

Rotary



Club of Charlotte Providence

Join us each Thursday!



December 12 - NO lunch meeting -- Mindy and Chris will host our club holiday party at **5:00pm!** An invitation has been emailed to club members. (Please see the attachment for an aerial map with parking information.)

December 19 - Join us for a **holly jolly** celebration as we stuff stockings for nonprofit **Dahlia Grove** at our last meeting of 2024! We will also hear from the 4 members who each nominated a charity to benefit from the proceeds of our annual oyster roast. Come hear their reasons for nominating their charity of choice, and then all

members will vote by ballot for your preference. This will be fun!

Upcoming Programs

December 26 - NO lunch meeting. Merry Christmas to you and yours!

January 2 - NO lunch meeting. Happy New Year to you and yours!

January 9 - Former North Carolina General Assembly Representative **Craig Horn** is president of the Churchill Society of North Carolina. Rep. Horn will speak to us about Winston Churchill and what we can learn from his leadership style.



Holiday Wreaths

Our wreath fundraiser was a record-breaker and netted almost \$3,000!!! Thanks to **Fran Fesmire** who led the effort, **Erin Caldwell** who oversaw the Square platform, and **Fitz Lee & Ron Wimberly** for closely minding the money.

Thanks to ALL of you in our club, along with friends & neighbors, who supported this fundraiser. We are small but MIGHTY!



Club Meeting

Charlotte Providence
Meets at Maggiano's Little Italy
at SouthPark
4400 Sharon Rd
Charlotte, NC 28211
Time: Thursday at 12:30 PM

Club Leaders



Mindy Leonard
President



Fitz Lee
Treasurer
President-Elect



Erin Heslep Caldwell
Public
Relations/Image
Chair
Secretary



Ronald Wimberly
Treasurer



Mary Ellen Shuntich
Program Chair



Mark Daniels
Rotary Foundation
Chair
Past President



Georgia Oakes
Membership Chair



Alan Turner Jr.
Sergeant-at-Arms

Christine E. Smith
Club Service Chair

Club Service Project - Stockings for Dahlia Grove



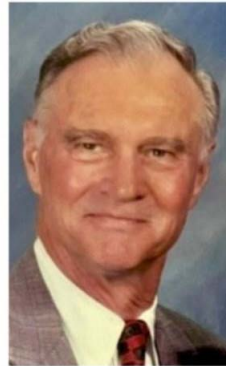
Charlotte Providence Rotary will be spreading love and cheer at nonprofit [Dahlia Grove](#) this holiday season! We will provide each of the 8 women in their program with a stocking full of goodies to remind them that they are loved. Thanks to everyone who has signed up to bring items!

We will stuff the stockings during our club meeting on **December 19th** so please bring your goodies then.

In Remembrance

As previously mentioned, Bill Keenan, a long-time member of our club, club president, and Paul Harris Fellow, passed away on November 10, 2024. His obituary has been published and can be found [HERE](#).

Please consider attending the memorial service to be held on **Monday, January 13, 2025, at 2:00pm at First Presbyterian Church** in Charlotte.



Rotary Means Business Networking Event



The Matthews club has organized a Rotary Means Business event for **Tuesday, December 10th**. Contact [Joe Murtagh](#) with the Matthews club with any questions.

The Rotary Means Business Fellowship exists to encourage Rotarians to support the success of their fellow Rotarians by doing business with them, and by referring business to them. It's about having a network of individuals you can trust, and it's about helping to support fellow Rotarians so they have more to give back to our community. When our members win, our community wins!



