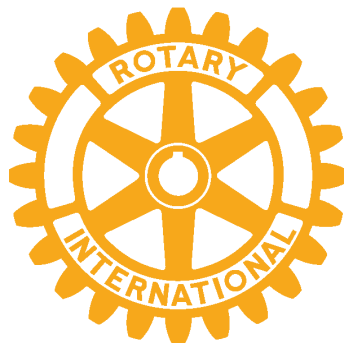


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Rotary Club of Hickory
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January 24, 2019

Today's Program: Rotarian Mitzi Gellman's Photography



Today fellow Rotarian Mitzi Gellman will share the work of her lifelong interest in photography. Her first camera was a Christmas gift from her parents when she was 8 years old. With the simple Kodak X-15 camera, she practiced image composition and began defining her photography style of capturing anything that looks interesting.

She credits much of her artistic talent to her mother, Joyce Dixon, an accomplished amateur artist. "Growing up in a house filled with art was an education by osmosis. I absorbed the technical aspects of the art around me without fully being aware that I was learning." She uses these lessons each time she takes a photo.

From documentary to nature photography, she has a variety of images and interests that are reflected in her presentation. Specifically, she will include images and information on the migratory tundra swans and her annual trip to eastern North Carolina to photograph and study the magnificent birds.

Mitzi has served as Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity of Catawba Valley for 22 years. She's a graduate of Newton-Conover High School and North Carolina State University; she's an active member of the Catawba Valley Camera Club where she has won numerous awards. Her photography has been exhibited in the Hickory Museum of Art and ASU's Turchin Center as an Appalachian Mountain Photo Contest finalist. She lives in Hickory and has 2 adult children and a new puppy.

A Note from Rocky Jacobs, Zone 33 PolioPlus Coordinator

Rotary, at least in my personal opinion, is an organization of givers, not takers. An organization that truly believes in service to all mankind. An organization that is known throughout the world for its humanitarian programs that provide relief to individuals in desperate need. Those of us on this team are privileged, again in my personal opinion, to provide humanitarian relief to millions of children in the world who will be able to be "polio free" in part because of your advocacy and efforts.

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Club Business and Announcements

Rotary Harmony for January 24

“This Land is Your Land”

by Woodie Guthrie

This land is your land; this land is my land
 From California to the New York island
 From the Redwood Forest, to the gulf stream waters
 This land was made for you and me.

As I went walking that ribbon of highway,
 I saw above me that endless skyway
 And saw below me that golden valley
 This land was made for you and me

This land is your land; this land is my land
 From California to the New York island
 From the Redwood Forest, to the gulf stream waters
 This land was made for you and me.

I roamed and rambled and I followed my footsteps
 To the sparkling sands of her diamond deserts.
 And all around me, a voice was sounding
 This land was made for you and me.

This land is your land; this land is my land
 From California to the New York island
 From the Redwood Forest, to the gulf stream waters
 This land was made for you and me.



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A Note from Rocky Jacobs, Zone 33 PolioPlus Coordinator

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You may have read an article entitled “The Triumph of Polio Eradication and the Risks to This Monumental Achievement ” that was sent to me a few days ago. It appeared in a newsletter from realclearmarkets.com. The author’s premise in short is that many nation states may not have planned or kept up with the necessary funding that will continue to be needed but may not be available.

Although it may be a valid point, we know what has been currently planned, and if the world’s financial situation does not take a radical turn, we are on track to finish the eradication of the wild polio virus. Our partners can continue to provide the necessary inoculations in our three endemic countries and the other sixty countries where we know the virus is present because the continued inoculation of the 400 million children in those countries is what prevents another polio outbreak.

Please remember the wonderful little children we will probably never meet but who will live a life free of polio because of your efforts. Think of their gratitude and their families' gratitude. I know that will put a smile on your face.

Last Week



Last week's guest was Kimberly Propst (pictured at left) who spoke to club members about



CVCC's Apprenticeship program. In addition to her presentation, Students of Distinction from CVCC were introduced.

Next Week

Since next Thursday is the fifth Thursday of the month, our meeting will be a club assembly. During the meeting, John Rambo and Bonita Ferretti, 2019 Rotarian Idol chairs, will be letting us know ways we can have the best Idol ever this May.

Club Member Weekly Assignments

Date	1-24-2019	1-31-2019	2-07-2019	2-14-2019
Greeter	Mike Pilolla	Anna Schuszler	Rodney Garren	Colton Sexton
Invocation	Anne Williams	Anne Williams	Mitzi Gellman	Mitzi Gellman
Visitors	Tony Reed	Tony Reed	Tony Reed	Tony Reed
Sunshine	Shuf Abernathy	David Williams		
Program	Tara Bland	Rotarian Idol Kick-Off	Carl Cline	
Speaker	Mitzi Gellman	Rotarian Idol Committee		Richard Eller
Topic	Mitzi Gellman Photography	Club Assembly	Admission Life Line/Heart Association	Historian
Raffle	Bonita Ferretti	David Myers	Anne Williams	John Olson



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Of the things we think, say, or do:

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

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