

# Rotary



# Club of Waxhaw-Weddington

### Club Meeting

Waxhaw-Weddington Meets at Weddington Swim & Racquet Club  
4315 Weddington Matthews Rd  
Weddington, NC 28214  
Time: Thursday at 07:30 AM

### Club Leaders



Nicolino Iannelli  
President



Yorda Kidane  
President



Paula Jeanne Smith  
President-Elect



Kay Persing  
Secretary



Stephen David Koehler  
Treasurer



D. Craig Horn  
Club Trainer



Amanda Jarrell  
Public Relations/Image Chair



Kate Turner  
Bulletin Editor



William Grant Whittaker  
Club Trainer



Wendi S Keenan  
Rotary Foundation Chair



Athanasios A. Koutsafis  
Sergeant-at-Arms



Michael Tyler Evola  
Community Service Chair



Graham J. Wilson  
International Service Chair



### The Weekly Agenda

**Welcome Waxhaw-Weddington Rotarians and Guests!  
Thursday, April 11th**

7:15am	Breakfast and Social Time	
7:30am	Welcome	Nico Iannelli
	Invocation & Pledge	(See Schedule Below)
7:40am	Guest Introductions	Sergeant at Arms
	Health & Happiness Announcements	Elizabeth Sol
7:55am	Happy Dollars	Committee Chairs
8:05am	Introduce Program	Members
	Member Spotlight	Paula Smith
	For the Good of Rotary	Elizabeth Carpenton & Steve Boyle
	The 4-Way Test	All
8:30am	Adjourn	Nico Iannelli
	Room Clean Up	

### Invocation & Pledge Schedule

**If you are scheduled to give the Invocation & Pledge but can not make that meeting, please try to find someone to sub for you.  
Thank you!**

Date	Member Name
April 11th	Elizabeth Sol
April 18th	Gary Summerfield
April 25th	Ben Tewolde
May 2nd	Andrew Timothy



Larry Hook  
Youth Services  
Chair



Marcus A  
Watson  
Past President



Andrea S Wood  
Fundraising  
Chair

### Events

April 11th

[Club Meeting](#)

April 11th

[Membership  
Committee Meeting](#)

April 13th

[Community Shelter  
Breakfast Service](#)

April 18th

[Club Meeting](#)

April 18th

[Board Meeting](#)

April 18th

[Thirsty Thursday](#)

April 25th

[Club Meeting](#)

April 25th

[Community Service  
Committee Meeting](#)

May 2nd

[Club Meeting](#)

May 6th

[Public Relations/Public  
Image Committee  
Meeting](#)

### Birthdays

Ron Pappas

April 17th

Bryce L. Miller

April 17th

### Member Anniversaries

Gary Summerfield

04-16-2009

15 Years

Christopher John

Brantigan

04-11-2019

5 Years

Anthony Garshnick

04-11-2019

5 Years

### Wedding Anniversaries

William Scott Miller

April 16th

## Upcoming Speakers

The Speakers for this week:

**Member Spotlights-Elizabeth Carpenton & Steve Boyle**



**Join us for fun, fellowship, food and to see how our club is progressing this year.**

**Our upcoming speakers are as follows:  
Please invite a future Rotarian**

April 18th, 2024	District Trainer	Marcia Scheiderman
April 25th, 2024	Sheltherbox	

## Hybrid Meetings

Whether you prefer to attend virtually or in person, it is always a great Thursday morning. Masks are optional and at individual discretion.

To participate in person:  
**Weddington Swim & Racquet Club**  
**4315 Weddington Matthews Rd, Weddington, NC 28104**

To participate virtually:  
[Click to join Zoom meeting](#)  
Meeting ID: 788 2144 2471  
Passcode: 222910

At this location volunteers are needed each week to:

- Set up and tear down tables and chairs
- Pick up breakfast
- Deliver any leftover breakfast to Waxhaw Police Department

Remember: Many hands make light work!

## Board Meetings

**Board meetings will be on the third Thursday of every month immediately following the regular meeting.  
(using the same zoom link as regular meeting)**

**This month's meeting is Thursday, April 18th.**

**All are welcome. In fact, the more, the merrier.**



By Paula Jeanne Smith

## Spring 2024 Rotary Peace Conference



This past weekend, Tom and I had the opportunity to attend the Spring 2024 Peace Conference held at UNC Chapel Hill.

We heard from 10 amazing graduate students whose goal in the world is to create opportunities for peace. Their work and journeys to get to where they are today were not only inspirational but gave all of us pause to think about how our world is connected in so many ways.

We discovered that the country of Chile is experiencing the same migrant crisis we have here in the US. Graduate student, Jorge Delgado Golusda, a soldier since he was 16, gave us a perspective on how the military could be used in peaceful ways to help those arriving in a foreign nation.

<https://rotarypeacecenternc.org/fellow/jorge-delgado-golusda>

Graduate student, Mai Nguyen, spoke to us about the social insurance system (similar to our social security system) in Vietnam and how the citizens are not informed of how they can be part of making their livelihood support them in the later years.

<https://rotarypeacecenternc.org/fellow/mai-nguyen>

And graduate student, Sara Solomon Teklewold, explained how she was working on making the atrocity of rape in war, not only in Ethiopia but all over the world, a crime.

<https://rotarypeacecenternc.org/fellow/sara-solomon-teklewold>

Rotary Peace Fellows are leaders promoting national and international cooperation, peace, and the successful resolution of conflict throughout their lives, in their careers, and through service activities.

There have been 177 students that have graduated, working in 67 countries. There will be a new peace center opening in Istanbul in 2025. Peace may sometimes feel fleeting, but with students like this, we know it can happen!

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## Community Service Update

**Chair: Michael Evola**

Committee Folder : [Link](#)

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

We have some upcoming service projects:

**April 13<sup>th</sup>** - Breakfast at the Union County Community Shelter â€” registration is full â€” thanks to all that have said they will help.

**May 19<sup>th</sup>** â€” Spring Project in David Barnes Park â€” we will be staining the boardwalk and planting bushes. We need lots of volunteers for this project. Many hands will make light work.

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## Membership Updates

Chair: Paula Smith



Hello fellow club members!

Weâ€™re thrilled to announce an exciting fundraising opportunity for our club: hosting the Harlem Wizards! President-elect Hayden Kramer, from the Union West club, has achieved remarkable success with his own club and has generously assisted other Union County clubs in organizing fantastic events. This week, heâ€™ll be joining us to provide an overview of this incredible opportunity. I encourage everyone to attend, so we can share important information and give you the chance to ask questions.

Additionally, weâ€™ll be shining the spotlight on Elizabeth Carpenton and Steve Boyleâ€”two outstanding members. Iâ€™m eager to hear from them and learn more about our newest club additions!

See you Thursday!

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### Important Rotary Website Links

[Waxhaw Weddington Rotary Club](#)

[Waxhaw Weddington Rotary Member Facebook Page](#)

[Waxhaw Weddington Rotary Next Door Page](#)

[Rotary International](#)

[Dacdb](#)

[Rotary Foundation](#)

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### THE FOUR-WAY TEST

*Of the things we think, say or do:*

*first*

Is it the **TRUTH**?

*second*

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

*third*

Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

*fourth*

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

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## CART Fund and Happy Dollars



To see a presentation about the CART Fund & the part we each play in Alzheimer's research when we donate, click [here](#) or [here](#)

To donate, <https://mycartfund.org/index.cfm>



When you want to send money to the Rotary for Dues, Donations or "Happy Dollars", please use zelle - [rotarywaxwed@gmail.com](mailto:rotarywaxwed@gmail.com).

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