

# 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



Yorda  
Kidane  
President



Cristina  
Tisa Capello  
President-  
Elect



Kay Persing  
Secretary



Stephen  
David  
Koehler  
Treasurer



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Angeli  
Public  
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Chair  
Fundraising  
Chair



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Editor



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Koutsaftis  
Sergeant-  
at-Arms



Paula  
Jeanne  
Smith  
Rotary  
Foundation  
Chair

**Children, after all, are not just adults-in-the-making. They are people whose current needs and rights and experiences must be taken seriously. — Alfie Kohn**



### The Weekly Agenda

**Welcome Waxhaw-Weddington Rotarians and Guests!  
Thursday, May 25th**

7:15am	Breakfast and Social Time	
7:30am	Welcome	Yorda Kidane
	Invocation & Pledge	(See Schedule Below)
7:40am	Guest Introductions	TBD
	Health & Happiness	Michael Evola
	Announcements	Committee Chairs
7:55am	Happy Dollars	Members
8:05am	Introduce Program	Yorda Kidane
	NFL Referee	Mike Morton
	For the Good of Rotary	All
	The 4-Way Test	Yorda Kidane
8:30am	Adjourn	
	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
May 25th	Fiona Swaenepoel
June 1st	Ben Tewolde
June 8th	Andrew Timothy



**Fiona Swaenepoel**  
Membership  
Chair



**Lisa Hilbish**  
Club  
Service  
Chair



**Michael Webber**  
Youth  
Services  
Chair



**Marcus A Watson**  
iPast  
President



**Paula Jeanne Smith**  
Assistant  
Governor-  
Union  
County

## Events

May 25th

**Waxhaw-  
Weddington  
Weekly Club  
Meeting**

**Speaker:** Mike  
Morton - NFL Referee  
**Subject:** What's its  
like to be a NFL  
Referee and how I  
got here!

## Birthdays

No Birthdays Found

## Member Anniversaries

No Years Of Service  
Found

## Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding  
Anniversaries Found

June 15th

Kate Turner

## 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 new 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!

## Bring a Guest Contest

By Kay Persing

### BRING A GUEST CONTEST!!!

For each new guest you bring to a weekly meeting or a service event, you will be awarded 50 Paul Harris points and be entered in a monthly drawing for fun prizes.  
Who do YOU know that you can invite?

Bring a guest this week to be added to the May drawing!!  
The May prize is a \$50 gift certificate to Emmett's Social Table



Members who have qualified for May so far:

Member	Date	# of Guests
Ben Tewolde	5/18/23	1
Michael Evola	5/18/23	1
Gayle Fox	5/18/23	2
Graham Wilson	5/18/23	1
Gary Summerfield	5/18/23	1
Jessica Lindberg	5/18/23	1
Larry Hook	5/18/23	1
Wendi Keenan	5/18/23	1
Yorda Kidane	5/18/23	1
Paula Smith	5/18/23	1

## Upcoming Dates

June 1st - Common Heart Food Pantry Service opportunity - [Sign up here!](#)

June 3rd - Spring Project at David Barnes Park and Social at Cane Creek Park after

June 5th - Public Image Committee Meeting - 5:30 via [Zoom](#)

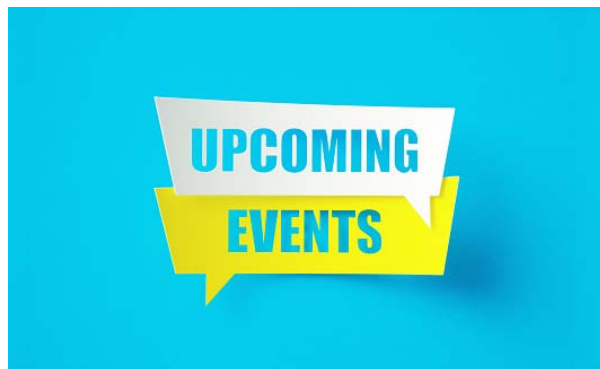
June 7th - Membership committee Meeting 1:30pm to 2:00pm - [Zoom Link](#)

June 8th - Service committee Meeting following the weekly meeting.

