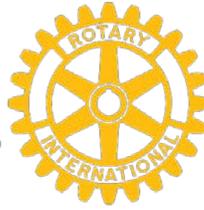




# Rotary District 7680

Serving West-Central  
North Carolina & the world!



## A note from Governor Ineke Wilson

It's a privilege and honor to be a Rotarian as of July 24<sup>th</sup>, as of this official date there are only two countries left before we can declare that we have helped to "End Polio Now". We are all part of this happening which makes a major difference to so many lives around the world. Congratulations to you and to all of us. Well done, so far! We are this close!

The district gained 20 new members in July and we as a District have already donated almost \$12,000 to the Foundation in the first month of this new Rotary year. I have visited 10 clubs, and it is so rewarding to meet so many excited Rotarians and review all the service projects that are being planned. It's going to be an incredible year!

And speaking of visiting clubs, I am surprised to see where Rotarians meet. In hospitals, churches, historic homes and country clubs or a local "place" down the street. We are so diverse. Yet, we are bound by the common thread of service. We all have the same goal: doing good in our community, and in other communities around the world.

But does your community know that you are there? Where you meet? And, who you are? What you do?

I am encouraging all clubs to show off your Rotary sign. Send me your projects with the Rotary logo on them, and we will publish them. There are many Rotarians that move from other states who are looking for a club to call home. Lots of people have family members in Rotary, a grandfather or cousin perhaps, and would like to know more about our organization. But they don't know that there is a Rotary Club that meets every week just around the corner. Publish who you are and what you do. Each club is special. Be proud and tell your story!



## Club Service

### New updated District 7680 website

It is with great excitement that we're announcing the launch of a new website for District 7680 [www.Rotary7680.org](http://www.Rotary7680.org)

This site is still a work in progress, and we want everything to work the way YOU want it to. Please visit the new site and send email with suggestions, complaints, and observations of problems. Send your thoughts to our "new content" high tech PDG Ken Dresser [ken@dresser.cc](mailto:ken@dresser.cc). We need your feedback to make what is really good, really great! Thanks to Lisa Perry and Perry Productions for producing this new website design for our district.

- **Facebook Rotary District 7680:** Our Facebook Page is alive and well. Please share your photos of your club's projects
- **Youtube Rotary7680NC** If you have a video of a project, please share it on our District Youtube Channel.

## Youth Service

### Collaboration Opportunities:

School is out! Over the summer think about inviting teachers, counselors and principals to your club. They could present information about their school, their goals and needs and give you insight into how you might partnership. At the elementary schools there might be a need for Smart boards, or perhaps a book drive. Here are a few other ideas:

- I encourage you to promote the "Paint Pinkie Purple" program to educate youth and their parents about the need to "End Polio Now". This program is successfully being modeled around the world, but no place better than in China Grove where our Rotary Club has promoted this program over the past two years and increased awareness and raised over \$1,000 at the China Grove Elementary School. Well done, China Grove Rotary!
- I encourage you to collaborate with local Schools to build Butterfly Gardens and support the science curriculum in taking care of nature. The project will obviously save a few of the endangered Monarchs at the same time.
- I encourage you to start an Interact Club at a local high school. One of the criteria to win a Presidential Citations is to sponsor or co-sponsor and Interact Club.



## Youth Service

### Sunday September 13 - Youth Services Conference, Membership Social & Duck Race

It's Duck Season Again! And, the District returns to Tailrace Marina for a Fundraiser for our Clubs and a Youth Conference to showcase our diverse programs for youth. Everybody is invited.

The event will be held at Tailrace Marina, on Lake Wyle in Mount Holly from 2 PM – 6 PM. (Rain date September 20 at 6 PM). Google Tailrace Marina or just come to 1000 Marina Drive, Mount Holly.

