

Graham Rotary News

August 14, 2008

Graham Rotary Club • Club No. 6107 • District 7690
A Certified 100% Paul Harris Fellowship & Gold Club

Meeting at Graham Friends Church
through the end of 2008
700 N. Main Street, Graham, NC 27253
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www.grahamrotaryclub.org

Upcoming Programs & Events

- 8/14** Russell Guy, Program Chair
Mac Williams, Burlington Chamber of Commerce
- 8/28** Don Kehler, , Program Chair
Membership
- 11/6** 6:30-9PM, Foundation Banquet,
High Point Country Club
- 11/21** Rotary Leadership Institute
High Point Chamber of Commerce
- 4/23-26/2009** District Conference
Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort & Conference Center

The Four-way Test

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?



Minutes

The August 7th meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance by the club and an Invocation by Mark.

75 percent of our membership was present. Those Rotarians present were: Dave Laughlin, PK Patnaik, Reggie Turner, Bill Inge, Joel Walker, Bret Cobb, George Bason, Chris Rollins, Dexter Barbee, Jody Wallace, Jeff Eldridge, Terry McNeill, Chuck Carroll, Angelica Santiago, Troy Woodard, Don Covert, Paul Cobb, Randy Day, Mark Ryman, Clenon Russell, Sam Jenkins, Russell Guy, Barney Barnhardt, and Phil Moseley.

Don Covert introduced Don Kehler's guest, Minnie Love, while DK was on the phone. DK later spent a Happy Dollar to introduce her. Minnie used to cook for the Graham Rotary Club. Dexter Barbee introduced his stepson, Bradley Hunter, as his guest.

President Dave reintroduced what District Governor Charles Allen mentioned on July 24th: "Stop Hunger Now." He asked Assistant Governor Jeff Eldridge to explain in more detail. "Stop Hunger Now" is a feed the world opportunity for Rotary clubs in our area. It would cost \$200 for each of the five clubs in our area. Jeff will then apply for a district simplified grant that will multiply that \$1,000 into 10,000 meals for Haitians. Our effort would not stop with a \$200 check. We would also join with other Rotarians to package the food. This is a hands-on effort that builds teamwork with Rotarians from other clubs. Jeff is also hoping to set up a packag-

ing site at Elon University so that students and faculty could also participate.

Dave called for a vote on the matter. It was a unanimous decision to participate on the level of at least \$200,



Graham Rotarian Pradeep (PK) Patnaik addresses the club about his experiences in Iraq. Read about him starting the first Rotary Club in Iraq at www.grahamrotaryclub.org/bulletins/Rotary-Club-Hillah.pdf.

as well as in the packaging of the food.

A video about a "Stop Hunger Now" project at NCSU may be found online here: www.youtube.com/watch?v=R6AksC3EBOA.

Happy dollars abounded, after which PK Patnaik was welcomed home. He is here for awhile but will be headed back to continue his work in Iraq, which was the focus of his ensuing talk.

PK reported that the US is spending \$4.5 billion a week in Iraq for the war, infrastructure, and economy.

2008-2009 Rotary Leadership

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August Birthdays

Ty Reed 8/8/1976

August Anniversaries

Ron & Gayle Blevins 8/1/1992

Jeffrey C. & Amy Prichard 8/4/1990

Gregory D. & Susie Scott 8/5/1995

Minutes continued... Roughly 75% of that expenditure is in the war effort, keeping the country safe for the other 25%. "Yet we're paying \$132/barrel for oil. It doesn't make sense," PK said. He mentioned that he is very impressed with how professional the US soldiers are and how well they take care of him and others there working to rebuild Iraq.

PK's job is to create jobs in existing Iraq industries while developing a private sector (since it was previously controlled by the government). He does much of this in a helmet and bulletproof vest where its gets up to 125° by 8:00am. Today it is 135° in Hillah, Iraq, where PK works.

He generally finds Iraqis to be a "gentle and progressive" people. Business people are very progressive but PK is concerned about when the US

leaves—if the things he and others have worked on will hold together. Things are improving and he believes that "there will be chaos when we leave but it will settle down after awhile."

He reported that Iraqis are happy that Saddam is gone but are upset that so much has been destroyed and that so many have died. But they are getting along financially pumping 2.5 million barrels of oil daily. This is the second largest production in world.

There has never been a Rotary Club in Iraq since there has been no free press (a requirement of Rotary). But PK has applied to start a club there with 35 charter members. You may read more about this development at www.grahamrotaryclub.org/bulletins/Rotary-Club-Hillah.pdf.

President Dave announced there will be a brief meeting of the Board of

Directors following the club meeting on August 28th.

He also announced that Barney Barnhardt has agreed to be Youth Services Chair. Don Kehler's ticket was drawn for the 50:50 raffle

but he picked the Nine of Hearts.

The meeting concluded with the Four-way test. —Mark Ryman



The first Rotary Club in Iraq.