June 10th - Union County Community Shelter - Breakfast Service (7am to 9am) [Union County Community Shelter Meal Sign-up](#)

June 17th - Installation - More information to come

June 24th - Litter Pick up - 11:00 - 12:30 at the Village Commons in Wesley Chapel - Meet up at the Buzz.  
[Read More](#)



## Committee Chair Needed

We are still seeking a Membership Chair.  
This can also be a co-chair position (twice the fun and split the work).

Here is a little bit about the committee and some of the responsibilities of the Chair.  
To develop and implement a comprehensive plan for the recruitment, retention, development, engagement, and welfare of members.

Here are just some of the fun responsibilities of the membership committee and membership chair:

- Provide committee update during Club Assembly meeting
- Inform and motivate club members
- Monitor the general welfare, level of engagement and morale of members
- Prepare the Induction Kit
- Assign mentors to new members..
- Facilitate the Red Ribbon program for new members
- Plan special events for Club members and guests
- Coordinate with other Chairpersons to maintain member participation.
- Maintain a register and monitor progress of all nominations for membership/application. Advise nominees of the results of their membership application.

To learn more about this exciting role in Rotary, please reach out to Fiona Swaenepoel.

## Public Relations update

By Kimberley Angeli

Speaker this week:

Rotary Speaker  
May 25, 2023  
Mike Morton



Mike Morton grew up in Kannapolis, NC. Attended AL Brown HS. Attended UNC Chapel Hill on a Morehead Scholarship. He played football and baseball in high school and college. Played 7 years in the NFL. Went to

dental school at the end of his NFL career. Began officiating high school football at the suggestion of his father, who had been a high school football official. Officiated 3 seasons in the South Atlantic Conference and 1 season in Conference USA/MEAC before being promoted to the ACC in 2015. Officiated 7 years in the ACC and worked in the AAF, XFL, USFL before being hired as an official by the NFL in 2022. Currently, he owns and operates his dental practice, Mike Morton DDS, in Kannapolis. He is a volunteer football coach at AL Brown HS and baseball coach at Kannapolis Middle School. He met his wife, Alana, in high school and they have 5 children. Four of his children are a set of quadruplets.



[Zoom Link](#)

Do you have a knack for creative storytelling, captivating visuals, or strategic communication?

The Public Image Committee is a dynamic team dedicated to enhancing our club's visibility, brand, and reputation. As the incoming Public Image Chair, I am thrilled to invite enthusiastic members like you to join me in this important endeavor. Whether you have previous experience in public relations or are simply eager to showcase our club's work, your unique perspective is valuable to us. We welcome all skill levels and backgrounds.

Ready to make a lasting impact and have fun while doing it? Join the Public Image Committee today! Simply reach out to me at [amanda@jarrellhomes.com](mailto:amanda@jarrellhomes.com) to express your interest or ask any questions you may have.

Let's work together to tell our club's story, inspire others, and create a positive image that resonates with our corner of the world.

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## Flags for Heroes

Last week, flyers were placed on the table along with the sponsor window clings for our flags for hero's fund-raising effort. The flyer is attached for everyone who could not attend. I am asking each member to get 2 flag sponsors for our 4th of July flag event. We have the potential to reach a goal of \$5800!!

Sponsorships are \$50 per flag and the sponsor will receive the medallion as a gift after the holiday.

I will bring the window clings for you to give to your sponsors at our upcoming meetings. Please feel free to reach out with any questions.

Thank you!!

Paula

[Flags for Hero's Flyer](#)





**100** American flags will be placed in full display in Downtown Waxhaw and Weddington over the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday. A medallion will be hung on each sponsored flag with the name of your hero. This medallion will be sent to you to as a keepsake for you to present to your hero as a token of your appreciation. Heroes are special people in our lives from neighbors, family members, our service men and women, the choice is yours! Sponsorship proceeds stay local supporting the Union County Community Shelter, Common Heart Food Pantries, the Queen City Honor Flight, and Operation Warm in Union County Public Schools.

Sponsor Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hero Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sold by (Rotarian) \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: Rotary Club of Waxhaw-Weddington. Give to Rotarian or mail to Rotary Club of Waxhaw-Weddington, PO Box 734, Waxhaw, NC 28173. One check may be written for multiple heroes.

If using the QR code, please enter name of Hero and Rotarian in the NOTE to Seller section.



\*Flags are not purchased by the flag sponsor.

