

Rotary Opens Opportunities



# Rotary Club of Huntersville

## We meet at:

Spare Time Bowling Alley  
16317 Statesville Rd  
Huntersville, NC 28078

Every Monday  
from 5:30 till 6:30 PM

For info contact:  
Ineke Wilson – 704-905-5002  
Website: <https://huntersville-happy-hour-rotary.org/>

## Upcoming programs, speakers and events:

- March 15 – Cindy Deutsch  
Angels and Sparrows
- March 20 – Virtual Comedy Show
- March 21 – Blood Drive
- March 22 – Vitaliy Bezrodnov  
Rotary Childrens Fund
- March 29 – Lisa Stryker  
Coach
- April 5 – No Meeting – Easter
- April 12 – Yves-Renee Jennings  
Rotary Peace Fellowship
- April 19 – Live at Spare Time  
Club Assembly
- April 24 – District Conference  
Virtual
- April 26 –
- May 3 –
- May 10 – Laura Laurenz  
Teamwork



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**BY KENT PIKE**

Greetings fellow Rotarians, I hope you enjoyed the week. This week will host our final online Zoom meeting. Walter will host the meeting as I am in Sunny St. Lucia you should have received this special link from Eric.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone in person on the 19th! Coming together will be a welcomed experience. Yours in friendship!



**Monday April 12 – Yves-Renee Jennings**  
Rotary Peace Fellowship



## Monday April 19 – Club Assembly & Social

**Update on club, community, youth, vocational and international service.**  
Our committees are reporting on upcoming projects and service opportunities.

**Club Update:** President Kent Pike

**Club next year's Goals and Opportunities:** President Elect Eileen Solomon

**Club Service – Membership:** – Bob Gors

**Club Service – Fundraising:** – Bob Wilson & Juergen Hessenauer

**Club Service – Socials:** Peter Capponi & Joyce Schiaffo

**Community Service: Lydia's Loft, Huntersville Police** – Eric Franzen

**Community Service: River Sweep** – Dana Hicks

**Youth Service: Mallard Creek High** – John Beiler

**Vocational Service** – Shari Garcia

**International Service** – Cori Stuart

**CLUB  
ASSEMBLY**



## Club Officers



**Kent Pike**  
President



**Eileen Solomon**  
President-Elect



**Ineke Wilson**  
Secretary, Historian,  
Club Bulletin

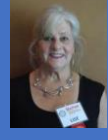


**Kim Van Sickler**  
Treasurer

## Club Service



**Ed Lowry**  
Sergeant-at-Arms



**Lise Squillace**  
Club Attendance



**Gay Rudisill**  
Club Happy Dollars



**Bob Wilson**  
Club Fundraising



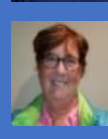
**Juergen Hessenauer**  
Club Fundraising



**Bob Gors**  
Club Membership



**Peter Capponi**  
Club Socials



**Joyce Schiaffo**  
Club Socials



**Walter Siegenthaler**  
Club Programs / Speakers

## Community Service - Saturday morning March 20 – Hinds Feet Farm

Rotarians Bob, Walter, Eric, Tom, Ineke, Juergen, John and Kim helped with shovels and rakes to fill beds with dirt and plant blueberry bushes.



## Club Fundraiser – March 20

### Virtual Comedy Show

Our Rotary Club hosted a virtual comedy show and 3 comedy acts with brief breaks between acts and it lasted roughly 90 minutes. Tickets were \$30 per connection.



## Saturday Evening March 20 - Virtual Comedy Show

This event was a huge success. Thanks to Kent Pike with Health markets for sponsoring the event. 37 people bought a connection and enjoyed the 3 comedians. **\$1,400** was raised for our club and non-profits in the Lake Norman area.

