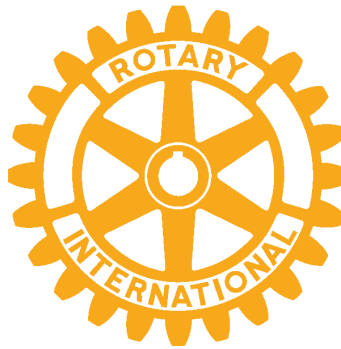


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Rotary Club of Hickory

Chartered 1921 – Hickory, NC – USA

February 27, 2020

Today's Program: AJ Kerley and the Services of PACE@Home



Today's speaker is AJ Kerley, who represents PACE@Home. AJ Kerley is the Director of Professional Relations with PACE@Home in Newton, North Carolina. She has been with PACE@Home for four years. As a part of its senior leadership team, she works with partnering organizations to help ensure best practices in providing the best care to individuals within the program. She also speaks to various groups, educating them on PACE, and detailing how PACE@Home's program serves families in the community.

AJ is very involved in her community as a member of the Catawba County Aging Coalition, LiveWell Catawba Coalition, president of the SIR (Senior Information Resource) board, a member of the Home and Community Care Block Grant Advisory Committee, a member of the Regional Aging Advisory Committee, a member of the Hickory Walk to

End Alzheimer's committee, a member of the Transportation Advisory Board for Greenway Transportation, and a fellow Rotarian.

HELP WANTED!

**VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED TO EDIT OUR CLUB'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER,
THE *ROTARY SPOKE***

If interested, contact President Gerry. Job training provided!

Club Business and Announcements

From District Governor Tiffany Irvin

Hiking North Carolina's Appalachian Trail in ONE DAY to Support PolioPlus

Saturday, April 18, 2020



In ONE DAY? Yes, in 3- to 7-mile sections! It's never been done, but District 7670 Rotary clubs will make this happen!

Hiking the North Carolina portion of the Appalachian Trail in one day is a fantastic opportunity for Rotary clubs to raise awareness and money for the eradication of polio. Hiking a 3- to 7-mile section of the AT is not for the faint of heart. Not all Rotarians can or will want to try it. But we all know people who would welcome the challenge: friends in the community, local hiking clubs, Interact clubs, and Rotaract clubs. So if we're not hikers, let's recruit and sponsor those who are!

Recommended donation for this event is \$100 for Rotarians and \$25 for non-Rotarians. All dollars raised will be matched two for one by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation; moreover, all dollars raised by YOUR Rotary Club

will STAY in your Rotary Club for your club's polio goal this year!

So let's get started! Sarah Leatham (Rotary Club of Hendersonville) and Michael Wade (Rotary Club of Sylva) are coordinating this first-time event. Let's get your club involved to finish the job of eradicating polio from the face of the earth!

For more information, contact Sarahtlethem@gmail.com or call 828-606-1740!

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Officers	July 2019 – June 2020	Board of Directors	Terms Expiring
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At the February 13 meeting, Hickory High School coach Russell Stone was inducted into club membership. Seen above at his induction ceremony are (L-R): sponsor Charles Young, Philip Reed, Coach Stone's wife Pam Stone, Coach Stone, and president Gerry Knox.



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Last Week



Last week's guest was Chad Hall (photo at left) with the Catawba Valley Leadership Foundation. The CVLF develops, supports, and cultivates strong leadership throughout the community. The CVLF focuses on strengthening leaders everywhere: civic and community, non-profits, schools, public service, and emerging leaders.

Next Week

Next week's guest is Casey McCall. Casey, who began work with the Hickory Police Department in 2019, is the Community Navigator for the Hickory Police Department. Casey helps the city's homeless community navigate the services necessary to become self-sufficient. Rotarian Mark Seaman is in charge of next week's program.



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?**

Club Member Weekly Assignments

Date	2-27-2020	3-5-2020	3-12-2020	3-19-2020
Greeter	Mike Pilolla	Carmen Eckard	Mike Cordora	Melissa Aldrich
Invocation	Thomas Griffis	Bob Schoffner	Anne Williams	Clarence Pugh
Visitors	Tony Reed	Tony Reed	Tony Reed	Tony Reed
Sunshine	John Watts	John Rambo	Charles Young	Shuford Abernathy
Program	Todd Hogue	Mark Seaman	Tara Hicks – joint meeting of Tuesday and Thursday clubs	Hank Guess
Speaker	A. J. Kerley	Casey McCall	Mick Mixon	Harold Carrillo
Topic	PACE at Home	Homeless Work	Carolina Panthers' Day	Census Presentation
Raffle	David Myers	Bonita Ferretti	John Olson	Anne Williams

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