Flags are owned by the Rotary Club and flown in honor of the sponsor's HERO

## Service in Action

By Lisa Hilbish

### SERVICE IN ACTION UPDATE

By: Lisa Hilbish

*"At the end of the day it's not about what you have or even what you've accomplished... it's about who you've lifted up, who you've made better. It's about what you've given back."* – [Denzel Washington](#)

Service is a big part of our "why" for Rotary and we would love to see you and your family volunteer for one of our service projects.



**Common Heart Mobile Food Pantry** – Thursday, June 1, 2023 - [Sign up here!](#)

**Spring Project**  
**at David G. Barnes Park and Picnic afterwards**—  
 our annual spring project at David Barnes park has  
 been scheduled for **Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10-12.**  
 The town has asked us to do the following:

- Trim area around the sidewalk leading to the gas station
- Straighten Rocks

- Plant mondo/liriope grass along the rock trench
- Add Pavers in front and around the bench
- Trim Tree Limbs
- Stain Sign

They will supply the mondo grass, pavers and stain. We will need manpower, tools (weed trimmers, limb trimmers, shovels, etc.) and lots of smiling faces. I am looking for 10 plus volunteers to help - please let Lisa know if you can be there.

**There will be a club social/picnic after the David G. Barnes Park beautification project. We have shelter 1 reserved at Cane Creek Park and have it for the whole day so folks can stay for a little bit or until the park closes. More information on the social will be coming soon, but there are many activities people can enjoy, like kayaking, canoeing, swimming, miniature golf, and hiking.**

[Spring Project and Picnic Sign-up](#)



**Union County Community Shelter** - We serve a meal every other month at the Shelter and our next meal (breakfast) is Saturday, **June 10th** from 7am-9am. Below is the sign-up to volunteer.

[Union County Community Shelter Meal Sign-up](#)

## CommonHeart Food Pantry Service- First Thursday of Each Month



**COMMON  
HEART**  
*a small revolution of kindness*

First Thursday of Each Month

Our Rotary club partners with The Common Heart Mobile Food Pantry at the Union UMC the first Thursday of every month. The next opportunity to participate is Thursday, June 1st, from 5:45pm to 8:00pm. We unload the truck, organize the items, and pass out much-needed food supplies to local families. This is one of our ongoing volunteer opportunities, and we still need **volunteers**.

Town Rd., Waxhaw

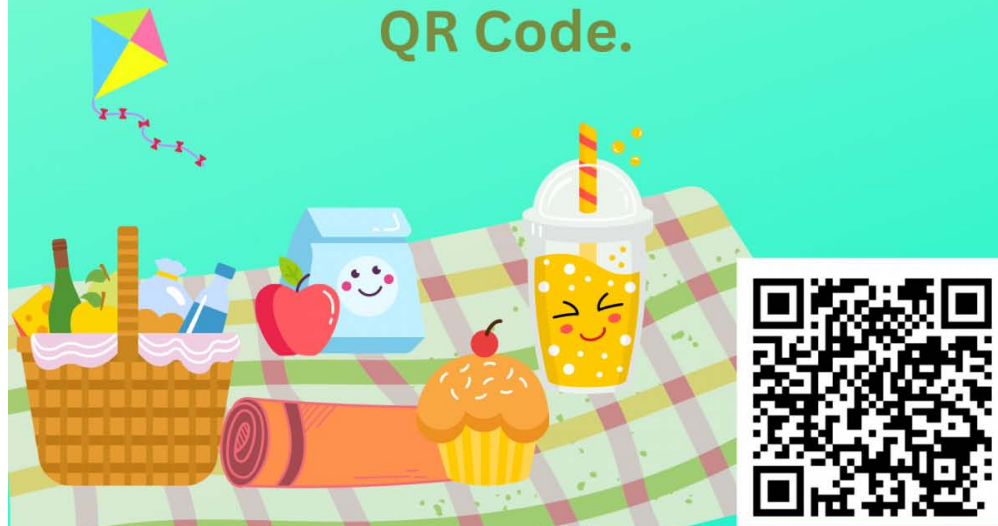
[Sign up here!](#)

**Location:** Union United Methodist Church 6315 New

## David Barnes Park Beautification and Cane Creek Picnic Celebration for Ted Platt

# David Barnes Park Beautification & Cane Creek Picnic Celebration for Ted Platt Saturday, June 3

RSVP (yes,no,maybe) for the  
park and/or picnic using the  
QR Code.



