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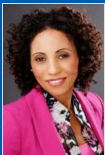


Club of Waxhaw-Weddington

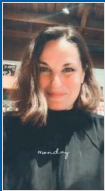
Club Meeting

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



Kimberley Angeli
Public Relations Chair
Fundraising Chair



Kate Turner
Bulletin Editor

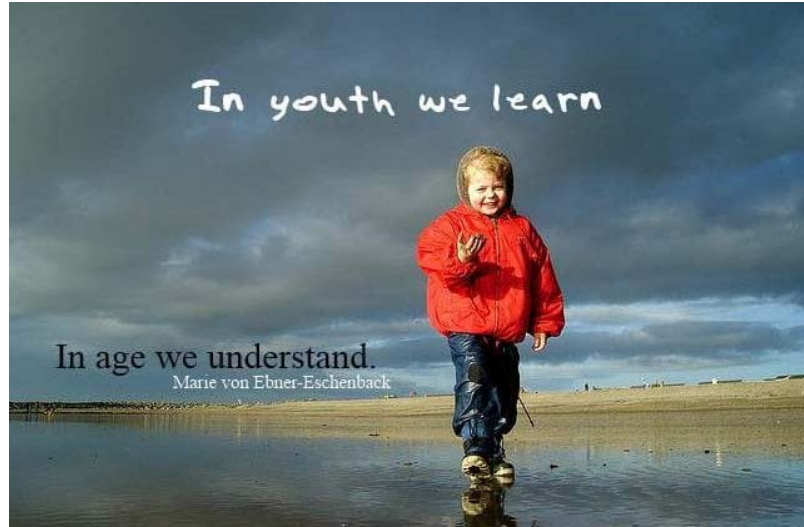


Athanasios A. Koutsaftis
Sergeant-at-Arms



Paula Jeanne Smith
Rotary Foundation Chair

Fiona



The Weekly Agenda

Welcome Waxhaw-Weddington Rotarians and Guests!
Thursday, May 4th

| | | |
|--------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 7:15am | Breakfast and Social Time | |
| 7:30am | Welcome | Yorda Kidane (See Schedule Below) |
| | Invocation & Pledge | Athanasios Koutsaftis |
| 7:40am | Guest Introductions | Michael Evola |
| | Health & Happiness | Committee Chairs |
| | Announcements | Members |
| 7:55am | Happy Dollars | Yorda Kidane |
| 8:05am | Introduce Program | Kamella Emmanuel |
| | Keep Evolving Consulting | All |
| | For the Good of Rotary | Yorda Kidane |
| | 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 4th | Myra Rowell |
| May 11th | Paula Smith |
| May 18th | Elizabeth Sol |
| May 25th | Fiona Swaenepoel |

Hybrid Meetings!



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 3rd
Waxhaw-
Weddington Weekly
Membership
Committee Meeting

May 4th
Waxhaw-
Weddington Weekly
Club Meeting
Speaker: Kamella
Emmanuel
Subject: Keep
Evolving Consulting

May 10th
Youth Services
Committee Meeting

May 11th
Waxhaw-
Weddington Weekly
Club Meeting
Speaker: Chris Howard
Subject: Wellness
Program

May 11th
Waxhaw-
Weddington Service
Committee Meeting

May 13th
Solo Stove Raffle

May 18th
Waxhaw-
Weddington Weekly
Club Meeting
Speaker: Elaine
Marshall
Subject: NC Secretary
of State

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!

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!

Public Relations update

By Kimberley Angeli

Rotary Speaker
May 4, 2023
Kamella Emmanuel
Founder
Keep Evolving Consulting

Rotary
Waxhaw
Weddington

Speaker this week: Kamella Emmanuel, Founder, Keep Evolving Consulting - When it comes to diversity and inclusion, Kamella Emmanuel goes all in with a passion and zeal that is enviable. She is a Certified Diversity Consultant.

Volunteers Needed!



We need volunteers for Saturday, May 13th for the Kaleidoscope Festival where we will be selling Flags for Heroes Sponsorships, Nothing Bundt Cakes and Raffle Tickets!
Click Here to Register!! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AACA72FA5FBC07-kaleidoscope>

Birthdays

Henry Derek Carpenter
May 4th
D. Craig Horn
May 9th

Member Anniversaries

Nicolino Iannelli
05-06-2010
13 Years

Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding
Anniversaries Found

If you are on Nextdoor, please share our meeting event on your page and say you are attending
– [Click Here to Share on Nextdoor](#)

Service in Action

By Lisa Hilbish

SERVICE IN ACTION UPDATE

By: Lisa Hilbish

"Remember that the happiest people are not those getting more, but those giving more." – H. Jackson Brown Jr.

