

# Rotary Club of Lexington

## July 29, 2010

### Today's Program

Jerry Howard will have Smokey Davis and Bill Banning of the Lexington County Council to talk about economic development.

### Last Week, July 22

Dan Hennigan introduced Catherine Love, Vice President of Communications and Planning with SCANA, as our guest speaker. Cathy's topic was "Tough Questions for SCE&G", and she talked about why an electric rate increase was requested by SCE&G, a pilot Weather Normalization Adjustment program, and what SCE&G has done to tighten its belt. Cathy said the rate increase ask, which came during tough economic times, was followed by brutal public meetings. Kevin Marsh, SCE&G's President, has asked his employees to offer stunning customer service. To cut costs, SCE&G is operating O&M costs at 2007 levels, has limited or delayed hiring, has released 34% of its electrical contract workers, has given no pay increases to exempt salaried employees or officers, and is operating the power plants efficiently. The Lake Murray back-up dam was federally mandated and tax credits were used to offset 77% of the costs. The rate increase will help to pay the balance. Cathy reviewed rate request details and talked about the benefits of SCE&G's environmental expenditures which were federally mandated. She said today's increased cost of electricity is affected primarily by fuel costs, and 62% of costs are government-mandated. The experimental Weather Normalization Adjustment Program hopefully will ease severe weather electricity usage. When the new nuclear plants are operating by 2019, it will increase nuclear energy to 55% of the generation mix and will benefit the environment greatly. Cathy also discussed programs to help customers who need assistance in paying their energy bills.

### Next Week, August 5

RI District 7770 Governor Rick Moore will be our special guest speaker.

### Future Programs

August 12 Frank Hutchins  
August 19 Cynthia Hutchison

August 26 Perry Kimball  
September 2 Ken Lake

### Invocation and Pledge

July 29 Ben Satcher  
August 5 Clyde Smith

August 12 Brian Springer  
August 19 Mike Stacey

### Health and Happiness

July 29 Ken Lake  
August 5 Bert Dooley

August 12 Bob Peeler  
August 10 Fred Holbrook

### Birthdays and Anniversaries

July 29 Birthday - John Bozard's wife, Holli  
August 1 Anniversary - Creig and Gilda Tyler  
August 2 Anniversary - Warren and Susan Herndon  
August 2 Anniversary - Bill and Mary Walker  
August 3 Birthday - Jimmy Metts

### Lake Murray Cruise

Tiffany Boyce has arranged for our club's members and invited guests to participate in a Lake Murray Cruise on Sunday, September 12, in conjunction with the visit of our Rotary Friendship Exchange guests from England who will be in our area for several days. The cruise will be on the Spirit of Lake Murray at a cost of \$50 per person, and is available to the first 100 people to sign up by contacting Tiffany at tiffanym@ascensionhospice.com. The three hour tour will include food and beverages.

### Meet District Governor Rick Moore

Rick is a native Charlestonian, past member of the Summerville Rotary Club, and a current member of the Charleston Breakfast Club. He served on numerous Board and Committee positions with both clubs, most notably as Centennial President of the Charleston Breakfast Club. His District responsibilities include: Grants Club Committee Chair and is the District Governor for Rotary year 2010-2011. Rick is a multiple Paul Harris Fellow, Major Donor, Benefactor, and Charter Member of the Paul Harris Society. He and his wife, Ann, live in Charleston where they enjoy sailing, travel, and outdoor activities.

### Club News

...District 7770 Governor Rick Moore will be our special guest at our **club assembly** on Wednesday evening, August 4, at Bert Dooley's home. Please sign-up today to attend.

...The next **Adopt-a-Highway** workday is Saturday, August 28, 7:30 am, at Mount Horeb United Methodist Church on Old Cherokee Road. See Scott Faggart to volunteer your time.

...Baxter Donaldson announces the **20th Annual Lexington Rotary OktoberFest Golf Tournament featuring the Frank Mogan Cup** will be held Monday, September 20, at the Country Club of Lexington.

...Tiffany Boyce, David Perry, Brant Taylor, and Nicholas Pizzuti announce the **5th Annual Lexington Rotary Oyster Roast** will be Saturday, November 13, in Virginia Hylton Park. Entertainment will be provided by the Coastal Breeze Party Band. The committee is seeking sponsors for the event and club members to serve in various capacities.

...Remember to put your loose change in the **CART Fund** buckets to benefit Alzheimer's research.

...Tony Armstrong's number was drawn in the **Queen of Hearts to Benefit PolioPlus** program, but the Queen was not drawn.

...Perry Kimball is chairing our club's new Bereavement and Illness committee. Please submit any news to Perry at 359-9481 or Paul Scott at (803) 522-1179.

### About District 7770

District 7770 is one of the largest and most effective districts in the Rotary world. It is well known throughout Rotary and is well respected for the quality results achieved by its members. Rotary Districts are formed to assist Rotary International in administering over 31,500 Rotary clubs worldwide. District 7770 comprises the 25 eastern counties of South Carolina (the remainder of SC is in District 7750). Today, District 7770 encompasses 78 Rotary clubs with a membership of approximately 5,000 Rotarians. Over the years since 1916 when the Rotary Club of Columbia was formed, the area that currently comprises District 7770 has had numerous changes in both size and numerical designation to accommodate Rotary's phenomenal growth. Two District 7770 Past District Governors have served on the Board of Directors of Rotary International, Lambo Schwartz and David Michaux, both from the Myrtle Beach Rotary Club.