

**PROGRAM: GUY LUCAS**

**TOPIC: 2024 Year in Review & 2025 Predictions**

**Introduction:** Tom Blount

**Sgt. at Arms:** Ricardo Siordia & Cindy Bloom

**Invocation:** Scott Wagoner

**Greeters:** Rick Blake & Ralph Morris



**Rotary Club of High Point**

**Thursday 12:00 Noon**

**800 Country Club Drive**

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Rotary District 7690

Rotary Club # 6062

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## THIS WEEK AT ROTARY



We begin the new year with our annual look at the year in review and a look ahead to the coming year. Fellow Rotarian and Enterprise Editor Guy Lucas will do the honors.

You do not want to miss this popular program to kick off your new year. It is always a lot of fun and lot of laughs. Make a point to be one hand and maybe bring a new member prospect with you



## OUR LAST MEETING AT ROTARY (way back on December 19th)

In football vernacular, we began our last meeting of 2024 by "calling an audible at the line of scrimmage". Seems the Country Club was mixed up on our meeting dates and didn't think we were gathering on December 19<sup>th</sup>. Oops. Our normal room set up was, well, not set up. And there was no food in the hallway. Double oops.

Justin Newman and the HPCC staff sprang from their chairs to see what was the matter. They quickly assembled tables, chairs, podium and a large TV in the Card Room for our use. It was a bit cramped, but rather cozy, as many members were heard commenting. But, what about food? Were we to get chicken fingers and tater tots left over from the Children's Christmas Party? But alas, to our wondering eyes did appear, the chef and staff with a scrumptious buffet. In another "Hail Mary",

a large corporate event planned for that evening had suddenly been canceled not an hour before our Rotary meeting was set to start. HPCC had already prepped the food for that event and they were delighted to serve it to us Rotarians !! Problems solved.

Slade Lewis opened our meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and Jeff Patterson followed with the Invocation. Bradley Gibson introduced two guests from the Sylvia Mendez Newcomers School in High Point, the former Tomlinson Elementary. Barry Nelson had very short list of Special Recognitions and there were several Happy Dollars from Slade, George White and Scott Wagoner. Ken Esposito was in the house to handle the Queen of Hearts. Mary Sizemore's ticket was (continued on page five)

**THIS WEDNESDAY  
FEEDING LISA'S KIDS  
Details on page Two!**

**Rotary HPU Basketball Social  
Sign Up This Week at Rotary  
SEE PAGE 4 FOR DETAILS  
Deadline fast approaching! Act Now!**

Your #1 2025 New Year's Resolution:  
**MAKE ROTARY A PRIORITY IN  
YOUR BUSY WEEK!**

**No Alternative Venue this year for the first meeting of the new year. We will be meeting at the High Point Country Club**



**Thanks to Don Shaw who pitch hit for me at our last meeting when I had to be away!  
Editor Mark Pierce**

**FEEDING LISA'S KIDS**  
**Wednesday, January 8th**

Contact Carroll Brown to help!  
 adpcorp@triad.rr.com  
 336-689-0056

**MEALS ON WHEELS**  
**Thursday, January 23rd**

Call Clark Pierce to Help!  
 336-918-2894  
 clarkpierce72cu@gmail.com



**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**

June 21-25, 2025

**DISTRICT CONFERENCE**  
**LIVE FROM CHEROKEE**

MAY 1 - MAY 4, 2025

**COMING FEBRUARY 22nd**

*The Jim Armstrong*  
*Four Way Test Speech Contest*



March 14-15, 2025  
 at the Sheraton  
 in Greensboro, NC.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**  
**Nancy & Thomas Baker**  
**January 9th 37 years**



No B-Days or Club Anniversaries This 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 Svc Projects	Jamie Lee
Literacy (Read-A-Thon)	Mary Sizemore
Concern For The Elderly	Clark Pierce
FeediNong 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	
Golf Tournament	
ACC Day	
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](http://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.

Thurs. Jan. 16th Beth Crise Out of the Garden	Thurs. Jan. 23rd Jim Albright Guilford County EMS	<b>COMING ATTRACTIONS</b>	Thurs. Jan. 30th Melody Burnett Visit High Point	Thurs. Feb. 6th Brianna Racchini & Nicki Hilton Triad Ladder of Hope
Human Trafficking Resource Ctr,				



Providing Scholarships & More in Our Local Community

## WELL KNOWN POLIO OVERCOMERS



**DAVID WILLIAM SANBORN**

July 30, 1945—  
May 12, 2024

David William Sanborn is an American alto saxophonist. Though Sanborn has worked in many genres, his solo recordings typically blend jazz with instrumental pop and R&B. He released his first solo album *Taking Off* in 1975, but has been playing the saxophone since he contracted polio, aged three, and spent one year in an iron lung, followed by two years in bed. He was advised to learn a wind instrument to help with his recovery.

