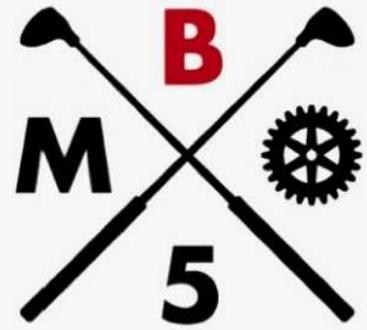


# Rotary

## Club Mecklenburg County South, Charlotte, NC



[www.mecksouthrotary.org](http://www.mecksouthrotary.org)

Home Club of District Governor Beth Trotter 2019-2020

### No Meeting Good Friday, April 2

By Jon Hall on Friday, March 12, 2021

No meeting April 2, 2021



### What a nice Thank You

By Jill Bastian on Wednesday, March 31, 2021

Received this today from Barringer Elementary's principal and thought I'd pass it along. Thank you all again for your support of Warm Soles.



### 2019-20 Rotary Citation

By Beth E. Trotter on Monday, March 29, 2021

Dear 2019-2020 governors, (DG Beth Trotter, 2019-20 Year)



As we reflect on an extraordinary year, I am so proud and inspired by how our clubs found innovative ways to connect with their members, their communities, and the world.

During 2019-2020, under your leadership, the clubs in your district worked to increase their membership, contribute to

### Club Meeting

Mecklenburg County-South  
Meets at Home2Suites, Piper Glen  
5110 Piper Station Dr  
Charlotte, NC 28277  
Time: Friday at 07:15 AM

### Speakers

April 02, 2021  
No Meeting - Good Friday, see ya next week

### Club Leaders



Jon C. Hall  
President



Frank Henry  
Secretary



Bryan E. Cochran  
Rotary Foundation Chair  
Treasurer



Temeka Brantley  
Club Director



Alan L. Davidson  
Club Director



Zachary M. Jett  
Club Director



Wallace E. Olson Jr.  
Bulletin Editor



June Thoreson-Rogers  
President-Nominee



Richard R. Bowden  
Sergeant-at-Arms



William W. Woodruff  
Membership Chair

The Rotary Foundation, serve their communities, participate in Rotary programs, improve their public image, and so much more.

I am pleased to recognize this accomplishment by presenting you with the 2019-2020 District Citation digital certificate. Your district is one of 93 worldwide to receive this award, which honors Rotary districts in which at least half of the Rotary clubs earned the Rotary Citation.

I encourage you to tell your district leadership team about this recognition and motivate them to achieve this prestigious award again in 2020-2021. I congratulate you on your efforts to grow Rotary and for demonstrating how Rotary Connects the World!

kindest regards,  
 Mark Daniel Maloney  
 President, Rotary International 2019-2020



Steve Strand  
Club Programs Chair



Julie W. Nee  
iPast President



Linda Rakvic  
Assistant Governor - Mecklenburg County South

## Meck South In The News

Wednesday, March 31, 2021

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# Sweet Charities

## Lending a helping hand



## Meck South Rotary Distributes Coats to Students

For the third year, Meck South Rotary partnered with Operation Warm to provide new coats to more than 500 CMS elementary school students. Children at Oakdale Elementary School received the coats before the winter holidays.

## Hybrid Meetings starting April 9, 2021

By Jon Hall on Wednesday, March 24, 2021

**Starting April 9, 2021 we'll be holding hybrid meetings at Home2Suites. More information to follow.**

## Lunches Made with Love

By Jill Bastian on Friday, March 19, 2021

## Lunches Made with Love

Posted at 12:27 PM in [Partners](#), [UMC Blog](#), [Volunteers](#) by [Sharon McCarthy](#) 0 Comments  
The numbers are staggering.

500: the number of bag lunches provided EVERY DAY by volunteers for Roof Above shelter programs.  
3,500: the number of bag lunches provided EACH WEEK for our friends in dorms, motels, and winter shelter. That's more lunches than a child carries to school from kindergarten through high school graduation!

Volunteers, Roger Jones (left) and Jay Bastian (right) delivering bag lunches made by their

### Events

April 2nd  
**No Meeting - Good Friday**

### Birthdays

Julie W. Nee  
April 8th  
Ken M Myers  
April 17th  
Linda Rakvic  
April 18th  
Frederick Clay Ferguson  
April 21st

### Wedding Anniversaries

Debra L. Corbett  
April 18th  
Jonathan Todd Greene  
April 19th  
Daniel Z Fogarty  
April 25th  
Edward Levoe Tillman  
April 28th  
Sally-Jane Busk  
April 30th

### Years of Service

Julie W. Nee  
04-24-2015  
6 Years



golf group.

Wait, there's more! A typical lunch includes one sandwich, a piece of fruit, crackers, trail mix or a granola bar, and a bottle of water. Add an extra sandwich for each man using the winter shelter and that's 4,300 sandwiches per week. Hundreds of volunteers have embraced this vital program's lunches made with love.

The bag lunch initiative was created during the pandemic to serve those temporarily sheltered in locations other than our Tryon Shelter. Breakfast and dinner are served daily at each site, and to-go lunches make a convenient mid-day meal for guests. Volunteer Coordinator Elane Stinson tapped volunteers Jay Bastian and Roger Jones for help managing this massive effort. They are lead volunteers because they can transition to any position. I call them my two big brothers!