The organizing committee is inviting all youth service program alumni, friends, family and Rotarians to attend this fun event. The Quack Pack will have informational booths to showcase the youth service projects available in the district. We will be featuring Young Rotarians, Early Act, SFTL, Interact, Rotaract, NewGen Peace Builders and Youth Exchange. We will introduce the Worldwide "Global Youth Service Day" event to be held in April 2016.

The Duck Commander, DGE Tom Smith and the Quack Pack will hold a charity Duck Race to end the day. Adopt a flock of ducks and cheer them to the finish line. The fastest Lucky Duck will win \$5000 and a chance to win a \$30,000 Camaro provided by Randy Marion Chevrolet. 10 other "Lucky Ducks" will be awarded prizes. 50% of the ticket proceeds will go back to the selling club to help support their youth programs. The rest of the proceeds will go toward prizes. Tickets are 1 Lucky Duck for \$10, 3 Ducks for \$25.

Boat rides, kayaks and canoes will be available for rent. Food and drink can be purchased on site or bring your own for a picnic in the beautiful Headrace peninsula. Check out the marina site at [www.tailracemarina.com](http://www.tailracemarina.com). Please bring your own lawn chairs. Checks should be made to: Rotary District 7680. Please mail checks to Janet Newton, 11828 Harwick Valley Lane, Charlotte NC 28277



## Community Service

### Collaboration

What happens when two Rotary Clubs collaborate?

Ask Charlotte Evening Rotary and Charlotte West Rotary.

Together they raised over \$3,000 through "ThrowBack Thursday" [Tossin' For Tykes](#)

Together they presented a check to Bright Day Blessings!

## Foundation

### Polio Headlines

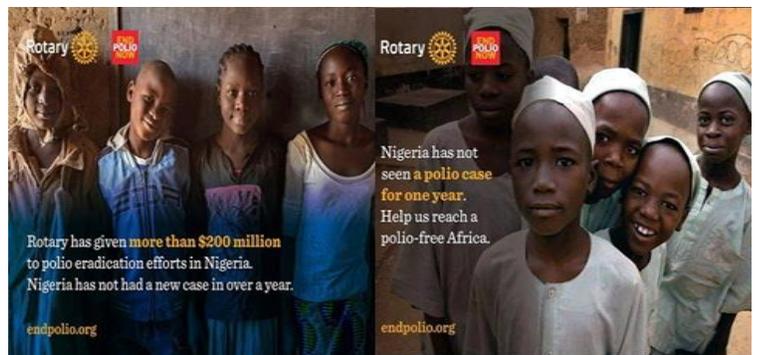
The National Emergency Action Plan (NEAP) for Pakistan has been officially endorsed by the Prime Minister, outlining the actions that must be taken to stop polio transmission. It is now vital that the commitment and efforts of the government, the partners, and the community as well as funding, be sustained throughout the coming months to keep cases of polio low during the high season for polio transmission. In the first half of 2015 we have seen the lowest number of cases ever during this period, with **just 33 cases in 2 countries** as opposed to 122 cases in 9 countries at this time in 2014. This progress needs to be maintained through hard work to end transmission in endemic countries and to prevent future outbreaks.

### Nigeria on the brink of becoming polio-free

Nigeria has gone one year today — longer than ever before — without a case of wild poliovirus. The last case was reported on **24 July 2014** in Kano state. Once the gateway to polio in Africa, Nigeria is now paving the way to eradicating the disease on the continent. But reaching this milestone is only one step on the final road to ending polio, and it is still too soon to celebrate victory. Until polio is eliminated everywhere, it can return to Nigeria and the rest of Africa, in fact to the rest of the world. . Less than a decade ago, in 2006, polio paralyzed 1,000 people in Nigeria. For the African region to be certified polio-free, including Nigeria, there must be no polio cases for two more years. To do this, all children in Nigeria and throughout Africa — including those in hard-to-reach and underserved areas — must continue to be protected against the disease. Watch and show this video at one of your Rotary meetings:

<https://vimeo.com/132868193>

If no cases are reported in the coming weeks, the World Health Organization is expected to remove Nigeria from the list of countries where polio is endemic, leaving just two: Afghanistan and Pakistan . Nigeria is the last polio-endemic country in Africa.



