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**“SERVICE ABOVE SELF” MONTH**

**APRIL 26<sup>th</sup> MEETING**

**Presiding:** Ed Jackson

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

**Invocation:** Jim Fretwell

**Health, Happiness & CART:** Berry Stubbs

**Introduction of Guests:** Dan Caldwell

**Guests:**  
 William Sweeny Guest of Kal Kardous  
 Dr. Mohamed El Nawawg Guest of Bill Farkouh

**Attendance:**  
 CNR 28  
 Charlotte Area Clubs: 3

**Birthdays:** None

**Anniversaries:** None

**TODAY'S PROGRAM**

Wayne Acheson, Billy Graham Library

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**FUTURE PROGRAMS**

5/10 - David Spohn/Ellison Clary, Reinvention With Fiction  
 5/17 - Dr. Tony Zeiss, CPCC

**NEXT WEEK'S ASSIGNMENTS (May 10)**

<b>Pledge &amp; Song</b>	<b>Neil Brown</b>
<b>Invocation</b>	<b>Jim Fretwell</b>
<b>Health &amp; Happiness</b>	<b>Brooke Dunwoody</b>
<b>Guests</b>	<b>Bill Farkouh</b>

**ROAD CLEANUP**

Road cleanup on Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup> beginning at 8:00am. We'll meet at the Bojangles on N. Tryon.

**CNR RECEIVES GOLD AWARD**

**Bill Farkouh** announced that Charlotte North Rotary was awarded a Golden Sash for Excellence at the District Conference. (See front cover)

**NEW MEMBER**



Charlotte North Rotary welcomed our newest member, **Dylan Beal**. Dylan's classification is copy machine business representative and was sponsored by Kal Kardous.

**APRIL 26<sup>th</sup> PROGRAM**

Bill Farkou introduced our speaker, **Allen Langley**, District Governor nominee for the 2011/2012 Rotary year. Allen spoke about Rotary's Polio Plus Program.



Allen went to India for 12 days in February for a national vaccination event. 85 million children were vaccinated during the period which is a large number but not considering the majority of the unvaccinated children in India.

In 1985 Rotary began its program to eliminate polio. Today polio is a concern in four countries – Pakistan, Afghanistan, India and Nigeria. Allen gave an overview of his experience in India.

Allen's pictures and narrative gave insight into health and living conditions in India. He also showed pictures and described surgery to straighten legs damaged by polio.

Allen showed a video about Martha Mason who was 70 years old when she died in 2009 after being in an iron lung from childhood. Martha attended Wake Forest and graduated number one in her class.

We are very close to eradicating polio. If we don't succeed the cost will continue and polio may increase. Each club is asked to raise \$2,000 to support Polio Plus.

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**



**How have my CART donations been used? Has any progress been made in treating Alzheimer's Disease?**

These are questions that have been raised recently by our Club members.

While at the 2009-2010 District Conference, I met Bill Shilito, PDG of District 7670 and Executive Director of the CART Board. When I asked about the status of our contributions, he said that information may be found at the CART website [www.cartfund.org](http://www.cartfund.org)

On the website, if you click on the phrase "the grants the CART fund has given", you may obtain information about each of the last ten grants including the progress that each grant produced. For example, below is the information regarding the grant made to the Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville, Florida.

**MAYO JAX - Dr. Malcolm Leissering.**

The Leissering lab studies substances called proteases that destroy amyloid beta-protein which is the chief component of the plaques that create Alzheimer's disease. Dr. Leissering's previous work has shown that the severity of Alzheimer's Disease is strongly dependent on how active these protease substances are.

However, all of the various amyloid destroying substances (proteases) are not known. Dr. Leissering is using CART funds to investigate most of these substances and determine which ones are capable of destroying Alzheimer's amyloids. The results are expected to give new insight into the causes of Alzheimer's and perhaps help develop new treatment for the disease through drugs or other treatments.

See the [www.cartfund.org](http://www.cartfund.org) website for information about other progress made in the research of a cure for Alzheimer's. While the cure has not yet been found, progress has been made in understanding the disease.

Service Above Self,  
 President Ed Jackson