

Rotary



Rotary Club of Charlotte-South Newsletter



This Week's Speaker - Julie Milani, USO of North Carolina



North Carolina

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The United Service Organizations of North Carolina (USO of NC), founded in 1941, is the lead organization charged with supporting military servicemen and women in the state of North Carolina. Eleven percent of U.S. military active duty forces call North Carolina home. With seven major military installations, North Carolina has the fourth largest demographic of active and reserve duty components in the country.

USO of NC is an independent 501C-3 organization chartered by USO Arlington as a self-sustaining separate operating entity. USO of NC is wholly reliant on funding from private grants, donations, corporate gifts and sponsorships, and fundraisers. It receives no direct funding from the national USO or from the government.

With six centers statewide, USO of NC serves an average of 567,000 troops over the course of a year. Four travel-based centers at Charlotte Douglas International Airport and Raleigh Durham International Airport along with the Fayetteville Airport and Ellis Airport in Jacksonville host an average of 18,000 visitors per month. Two installation-based centers at Fort Bragg and Jacksonville (the oldest operating USO in the world) and the Charlotte MEPS center serve an average of 109,000 troops and their families annually, in addition to providing assistance with Rack Packs, Care Packages, deployments and homecomings. The USO of NC Mobile Unit travels statewide to support troops and their families in remote locations and at deployments and homecomings, with the secondary mission of disaster relief.

Beyond the traditional interest of providing troops with all the comforts of home, USO of NC has stayed relevant in the 21st century by offering support services and critical programs to military families.

USO of NC, its sponsors and 700 volunteers are passionately invested in helping to alleviate some of these challenges. This past year, USO of NC supported hundreds of troops with meal needs by hosting local holiday meals and distributing grocery store food cards and food pantry items. USO of NC actively helps keep troops and their families connected by providing an online video messaging tool funded by private donors and sponsors called the Smiles over Miles program. USO of NC has a statewide education initiative in the works designed to teach reading skills to elementary school military children who have fallen behind academically.

Beach Blast Supplies Pick Up

The food and supplies for Beach Blast have been ordered. If you are assisting with pick-up, please meet at Costco on Tyvola Road at 3:30PM on Thurs, 5/2. With assistance from the Costco staff, we'll load up the vehicles owned by the folks who are bringing these supplies to the buses on Sat morning. please contact Karen Pike 704-307-9050 with any questions.

Club Flag Presentation in India

Club Meeting

Charlotte South
Meets at Rooster's Wood
Fired Kitchen - Southpark
6601 Morrison Blvd
Charlotte, NC 28211
Time: Monday at 12:30 PM

Birthdays

Craig Steyn
May 3rd
Jan S Richards
May 4th
Kathleen Fairall
May 16th
Joshua C. Hall
May 23rd

Club Leaders



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Club member DeAnne Wingate exchanges Rotary club flags with the Rotary Club of Bangalore Indiranagar.

New Member Orientation and Club Social



It's Social Time!!!!!!!

We are planning a social that will also be an introduction to our newest Rotarians after their orientation.

Bulla Gastrobar - outside on their fabulous veranda.
4310 Sharon Rd Suite W01, Charlotte, NC 28211 (Next to Cowfish Sushi Burger Bar)

Tuesday May 21st 5-7:30PM

Cost: \$15 per member/guest for passed hors d'oeuvres

Chance to win a \$50 Gift Certificate to Bulla!

Please RSVP to Leigh Jenkins by Monday, May 13th
Leighjenkins2017@yahoo.com
704-777-0563

Paul Harris Fellow Point Match Campaign



Deadline for donations have been extended! There's still time to make a donation for an eligible point match!

Did you know that when you contribute to The Rotary Foundation, you receive one Foundation recognition point for each dollar you donate, and you are recognized for each 1,000 points you receive by becoming a Paul Harris Fellow?

To encourage giving to The Rotary Foundation and help you achieve the next level of giving recognition, the Rotary Club of Charlotte-South will match each dollar our members* donate to The Rotary Foundation between December 15, 2018 and March 31, 2019 with one Foundation recognition point, up to 500 points.

For example, if you donate \$100, you will receive 100 points for that donation, along with an added 100 points matched by the club, for a total of 200 points. ♦

To make a point-match eligible donation, simply go online to www.rotary.org/give or complete the [contribution form](#) (sections 1, 2 and 3 only) and return to the address listed at the bottom. You should have received your Donor ID and number of points needed to reach the next level via email this past week.

ABOUT THE PAUL HARRIS FELLOW

The Paul Harris Fellow recognition acknowledges individuals who contribute, or who have contributions made in their name, of \$1,000 or more to The Rotary Foundation.

Donations made the Rotary Foundation support work in Rotary's six areas of focus: promoting peace, fighting disease, providing clean water, saving mothers and children, supporting education, and growing local economies around the world.

ABOUT THE PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY

The Paul Harris Society is distinct from Paul Harris Fellow recognition. A Paul Harris Fellow has made cumulative contributions of at least \$1,000, or has had that amount contributed in his or her name, while a member of the Paul Harris Society has committed to contributing at least \$1,000 each year.