## Litter Clean up

By Michael Tyler Evola

June 24th from 11:00 - 12:30 at the Village Commons in Wesley Chapel.

We're hitting the streets, taking pride in our community by helping eliminate litter and promote a culture of environmental stewardship in our town. **Let's meet up at the Buzz at 11:00 am.**

Litter is a nasty pollutant to our environment and a drain on our resources, and we must do our part to ensure it is gotten rid of as much as possible.

So please join us! All are welcome and when we're done we'll grab a quick bite and have a drink at The Buzz.



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## Club IT Training

By Kay Persing

**June 1 is Club Training.**



Please bring your laptops and cell phones.

If you do not know your password to DACdb, please reset it.

I'd be happy to support those that need assistance.

Just reach out via call, text, or email.

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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*

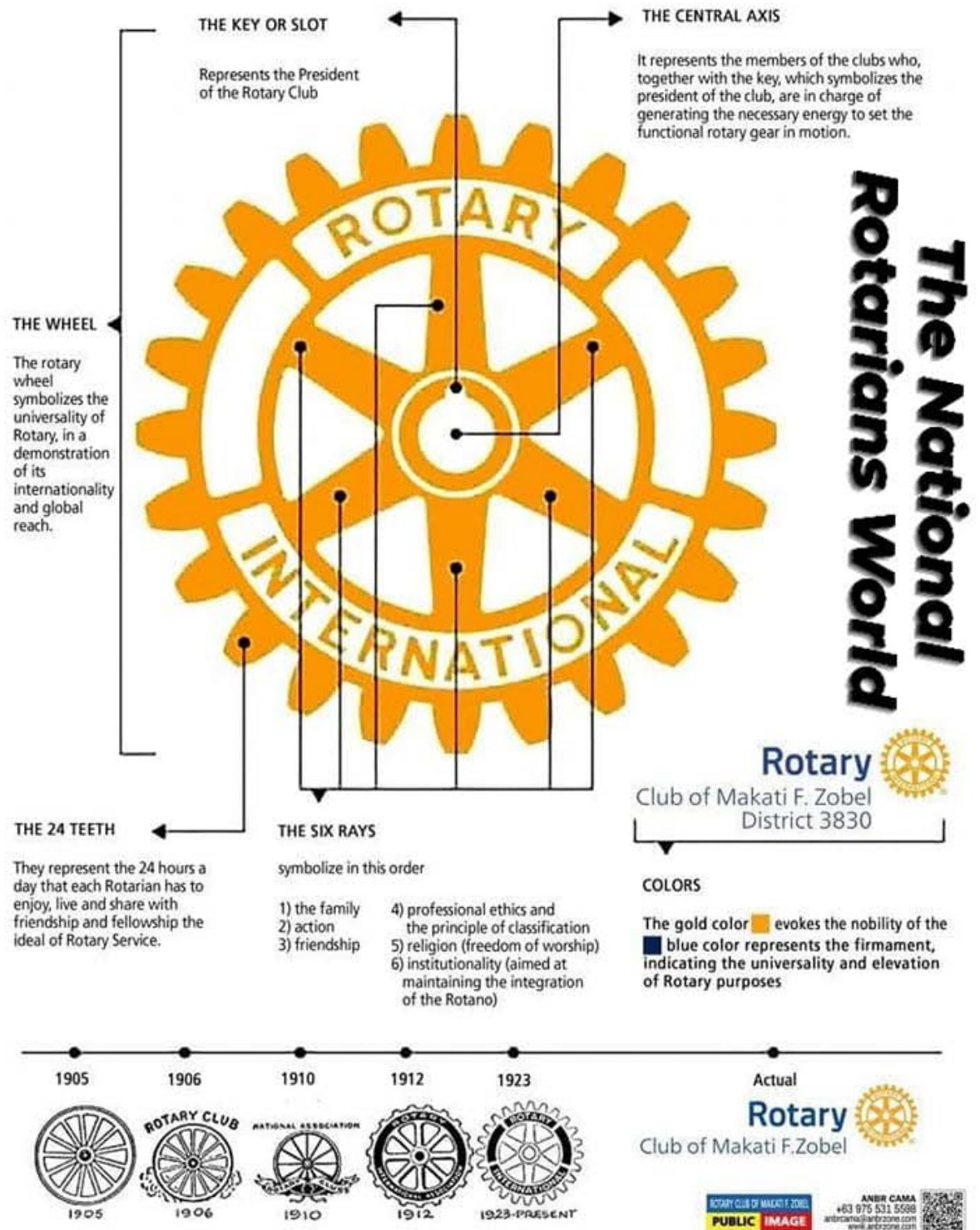
Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to  
all concerned?

