

# Rotary Matters



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## Rotary Taps 4-Way Test Essay Winners

The South Hill Rotary Club has completed the third year of the 4-Way Test Essay Contest. Thanks to Project Chair Dan Poteralski, our judges, the teachers and the students for a job well done. The students were required to write a 300-500 word essay on how to apply the Rotary ideals of the 4-Way Test in their school and everyday lives. All the students are seventh graders at Park View Middle School. The panel of judges selected the winners from 75 entries that were submitted to the

club and previously screened by the teachers. Our heartiest congratulations go to the 4-Way Test Essay Contest winners: **First Place: Timothy Shearin, Second Place: Diana Kimondo and Third Place: Destiny Jant**. This past year the club decided to award an honorable mention recognition to an additional 3 students as a part of the program. The new **Honorable Mention Awards** go to **Matthew Bailey, Tyler Kea and Jessica Lynn**. The club will be hosting the stu-

dents and their families at the May 20th club meeting. The students will be asked to read their winning essays to the members of the club. The essays and photos of the winning students will appear in local newspapers and on the South Hill web site: [southhillrotaryclub.org](http://southhillrotaryclub.org).



## Rotary Inducts New Member

The South Hill Rotary Club has inducted its newest member. Clyde Wilson is owner of September Enterprises and a board member of the Lake Gaston Soccer Association. He became the newest Rotarian in the world after being

inducted by Assistant District Governor Bruce Settle. Pictured are Club President Charles Wright, Wilson and Settle. Clyde was responsible for bringing the Richmond Kickers professional soccer team and the Longwood Lancers to

South Hill for a match in March. There was a great turnout for the first effort of this type. We are sure Clyde will be an asset to our club activities.



# CODE RED™



The Town of South Hill and Mecklenburg County has recently upgraded its emergency notification system. The Town and County are now using the CodeRED Emergency Notification System. It is an ultra high-speed telephone communication service for emergency weather notifications and the distribution of information considered to be important. This system allows us to telephone all or targeted areas of the Town and County in case of severe weather that requires immediate action, such as an severe weather warnings, tornadoes, or flash floods. This system is capable

of dialing the entire Town and County within minutes. It then delivers a pre-recorded message describing the situations to a live person or an answering machine in the affected area, possibly including instructions requiring immediate action on the part of the recipient. While a calling data base was created by extracting information from the Town and County's computerized files and other public record sources, it is certain that not all phone numbers of residents and residential and business property owners within our incorporated limits and boundaries were captured. The CodeRED Weather Warn-

ing will automatically call citizens when severe weather (tornado, flash flood, and severe thunderstorm) warnings are issued by the National Weather Service for your address. The CodeRED Weather Warning System calls only when warnings are issued and only if your address is in the path of the storm. To insure your number is in the calling data base, go on line and go to the web site: [southhillva.org](http://southhillva.org) and click on the "CodeRED" logo. You will fill in your personal information and will then be included in the new calling system.

## Rotary Clubs "Cleans Up"



The South Hill Rotary Club recently held their annual highway clean up night. Club members took to the sides of Highway 1 North to pick up litter. The club has taken care of this stretch of road from approximately Farrar Funeral Home North to the I-85 Interstate exits for several years. The members

gather at Kahill's Restaurant and spread out over the assigned area and then return to Kahill's for dinner. John Evans is the project chairperson and supervisor this event. The Adopt-a-Highway program provides opportunities for businesses and civic groups to clean up litter in their communities. Last year, volunteers contrib-

uted 31,800 hours of their time and picked up 26,300 bags of trash from roughly 1,900 miles of Virginia roads.



## Members Attend District Assembly



Each year in April, Rotary District 7600 holds their District Assembly. This event is the venue for the incoming District Governor and their staff to present the plans for the new Rotary Year that will start July 1st. This year the South Hill Club had 8

members attend the Assembly. These attendees are part of the Officers and Directors for the new year. The members in attendance were Duane Harper, Mickey Smith, Carol Crough, Dan Poteralski, Charles Wright, Lee Nicholson, Bruce

Settle and Randy Cash. The South Hill Club had one of the largest groups of members at the Assembly. All of the club members felt the information presented was worth the drive to Virginia Wesleyan College in Norfolk.

# Farmers Market Set To Open



The South Hill Farmers Market is looking for local farmers, bakers and home-made crafters from Mecklenburg and the surrounding counties to become vendors. Come and be a part of this exciting opportunity in the heart of downtown South Hill. The location of the Market is ideal, the cost to the vendor is minimal, and the

potential enormous. The Market is open Fridays and Saturdays, rain or shine, May 28 through October. The hours of operation are 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. on Fridays and from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturdays. The previous years have been very successful, and it will grow to be even bigger and better. Come join in developing

this Market as a place for consumers to purchase items direct from the producer. For details and more information, please contact the following: Anna Cratch at 434-447-3191 or Jerry and Darlene Taylor 434-949-7288.



