

AUGUST 17, 2009



# ROTARY BUZZER



ROTARY MEMBERS ENJOY OUTING WITH THE BURLINGTON ROYALS BASEBALL ON TUESDAY, AUG4TH

## OUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR, MIKE CONRAD

### *About Mike Conrad*

Mike was born and grew up in Thomasville, NC. He graduated from Appalachian State University in 1968 with a degree in Business and Economics. He met his wife, Mary Ann, in 1969 at the University of North Carolina in Greensboro where both



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CAMPING IN OREGON

were teaching assistants while working toward their master's degree.

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After a 31 year career with AT&T and Lucent Technologies, Mike retired in 2000. Following a brief retirement, he began his next career as Executive Director of the Piedmont Triad Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. His goal is to "work himself out of a job" by helping find a cure for diabetes. Before becoming Executive Director, Mike served on the Board of Directors and Executive Committee for the chapter.

Mike owes his introduction to Rotary to Sam Hummel of the Crescent Rotary Club. Sam asked Mike in 1991 to join the newly formed Gate City Rotary Club sponsored by Sam's club. A charter member of the Gate City club, Mike has served in multiple club positions and was President of his club in 2001-2002. His proudest achievement at the club level was helping lead the club to become a 100% Paul Harris Club. He was named as the club's Rotarian of the Year in 2002-2003.

Mike has maintained perfect attendance since he joined Rotary in 1991. Mike and Mary Ann are Paul Harris Fellows and members of the Bequest Society. Mike is a Benefactor, Sustaining Member and member of the Paul Harris Society. At the district level he has served as Chairman of the District Scholarship Committee for two years and two terms as Assistant Governor.

Married in 1971, Mike and Mary Ann reside in Greensboro, NC and are the proud parents of one son, David and daughter-in-law, Megan. Mike and Mary Ann are members of First Presbyterian Church in Greensboro, NC. Mike's interest in gardening led him to become involved in Greensboro Beautiful as a member of their Advisory Board. Mike also enjoys traveling and attempting to stay fit by going to the gym

almost every day!  
Mike has two  
proudest  
accomplishments.

The first was to  
complete a one day  
100 mile bicycle  
"Ride to Cure  
Diabetes" in  
Whitefish, Montana  
in 2007. His second  
proudest  
achievement was to  
return to Whitefish  
in 2008 and  
complete the 100  
mile bike ride again

with his son and  
daughter-in-law!

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- 17 years of  
Perfect

