



**2008-2008 Club Officers**

Everett Birdsong, *President*  
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 Jim McLemore, *Parliamentarian*  
 Wayland Pond, *Sergeant-of-Arms*  
 Michael Halley, *Chaplain*

**Upcoming Events**

October 9 - Shrimp Feast  
 October 12 – Motorcycle Raffle  
 December 18 – Christmas Party  
 November 6 – NSA Interact  
 Club Blood Drive  
 April 16 – First Citizen Reception

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**Make Up Opportunities**

Monday: Hilton’s Women’s Club  
 Warwick, 6:30 pm  
 Tuesday: American Legion Hall  
 Churchland, 7:30 am  
 Wednesday: Hampton Holiday Inn  
 Hampton/Newport News, Noon  
 Thursday: Smithfield Station  
 Smithfield, 6:30 pm  
 Friday: Cedar Point Country Club  
 North Suffolk, 7:30 am  
 (a full listing on page 18 of Suffolk Rotary Directory)

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# SUFFOLK ROTARY HOLIDAY TRADITIONS CONTINUE...

SAVE THE DATES.

**DECEMBER 18, 2008 – HOLIDAY AUCTION.**

Once again, the Suffolk Rotary will challenge itself with a big fund raiser that lately has been yielding over \$10,000. It is a 1 hour gala beginning at 12:30 pm to get a head start on the elves and Santa’s helpers selling raffle tickets @ \$20 a pop and logging in gifts to be auctioned and displayed for all to see. Janey’s great lunch gets us filled to the brim and Auctioneer, John Harrell dons his many hats. Susan Blair is Chair this year with the able assistance of Jay Butler who has orchestrated the event in past years.

We can count on several ‘for sures’ – Frank Sheffer’s platters of kosher Ham and the Birdsong tradition of two bottles of single malt Scotch one of which had a \$100 bill in the bottom of the box. There are always some obscure items. One year, John Harrell provided a funny “Sparky” gift for auction. Hokie and Wahoo gifts always auction well and

the wine coolers have become a hit. Another of last year’s hits which no doubt may be repeated was then President Gail’s cozy, fuzzy bathrobe modeled by our favorite Honorary Rotarian, Elizabeth McCoury. The finale is the raffle of a one big ticket item that the Club provides. The flat screen TVs have been a real hit.

COME ONE, COME ALL, and join in the fun.



**DECEMBER 23, 2008 - “ROTARY CAROLERS”**

As in the past the Suffolk Rotarian carolers will be gathering at Lake Prince Center at 6 pm to With our well worn carol books, we will stroll the halls to pass on cheer and our excellent voices. With Rotary family members – young and old, friends and hearty Rotarians, we will bring gaiety and joy of the season. Lake Prince is always kind to provide goodies and good times are had by ALL.

Bring family and friends to join in this wonderful holiday tradition



# Thanks Bob, Hunter, and Quad Rotarians Especially Suffolk.

## Club Anniversaries

George Cornell	12/16/76
Hugh Cross	12/16/76
Archie Hickerson	12/19/05
Leroy Howell	12/03/64
Bill Johnson	12/06/90
Bob Marr	12/03/64
Wayne Scott	12/08/94
Celia Soper	12/11/03

## Birthdays

Grier Ferguson	12/16
John Harrell	12/ 21
Allen Perrel	12/07
Dick Pond	12/25
Wayne Scott	12/07
Lynette White	12/25

## Wedding Anniversaries

Bob Anderson	12/04/88
Robert Baker III	12/31/97
Cabell Birdsong	12/31/95
George Cornell	12/29/62
Grier Ferguson	12/17/77
Jack Lyle	12/29/72

## Program Committee

December	Susan Blair
January	Bill Johnson
February	Celia Soper

## Programs

### DECEMBER 4, 2008

James Pritchard, retired forester, "Indian Artifacts found in Suffolk and thereabouts"

### DECEMBER 11, 2008

Chuck Hansen, Rotarian, writer and motivational Speaker. Was the Keynote speaker for the Spring Rotary 7600 District Conference at the Suffolk Cultural Arts Center in April.

### DECEMBER 18, 2008

Annual holiday auction Begins at 12:30 pm – Come early and with lots of gifts and money.

### DECEMBER 27, 2008

Happy New Year 2008. – (no meeting)

## Blessings for December

Dec 4	Dick Pond
Dec 11	Gail Pruden
Dec 18	Crystal Revenbark
Dec 27	No Meeting

Recent Paul Harris Fellows



At the Rotary Foundation meeting in 2007, several of us (we will miss you Tywana discussed/ committed to launching a community project. Bob Stephens took the reins and ran with it. Hunter as Chair of our Community Service Projects was engaged from the start. The idea was to use a concept that would: (1) Engage Clubs to have Rotarians become actively involved; (2) Create an environment that allowed local Clubs to work in collaboration to implement a project that would impact a relatively large number of people; (3) Generate local publicity for Clubs to help attract new members; and (4) be eligible for Rotary District Simplified Grant funding. (The Criterion to do so are items 1 through 3.)

The Western Tidewater Free Clinic as a non-profit direct healthcare service provider gave us the opportunity for Rotary to design a project that would meet the above criterion and be impartially embraced by the Clubs. Even though the project was conceived during the 2007-08 administration

year, the 2008-09 Club Presidents all agreed to participate and received approval from their respective members. Bob Stephens wrote an extensive grant application filled with statistics of need and our financial match which was submitted last August. The grant explained the project's use of a "venture philanthropy" model, whereby each Club had a "vested" financial interest to support the intangible(s), (volunteerism, technical advice, outreach, etc.). The overarching objective of the quad Club collaborative effort was to increase access to quality healthcare and reduce infant mortality (in keeping with President D.K. Lee's RI goals.) The Quad Clubs are Suffolk, N. Suffolk, Smithfield and Franklin. Suffolk also put up \$5000 as seed money for the grant with \$7,500 coming from other organizations.

The Quad Clubs had each committed to match the grant money with \$2500. The grant request was for \$12,500, but with so many competitive awards submitted, the actual award was in the amount \$8000. The Suffolk Rotary Club being so committed to this initiative, rose to the occasion and contributed a total of \$9500 so that the Clinic would receive a full benefit.

