

PROGRAM: Jim Albright TOPIC: "What happens when I dial 911 in a medical emergency"

Introduction: Sarah Barker

Sgt. at Arms: Lee Gann & Sharon Smith

Invocation:

Greeters: Nancy Bowman & Gary Newcomb



Rotary Club of High Point

Thursday 12:00 Noon

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Rotary Zone 33

Rotary District 7690

Rotary Club # 6062

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This Week at ROTARY

Jim Albright is the current director of Guilford County Emergency Services. Emergency Services provides numerous community functions including EMS, Emergency Management, Fire Marshal's Office, and coordination of the County Fire system.



Mr. Albright is a Greensboro native and graduate of Grimsley High School. He has an undergraduate degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a graduate degree from UNC-Greensboro.

He has been employed by Guilford County since 1989 and has served in a number of capacities including Paramedic, EMS Captain, Assistant Shift Commander, Training Officer, Administrative Officer, and Deputy Director.

Prior to working for Guilford County, he was employed by Orange County EMS, and was a volunteer with South Orange Rescue Squad and Carrboro Fire Department.

He is also active with the NC Association of EMS Administrators and serves on the Guilford County Behavioral Health Oversight Committee and the North Carolina EMS Advisory Council. He is also the founding member of Guilford County Solutions to the Opioid Problem (GCSTOP) which is a harm reduction and treatment navigation collaborative.



The Polio Plus Challenge is Back!

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Last Week at ROTARY



Slade Lewis welcomed us on a blustery day and led the Pledge. One of our two newest members, Gary Newcomb, handled the invocation. Having no microphone at the podium last week made it sometimes difficult to hear in the room. Mary Sizemore welcomed out guests that included John Joyce from our BBQ Presenting Sponsor Bethany Medical and new member pro-

spect Dottie Clark. Slade made sure we all realized he remembered his glasses this week and he hadn't missed a thing. There we NO birthdays or anniversaries this week. Slade moved into Happy Dollars and Kristen, George, and Slade all had good things to share.

Kristen Hoskins kicked off the Polio Plus Campaign (see page two) by announcing the \$ 6,000 match from the Family foundation of her and the late Dave McCoy. We are grateful for their continued support! She invited members to even join the Polio Plus Promise and pledge a hundred dollars a year until Polio is eradicated.

Ken Esposito presented a check for \$ 7,500 to the High Point Fire Department for their Smoke Detector installation project, one that installed over 1,000 free detectors last year. Proceeds came from our BBQ and auction. John Joyce, representing our presenting sponsor, Bethany Medical, was present for the ceremony. Following the ceremony, George White thanked Joyce and the folks at Bethany for their commitment to Rotary and our community.

Ken announced that 28 were going to the HPU-Presbyterian basketball game on Saturday as part of a Club social. He also rolled out the Queen of Hearts deck and a \$ 1,235 pot. The winning number was read out and no one stepped forward. After several readings and with the winner's chance going, going, going almost gone, Gary Newcomb realized he had that single ticket in his possession. It only takes one ticket to win if it is the right ticket. But he drew the 6 of spades and we play on!

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY



**RYAN
ROSS**
Friday
January
19th

HAPPY CLUB ANNIVERSARY



**BOB
DAVIS**
January
19th
58 Years



**GEORGE
WHITE**
January
22nd
16 Years

AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

The Polio Plus Challenge



\$ 6,000
\$ 5,000
\$ 4,000
\$ 3,000
\$ 2,000
\$ 1,000

A donor has generously offered to match donations to the Polio Plus Campaign up to a cumulative max of \$ 6,000.

Won't YOU take up the challenge?

Help us reach this goal in Record Time!

To make your donation, see, call, or email Kristen Hoskins.

LET THE CHALLENGE BEGIN!

The Ever Popular
ACC Day
is Coming:
March 13th

ABSENT: Jan. 16, 2025

Aldridge, Bloom Martin, Byrd, Collins, Coulson, R.A. Davis, Draelos, Dunbar, Fuller, Gibson, Ilderton, Jackson, Johnson, Lee, Lessard, Liebscher, Mendenhall, Nelson, Patterson, Ross, Rutherford, Dw Shaw, Thomas, Webster, West, Whitley

Recently Spotted Sign: *Don't raise your voice, improve your argument!*

QUEEN OF HEARTS



The Newbie. Newcomb, almost lost his chance to draw when he didn't check his number quickly. Going, going, going Oh, it's me he exclaimed! No matter. Gary pulled the six of spades. **PLAY ON !**

\$ 1,235

on the Line

Make-Ups: Jan. 9, 2025

Aldridge, Foushee, Iwan, Lackey, Nelson

We will miss Dr. Tracey Smith and Mr. Rich Newman who have resigned from the Club.

