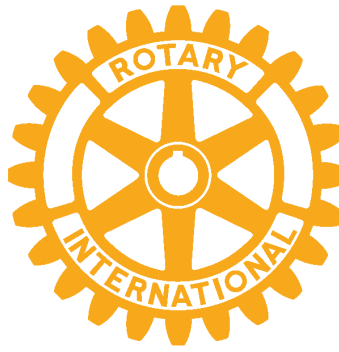


# Rotary

Thursday Rotary Club of Hickory  
Chartered 1921 – Hickory, NC - USA



# Spoke

August 11, 2016

## Today's Program: Anita Montes and Centro Latino

Catawba County Hispanic Ministry, otherwise known as Centro Latino, was established by local pastors in 1999. As the Hispanic population was just starting to expand in the area at that time, Centro Latino was created as a friendly and welcoming place for newcomers in the Catawba County community.

Initially offering Vacation Bible School and having a single employee with a telephone to answer questions, it has expanded over the past 17 years. Through collaborations with multiple community service groups, volunteers, schools, government agencies, our board of directors, and our employees, "Centro" has now expanded to offer several successful programs. These include an after-school program for children ages K-8 called "Abriendo Puertas" (Opening Doors), an accredited Immigration Clinic, English as a Second Language for adults, and diversity training as well as individual client services as needed.



Centro Latino has no political agenda and works to serve any and all Hispanic families that require assistance in their struggle to acclimate to a new community in a new country where an unfamiliar language is spoken. Our purpose at Centro Latino is to help these hard working families to succeed and become integrated productively into our community.

Anita Montes is an obstetrician/gynecologist who has had an active practice in Hickory since 1990. She first became involved with Centro Latino in 2008 and has been dedicated to the cause of this nonprofit ever since. As a past president of the board for a total of 4 years, she continues to sit on the board and works as the Fundraising Coordinator.

# Club Business and Announcements

After serving as Interact Advisor for 18 years at Hickory High School (HHS), Cheryl Rhea will be a new employee with the Newton-Conover City Schools. Our Club has a long, successful history of a service partnership with the over 100 members of the HHS Interact Club and is grateful to Cheryl, a Paul Harris Fellow, for her commitment to "Service Before Self." Cheryl and Madison Yount, the new HHS Interact advisor and an English teacher, will be visiting us at the August 11 meeting. Madison is a 2010 graduate of HHS where she was an "Interactor" for all four years of her high school career. Madison graduated from Lenoir-Rhyne University with a BA in English and a MA in Teaching. President John will recognize these ladies today.

## July Board Meeting Highlights

Your Rotary board held its regularly scheduled meeting on July 19, 2016. In an effort to bring more transparency to our members, below is a brief summary of that meeting.

- The 2017 Rotary District 7670 conference will be held in Hickory, Thursday, April 27, 2017 through Sunday April 30, 2017. Our club will seek to earn both the Governor's Club of Excellence and Distinguished Club Citations.
- The district is chartering buses to the 2017 Rotary International Convention being held in Atlanta, June 10-14, 2017. Please contact Bob Miller at [cbmnc676@bellsouth.net](mailto:cbmnc676@bellsouth.net) or Gary Dills [gddills@gmail.com](mailto:gddills@gmail.com) no later than July 31st if you are interested. Approximate cost is approximately \$70-\$75.
- District Governor Gary Dills will visit our club August 25. One of his goals for the year is to increase club participation in the Polio Plus initiative, which receives matching funds from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.
- Susan Smith Walker has agreed to chair the Polio Plus committee, and as of now, she is a committee of one seeking VOLUNTEERS. Susan is also overseeing the Polio Survivors group that you have been reading about in the *Hickory Daily Record*.
- Hickory High School Interact Club advisor Cheryl Rhea has taken a new position with Newton-Conover schools, and she is being replaced with 2<sup>nd</sup> year English teacher Madison Yount. (See above.)
- Our next board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 25, at 11:00 AM at Lake Hickory Country Club just prior to our noon club meeting. All club Rotarians are invited to attend.

## Thursday Rotary Club of Hickory Officers and Board of Directors

Officers	July 2016 – June 2017	Board of Directors	Terms Expiring
John Rambo	President	Bruce Bumbarger	June 2017
Mark Teague	President-Elect	Robert Locke	June 2017
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Andy Cote	Assistant Treasurer	Gerry Knox	June 2019
Mark Seaman	Past President	Linda Lutz	June 2019
		Susan Smith Walker	June 2019

## Last Week

At the August 4 meeting, Rotarians heard from 6<sup>th</sup> District Congressman Patrick McHenry. In addition, we welcomed, Lilley Washburn, our club's Rotary Youth Leadership Award winner. She spoke about her experiences at the RYLA camp held at Brevard College. Below are some photos from the meeting.



Congressman McHenry and John Rambo



Rotarian Tony Reed, RYLA recipient Lilley Washburn, and John Rambo



2016 – 2017  
Rotary Theme



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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?

## Next Week

Rotarian Ellen Horn will present an intriguing and informative session on service dogs trained for Canine Companions for Independence.

### Club Member Weekly Assignments

Date	08-11-2016	08-18-2016	08-25-2016	09-01-2016
<b>Program</b>	Dana Killian	Ellen Horn	John Rambo	Dana Killian
<b>Speaker</b>	Dr. Anita Montes	Ellen Horn	Gary Dills	Gar Atchinson
<b>Topic</b>	Centro Latino	Canine Companions	Rotary DG Visit	Frye Regional Medical Center
<b>Rotary Moment</b>	Anne Williams	John Bates	John Millholland	Rosemary Bass-Young
<b>Raffle</b>	Jan Bohmuller	John Olson	Mark Seaman	Cuyler Dunbar
<b>Visitors</b>	Tony Reed	Jennifer Clark	David Williams	Tony Reed
<b>Greeter</b>	James Carper	David Williams	Bethany Delany	Ellen Horn
<b>Invocation</b>	Beth Delany	Anne Williams	David Williams	Dan Duke

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