



Rotary



Club of Belmont

Celebrating 100 Years 1925-2025

BULLETIN: For Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2025
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Club Meeting

Belmont First Presbyterian Church
102 S. Central Ave.
Belmont, NC 28012

Time: Wednesday at 12:30 PM

Birthdays



Rebecca Monk Johns
January 28th



Mike McKeever
February 2nd



Jennifer Grant
February 8th



Kenneth J Pahon
February 24th

Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding Anniversaries Found

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Speakers

January 28th
A Panel of Speakers on Opioid Dangers

Combating rapidly increasing opioid use and resulting deaths

OPIOID FORUM

January 29th
Dr. David Demperio

Rotarian Dr. David Demperio of Belmont Chiropractic Center will present his own program, speaking on the history of chiropractic treatment and describing some of the conditions treated and services provided.



February 5th
Speaker and program topic TBA.

Rotarian Kathy Gauger will host the program.

February 12th
Speaker and program topic TBA.

Rotarian Mike Giang will host the program.

Our Rotary-sponsored Opioid Forum is tonight at Belmont Abbey College. Attend and bring family members and friends. You may save the life of someone you love.



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FREE, PUBLIC OPIOID FORUM

Jan. 28, 2025, 7 p.m.

Belmont Abbey College – The Haid Ballroom

Sponsored by the Rotary Clubs of Gaston County

Working to combat the growing number of opioid deaths, four Gaston County Rotary clubs are sponsoring a free forum on the dangers of opioid use on Jan. 28, 2025, at Belmont Abbey College.

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-- Whitney Norton

Past President Belmont Rotary Club

More than 4,000 North Carolinians died last year from an overdose of opioids, and dozens of the victims were in Gaston County.

Working to save lives, four Gaston Rotary clubs are sponsoring a free Opioid Forum on Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2025, to inform students and adults about the danger of opioid use.

The forum will take place at Belmont Abbey College in the Haid building at 7 p.m. with refreshments and presentations by local experts engaged in the fight against fentanyl and other opioids. The address is 100 Belmont-Mount Holly Road, Belmont, NC. The forum is open to the public and there is no admission charge.

“We’re holding the forum on the Belmont Abbey campus because college and high school students and their parents are among those we most urgently must inform about the imminent danger posed by opioids,” said Whitney Norton, past president of the Belmont Rotary Club, who has led in planning for the forum.

“The more educated we become about these substances, methods to combat them and how to help victims, the more lives we can save,” Norton said. “We hope parents not only will encourage students to attend but will come with them.”

Sponsoring the forum are the Rotary clubs of Belmont, Gastonia, Mount Holly, Gastonia East and Gastonia Evening.

Norton thanked the Gaston Controlled Substance Coalition and Belmont Abbey College for supporting the forum.

Speakers participating in the forum are:



- Michelle Mathis, Chair of the Gaston Controlled Substance Coalition and Director of Olive Branch Ministries, providing an overview of the opioid epidemic.
- Scott Centers, MD, CaroMont Health, providing information from the healthcare field.
- Tammy Chowdhury, sharing the heart-breaking story of how opioids took the life of her son shortly after his college graduation.
- Maceo Mayo, RHA Health Services, speaking on substance use prevention.
- Delton Russell, Recovery Specialist, Partners Health Management, speaking on mental health issues.

William Gross, MPH, will serve as master of ceremonies, and Whitney Norton will make opening remarks.

The forum is free and open to everyone interested in learning about preventing deaths from fentanyl and other opioids.

For more information on these and other forms of substance abuse, visit the Gaston Controlled Substance Coalition website at: www.gastongov.com/1271/What-are-opioids-What-is-naloxone