



## Upcoming Events

*Speaker schedule and upcoming events can also be found on  
Charlotte Rotary's website under "Events / News"*



***This Month - June!***

*Weekly collection of Peanut Butter to stock the shelves at Nourish Up*

*Charlotte*

*Tues., June 10 - Weekly Meeting: Sue Glass, President & CEO, YMCA of Greater*

*June 12-13 - District Event: [CART Fund 2025 Annual Meeting & 30th Anniversary Celebration](#) Thurs.,  
June 12 and Fri., June 13. See details below.*

*Tues., July 1 - No Weekly Meeting*

*Tues., July 1 - Club Social: Lunch at 11:15 a.m. at **Noble Smoke**. See details below. [Click here to RSVP](#).*

*Tues., July 15 - Weekly Meeting: [Presidential Transition from President Kim Brattain to President Patrick Baker](#)*

*July 15-29 - Electronics Donation Drive: [Goodwill Industries of the Southern Piedmont Electronics Donation & Recycling](#). Details below.*

*July 17-20 - District Event: [Seminar for Tomorrow's Leaders \(SFTL\)](#) Gardner-Webb University. Volunteer and Scholarship Opportunities and open to High School rising Juniors and Seniors. See below for details.*

***Save the date!** Tues., Dec. 16 - Club Event: [American Red Cross Blood Drive](#).*

## This Week's Meeting



***Rory Wall***  
***General Chairman***  
***Charlotte St. Patrick's Day***  
***Committee***



***Shelley Dean***  
***Owner, Founder, and CEO***  
***Crossway Pediatric Therapy and***  
***Crossway Academy***



***Jonathan Justice***  
***Chief Strategy Officer***  
***Atelier 4, LLC***



***David Erdman***  
***Attorney***  
***Erdman Law PLLC***

***HIGWIA: Stories of Service, Resilience, and Purpose***  
by ***Layne McGuire***

One of the most anticipated meetings of the year happened on Tuesday. Our recent Rotary meeting was a celebration of extraordinary journeys, heartfelt storytelling, and the enduring spirit of service. Four inspiring speakers shared how their life paths, often marked by challenges, triumphs, and unexpected turns, led them to Rotary and a life of giving back. **Click here to read more.**

A recording of the meeting can be found here:

This one is without the slides: <https://vimeo.com/1091028697>

This one has slides: <https://vimeo.com/1090536262>

The program's introduction starts at 21 minutes 35 seconds.









## Club News



*No meeting on Tuesday, July 1st*

Please note there will be no meeting on July 1st.

*Lunch at Noble Smoke*

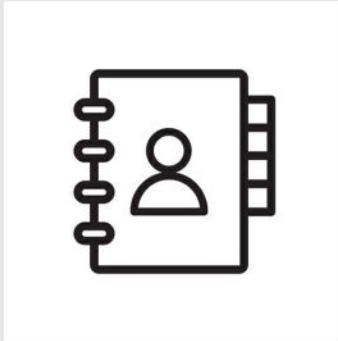
2216 Freedom Drive, July 1, 11:15 a.m.





On Tues., July 1, there will not be a weekly Rotary meeting. But that doesn't stop Rotarians from gathering together for lunch!

Organized by Past President [David Anderson](#) and Past President William Bradley, join fellow Rotarians for lunch and fellowship. Lunch will be individual checks. Noble Smoke allows anyone with special dietary needs to bring their lunch. **Click here to RSVP**



### *Final Call to Review Your Roster Listing*

Every member should have received an email from Executive Director [Christine Cipriano](#) with a screenshot of your listing for the upcoming printed roster.

If you've already reviewed and responded—thank you! If not, the deadline is now, and your listing is at risk of including outdated information. Please take a moment to check your email and reply now to ensure your contact details are accurate.

Let's make sure our roster is as current and correct as our club deserves!



These photos were shared with us by Charlotte Rotarian [Will Barnhardt](#) from a recent visit to Enger Park in Duluth, Minnesota, where he spotted a Rotary project in action. The images highlight Rotary's lasting impact and presence in communities near and far.