Sanborn "accepted his fate stoically" and endured a "miserable childhood". He was confined to an iron lung for a year, and the polio left him with impaired respiration and his left arm shorter than the right.

He has played on numerous albums by artists including Stevie Wonder, James Taylor, David Bowie, Bruce Springsteen, Aretha Franklin, Sting, the Eagles, Rickie Lee Jones, James Brown, George Benson, Carly Simon, Elton John, Bryan Ferry, Al Jarreau, and the Rolling Stones. He released more than 20 albums<sup>[3]</sup> and won six Grammy awards.

Sanborn was affected by post-polio syndrome late in his life.

## Rotary 2025 Priority Number 2 . . . . . INVITE SOME NEW MEMBER PROSPECTS TO JOIN

**MAKE UPS 12/5/24:** Benfield, Hoskins, Ilderton, Jobe, Lucas, Wright

**MAKE UPS 12/12/24:** Brown, Fuller, Ilderton, Wagoner, West

**ATTENDANCE 12/19/24:** Anderson, Bowman, Byrd, Collins, Coulson, Davis, Dunbar, Draelos, Elder, Hoskins, K. Hughes, Jackson, Jobe, D. Johnson, Lackey, Lee, Lessard, Lieb-scher, Morgan, Newman, Ross, Siordia, T. Smith (LOA), Suire, Thomas, Webster, Whitley

**MAKE UPS 12/19/24:** Anderson, Brown, Coulson, Gentry, Hoskins, Iwan, Jobe, D. Johnson, Lee, Liebscher, Morgan, M. Pierce, Siordia


I miss the 90's when bread was still good for you, and no one knew what kale was.




**DID YOU KNOW?**  
Recently deceased  
President Jimmy Carter  
was a Rotarian

Thanks to Those  
Rotarians (and Spouses)  
That Spent the Morning  
After Christmas Delivering  
Meals on Wheels

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|----------------------------|---------------|
| Clark Pierce               | Amy West      |
| Ken Esposito               | Gus Schwenk   |
| Barry Nelson               | Scott Wagoner |
| Don Shaw                   |               |
| Debbie & James Johnson     |               |
| Steve & Christine Ilderton |               |
| Warren & Joni Lackey       |               |

 **\$ 1,100 ish**

Mary Sizemore's draw of the 8 of Diamonds means we carry the pot into 2025





 **With No Post Season Play, John Anderson gets ALL the Bragging Rights! Congrats John!**



# ROTARY CLUB OF HIGH POINT SOCIAL



VERSES



PRESBYTERIAN  
COLLEGE

**Saturday, January 18th 7:00 p.m.**

**Tickets are Just \$ 7, yes \$ 7!**

Sign Up at the January 9th Meeting or e-mail Ken Esposito  
with your ticket needs. ([ken.esposito40@gmail.com](mailto:ken.esposito40@gmail.com))

**Bring Spouse, Kids, Grandkids, Friends,  
and New Member Prospects**





**LAST TIME AT ROTARY (continued Fro Page One)** drawn for the pot close to \$1,100 and she drew.....the Eight of Diamonds !! The queen lives into 2025.

Tom Blount introduced our very own Rotarian Scott Wagener as the program. Scott's presentation was on promoting peace, which just happens to be one of the Seven Areas of Focus of Rotary International. Seems quite appropriate when this is the season of Peace on Earth and Goodwill Towards Men.

Scott touched on why it is important to find your passion as a Rotarian and largely due to his Quaker background and upbringing, promoting peace is what drew Scott to Rotary. Scott shared a related institutional concept from the Institution of Economics & Peace (IEP) of the 8 Pillars of Positive Peace. These cover everything from having a Well-Functioning Government to Good Relations with our Neighbors to Equitable Distribution of Resources.

Rotary International has formally adopted the Pillars of Positive Peace as part of the Area of Focus. As part of the IEP, there are 8 Peace Centers around the world and Rotary International actually sponsors 130 leaders every year to attend as Peace Fellows. Coincidentally, the only Peace Center in the United States is a joint venture between Duke University and UNC, located right here in North Carolina. Who knew??

In addition, any Rotarian can elect to enroll in the online Rotary Positive Peace Academy. Our very own Club is (thanks to Scott) a designated Peacemaker Club as evidenced by our continuing good work with Mobile Meals, Feeding Lisa's Kids, Bikes for Kids and other service projects.

Scott encouraged all of us to consider adopting what he calls the 4 Areas of Peace Building: Personal, Relational, Community & Global. In closing he offered some final words on finding your personal peace and allowing that to guide your peace building in your relationships and community.

A truly wonderful, thoughtful presentation. We are blessed to have Scott as part of our Rotary Club.

Slade led us all in the Rotary Four Way Test and then encouraged us to "Dash away, dash away, dash away all !!"

Merry Christmas and don't forget our New Year Kick Off Meeting at the Country Club on January 9, 2025...