# Spring Fest Art Show Winners



Winners in the Professional Art Division for The Spring Fest 2010 Art Show held at The R. T. Arnold Library in South Hill recently were: Gail Rawlings Smith-2<sup>nd</sup> place for "Wild and Free", Mary Lillian White won 3<sup>rd</sup> place for "Clown Fish" and Eve Estes Butts was recognized with honorable mention for

"Wedding Bowl." 1st place went to Phil Ramsey of South Boston with "Two Friends." The Professional Photography winners for the Spring Fest Juried Art show were as follows: 1st place went Karolyn Hawthorne for "Iris Pyramid", Dee Holland took 2nd place with "Boys by the Water" and Wilson

Vaughan won third place with "Inside the Machine II." In the Amateur Photography Division 1st place went to Anita Martin for "Luminous Intercession" and 2nd place to Ellen Thompson for "Bird Houses".



# Rotary Donates To Relay For Life



The South Hill Rotary Club recently made a donation to Relay for Life South Hill. The club collected change and donations from members over the past few weeks in order to make the donation. Club President Charles Wright made the presentation to Relay for Life Committee member

Lisa Clary who presented it to the Relay committee at the meeting just prior to the event. The Relay for Life event was held on May 15th and was a celebration of the organizations 16 years of successful events in the South Hill area. More than \$80,000 was reported as the goal to be raised by the

participating teams. It is hoped that when the final figures are in the goal will be surpassed.



# Chamber Celebrates 20 Years



The year 2010 will mark a celebration of 20 Years in the Depot for the South Hill Chamber of Commerce and the Virginia S. Evans Doll Museum and the very beginning of the South Hill Model Train Museum and the Wildlife Exhibit. These exhibits have served to make a visit to the Depot fun and informa-

tive. Also in 2010 the placement of a downtown historical marker was made on Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> beside the Depot. The community is also anticipating the opening of the Colonial Theater Center. It has been 20 years since the dedication of a wonderful building preserved by the will of its people. The build-

ing was in deplorable condition when concerned people in the community decided to restore it and to make it the home of the Chamber. The building has since become the busiest place in South Hill. The Depot is being called "The Open Doors to the Community of South Hill."



## Did You Know??

The following are excerpts from R. I. President John Kenny in a May address:

"Shortly after the earthquake hit Haiti in January, Rotarians began making phone calls and sending e-mails to discuss how they could help. When Rotary International posted its first story on Rotary's immediate relief efforts, Rotarians took this discussion online. This plea was multiplied over the following days on Rotary's website and our social media pages. Rotarians also reported what

they were doing: collecting thousands of dollars to fund ShelterBoxes and Aquaboxes, contributing to Rotary's Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund, and organizing ways to transport food, supplies, and medical personnel to the devastated country. Rotary is not a disaster relief agency, but we are very good at long-term recovery. After all the media attention dies down, Rotary will be there on the ground – in Haiti's case, with 17 local clubs and thousands of partner clubs. If Ro-

tary's recovery efforts in Bangladesh, Honduras, Indonesia, and countless other countries are any indication, Rotarians will be in Haiti long after public interest has faded and the media have moved on." Our own efforts with the Bio-Filter Project can be included in this massive undertaking to help the people of Haiti. It is our sincerest hope that the South Hill Club can raise the necessary funds to achieve the matching grants we are currently writing.



## "Leggz" To Play At "Affair On The Square"

The South Hill Market Square Committee will welcome another successful band to Affair on the Square on June 3<sup>rd</sup> in downtown South Hill. "LEGGZ" will be taking the stage at 6 p.m. and will keep the crowd dancing until 9:00 p.m. Gates open at 5:30 p.m. Bring your lawn chair and

your ID. No coolers allowed. Food and beverages will be sold on site. What is the magic that makes "LEGGZ" so successful? It is the ability to read any crowd in any situation and engage them in an interactive party they will never forget. "LEGGZ" plays all of your favorite hits Motown, Classic Rock and

Roll, 70's and 80's and 'oldies but goodies.' By request, "LEGGZ" can also perform floorshow routines that will totally captivate an audience. The King of Diamonds' tribute to Neil Diamond and Elvis keeps the ladies dancing from New York to Memphis.

**Schedule of Events**

- ◆ **June 3** Affair On The Square “LEGGZ”
- ◆ **June 4** P. V. High School Awards Day
- ◆ **June 7** Middle School Awards Day
- ◆ **June 8** Chamber Dinner
- ◆ **June 10** Chamber: 20yrs at the Depot
- ◆ **June 10** Scholarship Awards Night
- ◆ **June 14** Flag Day
- ◆ **June 17** Business Meeting
- ◆ **June 20** Father’s Day
- ◆ **June 24** Club Awards Night

# JUNE 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 Affair On The Square	4 P. V. H. S. Awards Day	5
6	7 P. V. M. S. Awards Day	8 Chamber Dinner	9	10 Chamber 20Yrs <b>Scholarship Night</b>	11	12
13	14 	15	16	17 Business Meeting	18	19 Rosemont Craft Show 10AM
20 Father’s Day	21	22	23	24 Awards Night	25	26
27	28	29	30			

## Upcoming Rotary Events Calendar

- ◆ June 3 Affair On The Square “Leggz”
- ◆ July 2 Picnic In The Park (July 4th Celebration)
- ◆ August 28 La Crosse Fest
- ◆ September 18 Reverse Raffle
- ◆ Sept 25 Farmer’s Day
- ◆ October 30 Monster Mash
- ◆ November 20-21 Holiday Bazaar
- ◆ December 1 Tell Santa
- ◆ December 5 Christmas Parade

