

Rotary Club of Tryon



Wednesday, January 8, 2025

Announcements

In addition to this week's program by the Tryon Police Department, we will also be hearing from Rotary Club of Tryon scholarship recipient Cheyenne Jennings. Cheyenne is a student at UNC Charlotte, and will be sharing how our scholarship is helping her reach her education goal.

In a recent letter to the American people, outgoing Surgeon General Vivek H. Murthy encouraged us to improve our health through getting involved. "**Relationships** keep us grounded and bonded to each other. **Service**, from formal volunteering to informal small acts of kindness, is about helping each other. And **Purpose** gives our life a sense of direction and meaning. **Together, these elements form the triad of fulfillment.** They allow us to connect with something bigger than ourselves, a universal human need that brings us perspective and support..."

Being an active Rotary member is a good way to improve your health in 2025!

To read the full article, visit: <https://www.yahoo.com/lifestyle/surgeon-general-urges-americans-rethink-110000568.html?guccounter=1>

You should have received your dues notice from our Treasurer, Kam Kammerer. Please get your payment in early, so he doesn't have to track you down at the end of the quarter. Thanks.

This Week's Lunch: Dave Hosick

This week's Program: Scott Holt - Tryon Police Department

Last Week's Attendance: 21

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Birthdays

David Cornelius
January 1st
Patrick R Gray
January 1st
A. Davison Rice
January 12th
Carol Browning
January 28th

Wedding Anniversaries

Petra L. Harrelson
January 1st
Carol Browning
January 22nd
Lisa C Bell
January 30th
David R. Hosick
February 3rd



Baughman Shares RYLA Experience



The Rotary Club of Tryon was very fortunate to have Ellie Baughman as our guest speaker last week. Ellie is an officer with the Spartanburg Day School Interact Club and a recipient of the Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA). Ellie shared her experience of attending a RYLA camp last year.

Ellie attended the Rotary District 7750 RYLA held at Erskine College. She took the Rotary Club members through a typical RYLA day, which she noted started very early and ran late into the night. After a 7:30 AM breakfast, the RYLA attendees participated in a combination of large group talks, small group interactions, and team-building activities.



RYLA brought students together from across western South Carolina, so Baughman had the opportunity to work with students from many different schools. The large group seminars focused on how students can become effective leaders. They learned about leadership styles and the students had opportunities to discover qualities of leadership they appreciated.

The small group activities were very exciting. Ellie noted that her small group built the tallest tower, created from only noodles and marshmallows. Unfortunately, it didn't stand all the way to judging time, so they didn't win the competition. Her group was also tasked with creating a cardboard boat that would transport a person the length of the pool. Like most of the groups, they built a boat and "waterproofed" it with duct tape, but her group came up with the unique strategy of using a younger child as their passenger instead of a high school sized RYLA attendee.

Ellie enjoyed her time at RYLA and believed it provided her with excellent leadership training.

That's Why They Call It Service

Sometimes, doing the service of Rotary isn't always glorious. The past week gave us a few opportunities to brave the weather and serve our community. The Tryon Stroll, Christmas Parade, and Community Chorus Concert allowed the Club to share the Magic of Rotary.



Rotarian Allan Purtill parking cars at the Community Chorus Concert.



Rotarians Alex Hagerty, Dave Scherping, and Stacey Lindsay selling Gourmet Nuts at the Tryon Christmas Stroll.



New Rotarian Liz Mossina and Rotarian Brandon Schweitzer braved the cold weather to decorate the Club's float for the Tryon Christmas Parade.

Paul Harris Fellow



In 1905, Paul Harris organized the first Rotary Club in Chicago, after which he went on to be the first president of Rotary International. Rotarians honor the memory of Paul Harris by recognizing individuals who have made significant contributions to the Rotary Foundation. The Rotary Club of Tryon is looking for some additional Paul Harris Fellows, and we will help you reach that status by June 30, 2025.

To earn the Paul Harris Fellow recognition, a Rotarian must contribute at least \$1,000 to the Rotary International Foundation. The Rotary Club of Tryon is willing to use our "Club Points" to help members become Paul Harris Fellows.

In January, any Club member who is not yet a Paul Harris Fellow will be awarded 100 "Club Points" into their Rotary International Foundation account. This is equivalent to having made a donation of \$100 to the Rotary International Foundation. The Club hopes that by investing our Points, we can help you begin your journey toward becoming a Paul Harris Fellow.

If you are not yet a Paul Harris Fellow, and have donated at least \$400 to the Rotary International Foundation by March 31, 2025, the Club will award you up to an additional 500 "Club Points". The combination of your donations and Club points will help you reach the \$1,000 level required to be recognized as a Paul Harris Fellow.

Donations to the Rotary International Foundation can be directed toward one of the Annual Fund Areas of Focus or Polio Plus. If you would like to know more about your account balance at the Rotary International Foundation, and how you can become a Paul Harris Fellow, please contact Ken Shull.

RYLEA 2024



Rotary Youth Leadership Academy (RYLA) is a leadership experience organized by Rotary International District 7670 where students develop their skills as leaders while having fun and making connections. The Rotary Club of Tryon will sponsor your participation, so RYLEA is FREE.?

Learn More: <https://www.rotarycluboftryon.com/ryla.php>

Upcoming Event Schedule

Date	Event
Jan 9	Club Meeting @ Noon Scott Holt Tryon Police Chief
Jan 16	Club Meeting @ Noon Jim Fatland Tryon Town Manager
Jan 23	Club Meeting @ Noon Cindy Riddle Arts Integration in Polk County Schools
Jan 30	Special social event with the Kiwanis Club of Tryon.

Footnotes

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www.rotarycluboftryon.com

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