



Graham Rotary

Graham Rotary Club • Club No. 6107 • District 7690

A 100% Paul Harris Fellowship & Gold Club

October 21, 2010

Minutes for October 14

Guests

We weren't honored with the presence of any guests today.

Happy Dollars

Don Kehler was happy for the Dow Jones Industrial average breaking 11,000.

Dr. Don Covert happily broke all HIPAA laws by sharing with us the news of his passing kidney stones.

Russell Guy was happy to be back from Germany but not too happy to be back to the daily grind.

Business

Reed announced we have about 2300 dollars in sponsorship for our Graham Race Series and encouraged us to push for more sponsors.

Greg announced he had 40 tickets turned in for our November shoulder sale, and is going to report on team totals next week. Bonnie gave us a report on her mission trip to Mexico. Her group treated 3000 people, and had a very successful trip.

Mark Ryman regretfully tendered his resignation to our club last Thursday. He mentioned he needed to lighten some requirements of his time so he could concentrate more on his personal life and family. Mark has been an extraordinary Rotarian and we will miss his unique brand of humor and his selfless devotion.

Mark will always be welcomed by our club.

Program

Troy Woodard was the program chair for the day, and his guest was Elon University Men's Basketball Coach, Matt Matheny. Coach Matheny came to Elon 18 months ago from Davidson College. While an assistant at Davidson, his team made that incredible run in 2008 to the Elite Eight of the NCAA tournament. Matheny spoke about the renovations to Alumni gym and how it will help recruiting. He encouraged everyone to come out and support the basketball team. He spoke about the uniqueness of Alamance County and the surrounding area in how it has supported Elon. He also told us about the quality of student athletes that he is recruiting. He acknowledged the difficulty of high level recruiting in this area. He is focusing on the lesser known athletes with intelligence and integrity. The cumulative GPA of his squad is above a 3.0 and he credits that to the quality of the students they have recruited. Coach Matheny encouraged everyone to come out and enjoy a game, and with the gym full of fans his recruiting job gets a little easier.

Pot

Bonnie had the winning ticket in the 50/50 drawing and graciously decided to let the pot continue to grow.
Pot = \$425.00

Speaker for Oct. 21

Dr. Mark Kemp
Chairman, Positive
Attitude Youth Center

Upcoming Programs & Events

- 10/21.....*Dr. Mark Kemp*
Positive Attitude Youth Center
-*Tim Beshel*
- 10/23..... *Youth, Membership*
and Rotary Foundation
Seminars, High Point
- 10/28.....*Tim Clark*
- 10/30.....*Run for the Haw* event
- 11/4.....*Nominations for Club*
Officers for 2011-2012
- 11/4.....*Club Assembly*
- 11/11.....*Scott Sheldon*
- 11/12-13...*Pork shoulder cooking*
- 11/18.....*Aaron Davis, Athletics*
Supervisor, Graham Parks & Rec
-*John Cox*
- 11/18...*Rotary Foundation Banquet,*
High Point CC
- 11/19.....*Rotary Leadership Inst.*
High Point
- 11/25.....*no meeting - Thanksgiving*
- 12/9.....*Club Elections*

2011 Events

- 3/17-19.....*PETS*
- 3/31 - 4/3.....*District Conference*
Wilmington
- 4/29.....*Golf Tournament*
- 6/30...*Installation of new officers*



The President's Space

“Rotary Leaves Footprints (What do ours look like?)”

“Service Above Self” is the motto of Rotary. It is now our time to step up and live that for Graham Rotary. We need your participation.

On October 30, we have a major service project in the Monster Dash, the 5K and 10K event that we are co-sponsoring with the Graham Parks and Recreation Department. Half of the proceeds go to support Graham Rotary projects, so it is incumbent on each of us to do our part to make it a success.

There will be a sign-up sheet at the meeting this week. It would be embarrassing for there to be more volunteers from Elon University and other supporting organizations than from our club. I trust that will not happen, but it could unless at least one half of the club signs up to give some time on Saturday, October 30, to give service. We need 20 of us to be there. (Participation counts as a meeting make-up, and most of us can use one of those.)

This is the biggest event of its type that we have ever done. Reed says we need to be prepared for 300 runners. That means we need more volunteers to prepare

the course, man the various stations, and clean up. It is an early start, and volunteers need to be there by 6:15 AM. We should all be done by 10:30 AM. I guarantee you a wonderful fellowship experience, not at all like work.

There will be a spaghetti supper on Friday night. Bonnie Johnson is managing that, and she can probably use some help. Meals will sell for only \$5.00 each. Additional donations will be welcomed. That's a great dinner for the family at a very reasonable cost, and it is another opportunity for Rotary fellowship and community service.

It is not too late for sponsors to sign up. Anyone who brings \$200 to the table will have to hurry to get their logo on the event shirts. Remember, this is for two events, not just the one on October 30. If you need a sponsor form, contact Reed LaPlante, Megan Griffin or me and we will get you one. Bring the forms with payment to the meeting on Thursday.