***Peanut Butter Fun Fact:*** Did you know despite being called "peanut butter," peanuts are technically

legumes, not true nuts. They belong to the same family as beans and lentils

### ***Rotarians "Spread" the Love—One Jar at a Time!***

On Sat., June 7th, twenty-three Charlotte Rotarians and friends rolled up their sleeves and packed food during a two-hour shift at Nourish Up. Together, they filled 7 pallets—that's 546 boxes of food, each one destined to nourish an individual in Mecklenburg County this week.

A heartfelt thank you to our incredible volunteer team: [Tish Atkins Charles](#), Elsie and [Will Barnhardt](#), [Linwood Bolles](#), [Glenn Bouley](#), [Catherine Bracey](#), [Jerry Coughter](#), [Trina Fullard](#), [Bill Gill](#), [Jim Gilligan](#), Beth and [Stuart Hair](#), [Ayo Johnson](#), Ashley Korizis, [Layne McGuire](#), [Jim Rogers](#), [Robert Shaw](#), [Issa Smith](#), Catherine and [Elizabeth Teagarden](#), Scott Anderson, [Kevin Utsey](#), and Lynda and [Bob Wilhelm](#).

We also thank the generous Rotarians who donated 144 pounds of peanut butter at Tuesday's meeting—enough to make approximately 2,095 peanut butter sandwiches! The Rotary team delivered all 144 pounds to Nourish Up on Saturday, adding an extra layer of impact to our day of service.

Peanut butter donations will continue to be collected at each meeting throughout June. Let's keep it going and continue to *"Spread" the Love—One Jar at a Time!*











We ran into District Governor Kevin Kendrick at Nourish Up this morning and couldn't pass up the chance for a quick photo together!



## Clear Out Your Old Electronics — and Support a Great Cause!

This July 15-29, bring your used electronics to any Rotary meeting — we're collecting them all month long! So, bring your electronics with you and drop them off at the collection table!

It's the perfect time to finally part with old phones, outdated cords, broken tablets, and forgotten gadgets — all while

supporting Goodwill's mission to help people pursue the life they want through career services and employment placement.

Over the past 10 years, Goodwill has responsibly disposed of more than 8 million pounds of electronic waste. Every donated item is handled securely and sustainably:

- **Data Sanitation:** Devices undergo Department of Defense-level (DoD – Level 3) data wiping using DBAN and Parted Magic on industrial-grade equipment.
- **Secure Disposal:** Items that cannot be wiped are physically shredded and sent to DELL for responsible recycling.
- **Trusted Process:** Goodwill is the e-waste recycling choice for organizations such as the City of Charlotte, Charlotte Douglas Airport, Coca-Cola, Mecklenburg & Gaston Counties, Skyla Credit Union, Husqvarna, and DeMayo Law Firm.
- **Certified Vendors:** All non-data-related e-waste is recycled through R2-certified partners.

Bring your unused electronics to Rotary in late July to declutter your home, protect your data, and make a meaningful impact.



## Get Involved: Sign Up for a Rotary Committee Today!

Rotary doesn't just happen—*Rotarians make it happen.*

Rotary committees are where the magic begins, and we need YOU to keep the momentum going!

Joining a committee is one of the most meaningful (and fun!) ways to deepen your Rotary experience. You'll not only help our club thrive, but you'll also build lasting friendships, grow as a leader, and make a real impact—locally and globally.

Rotary service is rooted in five dynamic Avenues of Service:

- Club Service – Make meetings run smoothly and help build a strong, connected club.
- Community Service – Improve the quality of life for people right here in Charlotte.
- International Service – Support humanitarian efforts and promote peace across the globe.
- Vocational Service – Represent the dignity and purpose of your profession through Rotary.
- New Generations/Youth Service – Empower future leaders through programs like Interact, Rotaract, RYLA, and Youth Exchange.

While these Avenues of Service aren't formally listed in Rotary's constitution, they are essential to how we organize our impact and strengthen our club.

Ready to make a difference and have some fun doing it? **Click here to complete the committee sign-up form!** We'll do our best to match you with your preferences.