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## Rotary Wheel



# WHAT DOES THE ROTARY WHEEL MEAN?



North Carolina Secretary of State Elaine Marshall



**Thank you to everyone who came to last weeks meeting to listen to North Carolina Secretary of State Elaine Marshall speak.**

We had a wonderfully full house.



## Upcoming Speakers

May 25th 2023	Mike Morton	NFL Referee
June 1st 2023		Club IT Training
June 8th 2023	Laura Sur	UC Humane Society
June 15th 2023	Beth Wood	NC State Auditor
June 22nd		Club Assembly

## Rotary Direct

***Rotary Direct! Schedule Your Contributions***

# ROTARY DIRECT

Rotary's recurring giving program



## ROTARY DIRECT SAVES...

- ✓ **Time** — Sign up once to give continuous support
- ✓ **Money** — Lower administration costs means more money for programs
- ✓ **Lives** — Give to The Rotary Foundation to do good in the world

## There are three ways to enroll in Rotary Direct:

**Online:** [my.rotary.org/en/rotary-direct](http://my.rotary.org/en/rotary-direct)  
**By mail:** Rotary Direct, 17th Floor, Annual Giving  
One Rotary Center  
1560 Sherman Avenue  
Evanston, IL 60201-3698 USA  
**By phone:** +1-866-976-8279

Manage your recurring giving at any time by signing in to My Rotary and going to Donor Self-Service.

- ☐ **YES! I INTEND TO GIVE US\$1,000 OR MORE ANNUALLY AND WILL JOIN THE PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY.\***  
☒ **YES! I WILL ENROLL IN ROTARY DIRECT.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

### IF YOU ARE A ROTARIAN, PLEASE COMPLETE.

Rotary membership ID \_\_\_\_\_

Club name \_\_\_\_\_

Club number \_\_\_\_\_

Billing address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province \_\_\_\_\_

Postal code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Contributions are tax deductible where allowed by law. For security purposes, please do not send credit card contributions via email.

\*Note: By checking this box, donors notify The Rotary Foundation of their intention to contribute US\$1,000 or more every Rotary year to the Annual Fund or PolioPlus Fund. Learn more at [rotary.org/phs](http://rotary.org/phs).

### GIFT DESIGNATION (choose one)

- ☐ Annual Fund-SHARE ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ PolioPlus Fund

### RECURRING GIFT AMOUNT (minimum US\$10)

- ☐ \$25 ☐ \$85 ☐ \$100 ☐ \$250 ☐ \$1,000 ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Currency (if not US\$) \_\_\_\_\_

### FREQUENCY

- ☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Annually (specify month) \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **CHECKING ACCOUNT**, please attach a voided check  
Available for U.S. and Canada bank accounts only  
Not available online

### CREDIT OR DEBIT CARD

- ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ AmEx ☐ Discover

Card number \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ CVN \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_



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Rotary's recurring giving program, Rotary Direct, makes giving easy, fast, and secure. You can schedule a monthly, quarterly, or annual donation that empowers Rotarians to change lives in communities around the world.

Think of how many other things you pay monthly online - this can be done just as easily!

- **You can also sign up online at [myrotary.org](http://myrotary.org)**
- **Enroll by traditional mail**
- **Enroll by phone**

**Please see Paula or Nico if you have any questions on how to sign up!!**

## Important Rotary Website Links

[Waxhaw Weddington Rotary Club](#)

[Rotary International](#)

[Dacdb](#)

[Rotary Foundation](#)

[My Rotary](#)



## CART Fund and Happy Dollars



A Project of the Rotary Clubs of North America

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

CART (Coins for Alzheimer's Research) Fund:  
<https://mycartfund.org/index.cfm>

**We are no longer using PayPal  
for payments to Waxhaw-**

**Weddington Rotary.** 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).