## Vocational Service

### Kannapolis

Looking for a place for an off-site meeting or a club outing? The City of Kannapolis offers a place for education and fun. The North Carolina Research Campus (NCRC) includes a presentation from the City of Kannapolis and NCRC representatives regarding the mission of the Campus, its history and its future. Stop at the Nutrition Research Institute, where the self-guided exhibit From Cotton to Chromosomes outlines the City's transformation from mill village to an internationally-recognized human health, nutrition and agriculture research center. Events like "Appetite for Life" and "Frontiers in Science" seminars and special film screenings translate groundbreaking research into knowledge for healthy living. You could include a brief tour of the research facilities. 2-4 hours duration. Lunch could be arranged downtown or on the NCRC. For more information contact: Annette Privette Keller, City of Kannapolis Communications Director at 704-920-4311 or [aprivettekeller@kannapolisnc.gov](mailto:aprivettekeller@kannapolisnc.gov) or Jennifer Woodford, NCRC Communications Manager, at 704-250-5435 or [jwoodford@ncresearchcampus.net](mailto:jwoodford@ncresearchcampus.net).

For other upcoming Vocational Trips contact District Chairman Susan Smith - [sjsmith@vnet.net](mailto:sjsmith@vnet.net)



## Club Service

Taylorville Rotary Club promotes downtown businesses through the participation in their Flag Display program. 10 times a year on Federal Holidays, the Rotary Club puts a flag up on their property. Each year they place 200 flags in the community for an annual donation of \$100. The funds raised support the many outreach programs of the club.



## International Service

### Cadre of Technical Advisers

The Rotary Foundation Cadre of Technical Advisers is a group of volunteer Rotarians who provide technical expertise and advice to Rotarians planning and carrying out Rotary grant projects around the world. Cadre members review, monitor, and evaluate projects and ensure grant funds are being used properly. The assignments include:

- **Technical reviews.** Cadre members evaluate the technical feasibility of a project and submit a written evaluation. Reviewers don't travel or communicate with the project sponsors.
- **Site visits.** An advance site visitor evaluates the technical feasibility of a proposed project. An interim monitor reports on the implementation of an ongoing project. A post project monitor evaluates the impact and resolution of a completed project. For these assignments, cadre members travel to the project site and meet with the project sponsors and the benefiting community.
- **Audits.** Auditors evaluate the financial management and oversight of grant funds. Audits can be targeted or random. Cadre members travel to the project site and meet with the project sponsors and the benefiting community.
- **Operational audits.** Cadre members assess the controls grant sponsors have to ensure qualification. This involves evaluating financial books, records, and documentation.

The cadre is currently recruiting volunteers in the following areas.

- Maternal and child health professionals (such as nurses and obstetricians) in Africa and Asia
- Water and sanitation professionals (such as civil and mechanical engineers) in Africa and Asia
- Spanish-speaking auditors in North and Central America
- Rotarians living in Africa, in all areas of focus
- Rotarians with expertise in monitoring and evaluation, sustainability, and community needs assessments

For more information on the cadre please visit [www.rotary.org/en/cadre-technical-advisers](http://www.rotary.org/en/cadre-technical-advisers) Contact Dirk Lindenbeck - [dl@stainlessvalveco.com](mailto:dl@stainlessvalveco.com)



## Youth Service

Patricia Shafer is in the Rotarian Magazine...Read it! She's an impressive lady, indeed!

**UP FRONT**



**THE TALENT ABOVE THE TABLE**  
**How peace makes a Rotarian**

**P**atricia Shafer founded the nonprofit Mothering Across Continents, based in Charlotte, N.C., after a trip to Uganda with her children. "I never saw anyone else in the Charlotte Observer and pointed out that if we took all the Ugandan children who were orphaned by AIDS and put them in Charlotte's Board of America Stadium, we could fill it twice," she says. "People come out of the woodwork and proposed that I do something to help the children of the world." Later, a Rotary Peace Fellowship inspired her to create a program that would deliver peace-related education to high school and university students worldwide. Shafer is a member of the Rotary Club of Charlotte.

