

Rotary



Club of Gastonia

Birthdays

Andrea Klug Serra
August 27th
Dorothy Wray Lodge
August 27th

Wedding Anniversaries

Donna L. Elliott
August 26th

Years of Service

Kenneth Pruitt III
08-20-2009
11 Years
David Christy
08-23-2012
8 Years
Charles Calloway Elliott
08-20-2015
5 Years

Club Leaders



Vincent Cherry
President



Brent Messer
President - Elect



Davidson Robert
Hobson
Club Programs Chair
Vice President



Laurel Roe Morris
Bulletin Editor
President - Nominee



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Cheryl Black Loggins
Secretary



Patricia Lane Black
Club Director

D. Scott Scarborough

President's Message - August 29, 2019

It comes as no surprise that last week's New Member talks were some of the best we've ever had. Our members are leaders in their homes, our community and the world as whole. They all share a common thread, they love to serve others by sharing their vast talents and abilities. Thank you Brenda, Sharon and Omer for sharing with us. Be sure to welcome them to our club and take time to get to know them even more.

As a reminder, we have plenty of service opportunities coming up for our club. The next one will be the First Responders luncheon at First Methodist Church on Monday September 9th from 11:30-12:30. Please come a few minutes early so we have a smooth transition from the East club's time to ours.

Lastly, the Chili Cookoff Fundraiser on November 2nd to benefit the restroom project will take a lot of coordination and support for it to be a success. Anyone who can volunteer to be a cook, event volunteer or just plain useful please contact *Jace Stowe*, *Brent Messer* or me. We appreciate your support!

YIRS,
Vinnie

This Week's Program: August 29: Patricia Shafer

This Week: Patricia Shafer, NewGen Peacebuilders

Patricia Shafer is Executive Director of NewGen Peacebuilders, Senior Fellow for Peace Education at the Alliance for Peacebuilding, an IEP Global Peace Index Ambassador, and a Rotary Peace Fellow. She is also a Rotarian.

NewGen Peacebuilders was officially founded in 2014 in Charlotte. The program has been delivered or is in the pipeline in six states in the US, as well as countries including Argentina, Lebanon, Serbia, Ethiopia and South Sudan. High school students who have become certified NewGen Peacebuilders in Charlotte have described their impact in ways that resulted in more than \$250,000 in higher education scholarships to date.

Patricia is also Chief Catalyst and Executive Director of US-based international nonprofit Mothering Across Continents, through which school and education projects are managed in several countries in East Africa. Her work in South Sudan was recognized with a nomination for UNESCO Prize for Girls and Women's Literacy.

Previously, Patricia held senior positions in two global Fortune 500 companies. She holds an MSc in Consulting and Coaching for Change, a joint-venture of Oxford University, UK, and HEC France; an MBA from the Northwestern University Kellogg Graduate School of Management; and an MA in Journalism from The Ohio State University.





Club Director



Matt Gibbons
Membership Chair



Stephen Barrett Driscoll
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Chair



Cheryl Jean Rhoades
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Sharon Heinrich
Assistant Governor-
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Rotary Leadership Institute

Rotary Leadership Institute RLI - Dynamic, Interactive and Fun Event for New Rotarians and Prospective and Existing Rotary Club Leaders. Network, Share and Learn with other Rotarians.

The purpose of the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is to strengthen your club and strengthen your life. RLI provides an opportunity to enrich that learning through sharing experiences and ideas with other Rotarians throughout the region. On Saturday, October 12, 2019 RLI is close to home in Charlotte at the UNCC City Center. Register today!

<http://www.rli33.org/programs-courses/>

Have questions? Contact *Marcia Scheideman* (mscheideman.ms@gmail.com)



Coming Next Week: September 5: Will Macdonald

Coming Next Week: Will MacDonald: A Newsman's Perspective of Gaston County
Will MacDonald was born in Hyde Park, New York and graduated from Syracuse University with a BA in Journalism. After a brief stint at the Danville, Virginia *Register*, where he met his future wife Heidi Flick, he followed her south to Gastonia and began working at the Gaston *Gazette*. Last year, he celebrated his 30th year at the Gazette and was also awarded a Paul Harris Fellow by our Rotary Club. Join us to hear Will's thoughts and memories of covering the news in Gaston County for over 3 decades. Bring a friend or prospective member for another fascinating program!



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Events

September 5th
Program: Will MacDonald

September 12th
Program: Scott Fowler

September 19th
Program: TBA