

Rotary



Club of Shelby

District Leader



Kamlesh (Kam) Chandan
District Governor

2022-2023 THEME



NO ROTARY NOV. 11 SEE YOU ON NOV. 18 BOARD MEETING FOLLOWING REGULAR MEETING

NO ROTARY NOV. 11 JOIN OUR COMMUNITY IN HONORING VETERANS

NOV. 18 NEXT MEETING LEARN ABOUT OUR STRATEGIC PLAN / SHELBY ROTARY BOARD MEETING

A reminder that we will not have Rotary on Friday, November 11, 2022. It is Veterans Day and is being celebrated in our community.

Our next meeting will be Friday, November 18 at the Wilkes County Club with Audrey Wheeler Godfrey will present the update on our Strategic Plan to the Shelby Rotary. President W. Allen Godfrey

At present, on November 11, the parade has been canceled because of the rain and a ceremony will be held in the City Park Gym at 11 am.

Dr. Frank Hannan will be the speaker at the program. Dr. Hannan served in the US Army and served in Vietnam on the medical staff. Pictured is (l to r) Past State American Legion Commander Jim Quinlan and Dr. Hannan last year at the start of the Veterans Parade. Dr. Hannan is proud of the fact he is able to fit into the uniform he wore in 1962.

H. Allen Laroy are a veteran, thank you for your service to our country.

Come to the American Legion Post 82, South Lafayette Street at noon for a free Hot Dog Lunch sponsored by the Sons of the American Legion Squadron 82, the Auxiliary and American Legion Post 82.

Take time to thank a veteran for their service to our country.



ROTARY FOUNDATION CELEBRATION AT GREAT WOLF LODGE NOVEMBER 18

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District Governor Kam Chandan and First Lady Divya Chandan cordially invite you and your partner/guests to our annual Foundation Celebration.

Jordan Darr

Donna McCall

Laroy Wilkins

Joseph Linton



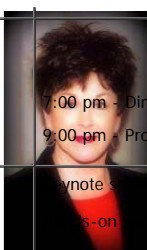
Register

<https://tinyurl.com/7680foundationcelebration>

When	Friday, November 18, 2022
Where	Great Wolf Lodge, 10175 Weddington Rd, Concord, NC 28027
Joseph Linton Suttle IV Community Service	<p>5:30 pm - Service Project begins</p> <p>6:00 pm - Social Cash Bar opens</p> <p>Chair</p>



Chair



7:00 pm - Dinner begins
9:00 pm - Program ends promptly

Peter H. Bagley
Past President

Guest speaker: Dean Rohrs, Board of Trustees for The Rotary Foundation
Hands-on service project: Packing Operation Christmas Child boxes
New location: Great Wolf Lodge: Stay overnight. Enjoy indoor water park
The location is within close proximity to all 14 counties in our District
Free parking
Cost: \$75 per person

[Register NOW](#) for **Rotary District 7680 Foundation Celebration** or send your REGRET that you cannot attend by [clicking here](#).

Let's recognize and celebrate the impact of your generous gift to The Rotary Foundation.

Thank you,
Kamlesh (Kam) Chandan
Proud Member of Rotary Club of Lake-Norman Huntersville
DG 2022-23 Rotary District 7680 - Birthplace of Rotaract

Shelby
Meets at Cleveland Country Club 1360 East Marion Street
Shelby, NC 28150
1388 East Marion Street
Shelby, NC 28150
Time: Friday at 12:30 PM

SRC ROTARIANS HONOR ALL VETERANS WHO SERVED

INVITATION TO SRC ROTARIANS VETERANS DAY ACTIVITIES

WHAT: Annual Cleveland County Veterans Day Parade: "Proud To Be A Veteran"

WHEN: Friday, November 11, 10 AM PARADE CANCELLED DUE TO RAIN.

WHERE: Uptown Shelby, Beginning on the corner of West Graham and South Lafayette Street

SPONSOR: Cleveland County Veterans Advisory Council and Veterans Service Office

VETERANS DAY PROGRAM TO BE HELD AT Shelby City Park Gymnasium, 11 AM.

Dr. Frank Hannah, Army Veteran and Member of Medical Staff in Vietnam, will speak.



INVITATION TO VETERANS

WHAT: Free Hot Dog Lunch

WHEN: Friday, November 11, 12:00 Noon

WHERE: American Legion Post, South Lafayette Street

SPONSOR: Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 82, the American Legion Auxiliary, and American Post 82 members will provide a hot dog lunch to all veterans and their spouse.

VETERANS DAY 2022: "HONOR"

SHELBY ROTARY CLUB THANKS ALL VETERANS FOR THEIR SERVICE!

"There is no one more noble or more honorable than the one who defends one's country."
Anonymous

ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH

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By Dottie McIntyre

In our November 2022 issue of ROTARY, RI Foundation Trustee Chair Ian H.S. Riseley asks us to think of Foundation projects as "much like planting a tree." He states, "With each sapling of hope, health, and peace, we make an investment in the future that will one day grow into something even greater." He points out that PolioPlus, planted in 1985, is "one of the greatest public health initiatives in history, helping reduce cases of wild poliovirus cases by 99.9 percent." He also gives a shoutout to the Seven Rotary Peace Centers around the world that have "taken root and are now bearing fruit as scores of peacebuilders and community leaders go forth with the skills to make the world more safe and secure."