## Club Service contined



Eric Franzen  
Club Website



Cheryl Holt  
Club Raffle



Eileen Solomon  
Public Relations

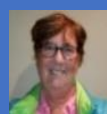
## Community Service



Eric Franzen  
Community - Hinds Feet Farm



Tom Schiaffo  
Community Service



Joyce Schiaffo  
Community Service



Kim Van Sickler  
Community - Red Cross



Dana Hicks  
Community – River Clean Up



Kitty Long  
Community - Lydia's Loft



Rick Zoerb  
Community-Huntersville Police

## Vocational Service



Shari Garcia  
Vocational Service Chair



## Foundation Chair

Mark Kincer  
Foundation Chair

## Community Service - Sunday March 21 – Blood Drive

Our Rotary Club and the American Red Cross hosted a blood drive from 11:30 am to 5:30 pm at Spare Time Bowling, 16317 Statesville Road, Huntersville.

Blood donations are in great demand and as Rotarians, we showed our support by rolling up our sleeves and getting the job done. **We filled every one of the 32 slots!** We had two volunteers per shift to volunteer by taking temperatures and checking in blood donors.

**We collected 23 units of blood, what has the potential to save up to 69 lives!**  
**There were 13 first time donors!**

The need for blood is constant and only volunteer donors can fulfill that need for patients in our community. Nationwide, someone needs a unit of blood every 2 to 3 seconds and most of us will need blood in our lifetime.



## Club Service – President Elect Eileen Solomon

Due to the pandemic, PETS (President Elect Training) was facilitated via “Zoom” this year. Eileen, our incoming president, joined over 500 incoming presidents for nine hours of online training spread out over three days. They listened to engaging speakers, meaningful content and technical assistance. The new theme “Serve To Change Lives” was presented by incoming Rotary International President Shakar Mehta who was actually on the “Zoom” call from India! Shakar encourages us to be the “Change Makers” through club service. By sharing our personal Rotary stories, we can inspire others to join us.



## International Service



Cori Stuart  
International Service Chair



Ashley Cannon  
International Service



Shayna Inman  
International Service



Dana Hicks  
International Service

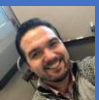
## Youth Service



Erin Lyons  
Huntersville Elementary



John Beiler  
High Schools – Interact



Kevin Boyle  
High Schools - Interact



Lew Davis  
Mallard Creek High School

## Past Presidents



Mark Kincer  
2019-2020



Mike Fitzgerald  
2018-2019



Walter Siegenthaler  
2017-2018



Debbie Jackson  
2016-2017



Michael Dane  
2015-2016



Ineke Wilson  
2014-2015

Huntersville Happy Hour  
Chartered June 16, 2014

## Club Service

### Happy Anniversary

March 14 – Kandi & Dan Ranson  
March 29 – Kent & Joanna Pike



### Happy Club Member Anniversary

March 5 – Mark Kincer – 4 year member  
March 12 – Eric Franzen – 3 year member  
March 12 – Rick Zoerb – 3 year member

Rotary

CLUB SERVICE

Happy Dollars



## Youth Service – Seminar For Tomorrow's Leaders

Our club decided to sponsor 2 students for \$500 each to attend the Seminar For Tomorrow's Leaders. Kevin Boyle will be our liason.

## International Service - Sponsorship

Our club decided to sponsor Shari Garcia again for \$1,500 to attend another semester as a student at CPCC studying International Business.

## Community Service – Saturday April 24 at 9 am

### Lydia's Loft

Our Rotary Club needs members to help with sorting the clothes and spruce up the planting beds with pine straw. Erik is our fearless leader, who ordered 20 bales of straw.



Rotary Clubs are hosting a  
**Rotary River Clean Up**  
at the Lake Wylie River District

Sponsored by Tailrace Marina in Mount Holly  
Proceeds support  
Catawba Riverkeepers and other local non-profits

Saturday May 15 starting at 9 AM  
Kayaks and lunch are provided for \$15  
Sign up at [bit.ly/rotaryriver](http://bit.ly/rotaryriver)



## Community Service – May 15

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9:00 Sign in and get supplies.  
9:45 Safety briefing and divide into work crews. Some crews may be shuttled to "hotspots" for focused attention and cleanup.  
10:00-12:00 Catawba River / upper Lake Wylie and shoreline cleanup.  
12-12:30 Return boats and equipment.  
Weigh collected trash from cleanup.  
Separate recyclables from trash and responsibly recycle.  
12:30 Cookout for registered volunteers at Tailrace Marina grill & picnic area.

