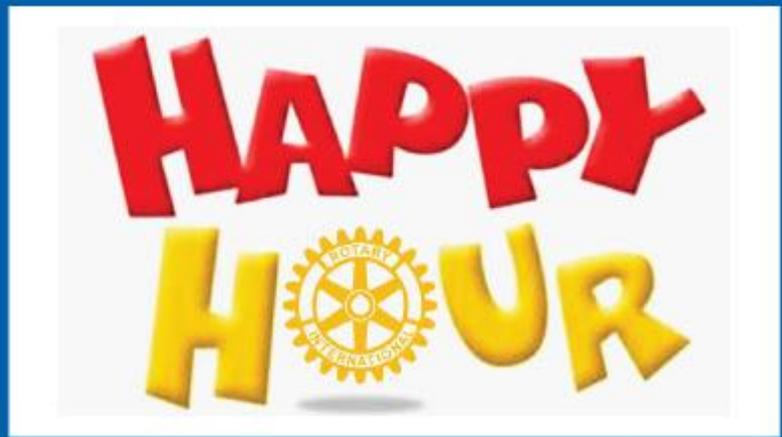


Rotary Opens Opportunities



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:

- April 19 – Live at Spare Time Club Assembly
- April 24 – District Conference Virtual
- April 26 – Rick Zoerb
Huntersville Police
- May 3 – Franz Lorio, Dana Hicks
Rotary Riversweep
- May 10 – Laura Laurenz
Teamwork
- May 17 – Margi Kyle
6 Steps to Success
- May 24 – Helen Gardiner-Parks
Nutrition/Energy Healing
- May 31 – No Meeting
Memorial Day
- June 7 – Club Social
Beergarden
- June 14 –



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY KENT PIKE

Greetings fellow Rotarians,

What a fantastic Virtual District Conference this weekend.

Saturday morning was filled with lots of learning and togetherness and team building. Saturday night we kicked it off with a fun Chocolate Presentation! I know know how to properly eat good chocolate! Good times were had by all.

Our own distinguished Rotarian, Eric Franzen, was recognized and without his support on Hinds Feet Farm this project would not have been a success this year.

The Club was also recognised as #2 per capita in the Annual Fund Giving (if you haven't given to the annual fund this year please do, I want to be #1 in the fall)

And our club was one of 3 recipients of the Club Service Award.

The Club also received the Rotary Citation for achieving our goals that I put forward for the Club, though they were difficult we did it as a team. All of us came together to do this, it wasn't one person, we all put Service above Self.

Congrats to all and see you Monday at Spare Time!



Monday April 26 – Rick Zoerb Huntersville Police

Rick – our Honorary member – will talk about a community project where we could partner up with. There might be a District Grant opportunity.



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

2021 Virtual District Conference



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Come join us in celebrating, recognizing, learning and **FUN!**

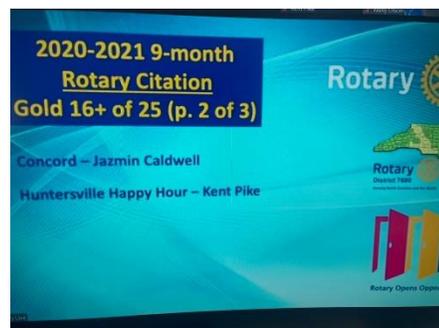
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JOHN SMARGE
RI Director 2010-12

Club Service Award

Only 3 clubs in the district earned the Club Service Award. Thanks to our attendance, newspaper article, service projects, socials, vocational talks, public image and district attendance.



Foundation Giving

#2 in the district, so far!
Average of giving is \$312.50



Club Service – Distinguished Rotarian Eric Franzen

We would like to Honor Eric Franzen as our Distinguished Rotarian. He has been the Backbone of our club this year, with the pandemic. He has kept us operating with technology and websites on fundraising and events. Without the IT support that he provided it would have been a challenge. In addition Eric stepped in and made our District Grant project at Hinds Feet Farm a success! This year Eric made an impact and we are truly grateful he chose to serve with our club!

Club Service

Happy Birthday
April 5 – Dana Hicks
April 12 - Peter Capponi

Happy Anniversary
April 19 – Kim & John Stengel
April 23 – Rick & Natalie Zoerb



Happy Dollars



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 – Saturday May 1 at 9 am Lydia's Loft

Our 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.



Community Service – May 15 Rotary River Cleanup

Sign up: [Bit.ly/rotaryriver](https://bit.ly/rotaryriver)

Rotary Clubs are hosting a Rotary River Clean Up at the Lake Wylie River District. Sponsored by Tailrace Marina in Mt Holly. Proceeds support Catawba Riverkeepers and other local non-profits.

Saturday May 15 starting at 9 AM

Kayaks and lunch are provided for \$15

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.

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HAPPY HOUR!
Rotary Club

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

Community Service - Hinds Feet Farm

We made the newspaper! Thanks to all Rotarians involved in this project!

Huntersville

Rotary project enhances Hinds' Feet Farm

HUNTSVILLE – A local civil club's community service project will enhance the opportunity for expanded activities and daily programs at a facility dedicated to helping adults cope with traumatic brain injuries.

After consulting with Hinds' Feet Farm Director Marty Foil about options for additional assets at the center off Black Farms Road, members of the Happy Hour Rotary Club of Huntersville set about the planning and fundraising to turn a vision into reality.

Through club events and a matching grant opportunity – and some hands-on teamwork by the local Rotarians – the club recently completed the installation of a brick paver patio space and several large planter boxes.

The patio space provides a level area for outdoor therapy sessions and the planter boxes will be used by Hinds' Feet Farm residents and members for container garden projects.

For the project, spearheaded by club member Eric Franzen, the local club raised \$8,000. Franken has been selected to receive Distinguished Rotarian of the Year honors later this month.

Hinds' Feet Farm is a 21-year-old facility that offers day and residential programs emphasizing a holistic and wellness approach to help people living with traumatic brain injuries.

The day programs, offered at the main campus in Huntersville and at a center in Asheville, focus on cognitive, emotional, physical, creative, social and pre-vocational activities. And the residential facilities at the Black Farms Road complex provide accommodations and programs for adults requiring varied degrees of daily living assistance.

Residential program members are encouraged to engage, interact and participate in the ongoing activities of the day programs as well.

Hinds' Feet Farm is always open for donations and volunteer assistance, and a current need is for volunteers to help with the center's therapeutic horseback riding program. The daytime program will begin in May and those interested in helping can email amewborn@hindsfeetfarm.org. For additional information and other ways to help or donate, visit hindsfeetfarm.org.



Courtesy Happy Hour Rotary Club

Community Service - Sunday March 21 – Blood Drive

Our Rotary Club and the American Red Cross hosted a blood drive 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.



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.