**THE ROTARIAN** How did you begin to develop your focus on peace-building?  
**SHAFFER** A large number of Mothering Across Continents projects are in conflict or post-conflict areas, and as a consequence, they focus on priority areas such as water and hygiene, education and health. A Rotarian I knew suggested that having a formal background in peace and conflict would be appropriate for the work I do. I became a Rotary Peace Fellow at Charlotte's University in Thailand in 2012. Going through the program helped me see that if you are meeting needs related to equal access to health, nutrition, education, and so on, you are creating a culture for peace.

I went on to discover that there were no programs for young people that integrated peace education. Rotary inspired values, and project management training to help another more complex peace action project. With Rotary Peace Fellow Carl Lindback, I helped create a program called NewGen Peacebuilders. It's for young people ages 14 to 25. We run it in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Bolivia, and soon we'll introduce it in

Ohio, Thailand, Ghana, and Mexico. It's an official program for Rotary District 7060, in North Carolina.

When people hear that 25 and 18-year-olds are doing these projects, they're blown away. In Charlotte, there's an area where 72,000 people can't access fresh fruit and vegetables at an affordable price. Our team recognized that a greenhouse at their school wasn't being fully utilized. So now they are using the greenhouse to grow seedlings to give to families, so they can create their own small gardens.

**TR** How do you define peace?  
**SHAFFER** One of the things we see in the program is the peace-making is accepting failure. Peacekeeping is negotiating. The peace-building is doing the around education, housing, water, hygiene, all the things that create an environment of security. On a national scale, you can never have enough peace-makers or peacekeepers. You have to train at the civil society level. Doing this with teenagers around the world is the way we believe we're going to get to large-scale peace.

**TR** Why did you join Rotary?  
**SHAFFER** Rotary has supported me twice, with an Ambassadorial Scholarship and then the Rotary Peace Fellowship. Both were life-changing. I realized that Rotary is the largest network I know of caring and involved people in action for service and positive global change. Why wouldn't I want to be part of and supported by such a group? Also, they asked to raise their voice. That makes a difference.

—ARND BRONKHORST

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## Community Service

### Taylorsville Rotary Club Cruise Fundraiser

The Taylorsville Rotary Club takes great pride in announcing a 7 Night Cruise from February 6-13, 2016 leaving from Charleston, SC aboard the Carnival Ecstasy. Ports of Call include Amber Cove, Dominican Republic; Grand Turk; and Half Moon Cay, the Bahamas. Prices for an Interior Cabin are from \$599.00 and Ocean View cabins begin at \$679.00, including taxes and port fees. Rates are per person, based on double occupancy with many options available. A \$250.00 deposit is due by September 9, 2015 with the balance due on November 22, 2015. Travel Agent Kelly Sarantis will be happy to answer any questions you might have. Please call her at 954-263- 4924 or 800-228-4866. Profits from this trip will be used to support the club's Back Pack project, grocery project for shut-ins and other worthwhile community service projects. More information may be found by searching "Taylorsville Rotary Cruise" on Facebook or from project chairperson, Rev. Paul Sink in Taylorsville, NC at 828-632-4257, [tayprespastor@hotmail.com](mailto:tayprespastor@hotmail.com)



