

# Rotary



# Club of Waxhaw-Weddington

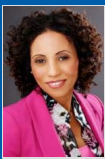
## Club Meeting

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

## Club Leaders



Marcus A. Watson  
President



Yorda Kidane  
President-Elect



Kay Persing  
Secretary



Stephen David Koehler  
Treasurer



Kathleen Thurston  
Public Relations  
Chair



Kate Turner  
Bulletin Editor



Marnie E. Carter  
Membership Chair



Larry Hook  
Rotary Foundation  
Chair



Athanasios A. Koutsaftis  
Sergeant-at-Arms



Lisa Hilbish  
Club Service Chair

## May 26th

**"Our greatest glory is not in never failing, but in rising up every time we fail."**

**– Ralph Waldo Emerson**



## The Weekly Agenda

**Welcome Waxhaw-Weddington Rotarians and Guests!**  
**Thursday, May 26th**

7:30am	Breakfast and Social Time	
7:35am	Welcome	Marcus Watson (See Schedule Below)
7:40am	Invocation & Pledge	Athanasios Koutsaftis
	Guest Introductions	New Member
	Health & Happiness	Committee Chairs
	Announcements	Members
7:55am	Happy Dollars	
8:05am	Introduce Program	TBD
	TBD	All
	For the Good of Rotary	Marcus Watson
	The 4-Way Test	
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 26th	Cynthia Schick
June 2nd	Paula Smith



Michael Webber  
Youth Services  
Chair



Jeanne M. Pritt  
Past President  
iPast President



Paula Jeanne Smith  
Assistant Governor-  
Union County

June 9th	August Sundermeier
June 16th	Fiona Swaenepoel

## Events

January 13th  
[Waxhaw-Weddington  
Service Committee  
Meeting](#)

June 6th  
[Fundraising/PR committee  
Meeting](#)

June 9th  
[Waxhaw-Weddington  
Service Committee  
Meeting](#)

June 16th  
[Thirsty Thursday -  
Waxhaw Weddington  
Social](#)

## Birthdays

Gary Summerfield  
May 1st  
Henry Derek Carpenter  
May 4th  
D. Craig Horn  
May 9th  
Kay Persing  
May 14th  
Michael G. Reddington  
May 15th  
Bob Morgan  
May 18th  
Myra Rowell  
May 21st  
David Willis  
May 22nd

## Member Anniversaries

Nicolino Iannelli  
05-06-2010  
12 Years

## Hybrid Meetings!

Hybrid meetings are now in effect. 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!

## Help Needed

### Calling all Rotarians

Athanasios, our fantastic Sargent-at-Arms, will be out for the month of May.

We need volunteers to help with the Thursday morning meeting set up and Sargent-at-Arms duties. **The morning set up starts at 6:30 am.**

If you can lend a hand, reach out to Marcus or Kay to let them know.

**Athanasios thanks you all for your help in his absence.**



## Upcoming Dates

**May 28th - Memorial Day Flag Set up - Downtown Waxhaw at 10 am**

**May 30th - Memorial Day Flag Removal - Downtown Waxhaw late evening (time TBD)**

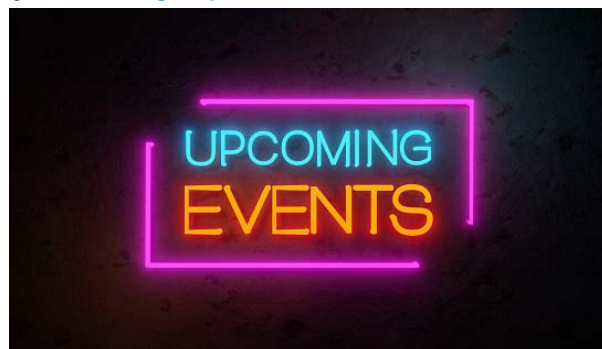
**June 2nd - Common Heart Food Pantry Serve - [Sign up here!](#)**

**June 6th - PR/Fundraising  
Committee Meeting - [Zoom Link](#)**

**June 16th - BOARD MEETING after  
regular meeting & Thirsty Thursday  
at Dreamchaser**

**June 23rd - No regular meeting -  
instead at 6:30 pm at Millbridge  
Community House we will be  
inducting Yorda Kidane as President**

**June 25th - Union County  
Community Shelter (Breakfast)  
Service - [Sign up here!](#)  
[Read More](#)**



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## Flags for Heroes



Memorial Day is almost here and it is time to put up the flags. We will be meeting in downtown Waxhaw on Saturday, 5/28 at 10 am to put up the flags and will meet again to take them down on Monday, 5/30 late in the evening.

As a reminder, we are only "selling" flags for July 4th. Our goal is to sell at least 100 flags at \$50 each to raise a goal of \$500. So far we have sold about 18 flags, so we still have a ways to go. A medallion will be added to the flag

for the July 4th holiday and then the purchaser will get the medallion once the holiday is over.

Visit the website to purchase a flag in honor of a Hero for July 4th.

[Here is the Flyer to print or post](#)

Website: [2022 Flags for Heroes](#)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/flagsforheroeswaxhaw>

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## CommonHeart Food Pantry Service

### - First Thursday of Each Month



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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, May 5th 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**.

