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Rotary Club of Sherwood Forest

- 1 This month we welcomed our Past District Governor Dr Roger Summers who is a Forensic Science Consultant and University lecturer. He specialises in identifying remains and has attended Lockerbie, and the Boxing Day tsunami as well as other similar major incidents and crime scenes. He presented us with jars of charred items of clothing and property and had us guess what they could be, then used those after our dinner to illustrate his fascinating and interesting talk about his career. Dr Summers



with Preseident Derek Storton and Stella Herbert

- 2 Rotary in our area are still actively promoting the **Community Save a Life** web site , where you can sign up and complete on-line first aid training enabling you in the basic skills to potentially save a life before the Emergency Services arrive. Please go to <https://www.virtual-college.co.uk/prepared> where you can sign up and access the training – this is certificated by QUALSAFE and is FREE. Community Save a Life are endeavoring to get a “life saver” on every street in the UK. Both organisations & individuals can sign up.
- 3 The club celebrated its birthday at the end of January with a Charter Lunch at our normal meeting venue the Sth Forest Leisure Complex in Edwinstowe. Over 80 attendees enjoyed lunch, and were entertained with magic at the tables and music after by local entertainer Steve McGill. The highlight of the event was the presentation to Andrew Mellors of our Robin Hood Award. This award is given annually to a person nominated by a community member for work done over and above to enhance and serve local areas and residents. Andrew looks after the Edwinstowe area, keeping it clean and tidy but so much more, he directs tourists, speaks to old and young alike whilst carrying our his work and nothing is too much for him. A very lovely chap. The

staff at South Forest joined the attendees to applaud this very popular winner of the - Robin Hood award for 2018-2019.

President Derek was also delighted to present District Governor Cheryle with a Sherwood Forest Oak tree (with the kind permission of Mr. Hugh Matheson of Thoresby estate) as a gift from the club and to promote the Rotary International Tree Planting campaign.



4 Forthcoming speakers booked for the next 6 months include a local Author of Crime Novels Trevor Negus, learning about the Webb Family of Newstead, Peter Young – an auctioneer, a visit to Laxton Mound on May day and much much more. Please contact Sec Stella Herbert (stella.herbert@btinternet.com or 07712 884487) for more details.

We welcome visitors at any time, but especially to our Last meetings of the Month events – please e mail Club Sec Stella (stella.herbert@btinternet.com) or speak to any Rotarian. We meet at South Forest Leisure Centre, in Edwinstowe on a Wednesday evening, at 7.00. see us on Facebook too (Rotary Club of Sherwood Forest - <https://www.facebook.com/Rotary-Club-of-Sherwood-Forest-273940476077102>).

Rotary serves YOUR Community, much of the funds we raise go to local organisations and charities.

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