ABOUT ROTARY DIRECT GIVING

Rotary Direct offers members a way to give to The Rotary Foundation through recurring donations. Donations may be set up as monthly, quarterly, or yearly.

**Paul Harris Society members are not eligible for matching points.*

YOUinted - NewGen Peacebuilders



Saturday, 11. May 2019, UNC Charlotte, NewGen Peacebuilders: YOUUnited - Metro Charlotte 2019

NewGen Peacebuilders is a global peace education, training and mentoring program. JOIN US for NewGen Peacebuilders: YOUUnited ♦ Metro Charlotte, an interactive presentation featuring the team action peace projects of students selected from 14 public and private high schools across Mecklenburg and Gaston Counties. Over 12 weeks, these young people learned the fundamentals of conflict resolution and peacebuilding and designed peace projects to:

- Raise awareness of human trafficking amongst K-12 youth in Charlotte
- Educate communities about how to support LGBTQ-identified youth
- Provide opportunities for food-insecure children to learn about nutrition and culinary skills
- Elevate the voices of young people around issues of school safety
- Create meaningful connections between homeless youth and the metro Charlotte community
- Increase access to materials to promote college-readiness amongst at-risk high school students
- Support K-12 teachers in creating more empathetic classroom environments
- Collect essential food items for struggling communities in Venezuela
- Reduce the impact of carbon emissions by planting Urban Orchards

Parking is available across the street at 418 E 9th St. (\$5.00). The 9th Street Light Rail Station is a short walk from UNC Center City.

General Questions: Elizabeth Peacock
epeacock@newgenpeace.org; Tel. or Text: 704.607.3301

Questions for/from Rotarians: Tim Wilborne
tim@twcontrols.com; Tel. or Text: 540.797.3414

www.newgenpeace.org

Duck Race to End Polio and More...



The Duck Race to End Polio has been rescheduled from the rained out fall dates to Saturday May 18 at Tailrace Marina on Lake Wylie.

Fastest Duck WINS \$2,500 Cash Prize
10 Lucky Ducks Will Win Cash Prizes AND there's a CHANCE TO WIN A CAR!

1 Duck for \$10
3 Ducks for \$25
15 Ducks for \$100

The line-up for the day includes:

10 am - River Sweep with Catawba Riverkeepers Foundation:
Interact and Rotaract service opportunity. Kayaks available
from Tailrace Marina. Volunteers go down the river to pick up
trash. www.catawbariverkeeper.org

11 am - Stand Up Yoga offered by LeShea Perkins (maximum 8 SUP's
available) www.theyogaroomnc.com

11 am - Hot dogs, hamburgers, chips and sodas available. Members of the
Rotary Club will be grilling. Mmmmm www.charlotteprovidencerotary.org

2 pm - 5,000 Ducks race and raise funds to End Polio. You have a
chance to win a new car! \$2,500 prize for the fastest duck over the
finish line. Tickets are \$10 each and you have a chance to win many
more cash prizes. <http://bit.ly/duckraceforpolio>

During the day
Food drive with Second Harvest Food Bank Rotary District 7680 is part of the 10
Million Meal Challenge. Bring canned food for our local community and let us fill up
the Morningstar Storage Bus. www.secondharvestmetrolina.org

Boat rides on the River District Freedom Boat Club membership / Lake Norman &
Lake Wylie www.FreedomBoatClubLKN.com

In Water Boat Show If you are interested in buying a boat, try one of the 5 boats
available. www.edwatkinsmarine.com

Kayaks and Stand Up Paddle Boards Try out our kayaks and SUP's. Free for the day.
www.rowboatmarinagroup.com

Visit [Duck Race to End Polio](#) to Register.

110th Rotary International Convention in Hamburg, Germany, 1-5 June 2019



REGISTER BEFORE MARCH 31 TO RECEIVE THE PRE-REGISTRATION DISCOUNT!

Join Rotary President Barry Rassin at the 110th Rotary International Convention in Hamburg, Germany, 1-5 June 2019. The historic port city of Hamburg offers something for everyone. Germans call it **The Gateway to the World** and the 2019 convention will be your gateway to the world of Rotary. At the convention, you'll connect with people of action from across the globe while learning the latest news and strategies for keeping clubs strong.

As a leader you can make a difference in Rotarian attendance at the Rotary Convention. Now's the time to extend a personal invitation to your members, encouraging them to attend the convention, make new friends, and experience the fun.

Join your Rotary friends in Hamburg at the 2019 Rotary Convention where together, we'll Capture the Moment.

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Thank you for Wearing Your Rotary Pin!



Upcoming Speakers and Events

29-April | Julie L. Milani | USO of North Carolina

4-May | BEACH BLAST

6-May | Jill Dahan

11-May | YOUinted NewGen Peacebuilders

13-May | Spencer Guthery and Christina Nunez | The Relatives

18-May | Duck Race for Polio | Tailrace Marina

20-May | Club Assembly

21-May | New Member Orientation and Club Social | Bulla Gastrobar

27-May | NO MEETING | Memorial Day

1-5 June | 110th Rotary International Convention | Hamburg, Germany

3-June | Jonathan Russell | Boy Scouts

14-Oct | Tee Off 4 Kids Golf Classic | Providence Country Club