Thurs. Jan. 30th Melody Burnett Visit High Point	Thurs. Feb. 6th Brianna Racchini & Nicki Hilton Triad Ladder of Hope Human Trafficking Resource Center	COMING ATTRACTIONS	Thurs. Feb. 13th BG (Ret) James R. Gorham His Life Story	Thurs. Feb. 20th T.B.A.
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MEALS ON WHEELS

Thursday, Jan. 23rd
 Call Clark Pierce to Help!
 336- 918-2894
 clarkpierce72cu@gmail.com

FEEDING LISA'S KIDS

Wednesday, Feb. 5th
 Contact Carroll Brown to help!
 adpcorp@triad.rr.com
 336-689-0056

LOCAL & DISTRICT

District 7690
The Jim Armstrong
Four Way Test Speech Contest


Local High Point Rotary
 Club Competition
 Tuesday, February 11th
 Wesleyan Christian Academy

Top Three Finishers Attend
 Rotary and we will be treat-
 ed to the Winner's Speech
 Thursday, February 20th


ROTARY District 7690
Speech Contest
Saturday, February 22nd

Cash Prizes at Club and
District Levels. District Win-
ner will give their speech at
District Conference


HPFD SMOKE DETECTOR CHECK PRESENTATION



City of
HIGH POINT
Fire Department



Ken Esposito handled the Check Presentation from Rotary for \$ 7,500.




John Joyce, representing presenting sponsor Bethany Medical, is pictured with HPFD Representatives accepting the check.



Welcome back Jessica McKnight. A former member of the Club, Jessica has elected to rejoin us at Rotary. She is the President of the family business, CarneyCo, a strategy first, full-service marketing communications agency

WELL KNOWN POLIO OVERCOMERS

Judith Marjorie Collins is an American singer-songwriter and musician with a career spanning seven decades. An Academy Award-nominated documentary director and a Grammy Award-winning recording artist, she is known for her eclectic tastes in the material she records for her social activism, and for the clarity of her voice.



Judy Collins

Collins experienced the biggest success of her career with her recording of Stephen Sondheim's "Send in the Clowns" from her tenth studio album *Judith*. She is also well known for the hit "Both Sides, Now".

Collins contracted polio at the age of 11 and spent two months in isolation in a hospital

Rotary Carolinas' PETS  **March 14-15, 2025**
at the Sheraton Greensboro

Rotary District 7690  **Grants Management Training**
January 25th Asheboro

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
 **CALGARY 2025** **June 21-25, 2025**

DISTRICT CONFERENCE LIVE FROM CHEROKEE
MAY 1 - MAY 4, 2025

Basketball Social

 **BASKETBALL SOCIAL**
More pictures next week.




ROTARY CLUB of HIGH POINT	
2024-2025 Officers, Boards, Committees	
President	Slade Lewis
President Elect	Ricardo Siordia
Vice President	Scott Wagoner
Secretary	Mary Sizemore
Treasurer	Amy West
Immediate Past President	Ken Esposito
Executive Secretary	Kristen Hoskins
Sergeant-At-Arms	George White & Gus Schwenk
District Liaison	Joanne Iwan
Membership Retention	George White
Special Recognitions	John Anderson, Joel Gentry Gus Schwenk, Barry Nelson
Condolences	Sharon Smith
Greeters	Steve Ilderton
Blue Badge Administration	Jamie Lee
Football Pool Master	Tony Bertschi
Rotary History	David Wall
Birthday Cards	Nancy Baker
Membership Recruitment	Jeff Benfield
Classification	Gus Schwenk
Orientation	
Attendance	Mary Sizemore
Social Events	
Club Public Image	Guy Lucas
Spokesman Newsletter	Mark Pierce
Website Development	
Social Media	Carol Hughes
Press Releases	Wayne Rutherford
Photography	Myra Clodfelter
Club Administration	Catherine Mendenhall
Luncheon Committee	Don Shaw
District Conf. Contacts	S. Lewis / R. Siordia
Youth Services	
Interact	Jeff Fuller
RYLA	
Local Scholarships	HPRF decision
School/Student Relations	Jeff Fuller
Job Shadowing	
Children's Christmas Party	Ricardo Siordia
4 Way Test Speech Contest	Don Shaw
Community Srvc Projects	Jamie Lee
Literacy (Read-A-Thon)	Mary Sizemore
Concern For The Elderly	Clark Pierce
Feeding Lisa's Kids	Carroll Brown
Salvation Army Bell Ringing	-
Service Projects	
Fundraising Projects	Allison Aldridge & K. Esposito.
BBQ & Raffle	Allison Aldridge & K. Esposito
Poinsettia Sale	Don Shaw
Golf Tournament	
ACC Day	Ken Esposito
Allocations	Joel Gentry
Foundation & Inter. Srv.	Don Shaw
Polio Plus	
District Grants	Mark Pierce
Programs	Tom Blount/David Jobe
HPRC Impact Club	
Satellite Club Rep	

