

Lion Ralph Mann



RALPH is one of the hardest working members in the club. He is one of those people who cannot sit still and is always doing something. He is active at all club events.

He joined the club in June 2013 and immediately became involved with the 4th of July and Labor Day BBQs. He took on the job of “bird dogging” the first rotary smoker the club bought. Once that was up and running it was not enough and he urged the club to get a bigger smoker that would hold more butts and turkeys. The new smokers were a big help because it reduced the labor requirements for the many aging members.

For several years Ralph was chairman of both the 4th of July and Labor Day events. He recently took over as chairman of the annual raffle. These events were very successful under his leadership. He is always ready to step up and take the lead when needed.

He served on the board of directors and now serves as the second vice president.

Ralph grew up in Albemarle, North Carolina. He attended North Carolina State University where he studied Recreation and Park Administration. He remains a Wolfpack fan.

He served in the Army from 1966-1969 including two tours in Vietnam first with the 101st then the 82nd Airborne Divisions.

When he is not working as a Lion, he spends time hiking, playing tennis and caring for his German Shepherd named Zeva. (Gave up biking and sold the killer bike.) His first car was a Triumph Spitfire and his favorite color is orange.

Ralph says he joined the Lions to serve the community and associate with likeminded people.

We appreciate all that Ralph has done for our club and the community and look forward to his continued leadership going forward.

By Jerry Pala

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