



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:

- August 10 – Bonnie Battalia
- Saturday August 15 – Community Service at Hind's Feet Farm
- August 17 – District Governor Mike Walker
- August 24 – Justin Dionne
- August 31 – 5th Monday Social - Virtual
- September 7 – No Meeting – Labor Day
- September 14 – Bol Maywal

Club Service

Happy Birthday

- August 16 – Eric Franzen
- August 17 – Shari Garcia
- August 19 – Shayna Inman
- August 22 – Tom Ford
- August 28 – Mark Kincer
- August 31 – Lise Squilace

Happy Anniversary

- August 20 – Kitty & Paul Long
- August 26 – Peter & Gert Capponi

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY KENT PIKE

Fellow Rotarians, thank you to those of you who came out and volunteered or came by to show support to our amazing group this weekend and Hinds Feet Farm. The rain held off and we were able to get Phase 1 completed. Next weekend there will be an opportunity to do more work.

This year themes is Rotary Opens doors and we will be opening the doors to the great outdoors when this project is completed. Peter even got the group some great Rotary Face mask.

This week our District Governor Mike Walker will join us for a Rotary State of the Union as he joins us for our annual meeting. We will have the meeting at a normal time and then will conclude with the board meeting. Officers, please make plans to attend. See you Monday and at Hinds Feet Farm, Eric will continue to send messages about the next steps.



Monday August 17

Mike Walker

District Governor

Join our meeting for an update on Rotary District 7680 and the plans and goals for the upcoming Rotary year.



Last week's program – Bonnie Battalia

Feed NC At the Mooresville Soup Kitchen they serve veterans, at-risk youth, victims of domestic violence, senior citizens, and the working poor.

Email Bonnie bbattalia@feednc.org if you want to help:

- Drivers to pick up weekly food donations at local grocery stores
- Warehouse volunteers to assist with food intake and storage
- Bring weekly meals, visits, support to homebound individuals
- Pantry volunteers to assist guests with weekly food selections
- Volunteers to seal prepared meals for community outreach
- Kitchen volunteers to prepare and serve meals to guests



Club Officers



Kent Pike
President



Eileen Solomon
President-Elect



Ineke Wilson
Secretary, Historian, Club Bulletin



Kim Van Sickler
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Club Service



Tom Ford
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Club Happy Dollars



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Club Fundraising



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Club Membership



Peter Capponi
Club Socials



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Club Programs / Speakers



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Club Entertainment



Cheryl Holt
Club Raffle



Eileen Solomon
Public Relations



Shayna Inman
Public Relations



Erik Franzen
Club Website



Community Service - Hinds Feet Farm

Hinds Feet Farm is a resident (and day patient) facility that treats patients with traumatic brain injuries. Their motto is "helping survivors of brain injury through unique programs, education, outreach, and advocacy". The members have raised bed gardens. The planters are approximately 5' apart to ultimately allow for wheelchair access.

The ground is natural and uneven and is not end user friendly. Our club will install pavers around the gardens and provide an even walking surface for the patients as they are having therapy-based walks and outside time. Rotary themed benches will also be installed to allow for rest areas and areas of repose for the patients, staff, and volunteers. Huntersville Happy Hour Rotary club will raise \$4,000 of the approximately \$8,000 in total cost. The other \$4,000 comes from a matching district grant.



Community Service



Erik Franzen
Community Service



Tom Schiaffo
Community Service



Joyce Schiaffo
Community Service



Kim Van Sickler
Community Service



Kitty Long
Community - Lydia's Loft

International Service



Cori Stuart
International Service Chair



Debbie Jackson
Foundation Chair

Vocational Service



Mike Fitzgerald
Vocational Service Chair

Youth Service



Erin Lyons
Huntersville Elementary



John Beiler
High Schools



Fred Whaples
North Meck High School



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



Welcome on Board!



Welcome our newest members Ashley and Shari



Ashley Cannon

She is a native of Statesville, North Carolina where she graduated from Statesville High School in 1991. She then entered Wake Forest University where she graduated in 1995. Following graduation, Ashley lived in Nagano, Japan where she taught junior high school English for two years. Upon her return from Japan, Ashley entered law school at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where she earned her law degree in 2001. She currently manages the law offices of Cannon & Thompson, Attorneys at Law, where she practices criminal defense. Ashley was a former member of the Rotary Club of Troutman where she served as the President in 2017-2018. Ashley has traveled to Nicaragua, Guatemala, Tanzania, and India to participate in international Rotary projects. In her spare time, Ashley enjoys staying active by hiking and running marathons, volunteering in the community, and traveling.

Shari Garcia

Born and raised in Mexico, in a city named Reynosa in the state called Tamaulipas. Her city is right on the border with McAllen, Texas, where she would shop in the malls and pretty much go to the US side of the border to bowling or just hang out with friends. She visited her grandfather in Houston every year. She grew up in a family of 5. Mom Nidia, dad Gerardo, oldest sister Nallely and middle sister Ailyn. She is the youngest sibling. Three years ago her dad re-married and had brother Emanuel. Shari studied Business Administration for one year in the Instituto Tecnológico de Reynosa. She is an international student at Central Piedmont Community College in the International Business Major. In her free time, she likes dancing and baking traditional pastries from her country. She also enjoys exploring and travel new places, volunteer and yoga.

