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BIRTHDAYS

- Sep 9 - Scott Ruby*
- Sep 12 - Dave Gospodarek*
- Sep 12 - Randy Fraser*
- Sep 13 - Robert Boone, Jr*
- Sep 14 - Joe Zaytoun*
- Sep 15 - Bob Leak*
- Sep 16 - Joe Moore*
- Sep 20 - Zach Ashton*

WEDDING

ANNIVERSARIES

- September 9**
- Jay & Joanne Johnson**
- September 10**
- Tom & Madelyn Lindley**
- Howard & Martha McCain**
- Cathy & James Stuart**
- September 12**
- Carl & Mary Ruth Johnson**
- September 17**
- Jimmy & T Goodwin**
- September 20**
- Kenneth & Tammy Haywood**

**September 16, 2002
Today's Program**

**Martin Lancaster
NC Community College System
NC Community Colleges Today**

Upcoming Programs

*September 23 - Dr. James Ammons
Chancellor—NC Central University*

*September 30—Dr. Leroy Walker
Former President US Olympic Committee*

*More great programs in October include:
John Mitterling—VP Development NC Symphony
Bill Booth - President RMA—Risk Management*

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SEPT. 9, 2002 MEETING SUMMARY

The September 9, 2002 meeting of the Rotary Club of Raleigh was called to order by **President Jim Lofton** who gave the invocation. **Judge Hugh Campbell** led the Pledge of Allegiance and introduced visitors and guests.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kevin Sommers spoke with us about the Communities in School Program. He left several sheets on each table including a yellow sheet for people to sign up for the tutor mentor program or other activities with students at Daniels Middle School. He also asked if we could assist them in meeting their needs list by bringing in 1—2 inch 3 ring binders. He will collect them through October.

Mike Bywater advised us of the upcoming Harvest Train to the Boys and Girls Home at Lake Waccamaw. It will be on October 12. The trip takes about 2 1/2 hours and will be in conjunction with other civic clubs this year. The Boys and girls Home provides needed shelter for children who for no fault of their own have ended up at the home. The goal of the home is to reunite the children with their parents. Donations will be greatly appreciated. Please see **Mike** regarding making a donation to the home.

Sandy Long introduced our newest member **Louis Carr** whom she sponsored. **Louis** is married to one of her cousins so it was keeping it in the family. He works at a local CPA firm. He holds a B.S. from UNC and is a certified CFC consultant. He is also very active in the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce. Welcome **Louis**.

PROGRAM

George Walls introduced our guest speaker, **Ralph Campbell**, our North Carolina State Auditor.

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Ralph has been the State Auditor since first being elected in 1992. He advised that his top priority is good communication within the department. His department has 194 employees with most of them being located in Raleigh. There are 9 outlying offices spread throughout the state.

The State Auditor's primary responsibility to audit the various state agencies in North Carolina. This would include the following:

State Government Departments
State Universities and Community Colleges
The Clerk of Courts
Smart Start

Approximately 80% of the resources go toward auditing the financial statements of the various state agencies. These audits are used by the various bond agencies to assist in determining the bond rating for the state. The State Auditor also audits all federal funds that flow through the state government.

They also audit all 82 Smart Start Partnerships. These are non-profit organizations set up throughout the state to provide this service. In addition to Smart Start, they also do non-governmental audits for any organization that receives over \$300,000 in state funds. They have to limit it to these due to the large number (almost 2000) of non-profit organizations that actually receive state money.

The auditor's office also does system audits. They check computer operations to be sure they are working correctly and even check individual applications when needed.

PROGRAM (continued)

Performance audits are also performed by the auditor's office. They identify how programs are doing. They look for area for cost cutting and improvement. This takes up about 11% of the department's resources.

The last type of audit they perform is called an investigative audit. This is done when crimes such as embezzlement are suspected, There are dozens of these investigated each year. He gave us an example of one where an Executive Director of an Eastern North Carolina non-profit had embezzled funds and took off with the money and then was found in another agency in the state government. According to Mr. Campbell, she got bored and needed something to do. While this was very sad, it was also quite entertaining.

Ralph then asked the question, "Who audits the State Auditor?" Every three years the National State Audit Association (NSAA) does a peer review audit. During his 10 years as State Auditor, there have been no irregularities found in the department. They also do internal quality control reviews on an annual basis. Their Annual Financial Audit is also scrutinized by the General Assembly.

For more information you can go to their web site at **ncauditor.net**.

Reported by Tom Wood

GUESTS AND VISITING ROTARIANS - SEPTEMBER 9

VISITNG ROTARIANS:

Joe Snyder - West Raleigh - Industrial Automation

RECENT MAKE UPS:

Les Hall - Cary Central

Carol Schiller - West Raleigh

Ray Buchanan - Zebulon

Ray Buchanan - Livingston, Zambia (6 TIMES!)

Ray Buchanan - Ulan Batur, Mongolia