



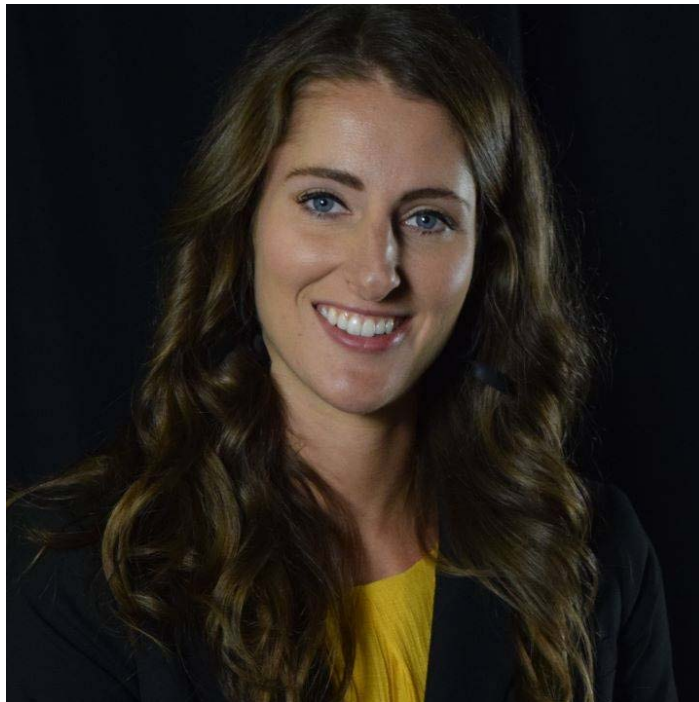
WILMINGTON CAPE FEAR ROTARY NEWSLETTER

Rotary District 7730
CapeFearRotary.com

Club Meeting

Wilmington Cape Fear Meets at Jungle Rapids
5320 Oleander Dr
Wilmington, NC 28403-5810
Time: Friday at 07:30 AM

This Week at Rotary, Kendall McGee Englehart, Communities in Schools



Kendall McGee Englehart is the Communications Manager for Communities In Schools (CIS) of Cape Fear. In her role, she manages the nonprofit's website, media relations, social media content creation, event marketing, and brand development. Englehart joined the staff at CIS full time in 2022 after leaving a career as a TV journalist for WECT News, where she covered New Hanover County crime and education. Join us tomorrow at 7:30am at Jungle Rapids to learn more about Communities in Schools.

Club Leaders



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Club Membership Chair

Last Week at Rotary, Ben David, District Attorney

Our speaker last week was New Hanover/Pender District Attorney Ben David. Ben was his usual engaging self. It's always great to hear from one of our excellent public officials. We appreciate your service.



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Grants Committee Chair - Allocations

Save The Date - Christmas Party

By Ann L. Willard on Tuesday, October 24, 2023

We are booked at Cape Fear County Club for Friday, December 8 at 6 pm. This is an event you do NOT want to miss. For newer members, this is our annual party, all dressed up for Christmas - spouses/significant other invited with an open bar and no charge. Always tons of fun.



Events

November 10th
[Kendall McGee Englehart - Communities in Schools](#)

Speaker: Kendall McGee Englehart

November 24th
[Thanksgiving - No meeting](#)

December 8th
[Wilmington Cape Fear Rotary Christmas Party](#)

Birthdays

Chris M. Nagle
November 14th

Robert W. Martenis

Christmas Families

By Ann L. Willard on Tuesday, October 24, 2023

Does anyone else feel like you were just watching July 4th fireworks yesterday and it is almost Christmas already or am I the only one? This has slipped up on us but I know you will step up to the plate.

Wedding Anniversaries

Kevin E. Edwards
November 12th
Kyle M Mitchell
November 16th
Sounia Nejad Chaney
November 18th
William Edwin Link Jr.
November 28th
Robert F. Whitehead
November 29th



It is that time of the year again when we ask our members to help with families for Christmas. Our club will match our dollars up to \$4000. For the past several years we have given \$8,000 away on our Christmas Shopping Night.

For newer members, we pick a night early December and meet at Target. We have families lined up to come in and when they arrive, we let them know how much money they have to spend for their children. That is when the tears start because it is ALWAYS more than they ever dreamed. They go shopping and when finished, come back to us and one of our Rotarians will go through the checkout line with them and pay for the purchases. More tears.

These are families that have had life-changing situations such as some terminal disease, grandparents that are having to raise their grandchildren or lost everything due to some catastrophe, etc. We have a person that gets the families from DHS so she knows the backstory and brings us the most critical cases.

We normally average around 50 children that will have a Christmas because of all our Rotarians.

I will have a sign up sheet the next few Fridays for you to pledge what you would like to give. You can also email me (ann@shopakos.com) or you can even shoot me a text (910-431-3116) and tell me your pledge. If you text, be sure to give me your name. Please be as generous as you can - all of us are so very fortunate and it has probably been a while since we had to go without. No child should miss out on the joy of Christmas and the joy that the parents have when there are toys or clothing under the tree for their child.

Meals on Wheels Last Week



New club member Andrew Jamison won the raffle but he drew the wrong card. And he only had a few to draw from. We're talking major money and just a few cards left. Come get in on the action.

Save the Date, Rotary Golf Tournament, May 31st 2024

Facebook Funnies

the correct place for the phone is below and slightly to the left of the bread plate