Speaking of service, there are several club positions to be filled. Russell Guy needs relief on the Program Committee, as his business commitments limit his time, and he already has the web site and the bulletin. Program Chair is a weekly job, but an easy one with a little organization and follow-up to get members to bring interesting programs. It is a great way to make connections in the community. We can also use help with photography.

I can report that the Sandler Training this past Monday was a great success. It raised \$61,000 for the fight against polio. There was good participation, but there was room for more, so think about participating yourself, if

they do it again next year. I met some really interesting people and got some great sales, marketing and leadership training for a bargain price.

I'm not forgetting the pork shoulder sale, and I hope you are not either. Bring the tickets and the payment to the meeting so Greg can count you among the fortunate ones who can have Graham Rotary pork for Thanksgiving.

“Service above Self” is the message for the day. Let's all be a part of it.

See you at the meeting.

Barney

Thought for a Day

Missed Blessings

A young man was getting ready to graduate from college. For many months he had admired a beautiful sports car in a dealer's showroom, and knowing his father could well afford it, he told him that was all he wanted.

As Graduation Day approached, the young man awaited signs that his father had purchased the car. Finally, on the morning of his graduation, his father called him into his private study. His father told him how proud he was to have such a fine son, and told him how much he loved him.

He handed his son a beautifully wrapped gift box. Curious, but somewhat disappointed, the young man opened the box and found a lovely, leather-bound Bible, with the young man's name embossed in gold. Angry, he raised his voice to his father

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and said “with all your money you give me a Bible?” and stormed out of the house, leaving the Bible.

Many years passed and the young man was very successful in business. He had a beautiful home and wonderful family, but realized his father was very old, and thought perhaps he should go to him. He had not seen him since that graduation day. Before he could make arrangements, he received a telegram telling him his father had passed away, and willed all of his possessions to his son. He needed to come home immediately and take care of things.

When he arrived at his father’s house, sudden sadness and regret filled his heart. He began to search through his father’s important papers and saw the still new Bible, just as he had left it years ago. With tears, he opened the Bible and began to turn the pages. His father had carefully underlined a verse, Matt.7:11, “And if ye, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more shall your Heavenly Father which is in Heaven, give to those who ask Him?” As he read those words, a car key dropped from the back of the Bible. It had a tag with the dealer’s name, the same dealer who had the sports car he had desired. On the tag was the date of his graduation, and the words “PAID IN FULL.”

How many times do we miss God’s blessings because they are not packaged as we expected?

Graham Race Series Monster Dash Oct. 30

WE NEED MORE SPONSORSHIPS!

We have \$2,300 already in hand as of today. We need \$700 more to meet last year, and \$1,700 more to be at our estimated goal.

We have only a couple of days left for sponsors to sign up and get their company logos and/or names on the t-shirts. Sponsorships can still be accepted for on-site recognition.

The Mebane Running Club hopes to have between 30-60 Runners and the Graham Middle School Running Club hopes to have 80-120 runners there. Counting these two groups, we should have 200-300 runners this year, which will double what we have done in the past!!! The word is getting out, we have a fast, flat course that is easy and fun to run.

Volunteer on race day!

We need 20+ club members to help on race day! Great fun and it counts as a make-up.

Want to sponsor? Please contact Reed LaPlante at:

Reed.Laplante@SunTrust.com

Rotary District 7690 Football Game - Wake Forest vs. Boston College

The Rotary District 7690 Football Fellowship is less than a month away on November 6. Wake Forest will be taking on Boston College in an ACC clash at BB&T Field in Winston-Salem.. Since the game will be televised, the kickoff time has not been announced. Once we know this information, it will be communicated to you. Join your fellow Rotarians, spouses and kids prior to the game for great BBQ and all the trimmings, catered by Bib’s BBQ. Beer and wine are included. Our Tailgate location is in front of Bridger Field House and BB&T Field. The cost for the ticket and tailgate feast is only \$45.00/person.

You can sign up by going to www.wakeforestsports.com/promo and entering the promo code “rotary” The processing fee is \$7.00 per transaction so I would encourage one person sign up for all those attending from your club.

Remember club member participation satisfies an elective for the Gold Club Citation: Participate in District Fellowship Events.

Pork Shoulder Sale - November 12-13

We are coming down to the wire on pork shoulder sales. The sale of pork shoulders help fund a variety of our Club Projects so lets have a full grill on November 13.

Anyone that has tasted one of Greg’s terrific shoulders and sauce knows that once tasted, the customers will keep coming back

year after year. So work hard this year and reap the benefits next year!

Shoulders are \$40 each and typically weigh 12 pounds or so. Sauce is included in the purchase.

To purchase, contact any Graham Rotary Club member, or Russell Guy at guy@omnimap.com

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HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP

Vacant



Birthdays

Scott Sheldon.....10/02/75
Mike Long.....10/9/65
Chuck Carroll.....10/12/62
Joel Walker.....10/26/37
Chris Rollins.....10/29/64

Anniversaries

Don and Melody (McBride)
Kehler.....10/9/05

Membership Anniversaries

Paul Cobb.....9/1/1975
Don Kehler.....9/1/1986
Mike Long.....9/10/2009
Phil Moseley.....9/1/1995

The 4-Way Test

Rotarians apply the 4-way test to
the things they think, say, and do.

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?