial planning. (Note: *Visions* is intended for a U.S. audience.) [Sign up and see past issues](#).

Weekly Update provides the latest Rotary news. It can be used for club and district newsletters and Web sites. [Sign up](#).

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www.crescentrotary.org

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www.rotary.org/support/clubs/index.html

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www.rotaryclubone.org

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www.forums.rotary.org/

ROTARY NEWS
www.rotary.org/newsroom/index.html

THE PIEDMONT ROTARIAN
www.rotary7690.org/7690-The-Piedmont-Rotarian-Index.shtm

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Password help contact Phil Morris
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NEW MEMBER APPLICATION
www.crescentrotary.org/upload/CrescentRotaryInformation/CrescentRotaryClubApplication2006.pdf

For a detailed brochure click on the link:

MEETING MAKE UPS

MONDAY

12:00pm Furnitureland – String & Splinter Club
***12:30pm** Crescent – GSO Regional Realtors Assoc.

TUESDAY

***7:00am** Airport Rotary – Cardinal Country Club
12:00pm Triad – String & Splinter Club, High Point
12:15pm Alamance – Ramada Inn, Burlington
12:15pm Lexington – YMCA
12:15pm Eden – Meadow Greens Country Club
***12:30pm** Guilford – Starmount Country Club
12:30pm Winston-Salem – Benton Convention Center
6:00pm Jamestown – Jamestown United Methodist
***6:30pm** So. Guilford New Generation – Taste of Thai

WEDNESDAY

***7:30am** East Greensboro – Bennett College
12:00pm Kernersville – Dudley Products
12:00pm Randolph (Asheboro) – AVS Banquet Center
12:05pm Thomasville – Women's Club
***12:30pm** Greensboro – Coliseum Atrium Room

THURSDAY

***7:00am** Gate City – O. Henry Hotel
12:00pm High Point – High Point Country Club
12:30pm Winston-Salem Stratford – Forsyth CC
6:30pm Liberty – Reitzel Center

FRIDAY

7:15am Oak Hollow – Tex & Shirley's (HP)
12:00pm Asheboro – AVS Banquet Center
***12:30pm** Summit – Starmount Country Club
12:30pm WS - Reynolda Club – Winston Room - Coliseum

*** RECIPROCITY ON MEALS**



END POLIO NOW

Rotary Four-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?