Read more about this development at

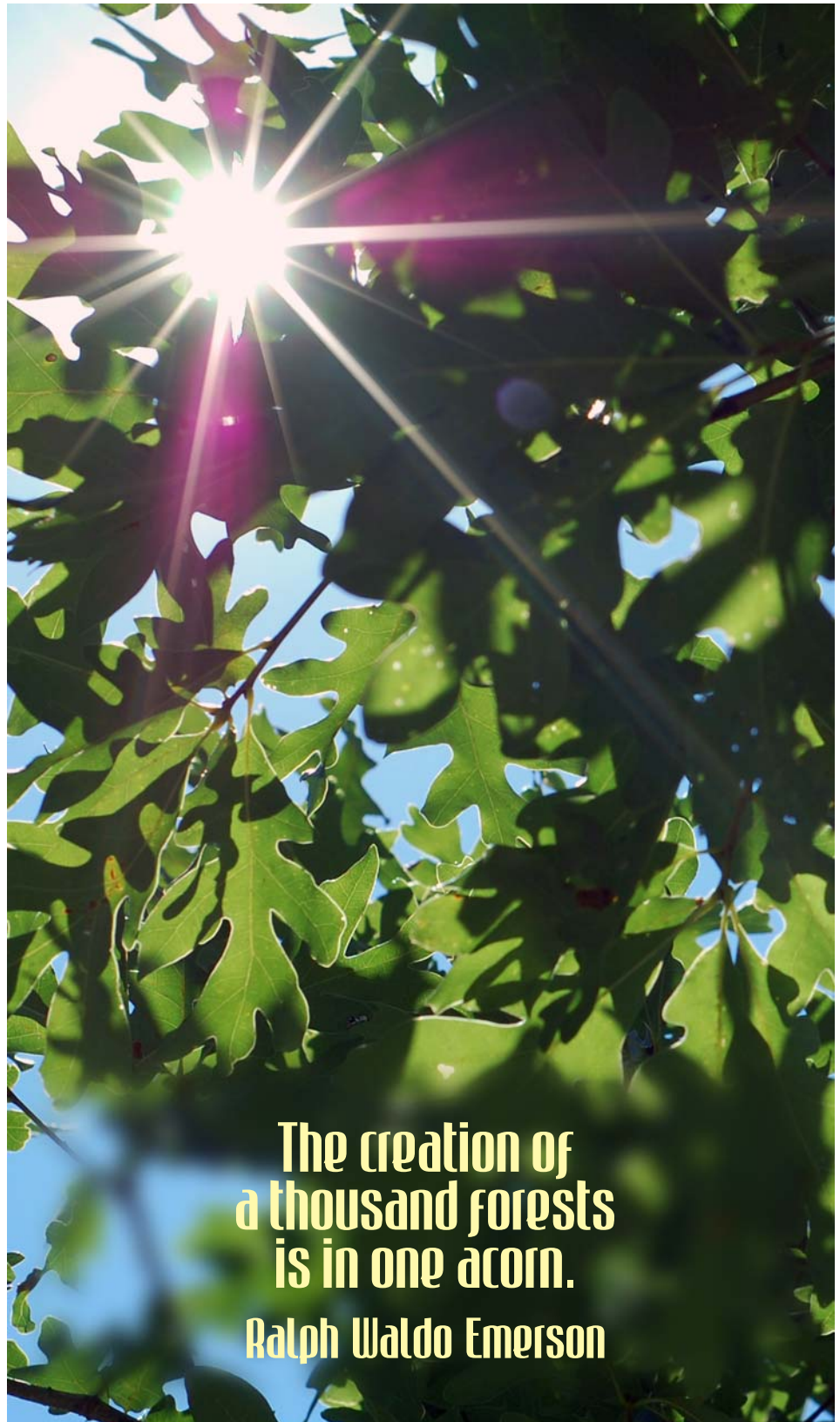
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Paul Harris Fellows

*The Graham Rotary Club is a
100% PHF club and a
100% Sustaining Member club.*

- Clenon W. Russell 2/2/87
- Donald B. Covert 9/30/87
- Joel W. Walker 3/25/88
- Zeb Barnhardt 1/5/1989
- Phyllis F. Walker 7/24/92
- Paul E. Cobb, Jr. 10/8/93
- William T. McNeil 3/24/94
- William Andrew Inge, Jr. 11/11/96
- Dexter Barbee, Jr. 1/23/97
- Donald E. Kehler 3/30/97
- Gregory D. Scott 7/17/98
- Troy Woodard 7/17/98
- Pradeep K. Patnaik 10/10/01
- Bret Cobb 2/15/02
- W. Phillip Moseley 3/1/02
- Jody P. Wallace 3/27/03
- Michael C. Shoffner 3/27/03
- Jeff Eldridge 10/21/03
- Dave Laughlin 1/8/04
- George Bason, Jr. 2/26/04
- Chuck Carroll 11/15/04
- Hari Patel 4/13/06
- Sergio Guzman 4/13/06
- Bonciel Johnson 4/13/06
- Irene Barbee 4/5/2007
- Jeff Prichard 4/5/2007
- Mark Ryman 4/5/2007
- Reginald Turner 8/23/2007
- Russell Guy 8/23/2007
- Chris Rollins 8/23/2007
- Ty Reed 10/4/2007
- Angelica Santiago 12/6/2007
- Randy Day ?



**The creation of
a thousand forests
is in one acorn.
Ralph Waldo Emerson**

Graham Rotary Meeting Attendance

(32 members)

	Jan 2008	Feb 2008	Mar 2008	Apr 2008	May 2008	June 2008	July 2008	Aug 2008	Sept 2008	Oct 2008	Nov 2008	Dec 2008
Percentage	68%	58%	62%	71%	54%	58%	61%					
Number	25	21	22	26	21	20	20					

For makeup locations, visit www.rotary7690.org or make up online at www.rotaryclubone.org.