

Rotary



Club of Charlotte Providence

The Weekly Rundown

November 10 - Jason Lawrence - Charlotte Area Transit System



Jason Lawrence joined the Charlotte Area Transit System (CATS) in 2000 and has for the past 22 years built a reputation of collaboration across the Charlotte region. Now serving as the Director of Planning, he leads CATS planning efforts for bus and rail services as well as system planning for rapid transit corridors. His understanding that transportation and land use must work together, has created a culture of multi-modal and place-making planning within CATS transit programs.

In 2019 he completed an update of CATS 2030 Transit System Plan. Through his efforts, the Metropolitan Transit Commission (MTC) adopted a LYNX Silver Line Light Rail project from Gaston County through the City of Charlotte to the Town of Matthews, a North Corridor Strategy of Bus Rapid Transit and Commuter Rail services from the Town of Mooresville to the City of Charlotte, and a southern extension of the LYNX Blue Line Light Rail to the Town of Pineville and the Ballantyne Community.

In 2020, Jason in partnership with the Centralina Regional Council began the development of a regional transit vision across 12 counties in North and South Carolina through a regional mobility initiative called CONNECT Beyond. The effort was endorsed by the MTC in 2021 and will serve as the foundation for transit mobility across the Charlotte region.

In 2022, through his leadership, CATS completed the Envision My Ride effort, a comprehensive bus service plan of high frequency bus routes, mobility hubs, and microtransit on demand services.

Jason has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Earth Science from the University of North Carolina-Charlotte.

Join Charlotte Providence Rotary for HYBRID Meeting from Maggiano's!

- For those that are comfortable meeting in person, we will meet at Maggiano's at Southpark Mall for lunch at 12:30 PM, followed by the Rotary Club program, ending promptly at 1:30 PM.

Club Meeting

Charlotte Providence Meets at Maggiano's Little Italy and Via Zoom - Please use the email below to contact us for the zoom info
4400 Sharon Rd
Charlotte, NC 28211
Time: Thursday at 12:30 PM

Club Leaders



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- We're excited to be back in the CENTIOLI room on the 2nd Floor at Maggiano's.
- For those unable to or not ready to meet in person, the meeting will be simulcast via Zoom.
 - [Join Zoom Here](#)
 - Meeting ID: 881 5229 2289
 - Passcode: 197574



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Fundraising Update:

It's time to sell some wreaths! The PayPal QR code is included below the flyer for your convenience. For those wanting to use PayPal, have them scan the QR code using the camera on their smart phone. They will be sent directly to our PayPal account to purchase their wreath!



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Ronald Wimberly
December 8th

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The Charlotte Providence Rotary Club
Announces the Return of Our 3rd Annual
HOLIDAY FUNDRAISER



Freshly-made Fraser Fir Christmas Wreaths



24-inch* wreath with red bow - \$30.00

***NOTE:** A 24-inch wreath fits a standard 36-inch entry door.

- **Fresh Wreaths From Ashe County NC**
- **Orders DUE on or before November 22, 2022**
- **Payments by Cash, Check (Payable to Charlotte Providence Rotary Club), or PayPal**
- **Wreaths will be delivered to your door the week after Thanksgiving**
- **All Questions: contact Fran Fesmire
Cell (704)609-2349 or email fran@fesmiremarshall.com**

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Help us raise funds for our Club and our Service Projects! Place your orders with Georgia Oakes or Howard Fogel. These make great gifts and stocking stuffers!

Our goal is to raise \$2,000!!

Service Update:

Blanket Drive for Roof Above



This month, Charlotte Providence Rotary Club will begin their annual Blanket Fund Campaign to raise monies for the purchase of blankets to go to Roof Above to aid in their care of homeless individuals here in Charlotte.

Last year, through your generous gift, Charlotte Providence was able to raise enough money to purchase 70 blankets. Our goal is to do better this year and purchase 100 blankets. With your support and generous gift, we can achieve our goal.

PLEASE HELP US TO MEET OUR GOAL! CHECKS OR CASH CAN BE BROUGHT TO CLUB MEETINGS. CHECKS CAN ALSO BE MAILED.

Mail your checks to:
Charlotte Providence Rotary Club.
Attn: Mr. Howard Fogel
338 South Sharon Amity Road
POB 415
Charlotte NC 28211

Supporting Our Ukrainian Neighbors in Charlotte

If you would like to support Ukrainian refugee families living here in Charlotte, consider purchasing baked goods such as a lemon cake (10-inch cake for \$20) or almond cookies (10 for \$15). Orders will be taken each week in November and deliveries will be made the following week at club meetings. Cakes freeze well and would be a great addition to your Thanksgiving table! See Erin Caldwell to place an order. Cash appreciated.

We had a great order from last week that they are working on. Erin will pick everything up on her way to the club meeting on Thursday.

Have you volunteered or donated to a charity with financial or in-kind gifts? If so, click [HERE](#) to let us know!

Rotary District 7680 Foundation Celebration:

Join District 7680 for their Foundation Celebration on November 18 at the Great Wolf Lodge in Concord. Information is available on the [district website](#). Please let Mark know if you are interested in attending.

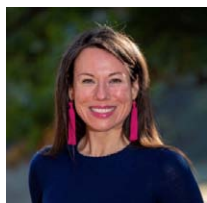
Social Update:

Look for more events soon!

Prior week's meetings have been recorded on Zoom and you can find the replays here --> <https://vimeo.com/user115899696>

CPR Meetings Upcoming Presentations

November 17 - Kelly Karres - Charlotte by the Numbers: Highlighting local data from the U.S. Census Bureau



Kelly Karres is a U.S. Census Bureau Data Dissemination Specialist for North and South Carolina. Her current position involves educating the public on the vast array of data on the Census Bureau's website. She received a Bachelor of Arts and a Master of Arts in Sociology from the University of North Carolina. Over the past thirteen years, Kelly has provided hundreds of presentations and workshops for a variety of groups including non-profit organizations, local and tribal governments, educational institutions, professional organizations, chambers of commerce and business organizations.

November 24 - NO MEETING - HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

December 1 - Dr. Katie Passaretti with Atrium Health - How the pandemic changed healthcare

December 8 - Holiday Party!

December 15 - Service Project - Thank You Cards

December 22 - NO MEETING

December 29 - NO MEETING

CPR Meetings Past Presentations

August 18 - Ryan Vanderklok - [Humane Society of Charlotte Bi-Weekly Tours](#)
[Supplies Needed](#)

August 25 - Michael Abraham - Rotary International Travel & Hosting Fellowship

September 1 - Katie Densford McCoy & Stuart Hair - CLT Airport

September 8 - Jerry Coughter - WASH-RAG, a Rotary Action Group working on providing sanitary water around the globe.

September 15 - Ely Portillo - Housing Ownership Trends Wall Street Landlords

September 22 - Julie Milani - USO North Carolina

September 29 - Austin Daniels - Digital Therapy

October 13 - Club Assembly

October 20 - Tate Nurkin - China Updates

October 27 - Yale Levey, founder of the MAD Experience - Making a Difference

November 3 - DG Kam Chandon - District Governor Visit