

Weekly Update: January 7, 2019

We meet Fridays at 11:30 am at the Dilworth Neighborhood Grille, 911 E Morehead St. (formal meeting starts at noon)

## **2019 Rotary Tree Planting**



The 2019 Rotary Tree-Planting event is just around the corner, scheduled for Saturday, January 19, 2019, from 9:00 am-11:00 am. This is a hugely popular event involving Rotarians, families and friends. We will kick off with coffee and end with a BBQ lunch. The event will be held at:

Steele Creek Athletic Association 13530 Choate Circle, Charlotte

Please consider volunteering. You can volunteer by registering HERE. We need 150+ volunteers. Please contact Rotarian Sean Gautam at

(704) 430-8277 or Rotarian Phil Volponi at (704) 574-0439 with any questions.

## **Annual First Responder Recognition Event**

By Kevin Kendrick

It's not too soon to start thinking about potential nominees for our Annual First Responder celebration. By way of reminder, we will hold this event during the final quarter of the Rotary year (April-June). Any first responder is eligible, however, we prefer First Responders from the Charlotte Police Department, Charlotte Fire Department, Charlotte Emergency Medical Service, and Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office. We will send out nomination forms to the respective departments but we would love to have nominees from our members and supporters as well if you know of a deserving First Responder.

#### Nominees should have:

- 1. Rendered an act of remarkable service, resulting in a positive outcome for a person or a physical asset, and
- 2. Demonstrated a commitment to service indicative of adherence to the Rotary 4-Way Test.

Also, as part of the event, we will be honoring a University of North Carolina at Charlotte student, majoring in one of the First Responder curricula offered by the UNC-C. The recipient receives a \$1,000.00 scholarship named in honor of our Club's founder, Woodford A. Kennedy.

#### **Club Officers**

President: Kay May

President Elect and Membership Chair: Kevin Kendrick

Treasurer and Immediate Past President: Joy Rucker

Secretary, Bulletin Editor, Webmaster: Jenny Kendrick

Club Director: Pete Heuberger

Club Director: David Hodgkins

Club Director: Dave Miller



"Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves."

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### **Membership Matters**

If you are interested in becoming a member or referring someone for membership, please contact Kevin Kendrick at bkkendrick@outlook.com for membership options and a printed copy of the membership brochure. To apply for membership, please click here.

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## This Week's Meeting



David W. Rossi, Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of North Carolina

David Rossi has worked hard to help improve health care in a variety of leadership roles for hospitals and health care organizations for 30 years. In his role as Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer for UnitedHealthcare's Community Plan in North Carolina, David leads health plan operations, providing programs and services for many of the most at-risk individuals across the state of North Carolina.

As Chief Operating Officer for a large and innovative Medicaid health plan in the mid-west for six years, David worked closely with legislators, providers, and the state's Health and Human Services office to help transition over 400,000 individuals to managed care. One of his proudest accomplishments was working with advocacy groups, providers and community organizations leading a 1.5 million dollar, 3-year grant, which led to the development of a number of innovative employment pilots and programs for persons with disabilities across the state of Kansas.

David volunteers in support of Special Olympics and other programs helping persons with disabilities achieve their best lives, and he believes firmly in the principle of "Service Above Self." He enjoys running, music composition and traveling across the state speaking with North Carolinians about healthcare. David is married with two sons, and is a former Rotary Club member.

## **Last Week's Meeting**

Our very own Ret Turner gave us a breakdown of the history of dentistry. He even brought his "friend", Mr. Skeleton, which belonged to his grandfather. It was a fun presentation, with most of the room avoiding Mr. Skeleton. Thanks, Ret!



#### Upcoming Club Meetings, Service Projects, and Holidays

01/11: David Rossi, UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of NC

01/16, 11:30 am -12:30 pm: Board Meeting, Charlotte Speech and Hearing, 741 Kenilworth, Suite 100

01/18: Elizabeth Teagarden: Befriending the World: B ringing Peace Practices Home

#### SERVICE PROJECTS

02/02: Second Harvest Food Bank

03/23: Crisis Assistance

Do you have any ideas for future speakers? Please share that information with Pete Heuberger.

## **Upcoming District and International Events**

2/9: District Mid-Year Assembly, UNC, Charlotte

3/15-17: District Conference, Omni Grove Park Inn, Ashville

3/21-23: PETS, Sheraton, Greensboro

6/1-5: RI Convention, Hamburg, Germany

#### **Rotary Links**

Website: http://charlottedilworthrotary.org/

Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/">https://www.facebook.com/</a><a href="https://www.facebook.com/">charlottedilworthrotary/</a>

 $\textbf{Twitter:}\ \underline{\textbf{https://twitter.com/dilworthrotary}}$ 

LinkedIn: <a href="https://www.linkedin.com/in/dilworthrotary/">https://www.linkedin.com/in/dilworthrotary/</a>

YouTube: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/dilworthrotary">https://www.youtube.com/user/dilworthrotary</a>

DACdb: <a href="https://www.directory-online.com/">https://www.directory-online.com/</a> Rotary/SecLogin.cfm

Make Up Meetings: Make Ups

District 7680: http://rotary7680.org/

District Newsletters: <a href="http://rotary7680.org/district-newsletters.php">http://rotary7680.org/district-newsletters.php</a>

