

# The Mecklenburg Missile

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Kiwanis Club of Mecklenburg, Charlotte, Inc.

P. O. Box 33573, Charlotte, NC 28233-3573

Organized August 5, 1952

Missile Launcher: Bob Swanson

Meeting Monday, August 18, 2014

Next Meeting: Monday, September 8, 2014

## Today's Meeting

3 Guests! - AND all; 3 indicated interest in joining our Club. How 'bout THAT??

The meeting centered mostly around plans for the Cow Chip Festival, just a few short weeks off (Saturday, September 27.) Bring your Cow Chip money next meeting.

## Carolinas District Governor for 2014/2015

**Gary Cooper**, a member of the Fayetteville Kiwanis Club, Fayetteville, NC. Fayetteville is one of the older Clubs in the District (#20 in the pecking order of age), but is and long-has-been one of the largest Clubs in the District. From it came one Kiwanis International President: J. O. Tally, Jr., in 1960.

Dawn Puderbaugh Hodges, Governor-Elect-Designate, belongs to the Greenwood (SC) Kiwanis Club (which, as a matter of fact, at #11 is even older than the Fayetteville Club). Dawn has a record of Kiwanis activities indicating excellent qualifications and background for the high office of District Governor. 2014/2015 will be a year of learning and planning for her. She will be expected to embark on the office of District Governor on October 1, 2015.

Folks: your District will be in good hands for at least two more years!

## Next Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Monday in September is a national holiday (Labor Day). So next month we will meet on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays: **September 8 and 22.**

Mark your calendar accordingly and come to meet three - yes I said **3!** - new members. We are excited!

And bring your Cow Chip ticket sales money.

## Carolinas District Convention

for 2014 was held Friday, August 22 through Sunday, August 24 at the University Hilton Hotel, right here in Charlotte.

Governor Bill Clingenpeel presided over the very well planned and administered event. Nice going, Governor Bill!

Mecklenburg Kiwanis and Carolinas District Division 6 were not without representation. Matt Hagler and your "Missile Launcher" were the two - and only.

The members and guests count came in at about 300 - approximately two-thirds of them being delegates (which means that business was conducted by less than 3% of the District membership. And fewer than HALF of the District Clubs were represented.) That's sad - - on at least TWO counts: 1) That members don't show more Kiwanis interest than that; and 2) That such a minority is allowed (and trusted!) to determine the course of the District. There were no amendments offered this year.

There were TWO surprises emanating, both of which we anticipate will turn out to be very pleasant: 1) A somewhat last-minute-emerging candidate for Governor-Elect, DAWN PUDERBAUGH HODGES, won election; and 2) OUR OWN **MATT HAGLER** was elected President of the Carolinas District Kiwanis Foundation (The "CDKF"). Dawn's year as Governor-Elect and Matt's at the helm of the District Foundation will begin officially on October 1, 2014.

Dawn is a dynamic young lady (in her mid-40's). Both she and her husband are attorneys and reside in Greenwood, SC.

**Meets 12 Noon, 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays** - Fairview Plaza Restaurant, 5950 Fairview Road, 28210

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