Oscar Joyner
Interact Chair



J. Grason Hudson III
iPast President



Frances E. Fesmire
Fundraising Chair



Ronald Wimberly
December 8th



John L. Jacob III
December 8th



Kevin Kendrick
District Governor



Donna M. Moffett
DG - Elect



Jerald P. Coughter
DG - Nominee



Debra L. Corbett
iPDG






NETWORKING AND FOOD DRIVE EVENT

WITH



WHEN: DECEMBER 10TH
 TIME: 6PM-9PM
 WHERE: POINT BLANK RANGE MATTHEWS
 COST: \$25 PER PERSON
 +\$25 FOR RANGE TIME (OPTIONAL)
 (INCLUDES: RANGE FEES, FIREARM RENTAL, SAFETY EQUIPMENT)

BRING A FOOD ITEM TO DONATE TO COMMON HEART

Examples:

- Peanut butter
- Pasta
- Canned soup
- Canned fish
- Canned beans
- Canned vegetables
- Rolled oats
- Canned fruit in juice,
- Low-sodium soups
- Protein Drinks



Rotary Leadership Institute

Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is a wonderful place to meet other Rotarians, learn about all things Rotary, and share ideas. Each course is a full day, generally meeting from 9:00am to 3:30pm, and is facilitated by trained RLI faculty members. There are approximately 12-15 participants in each session. Coffee and snacks are served in the morning, and lunch is provided. The next RLI event will be held in Kannapolis, NC, on January 11th. Please consider signing up [HERE!](#)

Part 1 is centered on the basics of being a Rotarian.

Part 2 builds on the Part 1 courses and seeks to increase your effectiveness in your Rotary club.

Part 3 completes the 3-part courses with a focus on engaging in club activities, leading your club effectively, as well as international service.

RLI Graduate courses take a deep dive into a single topic, giving participants a close look at the history of Rotary and the ethics on which Rotary was founded.

For more information, contact [Georgia](#) in our club. She is a trained facilitator and a big fan of RLI!



Save the Dates!



Invite a friend, colleague, neighbor, or fellow church goer to join us for ANY or ALL.

Club Social

CPR Christmas party

Thursday, December 12th at 5:00pm

Hosted by Mindy and Chris William

(NO lunch meeting that day)

Club Board Meeting

Monday, January 6th at 6:30pm at Leroy Fox Cotswold

Club Fundraiser

Oyster Roast and Silent Auction

Saturday, March 22, 2025 *NOTE THIS IS THE CORRECT DATE.*

Service Project: Roof Above

Service chair Christy Smith offers club members another way to serve.

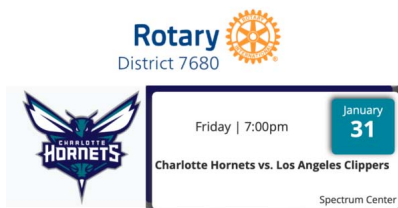
Our club has actively supported Roof Above in past years with a

"blanket drive" spearheaded by Honorary Club member Morgan Speir. There is now a direct link on the Roof Above website for those that would like to contribute individually for a blanket, sleeping bag, gloves, hats and other items of need. Follow the link for the [Donation Wishlist - Roof Above](#) and you can contribute in various ways.



Please let [Christy](#) know of your participation so we can share the news as a Club. Morgan would be happy to know we contributed this year.

Hornets NBA Game - District Outing



From Kevin Kendrick, District Governor:

The Charlotte Hornets are delighted to welcome Rotarians from all over District 7860 for a special Rotary Club ticket offer! Join us on **Friday, January 31st, 2025** as the Hornets take on the Los Angeles Clippers at the Spectrum Center!

Discounted tickets for members to sit together are available below.

**All who purchase are welcome to join us for a special experience 2-hours pre-game to watch a portion of pre-game warmups from the Lower-Bowl seats from 4:45 - 5:30 PM! Details to be delivered by email used at purchase closer to date.*

You must purchase through the link below. If you have an existing Ticketmaster account, please use the email associated with that account at purchase for faster ticket access. For any questions or accommodations, please contact Nick Bowe at (704) 688-9057 or nbowe@hornets.com

LINK TO PURCHASE TICKETS

<https://hornets.spinzo.com/?group=rotary-international--y5et>