Jay and Roger didn't know each other when they began volunteering at the Tryon Shelter nearly three years ago. When each retired and relocated to Charlotte, their hearts for service led them both to the shelter's computer resource lab. Their paths converged when they began sharing Tuesday front desk duty, and their friendship grew.

In-person volunteering has been paused during the pandemic but Elane said that Jay and Roger never stopped calling and offering to help in any way. To keep them engaged, I invited them to help coordinate the bag lunches and they stepped up to the plate right away.



Jay and Roger delivering sandwiches to staff member Christina Smith for guests at one of the hotels.

The work includes monitoring group signups, coordinating deliveries and answering questions. Jay has built up an email list to engage groups to fill openings in the calendar. He said, There are lots of long-time volunteers and I know them all. The two friends even recruited their golf group to make bag lunches once a month, and Jay's Rotary Club does the same twice a month.

Why do they stay involved with Roof Above's work? Roger explained, I had a career in sales and I like to talk to people! And this is what God wants us to do, care for our neighbors.

*Interested in helping with the bag lunch program? Visit our web page [Our Wishlist / Urban Ministry Center](#) and click on Food for the different program locations.*

Jay and Roger delivering sandwiches to staff member Christina Smith for guests at one of the hotels.

## MECK SOUTH PROJECTS with SPECIFIC DATES

By Jill Bastian on Wednesday, March 24, 2021

### SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES Beds for Kids

Volunteer (cleaning furniture, moving and staging furniture, organizing and packing bed linens) along with their staff on Saturday mornings at the warehouse from 9am to 12pm.

To reserve a spot contact: [\(980\) 422-1192](tel:9804221192)

### Loaves and Fishes

In need of these items:

- Canned Meat, Chicken, etc.
- Canned Fruit
- Pastas: Canned or Dry Boxes
- Cereal (low sugar)
- Canned Vegetables (low sugar)
- Corn Muffin Mix

### Friendship Trays

In need of:

- Canned beans (green, black, pinto, kidney) \*prefer pop top cans
- Snack Items (Lance crackers, prepackaged pretzels, etc.)

[object Object]

You and your group will work on several projects including, but not limited to, assembling hygiene or snack packs, wrapping birthday gifts for children or mothers, sorting and boxing donated items, decorating wrapping paper, creating birthday banners, assembling pre-k kits, wrapping books, and more.

[www.brightblessingsusa.org/group-service-events-1](http://www.brightblessingsusa.org/group-service-events-1)

### Classroom Central

Numerous opportunities to volunteer from home to the warehouse.  
Contact Volunteer Coordinator, [Risa Brandon](mailto:Risa.Brandon@roofabove.org), (704) 377-1740 ext. 421

### HeartMath Tutoring

Tutors are still needed for local elementary students. Sign up using this form:  
<https://hearttutoring.org/volunteers/become-a-volunteer/> #volunteer

## Membership Shared News

By Wallace E. Olson Jr. on Wednesday, March 31, 2021

Membership News

3/22/2021 by Linda Rakvic



Ideas to contribute to this page going forward.

1. News on health and wellness, for you and family members
2. Career news, new job, positions, changes, news
3. Personal success stories, or Personal Best in whatever sport you are doing
4. How can Meck South members support you during this pandemic
5. Any other subject matter you can think of, like personal development, an opportunity for other members to join in on, etc
6. **Don't over think this process, when a thought occurs text or email Wally Olson at 240-446-8411 or [bikerwoe@icloud.com](mailto:bikerwoe@icloud.com)**

Help me help us stay connected by submitting your articles, photos, ideas, comments, etc.

Wally  
Bulletin Editor

## Wanted - Club Bulletin Editor

By Wallace E. Olson Jr. on Wednesday, March 17, 2021



Come July 1, 2021 Meck South will need a new Club Bulletin/Website editor. I've done this bulletin for years now, and it's time for new ideas, new

ways of promoting our club and to give one of our members the opportunity to enjoy this task.

The skill set you'll need are:

- Must be good on a computer, PC or Mac
- Must be able to import and export images, sometimes edit the images on your computer
- Be willing to watch the DACdb video's on Club Bulletin and Club EZ story as your training
- Helps to be on Facebook so you can post items about our club
- You'll work with the Club President & Program chairs on getting our information out, plus other members send info often, like Linda Rakvic.

This job takes about 1-2 hours per week. I've set a schedule of getting all club information every Wednesday by noon, then that afternoon I put the newsletter together, place it in DACdb Pmail to be emailed on Thursday morning around 8 AM.

If you're interested contact Wally at [bikerwoe@icloud.com](mailto:bikerwoe@icloud.com) and we'll do a bulletin together. I'm always here to help out, so after you accept this position you won't be on your own.

## The Rotary Foundation Minute Week XXVIII

By Wallace E. Olson Jr. on Wednesday, March 31, 2021

### WEEK 28

#### WHAT MAKES A SUCCESSFUL GLOBAL GRANT APPLICATION?

Consult with local experts early in the planning process to build a strong project plan and global grant application. The district resource network (see below) can help.

To be approved, your application must clearly describe how your project, scholarship, or vocational training team:

? Is sustainable ♦ include plans for long-term success after the global grant funds have been spent

? Includes measurable goals

? Aligns with one of Rotary's areas of focus

? Responds to real community needs

? Actively involves Rotarians and community members

? Meets the eligibility requirements in the grants terms and conditions

**The Rotary Foundation's grant model empowers Rotarians to continue advancing world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the implement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty!**

**Are you interested in taking the next step in supporting our Foundation? Ask Bryan Cochran**

