

# 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



[Paula Jeanne  
Smith](#)  
President



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President-Elect



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Club Trainer



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Club Trainer



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Relations/Image  
Chair  
Fundraising  
Chair



[Lisa Hilbish](#)  
Membership  
Chair



[James H Young](#)  
Sergeant-at-  
Arms



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Carpenton](#)  
Community  
Service Chair

[Larry Hook](#)

### Upcoming Events



We will be hosting the Union West Rotary club this Thursday, December 19th, for our Christmas Potluck breakfast and having an **Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest!**

There will be tons of food, with a special guest - Scott Francis with his uplifting message and magic to go with it!

We would like to have a **cookie exchange**, so dust off those recipes and be prepared to WOW us all with your baking skills!

[COOKIE SIGN UP](#)

**Please use the sign-up for the potluck breakfast:**

[POTLUCK BREAKFAST](#)

### Upcoming Speakers

THIS WEEK:

We are hosting **Union West Rotary Club** with an Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest, Potluck Breakfast, and Cookie Exchange.

**Our speaker-Scott Francis**

Thursday, December 19, 2024  
7:30 AM

Rotary  
Club of Waxhaw-  
Weddington

# SCOTT FRANCIS



Professional  
Speaker and  
Entertainer



Youth Services  
Chair



Nicolino Iannelli  
Past President



Yorda Kidane  
Past President

### Events

December 19th  
Weekly Club Meeting

Speaker: Potluck  
Breakfast

December 26th  
NO Weekly Club Meeting

Speaker: NO MEETING

January 2nd  
Weekly Club Meeting

Speaker: NO MEETING

January 9th  
Weekly Club Meeting

### Birthdays

Nicolino Iannelli  
December 31st

Robert Murray  
January 1st

Jim Bell  
January 1st

### Member Anniversaries

Brie Foster  
01-01-2022  
3 Years

### Wedding Anniversaries

Stephen Boyle  
December 26th  
Don K. Fisher  
December 29th

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

December 26th, 2024	NO MEETING	Happy Holidays!
January 2nd, 2025	NO MEETING	Happy New Year!

### The Weekly Agenda

## Welcome Waxhaw-Weddington Rotarians and Guests!

Thursday, December 19th

7:15am Breakfast and Social Time

7:30am Welcome Paula Smith  
Invocation & Pledge (See Schedule Below)

7:40am Guest Introductions Sergeant at Arms  
Health & Happiness  
Announcements Committee Chairs

7:55am Happy Dollars Members

8:05am Introduce Program Paula Smith  
Scott Francis Paula Smith  
For the Good of Rotary All

**Invocation & Pledge Schedule**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Member Name</b>
December 19th	Betsy Lamb
December 26th	NO MEETING-HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

**Please try and find someone to sub for you if you are unable to attend on your assigned date. Thank you!**

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**Message from Paula**



As the year draws to a close, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering kindness throughout the year. Your support and encouragement have been instrumental in our journey, and we couldn't have achieved our successes without all of you.

May this holiday season bring you joy, warmth, and precious moments with your loved ones. Please be kind to yourselves, hug those close to you and enjoy that last piece of pie!! Here's to a bright and prosperous new year filled with happiness!

Merry Christmas!!!

Paula

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**Board Meetings**



This month's meeting will be this Thursday, December 19th, after the regular meeting.

## Last Week's Presentation

Last Week, Allison Cooke from Union-Anson County Habitat for Humanity came to share with our club the inspiring work the organization does in our community. Here is a link to her presentation in case you missed it as well as information on volunteering and family services that Habitat for Humanity offers:

## [PRESENTATION LINK](#)



Union-Anson County Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit organization serving Union and Anson Counties in North Carolina and Chesterfield County in South Carolina. We provide affordable homeownership to local residents who share our commitment to the Habitat philosophy. By building partnerships between communities of support and communities of need, we create strength, stability, and self-reliance through shelter. As an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International we are dedicated to making a lasting impact globally.