Trustee Chair Riseley also informs us of Charity Navigator's awarding the Foundation with its highest ranking for more than ten years because of Rotary's efficient stewardship and the sustainability of its projects. It is a charity that can be trusted. However, he is concerned that "only about 38 percent" of us actively support Rotary's "great charity." He believes that "we can and should do better." As Foundation Chair, he is challenging "each club to make a giving plan for our Rotary Foundation this year." He ends his column with this: "Imagine our Impact—Rotary's great forest of hope and peace that will flourish—and please give today."

Our gifts to the Foundation mean so much to our global community. And remember, we are able to choose the programs and projects we wish to support and the ways of support, e.g., on line monthly donations or annual checks we give to RI Foundation Chair Michael or to SRC Treasurers Justin and Michelle. We have a challenge. Let's do our part to increase the percentage of Rotary Club donors. After all, building "a forest of hope and peace" while "doing good in the world" is a great cause!

SRC SALUTES MILITARY FAMILIES

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Peter H. Bagley
November 17th



Mary Elisabeth Martin
November 17th



James W. Morgan
November 21st



David Martin Lockridge
November 24th



Van Dawson Durrett
November 24th



Brandon L. Ruppe
November 25th



Van Dawson Durrett
November 16th



Justin Scott Merritt
November 20th



Johnny E. Presson
November 25th



Gary Bryon Gragg Jr.
November 26th

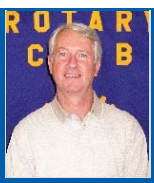


William S. Weller
December 5th



H. Allen Langley
December 6th

Robert Jackson
Arey Jr.



December
8th

Years of Service



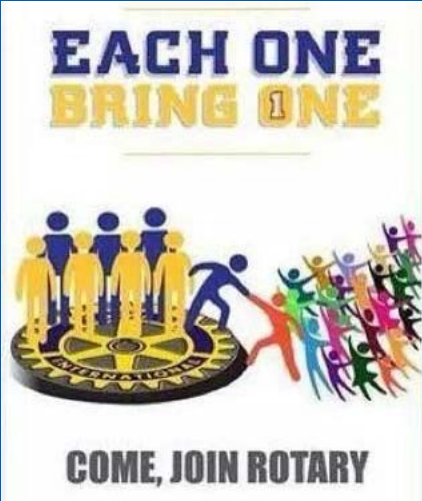
Emily Epley
11-21-2014
8 Years



Mary Elisabeth Martin
11-16-2018
4 Years

Each One Bring One

Help Our Rotary Club Grow



By Dottie McIntyre

Since 1966, when the Armed Services YMCA first paid tribute to military families in November, Americans have been celebrating National Veteran and Military Families Month in November.

Along with the Department of Defense, Shelby Rotary Club members salute and thank the "nearly 5.2 million service members and families" for the support they give to our nation and the sacrifices they make. As the DOD website succinctly states, "A strong military relies not only on training and education to ensure readiness: it relies on strong families supporting our fight for freedom...From basic training to separation, we ensure our people are prepared for any given task, including transition. Not only do we create the best warfighters in the world, we create productive members of society."

Sometimes, those of us who are not service members or families of service members don't think of the tremendous sacrifices that are made. We don't experience the separations, the various living arrangements, and the adjustments that have to be made. We do understand, however, that it takes courage and resilience. Therefore, we want all military families to know that we appreciate them for helping keep our country safe. They embody "Service Above Self."



IN THE SPOTLIGHT: JEFF LEDFORD

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Shelby Rotary Club congratulates Rotarian Jeff Ledford, a past president and one of our most committed and compassionate Rotarians, on his upcoming retirement as Shelby Police Chief in April of 2023.

A committed law enforcement officer for more than 30 years and SPD Chief for almost 15, Jeff shares in a Star article that he "couldn't have asked for a more enjoyable and fulfilling career." City Manager Rick Howell, another past president of SRC, describes Jeff as "a one-of-a-kind man who cares for all people and has served with the utmost professionalism during the most difficult of times." SRC Rotarian and Shelby Mayor Stan Anthony describes Jeff as "an exemplary leader" who "has made a tremendous impact in our community."

SRC PP Rick also observed that Jeff "has served our community as chief of police with honor and distinction." We agree. In addition, we believe that Jeff is a man of integrity and thoughtfulness. We are certainly glad that he is a member of the Shelby Rotary Club. We salute him for his service in our community and in our club. He truly is "one of a kind."



VETERANS DAY HISTORY AND STORY OF THE POPPY



VETERANS DAY: The History and the Story of the Poppy.

Veterans/Remembrance Day - The History

In 1918, World War I ended on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month. The entire world celebrated. An armistice (a truce) was signed declaring the "war to end all wars" was finally over. The next year, on November 11th, the US called the day "Armistice Day" in memory of all the men and women involved in WWI. On Armistice Day, surviving soldiers marched in parades through their home towns. Politicians and veteran officers gave speeches and had ceremonies in thanks for the peace that had been won.

The Story of the Poppy - In Flanders Fields

Poppies, which are a bright red flower, became a symbol of Veterans Day after the bloody WWI battle in Flanders Field, in Belgium. The soil in the battle fields became scattered with rubble, making the soil rich with lime (the mineral, not the fruit). Poppies thrived in the fertile soil. Many soldiers were buried in Flanders field, creating a contrast of white crosses and vibrant red poppies. Major John McCrae was a Canadian surgeon who was moved by the sight of this, leading him to pen one of the most memorable war poems ever written - *In Flanders Fields*.

In Flanders Fields
John McCrae

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