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**

a small revolution of kindness

Common Heart Mobile Food Pantry – Thursday, May 4, 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 3rd 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

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



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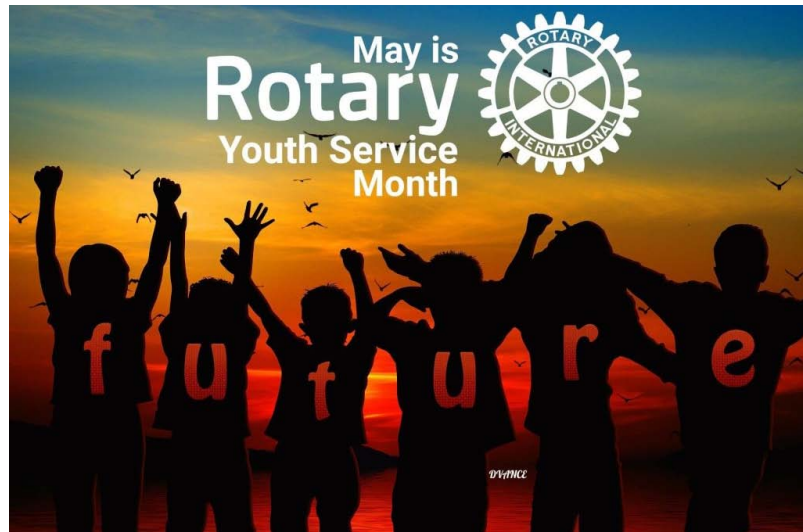
a small revolution of kindness

opportunity to participate is Thursday, May 4th, 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!](#)

May 2023



Upcoming Dates

May 4th - Common Heart Food Pantry Service opportunity - [Sign up here!](#)

May 5th - Membership committee Meeting - [Zoom Link](#)

May 13th - Kalidescope Festival in Waxhaw - volunteers need to work our booth. [Sign up Here](#)

May 18th - Our speaker will be Elaine Marshall, the NC Secretary of State - Let's pack the house!

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

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

June 24th - Litter Pick up - 11:00 - 12:30 at the Village Commons in Wesley Chapel - Meet up at the Buzz.



Upcoming District Events

May 4th - Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) - Parts 1, 2, & 3 In-person (in conjunction with the Joint District Conference)
Le Meridien Charlotte
[555 South McDowell](#), North Tower

**May 5th thru 7th - District Conference - Charlotte
Joint Conference with District 7690**

Our joint 7680/7690 District Conference is from May 5-7, 2023 at Le Meridien Hotel, Charlotte, NC. There are options to register for the full conference, which is Friday through Sunday, or just register for the Friday or Saturday banquet. We're planning on offering excursions at a later date. More info will be provided in the following months.
Register on DACDB!

Upcoming Speaker



Please go ahead and mark your calendars for May 18.

We want as many members in attendance for a very special guest speaker. Michael has invited and confirmed North Carolina Secretary of State Elaine Marshall to speak at our morning meeting. She is the first woman to serve as Secretary of State and has continued to serve since 1997. Very exciting!

Upcoming Speakers

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|---------------|------------------|--------------------------|
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| May 11th 2023 | Chris Howard | Wellness Program |
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| June 1st 2023 | | Club IT Training |

Scholarship Awards

By Paula Jeanne Smith

This year we have a unique opportunity to combine our Janice and Chuck DeMund scholarship with the Rotary Club of Monroe - Breakfast scholarship fund. The Monroe Breakfast club has a long standing scholarship fund with a legacy of giving approximately \$200K plus over the years. It is completely funded by their annual golf tournament.

We will have our scholarship(s) presented at their dinner on May 18th, details to follow. The students will be guests at one of our upcoming meetings to present their essays on the 4-way test.

Why You Should Attend The District Conference

Don't Forget the May 5-7 Joint District Conference in Charlotte.

Join us at our
JOINT CONFERENCE
7680 & 7690

5-7 MAY

IMAGINE ROTARY
LE MERIDIEN CHARLOTTE
555 S McDowell St Tower
Charlotte, NC 28204

EXPERIENCE ROTARY BEYOND YOUR CLUB
Awards, service projects, excursions, Kentucky Derby night, magic show, talent show and much more!!

