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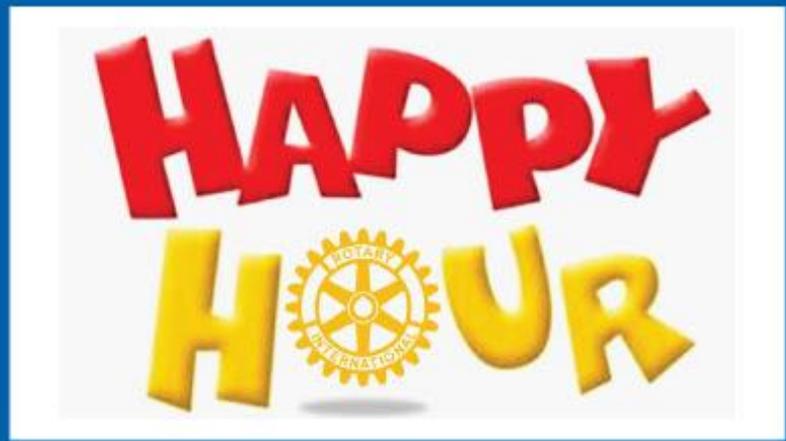
Spare Time Bowling Alley
16317 Statesville Rd
Huntersville, NC 28078

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:

- September 13 - Club Assembly Board Meeting
- September 20 - Dana Hicks, Ineke Global Grant with India
- September 27 - Social at the Cottage Next to N. Harbor Club
- October 2 – Catawba River Sweep Tailrace Marina
- October 4 – Vocational Trip Hemp Farm
- October 11 – John Stengel Cyber Space
- October 18 – Abraham James Growing up in Liberia
- October 25 – Ineke Wilson World Polio Day
- November 1 – Shari Garcia Mexico -Day of the Dead
- November 8 – Eric Franzen Digital Navigators
- November 13 - Community Service Veterans Day Parade
- November 15 – Maggi Simon The United Nations



Rotary Club of Huntersville

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY EILEEN SOLOMON

Our vocational trip to Blackberry Ridge Farm has been rescheduled for October 4th so we will have an Assembly/Board meeting on Monday instead. Please plan to attend. This is your opportunity to share ideas and make suggestions to enhance our club. We value membership participation. There are two board positions to be voted on. The nominees for president-elect are Kevin Boyle and Mark Kincer. Eric Franzen has agreed to serve on the Board as Sargent-of-Arms. We will also be discussing plans for community service projects and events taking place in October, November, and December.

Monday September 13

Club Assembly / Board Meeting

Update on all the service areas, finances, projects, etc.



Monday September 20

Dana Hicks, Ineke Wilson

Global Grant in India

In partnership with the Rotary Club of Trichur Central, South India, our club has provided \$1,000 through a District Global Grant with helping flood victims.



Monday September 27 – Club Service

Social at the Lake Norman Cottage

Food is provided. Bring friends and family.

Saturday October 2

Community Service - Catawba River Sweep

On Saturday October 2 from 9 to 12 we will participate in a one day clean up event. Join more than a thousand volunteers spread out over the entire Catawba River.



Monday October 4 -

Vocational Service Trip

Hemp Farm

Blackberry Ridge Farm is a veteran owned, family and friends operated farm in the middle of suburban Huntersville.



Club Officers



Eileen Solomon
President

TBD
President-Elect



Ineke Wilson
Secretary, Historian,
Club Bulletin, Club Trainer



Kent Pike
Treasurer, IPast President



Eric Franzen
Sergeant-at-Arms



Club Service

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



Last Monday August 30 – 5th Monday of the Month Club Social at Spare Time Bowling & New Member Induction

Thanks to Peter and Joyce for arranging the social and the spread of food. Membership Chair Bob Gors inducted the new members. Sponsor Juergen pinned his wife Maggie and PDG Mike Walker pinned his friend Dan Marulli. Both are great additions to the club!



Explanation of the Onam Festival:

<https://www.prokerala.com/festivals/onam.html>



International Service

Friday September 3 Virtual Meeting with Global Grant Partner, Trichur Central Rotary Club in Kerala, India

Seven members of our Rotary Club (Bob, Ineke, Shayna, Eileen, Eric, Walter, Dana) virtually attended the annual celebration of the Onam Festival by the Trichur-Central Rotary Club. This is the official festival of Kerala state in southern India.