## Club Service

Welcome to our newest members

### Rotary District 7680 New Membership Listing

New Members From: Jul-01-2015 To: Jul-24-2015

20 Members Listed

Member Name	Start Date	Club	Sponsor
Powers, Patrick (PATRICK)	7/10/2015	Ballantyne	
Lowder, Christopher (CHRIS)	7/9/2015	Cabarrus County	Christine M Shoemaker
Aquilone, Kristina L. (KRISTINA)	7/14/2015	Charlotte	Marie S. Jaffe
Menard, Vernon J. III (VERNON)	7/21/2015	Charlotte	Henry Donaghy
Robinson, Clyde Jr. (CLYDE)	7/14/2015	Charlotte	Floyd R. Davis Jr.
Jones, Joseph Freeman Jr. (JOSEPH)	7/13/2015	Charlotte North	Kal Elie Kardous
Fogel, Howard B (HOWARD)	7/16/2015	Charlotte Providence	
Bastow, Bonnie (BONNIE)	7/1/2015	Charlotte Top-of-the-Week	Dale Meltzer
Smith, Dan (DAN)	7/15/2015	Cherryville	Michael P. Christian
Marbry, Adrian (ADRIAN)	7/22/2015	Concord	Dakeita Vanderburg-Johnson
Nixon, Wayne (WAYNE)	7/1/2015	Concord	Dianne O. Snyder
Sollitto, Michael G (MICHAEL)	7/1/2015	Mecklenburg County-South	Wallace E. Olson Jr.
Sabo, Michael (MICHAEL)	7/1/2015	Mooresville	Randy Sherrill
Stein, Dean (DEAN)	7/7/2015	Mooresville-Lake Norman	
Jones, Julianne K. (JULIE)	7/15/2015	North Mecklenburg County	Steedman Lyles
King, Kelly (KELLY)	7/15/2015	North Mecklenburg County	Paul F Newton
DeMaria, Pamela S (PAM)	7/2/2015	Union West (Indian Trail)	Roger J Fish
Steelman, Sanford Jr. (SANFORD)	7/1/2015	Union West (Indian Trail)	
Halajian, Shana (SHANA)	7/9/2015	Waxhaw-Weddington	Ted Platt
Smith, Paula J. (PAULA)	7/9/2015	Waxhaw-Weddington	Don Fisher



## Club Service

### Trivia Charity Challenge

Rotary Club of North Mecklenburg is organizing a Trivia Charity Challenge Party at Spare Time Bowling Center (16317 Statesville Road, Huntersville, NC) at 2:00 pm on **Sunday, August 16**. Cost is \$100 per team and \$10 per member. Net proceed go to the qualified charity selected by the winning team. For details go to Rotary Club of North Mecklenburg on FaceBook or call Ben Thalheimer at [704-376-3030 Ext. 6](tel:704-376-3030).

## Community Service

### Collaboration and Celebration in Union County

Assistant governor Cathy Burns has organized the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Union County Rotary Clubs' "Joint Social & Family Fun Event" Friday, August 28 from 6 pm - 9 pm at Aw Shucks Farm, 3718 Plyler Mill Road, Monroe.

The activities include private use of farm's attractions including Animal barn, Play areas, corn hole, horseshoes, giant slide, restored train car, paddle boat rides, etc. \$10 adult and \$5 for children includes admission, hamburgers/hot dogs, ice tea/water.

Contact assistant governor Cathy Burns for details: [cathy@cathyburns.com](mailto:cathy@cathyburns.com)



### End Polio Now

From 2013 to 2018, every US\$1 Rotary commits to direct support for polio immunization will be matched 2 to 1 (up to US\$35 million per year) by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Donate \$2,000 DDF and it becomes \$9,000. Donate \$10,000 DDF and it becomes \$45,000.

We are pleased to announce that since July 24, 2015 the following Rotary clubs have donated significant funds to Polio:

1. District 7680 - \$10,000
2. Lake Norman-Huntersville - \$1,000
3. Charlotte Dilworth - \$250
4. Charlotte - \$150
5. Matthews - \$150



