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**WORLD UNDERSTANDING MONTH**

**JANUARY 25<sup>th</sup> MEETING**

**Presiding:** Pres. Ed Jackson

**Pledge, Song & 4 Way Test:** Jim Pugh

**Invocation:** Tracy Currie

**Health, Happiness & CART:** Ted Northrup

**Introduction of Guests:** Ted Northrup

**Guests:**  
 Don Toney Guest of Dan Caldwell  
 Brett Harris Guest of Jim Pressly

**Attendance:**  
 CNR 31  
 Charlotte Area Clubs: 1

**Birthdays:**  
 Brooke Dunwoody February 2  
 Fred Brown February 5

**Anniversaries:** None

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**TODAY'S PROGRAM**

Club Assembly

**FUTURE PROGRAMS**

2/15 - No meeting – President's Day  
 2/22 - Melissa Orr, NC GAL Program  
 3/01 - Dr. Ann Tippit, Dir. Of Schiele Museum  
 3/08 - Phil Valponi, Jr. Achievement

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Bill Parker** will have hip replacement surgery in the next several weeks. Please keep Bill in your prayers.

**DISTRICT CONFERENCE**

Mark your calendars for April 23<sup>rd</sup> for the Rotary District 7680's Annual Conference which will be held in Wilmington, NC.

**JANUARY 25<sup>th</sup> PROGRAM**



President Ed Jackson introduced our speaker, former **Mayor Pat McCrory**.

Pat shared stories from his long service as Mayor and spoke about how his life has changed since he is no longer Mayor and also about issues

that he believes are important to Charlotte, NC and our country.

His first concern was the increasing Federal debt and especially the use of "stimulus" funding for governmental operating expenses rather than true investment in projects that will serve the future.

Second is our dependence on foreign countries for our energy. We need to develop strategic policies to insure we can meet our energy needs with resources we control.

Third, the overwhelming unfunded costs related to governmental pensions and retiree healthcare costs.

There is some good news for Charlotte:

- Offsetting recent workforce reductions are several major new businesses that are moving operations to the Charlotte area.
- The move to make Charlotte a center of energy development.
- Also our commitment to NASCAR is important to retaining this important industry in our area.
- Finally Charlotte's airport continues to grow and is a major positive in Charlotte's future prospects.

We thank Pat for his enlightening presentation and especially for his service as Mayor.

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**



We have recently enjoyed hearing from former mayor Pat McCrory, Dr. Susan Cernyack-Spatz (holocaust survivor) and Matt Lyons (alternative medicine). Several members have commented that these have been great programs. Let me know if you feel differently.

**Bill Farkouh** has been setting up these great programs and has more lined up in the coming weeks as follows:

**February 1 – Meeting cancelled due to weather. Speaker to be rescheduled**

**February 22nd – Melissa Orr, NC GAL Program (children advocates)**

**March 1<sup>st</sup> – Dr. Ann Tippit, Director of the Schiele Museum**

**March 8<sup>th</sup> – Phil Valponi, Jr. Achievement**

**March 15<sup>th</sup> – Marilyn Morenz, HPCCR, Hospice and Palliative Care**

**March 22<sup>nd</sup> – Scott Provancher, President of Arts and Science Council**

**March 29<sup>th</sup> – Bill Currens and Joseph Crapster, Duke Energy**

These are great programs that we shouldn't keep to ourselves. Take a day this week to invite a friend, associate or neighbor to come visit and enjoy our meeting.

Service Above Self,  
*President Ed Jackson*