

# Welcome to the Rotary Club of Highlands

Celebrating 64 years of Service

## Today's Meeting

January 5, 2009

Call to Order : Paul Schmitt, President

Invocation and Pledge : Pete Ray, Chaplain

Happy Dollars : Slocum Howland, Sergeant at Arms

Announcements : Paul Schmitt

## Today's Program



### Jan. 5 : Leadership Highlands

Peter Ray, President of Leadership Highlands, will be accompanied by others from the organization to speak about Leadership to date and future plans. The Mission of Leadership Highlands is, "To develop and maintain an effective network of committed leaders in the Highlands Community," and is sponsored by the Highlands Chamber of Commerce.

### January Birthdays

Julian Franklin – Jan. 5

### Jan. Wedding Anniversaries

Lennie Baer – Jan. 15

Sarah Sloan – Jan. 23

Rick Reid – Jan. 23

## Our Program Sponsors

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# Rotary awareness is January's focus

January is the month the Romans associated with their two-headed god Janus: one head looking to the year gone and the other looking forward to the year ahead.

In Rotary, January is the halfway point of our year of service, and it is also a time for us all to look at both the past and the future. In my travels, I have already seen how much Rotarians can accomplish.... safe, pure water to those who lacked it, provided food and shelter to those who needed it, and assisted in the educations of those who could not read or write...the ideal of service within a context of fellowship, friendship, and high ethical standards.

Rotarians are able to make changes...none of us were compelled to become a Rotarian; each of us chose, and was chosen, to become a member. Every year, every day, each of us chooses to continue the task we have begun, and to continue to put Service Above Self.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for the Rotary service you have given, the service you are giving, and the service I know you will continue to give in the future.

The Future of Rotary Is in Your Hands.

John Kenny  
President  
Rotary International

## Cops know : Christmas is for children



Photo and info courtesy of The Franklin Press and The Highlander

Highlands Police Officer John Cherry hoists Dylan as he searches for the perfect airplane during the Shop With A Cop event. The Highlands Rotary raised over \$6600 for Shop With A Cop, helping the program provide Christmas for more than 200 children. Officers from the Highlands Police Department, the Macon County Sheriff's office, the Franklin Police, N.C. Highway Patrol, N.C. Wildlife Commission, U.S. Forest Service and N.C. State Bureau of Investigation took children on a shopping trip to Walmart in Franklin the week before Christmas.

## Upcoming Programs



### Jan. 12 : HPD Officer "Ruby"

Ruby will bring HPD K-9 Officer John Cherry to Rotary to speak about what Ruby's been up to since her last visit to Highlands Rotary in July 2008.



### Jan. 19 : Highlands-Cashiers Hospital Interim CEO Frank Leslie

Frank Leslie joined the laboratory staff of Highlands-Cashiers Hospital in 1987 and was quickly promoted to lab manager, a position he held until several years ago. Most recently, he has headed the hospital's Information Technology Dept. and also served as the hospital's corporate compliance and risk management officer. Before assuming the role of interim C.E.O, he was the hospital's Vice President for Operations. He has been a member of the hospital's administrative team for the last several years. Prior to moving to the mountains, Leslie managed a privately owned medical laboratory in Florida.