



CREATE HOPE  
in the WORLD

## Club Meeting

Concord-Afton Sunset  
Meets at High Branch Brewing Company at Gibson Mills  
305 McGill Avenue, Ste 100  
Concord, NC 28027  
Time: Tuesday at 06:00 PM

## Events

July 11th  
**Concord-Afton  
Sunset  
Weekly Club  
Meeting**

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## Club news Week of July 1, 2023

By Pramod Joglekar on Monday, July 3, 2023

Hello fellow Rotarians - Concord Afton Sunset:

This is my first bulletin for the new year as President for 2023/24 year, and I want to start by saying Thank You for putting your trust in me to be our clubs President for 2023/24. As I said during the Installation event, while I will do my best in stepping up to drive the clubs' activities and grow the club, I will need all of the support from each member, the committees and the club officers.

I am still navigating my way around the logistics of publishing the bulletins and keeping the website updated with information I can share with the club members. I am trying to use DACdb to drive this from one place, but I realize it is not going to be easy, so I appreciate your patience thru this.

We will not be having a meeting this week, July 4th in observance of Independence Day. So, enjoy the holiday with family and friends and be safe.

We will have a service event on July 11 where we will be assembling bags for the Child Protective Services to provide basic essentials. We will have more details sent out in the next couple of days.

As you all know, we are now moving to a new location within Gibson Mills. We will start meeting at the Community Hall at High Branch Brewing Company.

I look forward to the new Rotary year, and help drive the message of '**Create Hope in the World**'.

See you all on July 11.

Happy 4th all!

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## Concord Afton Sunset Rotary Club: Meet our new club for year -2023/24

Sunday, July 2, 2023



Meet the Concord-[Afton Sunset Rotary Club](#) for the year 2023/2024, a group of diverse individuals who are from all walks of life coming together for the purpose of serving the Concord Community. This year's Rotary theme is **Create Hope in the World** and lead by our new [Rotary International](#) President - **Gordon McNally**. Our club has fully embraced this theme and is ready to take this to the community by 'Creating Hope in our Communities', says **Pramod Joglekar**, the club's President for the 2023/2024 fiscal year. Pramod and his club members are committed to expanding the clubs involvement in the community and increase Rotary's awareness in the community.

The club's signature service project, 9SchoolTools, collects school supplies for Cabarrus County and Kannapolis City Schools. This year is the club's 6th year participating in 9SchoolTools. The club also has served our communities' elder population by supplying them with personal items at Christmas time, feeding the hungry, partnered with Cabarrus Health Alliance to help with vaccination clinics and more. The club has also done a host of international projects in previous years.

If you are looking for a place to fellowship with friends and serve your community, Concord-Afton Sunset may be your avenue to doing just that. All are welcome to visit the club on every Tuesday at 6:00 PM at High Branch Brewing Company at 305 McGill Avenue, Ste 100 in Concord (@Gibson Mills).

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## Message From New Governor - Debra Corbett

By Pramod Joglekar on Sunday, July 2, 2023

Dear Rotary Family and Friends,

Today is July 1st! I extend greetings and a heartfelt welcome to a new Rotary year! In other words, "Howdy y'all!" I am filled with immense joy and gratitude to begin serving as your District Governor today. Rotary International President, Gordon McNally, unites our focus to **Create Hope in the World** on the heels of a banner year with Past Rotary International President, Jennifer Jones. When our dreams guide our steps, we walk with a hope that ignites action.

We are People of Action!

As we bridge a year of imagining Rotary with Creating Hope in the World, I want to thank our immediate Past District Governor Kam Chandan, his leadership team, and all the 2022-23 presidents for leading us through an amazing year of service and

fellowship.

As we embark on this new year, let us remember that each action, no matter how small, has the potential to ignite a spark of hope and transform lives. Together, we get to affect positive change, inspiring hope in the hearts of individuals, families, and communities, both locally and around the world.

I invite each one of you to embrace your Rotary journey and carry the spirit of hope in your heart. DARE to stretch your ideas, launch new projects, expand your membership footprints, and grow your clubs. SHARE your time, talent, treasures, and stories. Sharing stories is the glue for building relationships. Sharing our talent and treasures is the fuel that fills our ability to take action through amazing projects that create lasting change. Finally, CARE about people and lead with your hearts. Listen well and generously care about each other; equally caring about those we serve. Together, we are the dream team and can create a world where hope shines brightly and where the collective strength of our Rotary family leads the way.

Thank you for your unwavering commitment to Rotary and for joining hands to **Create Hope in the World**. I am honored to serve as your District Governor, and I am excited about the incredible possibilities that lie ahead. Go Rotary!

Cheers,

Debb Corbett  
District Governor, Rotary District 7680



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## Launching the SchoolTools Collection Drive 2023

By Pramod Joglekar on Sunday, July 2, 2023



Mobile Unit Secured - Check  
Bins and Tables cleaned - Check  
Sleeves Rolled - Check

Here we go folks! We are getting our SchoolTools collection drive kicked off this week. We have secured the Mobile Unit at Northwest Cabarrus Middle School and set up the Mobile Unit with the empty bins and tables. We also moved a few supplies into the trailer already this weekend.

We are now all set to distribute the bins and set up collection drives at various community locations and start building awareness of this drive. Please share ideas for locations of barrels and boxes for collections from now through August 7th. **We need more locations** to reach out into the community. Churches have been very successful collection locations. Can you hold a supply drive at your place of work, your bank, your church, or even with your Book Club or gym?

Can we hold a drive by supply collection in your neighborhood? Can a barrel be placed at your neighborhood clubhouse?

As information, places already being contacted for collections or donations: Harris Teeter, Target, Team Honeycutt/Allen Tate, St. James Catholic Church.

As soon as we have some collection events planned, there will be sign-ups. Please bring your friends and family to these events and help us make this a successful drive.

Please contact the Service Committee (Chair: Cindy Fertenbaugh) or Pramod Joglekar with any questions or feedback.

Below is a sample list of donations for this drive. We have shopping lists which can be provided in a pdf format if you like, or already printed in small quantities.

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[Read More](#)

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## What Is Rotary?

Rotary is an organization of business and professional leaders



united worldwide, who provide **humanitarian service**, encourage **high ethical standards** in all vocations, and help to build **goodwill and peace** in the world. Rotary today is some 1.2 million service minded men and women belonging to some 34,000 Rotary Clubs in 200 countries. Our local club has a stable membership of around 27 men and women. [Read More](#)

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## Monthly Theme

