

Highlands-Mountaintop Weekly Club Meeting

Two More PHF



John Martin, Foundation Chair, awarded two new PHFs to Michelle Marek-Wilson and Jerry Wilson last Monday.

We are still at our club goal of 100% participation. **The Rotary Foundation** is a non-profit corporation that supports the efforts of Rotary International to

achieve world understanding and peace through international humanitarian, educational, and cultural exchange programs. It is supported solely by voluntary contributions.

The foundation was created in 1917 by Rotary International's sixth president, Arch C. Klumph, as an endowment fund for Rotary "to do good in the world." It has grown from an initial contribution of \$26.50 to more than \$1billion. It is one of the largest and most prestigious international fellowship programs in the world.

Congratulations to our newest members!

A Ton (2000) of Hotdogs

I arrived about 3:00 pm and the place was dead. I asked our fearless leader, Jim "Mr. Dog" Spencer, "What happened? Did we sell out or did no one come?" He just laughed while reminding me that the rush does not happen until 4:33 pm. I tell you the man was as cool as a cucumber even in light of what was about to happen.



Sure enough, and right on time, all heck broke loose.

First, Doc Wilson showed up with his portable kitchen including two huge containers of boiling water. Then 2000 hotdogs started cooking. Better than a dozen Rotarians lined four tables where hotdogs were stuffed into buns, wrapped in foil sheets, then stored in a huge grill box before finally being distributed to the remaining 3 tables.

Keeping the food preparers supplied with dogs, buns, foil and the like went off like a well conducted symphony.

Birthdays

Duncan Greenlee
November 9th
William B Kirkman
November 14th
Mcallister Isaacs IV
November 17th
Jamie Tomczyk
December 2nd

Club Leaders



William B Kirkman
President



Catherine Connolly Hudson
President-Elect
Club Fund Raising Chair



Andrew Keithline Walker Sr.
Secretary



Robin Canady
Treasurer



Michael Burel
Club Director
Club Funding Vice Chair



Lorine Spencer
Club Director at Large



Gerry L Bilbro
Rotary Foundation Vice Chair



Berry Howard
Membership Chair



John Martin
Rotary Foundation Chair



Jeannie Chambers
Club Programs Chair

But feeding 2000 hungry locust like witches, farm animals, space creatures, princesses and representatives of Middle Earth was an incredible sight. Dozens of catchup and mustard bottles were drained. Bottled water was gulped down as if Highlands was a desert town. Adding to this insanity was some pretty good rock music!

In two hours, it was over. Dogs were gone, buns were gone, little condiments remained, but thanks to the band, the fun went on as the temperature dropped and dropped.

By 8:30 pm you would not have known the event had ever happened. It was 3:00 pm all over again.

So, here's to all who participated. You made it happen, and we are glad you did!



Duncan Greenlee
Club Service Vice Chair



James H. Spencer
Club Service Chair
Club Fundraising Vice Chair



Robin S. Phillips
Grants and Scholarship Chair
Exec Secretary



Jennifer Cambrook
Diversity Equity & Inclusion



Overton Tucker Chambers
Club Fund Raising Vice Chair



Michael Lanzilotta
Club Public Image Chair
iPast President



William Swift
Assistant Governor





Holiday Party Date, Place Set



The party will be on Thursday December 7th at The Smokehouse, starting at 5:30 pm.

Things should feel a bit different at the Smokehouse this year. The Smokehouse has enlarged the restaurant and has added a very nice large area in the back with a stone fireplace. This should help a lot with the flow of things.

We also hope to have a separate wine bar which should help with congestion around the main bar and make it easier to get a drink.

We have also requested a slightly different menu to include more vegetables, such as acorn squash (which is reported to be delicious), Asian coleslaw, and a mixed green salad. There will be other sides, and banana pudding for dessert. The meats will be brisket and smoked chicken.

The party is open to members, their spouses, and guests that are prospective members.

A sign-up sheet will soon appear.

Healthy Heartbeats by Robin

Austin

Healing miracles happen when compassionate hearts beat together.



With a \$36,000 grant, Rotary International District 3740 and Rotary Club Saigon International teamed up with VinaCapital Foundation's Heartbeat Vietnam program to bring free heart surgery to 30 minors with critical conditions.

So far the project is 2/3 of the way complete, with 20 little ones having surgery and recovering well. The happy eyes of parents, mothers, grandparents, innocent smiles of little ones when they are no longer sick due to heart failure are memorable for all sponsors and the Beat team, the heart of Vietnam.

Heartfelt thanks to Rotary International District 3740 and Rotary Club Saigon International for the precious gift of charity and friendship across borders. Thank you to the doctors, nurses of the pediatric heart surgery and the social work department, University of Medicine Hospital. HCM together with VCF/Vietnam Heartbeat have healing the little hearts.

The Rotary Corner



"Honey, don't forget your coat"
How many times have you heard or given this basic advice? Probably every time the wind whips up or the temperature falls.

The coat has been a staple in the clothing world for centuries. A coat is typically an outer garment for the upper body, worn by either gender for warmth or fashion. The word coat, first seen in English in the 14th century, stems from old French and Latin roots and means woolen clothes.

The clothing article's origin can be traced back to the nomads of the Asian steppes in the 1,000's a.d., although remnants of the clothing item have been identified with 4,000 year-old mummies.

Coats are of many styles, from formal wear to work wear to casual wear. They have been used to denote power and authority, beauty and fashion or simply warmth and comfort. In the 1900's, exotic hides and furs were used (mink and the like were considered prized luxuries, but now their use is sometimes symbolic of animal cruelty and most would not be caught dead wearing an exotic

fur coat.)

Today, the most popular material for workcoats and casual wear is polyester. The material is lighter, more efficient and cheaper.

Whatever your reason for owning and wearing a coat, it is probably the most important piece of clothing there is outside of a pair of good shoes and comfortable underwear!

On November the 5th, MTR will commence our annual coat drive. This year we are involving the community in the effort to supply those in need with a warm, useful and decent coat for work, casual wear or whatever other needs folks have.

Duncan Greenlee, like in years past, will lead this effort. Someone asked Duncan just how many coats we would try to collect this year (we have collected hundreds in the past years). He answered, "until we have enough".

That sounds about right!

So, search your closets and your other closets and storage areas (you know, the place where you keep other things you no longer use, like a wedding or prom dress, cheerleading uniform or that high school athletic sweater) and bring those coats to a collection box or, better yet, the HEC. That way instead of just keeping a hanger busy, you can keep a person warm, safe and well.

If you can't find a coat, buy one. It's easy. You go to a store, pick out a coat, hand a clerk some currency or a piece of plastic and voilà, you have a coat!

Let's make sure we are the best coat scavengers east of the Mississippi.

And don't forget the kids, they get cold too!

Rotary rocks!

November is Rotary Foundation Month.



At the 1917 convention, outgoing Rotary president Arch Klumph proposed setting up an endowment "for the

purpose of doing good in the world." That one idea, and an initial contribution of \$26.50, set in motion a powerful force that has transformed millions of lives around the

globe. Today, more than 100 years since inception, the Rotary Foundation has spent more than \$4 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects. The Rotary Foundation helps Rotary members to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by improving health, providing quality education, improving the environment, and alleviating poverty. As a not-for-profit organization, the Rotary Foundation is supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotary members and friends who share the vision of a better world. There are many ways to give to the Foundation and be a part of creating hope in the world, including checks, wire transfers through your club, recurring donations via Rotary Direct, stocks, bonds, mutual funds, memorials, tributes, fundraising, and so many other ways. Visit Rotary.org and let's do some good in the world.