Board Class 2024-2025

Guy Lucas
Jeff Benfield
Don Shaw

Board Class 2025-2026

David Jobe
Debbie Johnson
Jeff Fuller

Board Class 2026-2027

Catherine Mendenhall
Allison Aldridge
Jamie Lee

Easy Make Ups!
You can now receive make up credit through the internet. Just go to the web-site: www.rotaryclubone.org. This site gives you another make up opportunity you can do from the comfort of your own home. This is a fully chartered club by Rotary International. You can choose a 'Program' that you want to read, answer some question, and print out the makeup slip. All they ask is that the person donate the cost of maintaining the site. If you contribute the cost of your meal, please be sure and let Mary Sizemore or Kristen Hoskins know so that you will receive meal credit on your next statement.

Rather do a Make-up in Person?

Use your Ignite App.
Click on Rotary Resources. Then click on Club Search. Under Search, select Clubs. Enter the Club you are interested in visiting or just select High Point, click on 25 miles and you will get every club meeting within 25 miles. You can even be more specific and add what day of the week on which you would like to find a meeting for your make-up. Click on the Club name and you will see information on the day and meeting time as well as the facility name and address for the meeting. It is easy and can be done right from your phone.



LAST WEEK AT ROTARY
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Sarah Barker introduced our speaker, Beth Crise, from 'Out of the Garden'. After sharing a bit of her Rotary heritage, Beth stated the organization's mission: 'nourishing families with food to grow, learn, and thrive'. She showed us the latest Food Desert Maps for the Piedmont (more than a mile from a grocery store) emphasizing the great need for assistance. Almost 1.5 million individuals in N.C.



Mary did guest intros while Kristen kicked off the Polio + Challenge. Out of the Garden guests below.

Gary did the invocation & Sarah introduced our speaker. Below, John & George White visited.



are Food Insecure. The equates to 14% of our state's population. The poverty level in our county is 16%. Then she hit us with the dollars and cents of the equation. To feed a family of 4 three meals a day, it costs about \$ 1,200 a month. The maximum benefit available is but \$ 975, leaving a sizable gap. So Out of the Garden steps in to serve over 160,000 individuals facing food insecurity in the Piedmont Triad.



To combat the problem, they employ several programs. One is the Fresh Mobile Market that they take into 23-27 areas. A second one is a food reclamation initiative where they pick up 'extended date' food. What is not usable is given to farmers to feed their animals. Food they can't use is turned into compost. They also operate a backpack program for families and distributed through schools.

They empower the community with a tion, and volunteer engagement. Nutri-specific food, they tell them how to ingredient.

Beth also shared information on a meal Summit Club on March 18th. At least from that event. She will let us know anyone wants to participate,

Amazingly, in 2024 contributions were 20% more clients. This is a community Beth remarked. And she seems to relate passion she demonstrated to us last Thursday at Rotary. President Slade Lewis presented Beth with the speaker's gift.



shared use kitchen, nutrition education wise, when they give someone a make a nutritious meal utilizing that

packaging event sponsored by her five schools in High Point benefit more details down the road in case

down 20%. However, they served where 'some need' and 'some give' to both groups with the same energy

He thanked our visitors and reminded us of the CART buckets on the table before leading us in the Four Way Test and Adjournment.

A GOOD JOKE ???????

Being a good Rotarian herself, our speaker, Beth Crise, knows that Rotary often includes a good joke. You can decide if it is 'good' or not. *What kind of food are you allowed to eat in the bathroom?*

Wait a minute. Think about it. Do you have it? The answer is 'Shower-Kraut'.

Beth, of the Summit Club, is a RYLA graduate and the daughter and granddaughter of Rotarians.