### Monroe ReStore

Address: 1642 Dickerson Blvd, Monroe, NC 28110

Phone: (704) 289-6067

Hours of Operation: Monday-Wednesday & Friday  
9am-6pm and Thursday/Saturday, 8am-6pm

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Phone: (704) 465-2030

Hours of Operation: Tuesday-Saturday, 9am-5pm

### Cheraw ReStore

Address: 8 Chesterfield Hwy, Cheraw, SC 29520

Phone: (843) 320-1014

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### Contact Us:

Address: 3702 Old Charlotte Hwy.

Monroe, NC 28110

Mailing: P.O Box 1688

Monroe, North Carolina 28111



[Volunteer@unionhabitat.org](mailto:Volunteer@unionhabitat.org)



(704) 296-9414 ext. 19

### Volunteer Now:



Scan me

[bit.ly/3Mii7i9](http://bit.ly/3Mii7i9)



## Volunteer Opportunities

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

## Help Us Build a Community!

Union-Anson County Habitat for Humanity is dedicated to building homes across Union, Anson and Chesterfield Counties.

Our construction sites operate Tuesday through Saturday, year-round.

### Volunteer Information:

- Open to anyone age 16 and older – no experience necessary!
- We provide tools, materials and hands-on training from our experienced team.
- Bring your lunch and a positive attitude.

### Scheduling & Groups:

- Building schedules are available; please confirm your volunteer date at least 72 hours in advance.
- Groups are welcome (up to 20 people).

### Important Note:

Volunteers are the heart of Union-Anson County Habitat. Minors age 16-17 can volunteer with parental consent but cannot use power tools or work on roofs.



## Who We Are:

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## Discover Our ReStores

With three ReStores in operation, offering unique items for your next DIY project, as well as furniture, appliances and more.

### Volunteer at the ReStore:

- Volunteers must be age 18 or older.
- Opportunities include sorting donations, stocking the sales floors, and assisting customers.
- Your time at the ReStore helps raise funds for building supplies for Habitat homes.

### Visit Us:

- Monroe
- Wadesboro
- Cheraw

### Join Us:

Together, we can make a difference in our community. Find the role that suits your skills and passion, and help us build safe, affordable housing for all.



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## Get Involved in Other Ways!

Beyond construction and ReStore:

### Board Member Volunteer:

- Collaborate with staff and advocate for affordable housing.

### Fundraising Committee Volunteer:

- Lead events that raise funds and awareness for Habitat homes.

### Community Outreach Committee Volunteer:

- Engage with the public through community events, advertising and social media.

### Real Estate Attorney Volunteer:

- Volunteer attorneys help with preparing titles for land purchases and home sales for Habitat homeowners.

### Family Service Volunteer:

- Family Selection: Assist with selecting Habitat homeowners as an interviewer, home visitor or translator.
- Financial Volunteer Support: Provide budgeting and financial guidance to prospective and current homeowners.



## Family Services Opportunities

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

## Eligibility

Union Anson County Habitat for Humanity (UACHFH) offers two programs, the Homeownership Program and Urgent Repair Program (URP.)

### Homeownership Program:

At UACHFH, part of our purpose is to provide opportunities for homeownership through new construction homes for individuals who would typically be denied a traditional loan.

### Homeownership Program Eligibility:

#### Ability to Repay

- Ability to pay is determined through the application process, including income verification and credit reports
- A steady, reliable source of income and demonstrate financial responsibility
- The ability to make a monthly mortgage
- The ability to pay projected monthly utilities (electric, gas & water)
- Applicant(s) can NOT have filed for bankruptcy within the past 2 years
- Applicant(s) can NOT have outstanding liens or judgments at time of application

#### Need for Housing

- Individuals must demonstrate a need to qualify for a Habitat home.
- Structural/mechanical problems in home
- Inadequate sleeping arrangements
- Unsanitary conditions or health risks
- Temporary or transitional housing
- Current housing does not meet the physical needs
- Unable to obtain a conventional mortgage to purchase a home

## Help Us Build a Community!

### Homeownership Program cont.:

#### Willingness to Partner

- Partner families must complete "sweat-equity" hours by helping build their own home and others, and by volunteering throughout our Habitat for Humanity locations
- An applicant with a co-applicant are required to fulfill a minimum of 400 hours. A sole applicant is required to fulfill 200 hours
- A portion of the sweat equity hours can be completed by family and friends.
- All of the hours must be completed before the home is complete

### Urgent Repair Program (URP):

The repairs must be considered harmful, deadly, or an issue that would make a homeowner move out of their home. This program is not for cosmetic repairs such as painting or landscaping.

