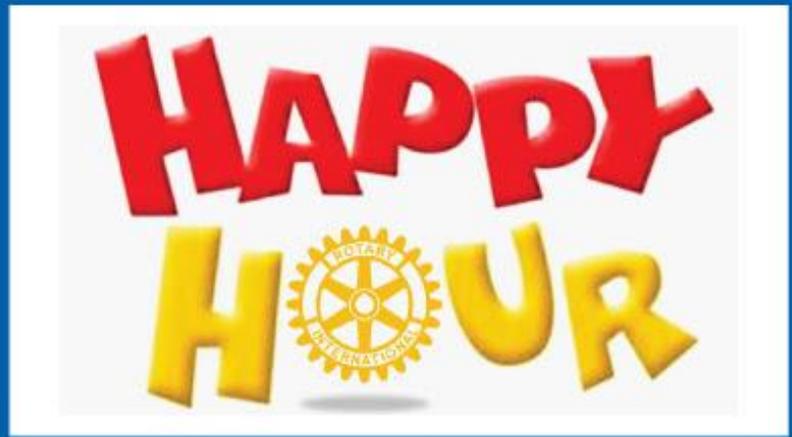


Rotary Opens Opportunities



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 –
- April 26 –
- May 3 –
- May 10 – Laura Laurenz
Teamwork

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY KENT PIKE

Greeting fellow Rotarians.

The warm weather is upon us but so are the spring storms, the good news is the pollen keeps getting washed away. We have had a great month and I look forward to getting all back to normal very soon.

Don't forget no meeting on the 5th! for the Easter Holiday. Our Last Zoom will be on April 12th. At this moment barring any further government mandates we will meet again in person on April 19th! I am looking forward to a sense of reality!

This week Lisa Stryker will speak to us on the power of communication, we do great as a rotary club but hopefully we can all learn something. See you on the Zoom!



Monday March 29 – Lisa Stryker
Communications Executive | Trainer & Coach



Monday April 12 – Yves-Renee Jennings
Rotary Peace Fellowship



Last week's program- Vitaliy Bezrodnov
Vice President
Coordinator at RCF
International Cultural Exchange



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



Community Service – May 15

Rotary River Cleanup

Sign up: [Bit.ly/rotaryriver](http://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.

