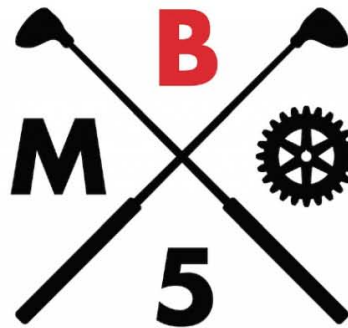


Rotary

Club of Mecklenburg- County South, Charlotte, NC



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Home Club of District Governor Beth Trotter 2019-20
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Welcome back John Potter!!

By Julie W. Nee on Wednesday, January 4, 2023



Life changes can affect the need to update your estate plan! Welcome to our very own John Potter to share more.

John is an Estate Planning and Elder Law attorney in the Charlotte, North Carolina, area with offices in Ballantyne and Huntersville; John has been designated as a Certified Elder Law Attorney (CELA) by the National Elder Law Foundation and a Board Certified Specialist in Elder Law by the North Carolina State Bar. John's practice focuses on the use of Wills and Living Trusts in Estate Planning to help individuals protect their families and preserve their legacies after their deaths, but his practice also focuses on the critical issues of protecting individuals with dementia or other diminished capacity, assisting individuals in qualifying for Medicaid and other government benefits to offset the costs of long-term care, and providing special needs planning. John is admitted to practice law in North Carolina, South Carolina, Kentucky, and Ohio, and he is accredited by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

John received his B.A. in Economics from Davidson College, in Davidson, North Carolina, where he graduated Phi Beta Kappa in 2000. He received his law degree from the University of Virginia School of Law in 2003.

After graduating from the University of Virginia School of Law in 2003, John clerked for United States District Judge Jennifer Coffman in Lexington, Kentucky. In 2004, he joined the law firm of Taft, Stettinius & Hollister LLP in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he practiced litigation, including trust and estate litigation. John practiced estate planning and elder law in the northern Kentucky office of his family's law firm beginning in 2008. In 2012, John moved to North Carolina and opened the Charlotte office of the Potter Law Firm.

President's Message

By June Thoreson-Rogers on Wednesday, January 4, 2023

Club Meeting

Mecklenburg County-South
Meets at Hyatt House
Charlotte, Rea Farms
(9930 Sandy Rock
Place)
9930 Sandy Rock Place
Charlotte, NC 28277
Time: Friday at 07:15
AM

Speakers

January 06, 2023

[John Potter Principal at Potter Law Firm](#)

Is your estate plan up to date? Real life examples of how life changes can affect your current plan.

January 13, 2023

[Service Project - Making 100 lunches for A Roof Above](#)

January 20, 2023

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Events

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Wedding Anniversaries

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Years of Service

Frederick Clay
Ferguson
01-16-2004
19 Years

Debra L. Corbett
01-30-2009
14 Years

J. Scott Pavlish
01-10-2014
9 Years

June Thoreson-Rogers
01-16-2015
8 Years



Happy New Year Meck South!

What a fantastic end to 2022 year with our holiday parties. If you could not be there, take a look at the photos to see what you missed. If you were able to attend, the photos will remind you of the great food, fun and fellowship both at the morning breakfast and the evening party at Kim's. Thank you again Kim for being such a gracious host.

BUT, we cannot go forward into 2023 without some reflection and a quick review of **THE FIRST 6 MONTHS of 2022:**

OUR SERVICE:

- July
 - Assembled Kangaroo Kids pouches for families with medically fragile kids
- August
 - Pineville Elementary School clean up
 - Cleaned & repaired over 450 books for Promising Pages
- September
 - Made 100 lunches for the Men's Shelter (Roof Above)
- October
 - Had an AWESOME BMOF golf tournament at a new venue and despite ridiculously high inflationary cost increase, **we raised \$56,013**
- November
 - Rise Against Hunger meal **packing for 10,500 meals** - WOW!!
 - Collected food donations for Second Harvest Food Bank
 - We also set a record for our second fundraiser, **selling 55 Holiday Wreaths** - Thank you Clay Ferguson for the incredible job :)
- December
 - Holiday Lights assembly for Ballantyne Backyard

- o Salvation Army Bell Ringing
- We also had a monthly opportunity to serve dinner at the Men's Shelter. A major SHOUT OUT to Jill Bastian for her work to arrange all of these events so successfully.

Social Activities- included gatherings at Duckworth's, a Knight's game, Ted's, Hickory Tavern, and the holiday parties in December. Thank you Sandra Citka!

MEMBERSHIP:

We added **3 new members** to the club: Raj Sinha, John (Jack) Gorman and Robert Bugg (a returning past member). Stacy Foley will be inducted on January 6th to start off the new year where I hope we continue to thrive - growing the club. We all need to talk about Rotary and invite others to be a part of the incredible things we can and will do. And just before we wrapped up 2022, we moved!! With that comes an opportunity to enjoy the Hyatt House **breakfast buffet for \$12** (not a bad price for a hot breakfast). Please buy the coupons for the year (\$60 for 5, \$120 for 10...etc) in advance. See June or Bryan for the coupons. Checks or cash are accepted and yes, we do have change. I look forward to all that our club will do the remainder of this Rotary year and beyond. With gratitude and appreciation to all who made this list SO impressive.

Updated Service Projects

By Jill Bastian on Wednesday, November 2, 2022

January 13th in-house Service Project: A Roof Above
Meck South club members will make 100 sandwich bags for the



guests at Roof Above during our regular scheduled meeting time. All provisions necessary for the sandwich bags will be provided. This is always a FUN event!

February 10th Samaritan's Feet Service Project

Club members will meet at the Samaritan's Feet warehouse (4808 Chesapeake Dr, Charlotte, NC 28216) where we will sort and package athletic shoes for underprivileged children. The SignUpGenius is in one hour blocks of time.

You are welcome to serve the entire morning if your schedule allows. ??

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0B4EAE623A0F85-samaritans>

Join Us For Our Online Rotary Meeting or In Person Now

All members & visitors are welcome to attend our meeting, and we're happy to have you.



Option 1 - In person

We meet at Hyatt House Rea Farms (9930 Sandy Rock Place, Charlotte, NC) from 7:15 AM to 8:30 AM.

Breakfast buffet is \$12 and available for purchase, and you are also feel free to bring your own breakfast.

Option 2 - ZOOM (link is below)

Agenda

7:20-7:30 AM Log On

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83691887212?pwd=bjJsa0lMZWlhTRHlzWW5uaUU1U2lRQT09>

Meeting ID: 836 9188 7212

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Fellowship until 7:35

7:35 AM will be Announcements & Comments

8:00 AM - Our program is found on the right side of this bulletin

8:30 AM - Meeting adjourned

2022/2023 Positions

- Past President: Jon Hall
- President: June Rogers
- President Elect: James Pagano
- Pres Nominee: Kelly Gaines
- Secretary: Ken Myers
- Treasurer: Bryan Cochran
- Sargent at Arms: Jon Hall
- Directors (4)
 - Sandra Cika 22/23 & 23/24
 - Todd Greene 22/23 & 23/24
 - Linda Rakvic 21/22 & 22/23
 - Adam Snelling 21/22 & 22/23
- Membership: James Pagano
- Community Service: Jill Bastian
- Social: Sandra Cika
- Programs: Steve Strand & Mike Masci
- Bulletin: Julie Nee