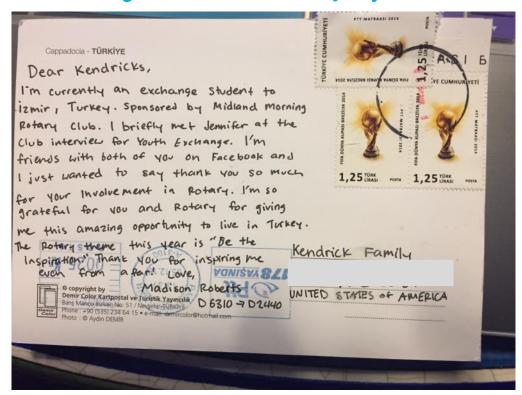
Zone 33: <a href="http://www.rizones33-34.org/">http://www.rizones33-34.org/</a>

Rotary International: <a href="https://www.rotary.org/">https://www.rotary.org/</a>

RI Convention Hamburg: <a href="http://www.riconvention.org/en/hamburg">http://www.riconvention.org/en/hamburg</a>



## **Youth Exchange Postcard to Kevin and Jenny**



While still living in Midland, I was part of the Midland Morning and Midland Noon Clubs' Rotary Youth Exchange Team. As part of my duties, I helped interview potential Outgoing Students. One young lady, Madison Roberts, made quite an impression on me. She was young (as they all are), but she was smart and mature and had a very balanced way of seeing the world. She was accepted into the program and was sent to Turkey. She arrived in Turkey in early September and has been writing a blog and posting to Facebook about her adventures living in another country. She is still very excited about her life overseas and wants to share her experiences, and Kevin and I have made comments on her posts about how proud we are of her attitude and her spunk and her love of life.

We received the above postcard from her on the day after my knee replacement surgery. After we thanked her on Facebook, she messaged me and asked if Kevin and I would like to read the monthly reports that the students are required to write regarding their experiences. We were honored and tickled to be included in the small group of Rotarians who receive these reports!

We have officially hosted three RYE students whom we will always consider "our kids". But because of RYE, we have also gotten to know many more students, both Incoming and Outgoing, and now, we are proud to say that our "family" is huge and from all around the world. And continues to grow as we have just added one more daughter to that list!













#### Committees

These are members currently assigned to committees. If you don't see your name here or prefer to join a different committee, please identify a committee and contact Kevin Kendrick.

Foundation

Chair Bob Teague

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Jim Stump—Club Training
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Public Relations
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Dewey Jenkins
Dana O'Connell
Tim O'Connell

## Rotary Recognizes UK Prime Minister Theresa May with Polio Champion Award

By Ryan Hyland, Nov 29 2018

Rotary honored Theresa May, prime minister of the United Kingdom, with the Polio Eradication Champion Award for her leadership and political support toward ending polio.

Rotary International President Barry Rassin presented the prestigious award to Alistair Burt, the UK minister of state for international development and minister of state for the Middle East, at a roundtable discussion on polio eradication on 27 November in London, England.

Rassin told Burt, who accepted the award on May's behalf, that the UK has repeatedly demonstrated an unwavering commitment toward a polio-free world.

"Britain's leadership in making multiyear commitments in support of global polio eradication has been an example for other countries to follow," Rassin said. He added that

flexible funding from the UK has given the Global Polio Eradication Initiative more resources to respond quickly to "dynamic needs."

Under May's leadership in 2017, the UK pledged about \$130 million to the GPEI for 2017-19, bringing the country's cumulative support for polio eradication to \$1.6 billion — second only to the United States. May has also been a strong advocate for other countries in the G-20 and G-7 to maintain their financial and political support for a polio-free world, Rassin said.

"The UK remains committed to reaching our goal of eradicating polio and ensuring that no child suffers from polio again," Burt said. "We are very proud of the contribution we have made to setting polio on the road to becoming history. I want to take this opportunity again to thank all those involved in the fight against polio, especially those on the ground working in incredibly difficult circumstances, and Rotary colleagues all around the world who have helped us reach this point."

Rotary established the Polio Eradication Champion Award in 1996 to recognize heads of state, health agency leaders, and others who have made significant contributions to ending polio. Past recipients include <u>Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau</u>, Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe, German Chancellor Angela Merkel, Nigerian President Muhammadu Buhari, and former UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon.



Sergeant-At-Arms
John Barringer
Pete Heuberger
Rosemary Hill
Jenny Kendrick
Ret Turner
Evan Webster

#### Service Projects

Pete Heuberger— Second Harvest /
Tutoring
David Hodgkins—Levin Children's
Hospital
Dewey Jenkins—Levine Children's
Hospital
Jenny Kendrick—Tutoring

Kevin Kendrick—First Responder/ Levine Children's Hospital / Tutoring Dave Miller—Crisis Assistance Pat Morgan—Charlotte Speech and Hearing

Joe Morris—Trout—Whitewater
Joy Rucker—Tutoring
Shannon Tucker—Charlotte Speech and
Hearing

# Social Chair Kate Richards Romy Cawood Ret Turner

Youth—New Generations Chair Angie Rikard Jenny Kendrick Kevin Kendrick Kay May

#### **January**

#### **Cart Matching**

(matches monthly donations up to \$50) Dana O'Connell Joe Morris

Jim Stump

#### **Birthdays**

01 Barbara Horstmann08 Howard Castleman14 Joe Morris

#### **Anniversaries**

Howard Castleman (28 yrs) Romy Cawood (1 yr) Dewey Jenkins (28 yrs) Evan Webster (34 yrs)

January is Vocational Services Month