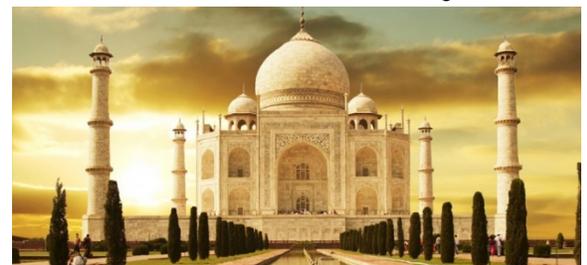
### National Immunization Day

Nancy Barbee, National Immunization Day team leader has announced another trip to India to participate in the November 22, 2015 polio Sub-National Immunization Day (SNID). This is the same as a National Immunization Day, but it simply means immunizations are done in certain troubled areas on a more regular basis. We will be participating in the Delhi area. This will be a life changing experience. There is a limited amount of space and we expect this trip to be filled within the next week or two. Family and friends of Rotarians are welcome as well.

In 2012, India was removed from the list of polio endemic countries and in 2013 the entire Southeast Asia Region was declared Polio free. This does not mean it isn't still important for India to continue to immunize children and remain diligent in these efforts. However, we are getting remarkably close to eradicating polio globally. Therefore, this might be one of the last opportunities we will have to organize a trip to India to participate in polio NID activities. You will travel to Delhi, India, where we visit the World Health Organization Office Delhi Office and the Polio Plus Office for an update on activities. We'll visit St. Stephen's Hospital where Dr. Matthew performs reconstructive surgeries on polio patients. Then we'll see some of the many sites around Old and New Delhi as time permits. This trip also includes travel to Agra to visit the Taj Mahal, and then on to Varanasi the Holy City of India. There you will visit holy temples and take a boat ride down the River Ganges.

We'll be hosted by Rotarians and join them in a cleanup project along the river. Date of Departure: Wednesday, November 11, 2015 Date of Return: Tuesday, November 24, 2015

Per Person Cost, based on double occupancy: \$2,150. For single supplement add, \$845. This price does not include international, round trip airfare or Indian visa fees. However, it does include hotels, transfers, Rotary events, participation in the NID activities, most meals, sightseeing, English speaking guide and other items. Interested? Contact PDG Nancy Barbee (252) 670-5229 Email: [nbarbee@gmail.com](mailto:nbarbee@gmail.com)



## Foundation

### Every dollar counts.

Do you want to know more about the Foundation or would you like to have a program at your club? Contact Joe Morris or Scott Vander Linden. Educate your club about the Foundation (Rotary Minute) by showing this 1 minute movie: <https://vimeo.com/128597794>

Thank you to the newest Paul Harris Society members for signing up:

1. Boiling Springs Rotary – Richard Theokas
2. Davidson Rotary – Tim Albertson
3. Mooresville Rotary – Mike Cook
4. Charlotte South – Tom Smith
5. Meck South – Beth Trotter



From July 1<sup>st</sup> through July 24, 2015 – of the 2750 Rotarians in District 7680:

74 members Major Donors (\$10,000 given in their lifetime)  
1685 members Paul Harris Fellows (\$1,000 given in their lifetime)

148 members EREY (any amount every year)  
22 members Sustaining Member (\$100 every year)  
96 members Paul Harris Society (\$1,000 every year)

260 members Benefactors (\$1,000 in their will)  
71 members Bequest Society (\$10,000 in their will or estate)

89 members Rotary Direct (automatic deposit)

[Rotary Direct Form - Rotary's recurring giving program](#)

### ERAY Club – Every Rotarian Every Year

Every member in the club has already given money to the Foundation

Congratulations to the clubs who have already reached this award in 2015-2016:

1. Charlotte University Rotary
2. Hamlet Rotary
3. Huntersville Happy Hour Rotary
4. Monroe Union Breakfast Rotary

### Foundation Giving per Capita –

Average what the club have given to the Foundation

Congratulations to the clubs who have reached this award in 2015-2016:

1. China Grove Rotary - \$125
2. Hamlet Rotary - \$20
3. Charlotte International Rotary - \$10

### Paul Harris Fellow Club –

Every member in the club is a Paul Harris Fellow

Congratulations to the clubs who reached this award in 2015-2016:

1. Charlotte West