

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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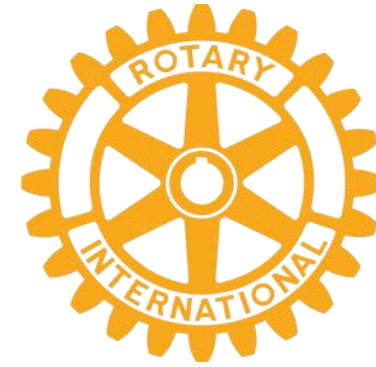
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Today, Jim Meade, Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Charlotte Division, will discuss emerging threats to our nation and local community and the FBI's efforts to combat those threats.



Special Agent Jim Meade currently serves as the Senior Resident Agent of the Hickory Resident Agency, Charlotte Division of the FBI. In this position, Jim is responsible for all criminal and national security matters. During his 19 years with the FBI, Jim has served in two field offices and one headquarters division and has worked on a wide variety of federal criminal and national security violations, including violent

crime, public corruption, and complex financial crime. Prior to his transfer to North Carolina, Jim served on the FBI's Hostage Rescue Team for six years and deployed worldwide on multiple criminal and counter-terrorism missions.

Jim received a Bachelor of Science Degree in 1988 from the United States Military Academy at West Point, NY. He served on active duty in the United States Army for six years and participated in Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm in Saudi Arabia and Iraq, and Operation Just Cause in Panama. Jim and his wife, Lisa, have two sons. Bob Conklin is in charge of the program.



Thomas Griffis

My father-in-law, Frank Gadd, died in 2006. He was an engineer and a craftsman. In 1935, at age fifteen, he won first place and a \$5,000 dollar college scholarship (a magnificent prize at the height of the Great Depression) in the junior division of the Body by Fisher Craftsman Guild contest held annually by General Motors for youth aged 14 to 19. The contest was begun in the early 1930s out of GM's need for employees with talented skills. Contestants had to build by hand a scale model of a Napoleonic Coach. Frank received his prize at the Hotel Frontenac in Quebec City. After completing his education at the University of Washington and submariner service in the Pacific during World War II, he was hired as an engineer by General Motors truck and coach division.

Every time I look at the coach he crafted, I am amazed by his ability to create by hand molds for metallic caps to cover wheel hubs, elaborate rolled and pleated cushions for the coachmen and passengers, the coach body shaped from blocks of wood with tiny home-made planes. Though he remained a craftsman for the rest of his life (Susan and I are quick to show off the tea table, the tilt-topped table, the butterfly drop-leaf end table he built), it was his

coach we placed in the church chapel as a symbol of his legacy as a craftsman and engineer.

Few of us have the talent to craft by hand a Napoleonic coach or elegant furniture future generations will prize, but all of us have life-honed skills to help shape the lives of children, youth, and adults who need a little attention to encourage them along the way.

Before I drove Quebec City in early March to study French, a backpacking friend gave me a copy of Ron Pevny's book, *Conscious Living, Conscious Aging*. Pevny provides a helpful roadmap for those of us who are in or near retirement, or, for that matter, anyone who is seeking a meaningful life regardless of age. He describes the importance of aligning our actions with the power of our soul (p.133). The power of the soul is a yearning to serve others with the talents, skills, and abilities we have been given or developed. With these gifts and our use of them in service of something larger than ourselves (as in *Service Above Self*), we craft our legacy. So, as President Billi Black said to us last Thursday, let's "take off our jacket, roll up our sleeves, and get to work" crafting our legacy by serving others.



Start by doing what's necessary; then do what's possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible.

— Francis of Assisi

POLIO PLUS IS A SIGNATURE PROGRAM OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION.

PolioPlus is Rotary's priority program which supports global efforts to eradicate polio. It was launched in 1985, with the help of Dr. Albert Sabin, developer of the oral polio vaccine, as a worldwide program to protect children from the cruel and fatal consequences of polio. In 1988, the World Health Assembly challenged the world to eradicate polio, and since that time, Rotary's efforts, along with partner agencies, including the World Health Organization, the United Nations' Children's Fund, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and governments around the world have achieved a 99 percent reduction in the number of polio cases worldwide. By the time the world is certified polio-free, our contributions will make Rotary the largest non-governmental financial contributor to the global polio eradication effort.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING ROTARY'S NUMBER ONE GOAL-END POLIO NOW!



Presidential Message: K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran, President 2015-2016

In the 1930s, Ole Kirk Christiansen, a Danish carpenter, had a wooden sign hanging on his wall that read, *Det bedste er ikke for godt*: "Only the best is good enough." Today, Christiansen is remembered as the inventor of Lego, the colorful plastic bricks beloved by children around the world. But in the early days of the Lego company, its signature product was a wooden duck – one built to the highest standards, out of aged beech, with three coats of clear varnish. Lego's company history tells how Christiansen used his ducks to teach a lesson in quality to his son, Godtfred Kirk:



One evening, when I came into the office, I said to my father: "It's been a good day today, Dad. We've earned a little more." "Oh," said Dad, "what do you mean?" "Well, I've just been to the station with two boxes of our toy ducks for the Danish Co op. Normally they get three coats of varnish, but since it's for the Co-op, I only gave them two. So I saved the business a bit of money." He looked at me in dismay. "Godtfred, fetch those boxes back. Unpack them and give the ducks another coat of varnish. You're not going to bed until the work's done – and you'll do it all on your own." There was no arguing with Dad. And it was a lesson for me about what quality meant.

Today, Lego's quality standards are legendary, and its products are the most popular toys in the world: Lego pieces outnumber humans 86 to 1.

Read more at <https://goo.gl/IPMkwe>.



Billi Black, Governor of Rotary District 7670, spoke to the club. Shown here with husband Ron Winecoff and Assistant District Governor Jack McCaskill.

Club Assignments

Date	Today	27-Aug	3-Sep	10-Sep
Program	Bob Conklin	John Rambo		
Speaker	Jim Meade	Cast		
Topic	FBI	Legally Blonde		
Rotary Moment	Andrea Surratt	Ernie Masche	John Watts	David Millholland
Raffle	Robert Locke	Lindsay Lawhon	Gerry Knox	Dana Killian
Visitors	Dean Doucette	Linda Lutz	Mitzi Gellman	Steven Walker
Greeter	Jennifer Clark	Cliff Goddard	Anne Williams	Kathy Greathouse
Message	Jamie Brown	Mitzi Gellman	Robert Locke	Lamar Mitchell
Invocation	Dan Duke	John Bates	Clarence Pugh	Linda Lutz
Video Camera	Bruce Bumbarger			



K.R. Ravindran

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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?

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