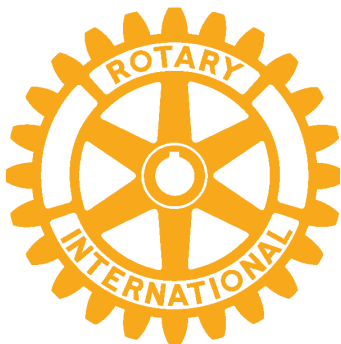


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# Spoke

Thursday Rotary Club of Hickory  
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July 27, 2017

## Today's Program: Jason Reid and the Catawba County Sheriff's Department



Today, we welcome Jason Reid of the Catawba County Sheriff's Department. Law enforcement is a family tradition for Reid. Not only were Jason's father Coy and Jason the first father-son SWAT duo in the state of North Carolina, but once his brother Cory joined, they became the first father-son-son trio in NC history. Jason is also a co-owner and instructor at the family business, Reid and Lail's Karate School of Oyama. Jason has studied martial arts for over 20 years, earning a 5<sup>th</sup> degree black belt in Kyokushinkai karate.

Over a 20-year career, Jason has worked for other great agencies and has grown professionally as an officer. In addition to experience, he learned new methodologies which he now brings to Catawba County. Throughout his career, he has had the largest busts in history for:

Marijuana, 1,581 lbs. - Lincoln, 2005

Methamphetamine, 4 lbs. - Lincoln, 2005

Hydrocodone, 1,502 pills - Iredell, 2010

Crack cocaine, 5.5 lbs. - Catawba, 2016

Opium, 2,000 lbs. - Catawba, 2017

Sheriff David Carpenter of Lincoln County hired Jason to help revamp the county's NARC division in 2010. Together, they created the first drug awareness program in the county. Jason met with school teachers, churches, DSS, EMTs, nurses, and other civic organizations. He introduced the community to the effects, appearance, odor, and history behind street drugs. After his first training, a teacher pulled him aside with information on a student's family matching the description of what he just taught. While the student was safe in class, the sheriff's office busted the parents' meth lab.

Coy always sets high expectations for those he commands and is his son's toughest critic; however, he was excited to work with Jason after witnessing his success in Lincoln County. Coy served as sheriff in Catawba for 5 years before hiring his son. Sheriff Carpenter had a bittersweet response to Jason's return to Catawba County, stating: *"Jason is responsible for more drug arrests in Lincoln county than any other officer in history. It's hard to be excited about losing someone like that."* Within Jason's first 6 months, the CCSO caseload increased 954%, and the anonymous tip-line leads increased 10 times.

Sheriff Reid allows Jason to think outside of the box. This leads to successful battles against dealers in the war on drugs. When Jason started working at the Catawba County Sheriff's Office, the two largest crack cocaine distributors were Damien Burch of Catawba and Salvador Gore of Conover. These kingpins worked together distributing multiple kilos of crack cocaine monthly. Neither of these men had ever spent a night in jail. After many failed efforts, it was clear to the drug community and law enforcement that neither would be caught nor convicted; however, CCSO had both men in custody within the first six months using the new tactics Captain Jason Reid and his narcotics officers established.

A war on drugs will never work; however the Reid family has proven a war on drug *dealers* is winnable.

# Club Business and Announcements

## July Polio Plus Update: Zero Cases Is the Watch Word

From Former District Governor Gary Dills:

We are no longer "This Close" but are looking for "Zero Cases" as we begin Rotary Year 2017-18. So retrain your fingers to give the Zero Cases indicator rather than the 'we are this close' finger pinch. In the 2016-17 Rotary year, we set a district record in donations to the Polio Plus fund and our fight against this dreaded disease. Your donations of \$83,000 (\$22,000 more than any other year) and the district designated fund contribution total over \$110,000.

Clearly, you understand that we continue to work in 60 countries around the world immunizing and treating over 400 million people *per* year. Polio Plus immunization is not a "one dose and you are done" deal; sometimes, it takes as many as ten doses to assure immunity. Of course, that takes manpower supplied by Rotary and other non-government organizations. In addition, the World Health Organization estimates that \$1.5 billion will be needed to get to "Zero Cases."

Rotary is leading the way. Those of us at the RI Convention in Atlanta were inspired by the worldwide effort and the generosity of Rotary, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the World Health Organization, and the nations of the world. In Atlanta, pledges of \$1.2 billion were made to take this fight to Zero Cases!! We also heard from Jack Nicklaus, golf legend and polio ambassador, who delivered a personal message about his and his sister's battle with polio. Now, he is dealing with the effects of post-polio, which affects polio victim's years after their original bout with polio.

On 15 June, WHO reported that four young children in two provinces of the Democratic Republic of the Congo were diagnosed with paralysis caused by polio. Obviously, polio can quickly raise its ugly head. We are not at Zero Cases! To help get there, in-coming DG Bill has set an ambitious fundraising goal for Polio Plus this coming year: \$40 *per capita*. We can do this and continue the daily battle against this dreaded disease. One child contracting polio is too many. Zero Cases is doable and must be achieved. Thank you to O'Neal Shelton for chairing the district polio effort this past year and to Ron Mackert for taking on the task for 2017-18.

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## Last Week



Last week, we heard from Dr. Frederick Whitt, the new president of Lenoir-Rhyne University. Dr. Whitt is the 12<sup>th</sup> university president and succeeded Dr. Wayne B. Powell in February, 2017. At left is a photograph of Dr. Whitt as he addressed the club. Below is a photograph of President Mark Teague welcoming a visiting guest from the Albertina Rotary Club in Vienna, Austria.



## Next Week

Next week, we welcome Julie Cook-Walker, who is the Education Specialist for the Foothills Region of the Alzheimer's Association. Although Julie is relatively new to this particular organization, she has been involved with this crippling and devastating disease for many years, having served as caregiver for her grandfather. She uses her education and experience to help others who have

### Club Member Weekly Assignments

| Date                 | 07-27-2017                          | 08-03-2017              | 08-10-2017                   | 08-17-2017                   |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Greeter</b>       | Tara Bland                          | George Coates           | Jan Bohmuller                | Joe Britt                    |
| <b>Invocation</b>    | Robert Welch                        | Cliff Moore             | Bethany Delany               | Anne Williams                |
| <b>Visitors</b>      | Tony Reed                           | Anne Williams           | Tony Reed                    | Tara Bland                   |
| <b>Rotary Moment</b> | John Bates                          |                         |                              |                              |
| <b>Program</b>       | Mark Teague                         | Tara Bland              | Kathy Greahouse              | Linda Lutz                   |
| <b>Speaker</b>       | Jason Reed                          | Julie Walker            | Dr. Rand Brandes             | Mark McCloud                 |
| <b>Topic</b>         | Catawba County Sheriff's Department | Alzheimer's Association | LRU Visiting Writers' Series | Hickory Parks and Recreation |
| <b>Raffle</b>        | Steven Walker                       | John Olson              | Kathy Greathouse             | Linda Lutz                   |
| <b>Video Camera</b>  | John Ross                           | Thomas Griffis          | Anne Williams                | Ellen Horn                   |



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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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