

Hickory Rotary Club Roster

How to make up meetings online

- Go to www.Rotary7670.org and click on *Makeup On Line* (this takes you to the eClub One web site)
- Click on the tutorial on the left, or listen to the helpful Rotarian who pops up on the screen, for instructions. Spend 30 minutes on the site reading articles or watching videos, all of which can be found at top under *Makeup Programs* (be sure to record the titles of the programs you read or watched – you'll need those later)
- When you have completed your 30 minutes, click on *Request Makeup* (also at top) and donate if so inclined (recommended amount is what you might normally pay for lunch at your club and simply helps to maintain the site)
- Click on *Request Makeup Form* button, answer questions on form, including the program titles
- Give them Leslie Middleton's email address: lferrell@catawbacountync.gov . . . You're done!
- Another option: View a previous meeting video on the hickoryrotary.org website and inform Leslie.

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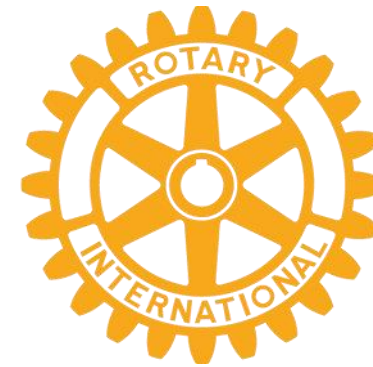
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Today, Billi Black, Governor of Rotary District 7670, will speak to the club.

A member of the Rotary Club of Franklin Daybreak, DG Billi Black is a graduate of Penn State University with a BS in Education and an MA from George Mason



University in Curriculum and Development. She did her student teaching in the Panama Canal Zone and subsequently taught all levels at the elementary school level in Fauquier County, Virginia. After moving to North Carolina, Billi served as the Education Director of Drake Software, where she retired after ten years.

Billi is married to Ron Winecoff. They have a blended family, with three children: Allison Miller lives in

Spokane, Washington; Casey Brooks and Zachary Turner are in Culpepper, Virginia.

They have six grandchildren ranging in ages from one to 16.

A Rotarian since 1998, Billi is a Past-President of the Rotary Club of Franklin Daybreak; Assistant Governor; Paul Harris Fellow; a mem-

ber and past chair of the Paul Harris Society; a level two major donor; and a member of the 2010 Friendship Exchange Team to District 3060 (India).

Billi has attended seven International Conventions. She and Ron are members of the Arch Klumpf Society.

For more information on Rotary District 7670, visit www.rotary7670.org.

Jack McCaskill is in charge of the program.



Oliver Noble

Is It the Truth? Every week we stand and ask the question. And every week, when our meeting is over, we go back to our lives in a confusing world where we are surrounded and penetrated by layers of untruths. The Four Way Test is not used to filter most of the information we get.

I have heard my share of truth and untruth. In court, the oath seemed to have no effect on what was said. A friend went to court regularly with his employee to ensure the man had enough money for bail and fines, and to try to figure out what really happened. After listening to both sides, my friend said it sounded like the people had been in two different fights.

Like the medicine show and snake oil salesmen before them, web sites and television commercials promise a quick cure for all ills. Social, dating, political, commercial, and even non-profit websites contain all sorts of things that are not true. Drug dealers sell stuff to fix your troubles, but the truth is that the stuff causes problems far worse. The internet encyclopedia is written by . . . whomever. People deny scientifically proven truths when they are inconvenient to their points of view.

Telling the lie loudly and often and in colorful ways gets attention. People who get your attention can deny that

facts are facts and broadcast the denial over and over until it begins to sound true.

And then there is the whole truth issue. A businessman who says sales have doubled may be telling the truth. What he might not say is that his costs have tripled, and that he is losing money. That is the whole truth.

Some state leaders refuse to take advantage of a Medicaid expansion, saying they're saving money on Medicaid, and that is a tiny truth. Leaders of other states say that expanding Medicaid provides physical and mental health and drug treatment for people who would otherwise be in prison or in emergency rooms or in mental hospitals at great public expense, so they say they are saving money. That is the whole truth.

Truth is powerful and sturdy and safe. Truth does not have a point of view or yield to yours. Truth is complicated, and often it is a part of a larger picture that turns tiny truths on their head. Those other three questions we recite aim toward the whole truth. Truth is better measured and purer if the other three recited questions are used to build the strainer: Is it fair to all concerned? Will it build goodwill and better friendships? Is it beneficial to all concerned?

So, is it the whole truth?



Last week . . .

Neill McGeachy introduced Lenoir Rhyne University Head Football Coach Ian Shields to the club. Exciting things ahead during the coming season. Go Bears!



Coincidentally, Neill McGeachy's ticket was drawn to win half of the largest Service Above Self Scholarship pot ever, \$5860. This week, we start again.

Ian Riseley is selected as 2017-18 Rotary president

Ian H.S. Riseley, of the Rotary Club of Sandringham, Victoria, Australia, is the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International in 2017-18. He will become the president-nominee on 1 October if no other candidates challenge him.

Riseley says that meaningful partnerships with corporations and other organizations are crucial to Rotary's future.

"We have the programs and personnel and others have available resources," says Riseley. "Doing good in the world is everyone's goal. We must learn from the experience of the polio eradication program to maximize our public awareness exposure for future partnerships."

Riseley is a practicing accountant and principal of Ian Riseley and Co., which specializes in advising local and international businesses, and has a strong interest in international affairs. He received the AusAID Peacebuilder Award from the Australian government in 2002 in recognition of his work in Timor-Leste. He also received the Order of Australia medal in 2006 for service to the Australian community.



The Rotary Four Way Test

- Is it the truth?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build good will and better friendships?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

It is well that there is nothing in Rotary so sacred that it cannot be set aside in favor of things better. — Paul Harris

WHAT THE ARCHITECT OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION HAD TO SAY:

"The Rotary Foundation is not to build monuments of brick and stone. If we work upon marble, it will perish; if we work on brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples they will crumble into dust; but if we work upon immortal minds, if we imbue them with the full meaning of the spirit of Rotary . . . we are engraving on those tablets something that will brighten all eternity."

Arch C. Klumph, President of Rotary International, 1916-1917



Club Assignments

| Date | Today | 20-Aug | 27-Aug | 3-Sep |
|---------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Program | Jack McCaskill | | | |
| Speaker | Billie Black | Jim Meade | | |
| Topic | District 7670 | FBI | | |
| Rotary Moment | Bob Warmuth | Andrea Surratt | Ernie Masche | John Watts |
| Raffle | Linda Lutz | Robert Locke | Lindsay Lawhon | Gerry Knox |
| Visitors | Mark Teague | Dean Doucette | Linda Lutz | Mitzi Gellman |
| Greeter | Beth Meadlock | Jennifer Clark | Cliff Goddard | Anne Williams |
| Message | Oliver Noble | Jamie Brown | Mitzi Gellman | |
| Invocation | Linda Lutz | Dan Duke | John Bates | Clarence Pugh |
| Video Camera | Bruce Bumbarger | | | |

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