### URP Eligibility:

- Must own their home
- Live in Union or Anson County, North Carolina
- One of the following:
  - A person that is at least 62 years of age or older
  - A person that is handicapped or disabled
  - A single-parent with at least one (1) dependent child in the residence
  - A military veteran
  - A family with five (5) or more persons
  - A child below six (6) years of age with elevated blood levels

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### Opportunities:

#### Construction Site Volunteer:

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- Lead events that raise funds and awareness for the Habitat Homeownership Program.

#### Community Outreach Committee

#### Volunteer:

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## Foundation Update



A huge shout-out to our Foundation Chair - **Wendi Keenan!** Thanks to her assistance and reminders, our club has proudly achieved the **3rd place ranking in the District for Polio giving!**

Way to go Wendi and thank you to all who gave and continue to give to our Polio fund!

## Fundraising Moment

**GIVE THE GIFT OF**  
*fun*  
THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

MAKE THIS HOLIDAY *magical* WITH THE GIFT OF  
FUN, EXCITEMENT, AND MEMORIES TO LAST A LIFETIME

HARLEM WIZARDS GAME  
WEDDINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

**FRIDAY 1/31/25**  
**7:00 PM**

SCAN ME 

[HTTPS://HARLEMWIZARDS.COM/SCHEDULE-TICKETS/](https://harlemwizards.com/schedule-tickets/)

Harlem Wizards tickets are now on sale via this link:

<https://www.harlemwizards.com/tickets/weddington>

Please share with your friends and family and consider giving this experience as a gift this holiday season!

### Membership Updates

We will be ordering new shirts! They are navy (Bella + Canvas TriBlend - 50% polyester, 25% cotton and 25% rayon). They are pre-shrunk and come in unisex and women's fit. They will have our logo on the front and the question - What does Rotary mean to me? Underneath our logo. On the back will be:



The prices are below and if you would like one, you can let me know what size and write a check made out to the Waxhaw-Weddington Rotary Club. We need to get an order together for at least 40 shirts. You can order 2 if you would like! Please email me at [lhilbish@gmail.com](mailto:lhilbish@gmail.com) with your size and how many you would like. I think they will look fantastic!

S-XL - \$21.39  
XXL - \$23.54  
3XL - \$24.61

### Youth Services Committee



Chair: Larry Hook





A huge **thank you** to our Interact Club from Cuthbertson High School (and their Advisor-Melissa Mezzacappa) that made and delivered 200 gift bags to the residents of White Oak nursing home in Waxhaw last week! We are so proud of these students and their commitment to making a difference in our community.



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**Thirsty Thursday**

**No December Thirsty Thursday-we will return  
January 16th 6 PM-8:30ish**



Middle James Brewery  
115 E. North Main Street  
Waxhaw, NC 28173

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**[CLICK HERE TO JOIN VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM](#)**

# HYBRID MEETINGS



**THERE ARE 2 WAYS FOR YOU TO ATTEND OUR MEETINGS EACH WEEK:**

- VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM-  
Meeting ID: 788 2144 2471  
Passcode 222910
- IN PERSON

**WEDDINGTON SWIM & RACQUET CLUB:**

**4315 Weddington Matthews Rd, Weddington, NC 28104**

**THURSDAYS FROM 7:30-8:30 AM**

Volunteers needed each week to:  
Set up/tear down tables and chairs,  
pick up breakfast, & deliver any leftover breakfast to Waxhaw Police Department.



## Important Rotary Website Links



[Waxhaw Weddington Rotary Club](#)

[Waxhaw Weddington Rotary Member Facebook Page](#)

[Rotary International](#)

[Dacdb](#)

[Rotary Foundation](#)

[My Rotary](#)

[RLI](#)

## 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).