Let's roll up our sleeves and make great things happen—together!

## Beyond the Club



Be sure to check out the latest Rotary District 7680 Newsletter—it's full of important updates and inspiring stories... Especially from the 2025 District Conference.

**Click here to read it now:** May 2025 District Newsletter - Rotary District 7680

## YOU ARE INVITED!

30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY RECEPTION

THURS, JUNE 12, 5:30-6:30PM

(NO CHARGE TO ATTEND)

ANNUAL MEETING

FRI, JUNE 13, 10AM-3PM

(\$50 PER PERSON INCLUDES LUNCH)

HILTON CHARLOTTE AIRPORT (CHARLOTTE, NC)

REGISTER IN DACDB

(MULTI-DISTRICT EVENTS CALENDAR)

OR [WWW.CARTFUND.ORG](http://WWW.CARTFUND.ORG)





**HAVE YOU REGISTERED YET ??**

You definitely don't want to miss the . . .

## 2025 Mid Atlantic RLI Summer Meeting !!

- Regional Coordinator, District Chair, and Committee brainstorming sessions
- Faculty Update featuring new techniques & evaluation expectations
- RLI Parts I-III, Graduate & New Faculty courses available
- Breakouts exploring "What's Next for MARLI ?"
- Inaugural RLI Alumni Social
- And our special guest presenter . . .

Zones 33/34 RI Director  
**PATRICK EAKES !!**

July 10-12, 2025  
Rowan-Cabarrus Community College  
Kannapolis NC

VISIT THE DACDB CALENDAR TODAY FOR  
REGISTRATION & LODGING LINK



## Membership Update

07/01/2024 249  
05/31/2025 240  
06/03/2025 240

**Recommended for Membership** (*comments to Rotary office by June 13, 2025*):

**Kresimir Klenovic, CFO, 3PO Networks**

**Sponsor:** Chad Lloyd

**Endorsed:** Jonathan Justice and Kim Brattain

Meeting Attendance - Tuesday, June 3, 2025: 80

Guests in attendance: Lisa Altizer, Patsy Dean ([Shelley Dean](#)), Becky Flickinger ([Fred Wagner](#)), Zach Goreczny, Doug King ([Shelley Dean](#)), Brian Springman

## Milestones (Week of June 10 - 16)

### Birthdays

10 - Phillip Miller  
13 - Chris Thomas

### Rotary Anniversaries

16 years: Mark Turner  
8 years: JT Simpson  
3 years (29 total): Marilyn Bowler  
3 years (9 total): Susan Little Evans

### Wedding Anniversaries

11 - Christine & Bill Cipriano  
12 - Karen & Herb Harriss  
13 - Deborah & Steve Meckler  
14 - Tara & Thomas Terry  
15 - Beth & Stuart Hair  
16 - Mary & Brian Gibson

# 2024 - 2025 Board Members

- President Kim Brattain
- President-Elect Patrick Baker
- Immediate Past President Edwin Peacock
- Secretary Bill Gill
- Treasurer Craig Field
- Sergeant at Arms Mike Wollinger

**Current Directors:** Benton S. Bragg, John F. Cantrell, Tish Atkins Charles, Terri DeBoo, Dena R. Diorio, Donna Y. Dunlap, Joel D. Ford, Stuart P. Hair, Jesse G. Hite, Lori Keeton, Elizabeth Teagarden, Virginia Owen

## Contact Us

For more information about how to get involved, volunteer opportunities and meeting topics, contact [Christine Cipriano](#), Executive Secretary at [christine@charlotterotary.org](mailto:christine@charlotterotary.org)



Photos from our luncheons, historical photos, and other events and projects can be found on the club's Flickr site. Click here [charlotterotary6006](#) to view pictures from recent meetings.



Recordings of weekly club luncheons can be found on the club's Vimeo site. Click here <https://vimeo.com/user24733153> to watch recent videos.



**Guest Check-In** If you have a guest who would like to preregister for the weekly meeting, a QR code is provided for easy scanning, or the link can be found here: [Visitor Pre-Register \(jotform.com\)](#)

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