**Location:** Union United Methodist Church 6315 New Town Rd., Waxhaw

[Sign up here!](#)

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## PR/Fundraising Committee Meeting

Public Relations and Fundraising is an integral part of our club. Without it we could not do ANY of the good in the community that we currently do. The money we raise goes to service projects such as gifts for our Christmas bureau families, Common Heart, Turning Point, Community Shelter, Charitable Giving, and Honor Flight, just to name a few. Promoting ourselves and our endeavors in the community helps us have greater reach with our fundraising and greater impact with our giving.



We meet on the first Monday of every month at 5:30 via zoom.

**If you are looking to do something that will be impactful, this is it! The PR/Fundraising committee needs additional help from members.**

Here is the link to attend our next meeting. [Zoom Link](#)

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## Serving at the UC Community Shelter

By Lisa Hilbish

Union County Community Shelter



We will be serving meals at the Union County Community Shelter on the following dates (all are Saturdays): **June 25th(Lunch)**.

**We are still looking for 2 more volunteer for the Saturday, June 25th lunch at the shelter. Please follow the sign-up genius link in the newsletter if you can help. Thank you!**

Below is the link to sign up to volunteer for these meals:

[Community Shelter Sign-up For April and June](#)

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## May 2022

**May is Youth Service Month and we will be including something in the newsletter each upcoming week to highlight the different areas of Youth Services.**



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## Scholarship Update

Get the word out! In our continued efforts to partner with our community, Waxhaw-Weddington Rotary Club is sponsoring scholarships to an NC College available to graduating students at Parkwood, Weddington, Cuthbertson, and Marvin Ridge High Schools. **Application deadline extended to the end of May. Apply now!** Below are some links to the scholarship and to the school counseling websites. Reach out to Mike Webber at [Michael@webbertechservices.com](mailto:Michael@webbertechservices.com) or Paula Smith with any questions.



[Application](#)

[Cuthbertson High School Counseling Scholarship link \(https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/4593\)](https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/4593)

[Marvin Ridge High School Counseling Scholarship link \(https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/4704\)](https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/4704)

[Parkwood High School Counseling link \(https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/3851\)](https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/3851)

[Weddington High School Counseling link \(https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Domain/889\)](https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Domain/889)

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**Mike Weber and the Youth Services committee are still looking for people to sponsor a youth. Here is some information about the program. Please reach out to Mike if you want to get involved.**

## **Rotary Youth Exchange builds peace one young person at a time.**

Students learn a new language, discover another culture, and truly become global citizens. Exchanges for students ages 15-19 are sponsored by Rotary clubs in more than 100 countries.

### **What are the benefits?**

Exchange students unlock their true potential to:

- Develop lifelong leadership skills
- Learn a new language and culture
- Build lasting friendships with young people from around the world
- Become a global citizen

### **How long do exchanges last?**

Long-term exchanges last a full academic year, and students attend local schools and live with multiple host families.

Short-term exchanges last from several days to three months and are often structured as camps, tours, or homestays that take place when school is not in session.

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## **SFTL**

# **SEMINAR FOR TOMORROW'S LEADERS**

**Empowering our Next Generation of Leaders!**

*JULY 14-17, 2022 GARDNER-WEBB UNIVERSITY*

Our club is again sponsoring student scholarships this year to SFTL!



### **What is SFTL?**

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) is a Rotary International initiative, sponsored by Rotary Districts throughout the world. This is an opportunity to help our next generation of leaders define themselves and expand their skills.

In 2009, Rotary District 7680 partnered with CCL (Center for Creative Learning) to

design a leadership course for high school students, using the same framework delivered to global executives, policymakers and military officers. Tools developed over 50 years of transforming lives-each principal is intentionally crafted in the classroom, then reinforced with activities.

### **What is the goal of SFTL?**

Within a nurturing and challenging environment, students blossom as they move through principles that empower them to increase self-awareness and develop life-changing skills; giving and receiving feedback; effective group communication; applied leadership and ethics; vision and goal-setting; non-verbal communication; self-assessment; increasing emotional intelligence and reflection.

### **How is SFTL organized?**

Small clusters of 8 students, led by a Rotarian Mentor, gather to debrief, recap, and clarify. Activities may be performed within the cluster. These groups foster discussions about goals, ambitions, careers, college plans, and relationships.

Life-long friendships may develop...

**We are also looking for volunteers. Now is a great time to engage and help develop the leaders of tomorrow! The Center for Creative Leadership (<https://www.ccl.org/>) creates a great experience for both the students and the volunteers.**

[Facebook link](https://www.facebook.com/SFTL.Rotary7680) (<https://www.facebook.com/SFTL.Rotary7680>)

[Instagram link](https://www.instagram.com/Rotary7680sftl/) (<https://www.instagram.com/Rotary7680sftl/>)

[District 7680 Website](https://rotary7680.org/sftl2/) (<https://rotary7680.org/sftl2/>)

Reach out to Cristina Capello or to Mike Webber with any questions.



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## **CART Fund and Happy Dollars**



A Project of the Rotary Clubs of North America

To see a presentation about the CART Fund & 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>

PayPal link for Happy

Dollars, dues payment and donations:  
<https://www.paypal.me/rotarywaxhawweddingt>