The Zoom presentation included speeches by the Trichur-Central Rotary leaders along with prerecorded ceremonies, prayers, songs, and dances.

Our club was acknowledged and thanked multiple times for our support of the ASHAKIRAN - GG1983796 global grant project. President Eileen and International Service Chair Dana, offered greetings and remarks.

Club Service continued



Eric Franzen
Club Website



Eileen Solomon
Public Relations



Shari Garcia
Social Media

Community Service



Eric Franzen
Community Service Chair



John Beiler
Community Service



Tom Schiaffo
Community Service



Joyce Schiaffo
Community Service



Dana Hicks
Community – River Clean Up



Kitty Long
Community - Lydia's Loft



Rick Zoerb
Community-Huntersville Police

Vocational Service



Walter Siegenthaler
Vocational Service Chair



Mark Kincer
Foundation Chair



Community Service – Giving out school supplies Tuesday August 3

Club members Eric, Eilee, Shari and Ineke joined the Huntersville Police by giving out bookbags and school supplies at North Mecklenburg Park.

Community Service – Angels and Sparrows Soup Kitchen Thursday June 3, July 15 and August 5

Club members Kent, Eileen and neighbor Uni, Eric, Kim, Tom & Joyce, Lise and neighbor Linda, Kitty and family, Dan and Maggi, Ineke and Gay helped pack lunches. The students receiving the lunches live in Huntington Green (Huntersville), Deerhill Apartments (Huntersville), Oakhill Apartments (Davidson), and the Smithville neighborhood (Cornelius).



Rotary Foundation

Out of the 23 members in our club, we have:

20 Paul Harris Fellows (In 2019-2020 we became a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club)

9 Paul Harris Society Members (26% of the club. Most % of any club in the District.)

3 Major Donors (members who have given more than \$10,000 in their life time to the Foundation)

4 Benefactors (\$1,000 in their will)

2 Bequest Society Members Level Four (Over \$100,000 in their will)

We have given almost \$73,000 to the Rotary Foundation since the club started. That is more than \$10,000 a year. We are #2 in the District with \$505 per Capita giving.



Community Service June 18 Huntington Greens Clean Up

Tom Schiaffo and Walter Siegenthaler participated in the cleanup on Friday and filled 3 dumpsters full. There were a total of about 15 volunteers plus 8 Huntersville Police Officers.



Club Service June 7

Club Social

11 Lakes Brewing,
10228 Bailey Road,
Cornelius

International Service



Dana Hicks
International Service Chair



Ashley Cannon
International Service



Shayna Inman
International Service

Youth Service



Kevin Boyle
High Schools - Interact



Dan Marulli
High Schools - Interact



Erin Lyons
Huntersville Elementary



Lew Davidson
Mallard Creek High School

Past Presidents



Kent Pike
2020-2021



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 - May 15 - Rotary River Cleanup

Our fearless leaders Dana Hicks and Franz Lorio spearheaded the Rotary River Clean Up at the Lake Wylie River District. Thanks to Dana, Kent, Eileen, Bob, Ineke, Shari. Great turn out with 40 volunteers and together 1525 lbs of trash was collected. Donated \$500 to the Charlotte Top-of-the-Week Rotary Club, \$500 to the Huntersville Happy Hour Rotary Club, \$1,500 to the Catawba Riverkeepers and \$250 to FrOGs (Friends of the Greenway).



Community Service - Lydia's Loft

Our club members John, Eileen, Tom, Joyce, Kent, Shari, Eric and Charlotte helped with sorting the clothes and spruce up the planting beds with pine straw.

Club Service

Happy Birthday

September 7 - Ashley Cannon
September 7 - Joyce Schiaffo

Happy Anniversary

September 14 - Juergen & Maggi Hessenauer
September 16 - Tom & Joyce Schiaffo
September 24 - Walter & Lissa Siegenthaler



Happy Dollars



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Virtual \$125
July - \$126
August 2 \$ 58
August 9 \$ 44
August 16 \$40
August 23 \$42
August 30 \$44

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.



Community Service - Hinds Feet Farm

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

Huntersville

Rotary project enhances Hinds' Feet Farm

HUNTERSVILLE - 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. Franzen 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 amborn@hindsfeetfarm.org. For additional information and other ways to help or donate, visit hindsfeetfarm.org.

Courtesy Happy Hour Rotary Club