Support our Sponsors!
Options for Friday banquet, Saturday banquet or Full Conference!

Open to Interactors, Rotaractors, Rotarians and guests!

Register today at: <http://www.rotary7680.org/districtconference>

Highlights you don't want to miss!!

SERVICE PROJECTS

- SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK OF METROLINA
- FEEDING CHARLOTTE
- PROMISING PAGES
- DIAPER BANK

BREAKOUTS

- GROW ROTARY: The Future of Rotary
- POWER OF PARTNERSHIPS
- DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

ENTERTAINMENT

- Show Us Your Talent
- LIVE Music!

Food Drive

Paula will be happy to collect all the canned goods over the next few weeks and deliver them to the District Conference on Thursday May 4th!

7680
7690

IMAGINE ROTARY

Food/Fund Drive
May 5

A Friendly Competition!
District 7680 and District 7690
Most Weight Wins!
\$ count too since \$1 = 7 pounds of food
Brings Cans or "Dough"

Rotary

Needed Items

- Canned Fish or Meat
- Peanut Butter
- Canned Low-Sodium Soups or Stews
- Canned or Dry Beans
- Canned Fruits in Juice
- Canned Low-Sodium Vegetables

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.

Rotary Hikers



SATURDAY, May 20th 2023,
from 11:00 AM – 1 PM

Rotary Hikers - Spring Hike

Join us at Landsford Canal State Park right on the Catawba River, only 30 minutes from Waxhaw in South Carolina, for a hike through the ruins of a canal system built during the 1800s and see the Spider Lillies bloom along the river.

This hike is ranked as easy and non-strenuous for folks of all abilities to enjoy. Be sure to bring any and all supplies such as appropriate clothing and footwear, water, snacks, etc., for this hike.

May 20 from 11:00 AM-1:00PM

Important Rotary Website Links

[Waxhaw Weddington Rotary Club](#)

[Rotary International](#)

[Dacdb](#)

[Rotary Foundation](#)

[My Rotary](#)

Litter Clean up

By Michael Tyler Evola

The date has moved to 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.



Brave Conversations on Race

By Cristina Tisa Capello



OUR STORIES
Brave Conversations on Race

A safe place to learn,
grow & understand



My skin color is different from yours.
My life experiences are different from yours.
Let's listen to each other's stories,
and together, build some peace.

To Learn & Join in
our conversations
Scan Here!



How does our unique program work?
Five white people & five people of color
join a zoom call with trained facilitators.
The group meets once a week for six weeks.
**Relationships & trust builds.
Transformation happens!**

As a reminder, our District was recently approved as a chapter by the founders of "Our Stories", an initiative created by two Rotarians in District 7710, which provides a safe setting for sharing and discussing stories about race. These safe conversations allow you to engage with people who may look differently than you and have differing life experiences. The central learning from "Our Stories" is that all these stories are important because all of our experiences have value. When we see each other's humanity, we can bring peace to America. And peace, of course, is central to all of us as Rotarians.

If you are interested in participating in a group, please click "[Apply Today](#)" and ensure you select "Charlotte" from the locations dropdown.

Our Stories – Meet the District 7680 DEI Committee

Our Committee currently has seven full Members and about 18 Club Ambassadors. If your club does not currently have an Ambassador, please contact either of our co-Chairs, Chris or Rina Arline and get your club involved as a part of our initiative. Until then, we want you to know who we are. We hope you take a few minutes to meet our members and get to know who, and why, we are. This month, we are featuring two members.

Our Stories: [Rotary Member Christina Capello](#)

Our Stories: [Rotary Member Kevin Kendrick](#)

We hope you take a moment to visit us at this site which can be accessed on our District webpage at: [Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion – Rotary District 7680](#) (rotary7680.org)

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?

The Winner of the Membership Committee's "Bring a Guest Contest" for April will be drawn this week!

April's drawing is for a \$50 gift card to Cork and Ale!


Bring a guest this week to be added to the May drawing!!



Members who have qualified so far:

| Member | Date | # of Guests |
|----------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Amanda Jarrell | 4/13/23 & 4/27/23 | 2 |
| Chris Howard | 4/13/23 | 1 |
| Larry Hook | 4/20/23 | 1 |
| Gayle Fox | 4/27/23 | 1 |

Four Way Test

Rotary  **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?

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.

