

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!
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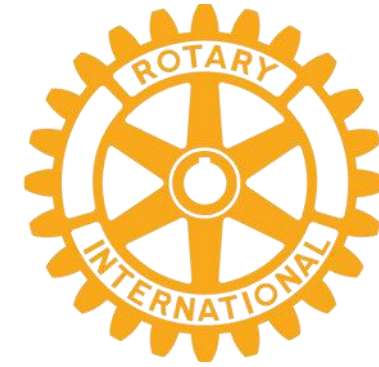
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The area's first weekend-long film festival—the Footcandle Film Festival—is coming to the SALT Block Auditorium September 25th through the 27th. The festival will feature eleven feature-length films and fourteen short films during the weekend, along with a special opening night event and a closing awards ceremony. The festival is being held by the Footcandle Film Society, a local non-profit film screening and discussion group that currently has more than 550 local members, in partnership with the Hickory Museum of Art.



In January of this year, filmmakers from around the world were encouraged to submit their films for consideration in the festival. Over the five-month submission period, more than 200 films were submitted, ranging from documentaries to short and foreign films. Members of the film society formed a screening committee, reviewing and rating all films to determine the best ones to showcase during the festival weekend.

There will be an Opening Night event on Friday, September 25th, where all of the selected short films (each less than 30 minutes in length) will be shown, followed by

a reception in the Hickory Museum of Art main gallery. Later that evening, ticket holders will have a chance to view the "Late Night" selection of short films, if they wish, which will tend to be more edgy and intended for more mature audiences.

Feature-length films will be shown all day on Saturday, September 26th, and Sunday, September 27th. In many cases, the filmmakers will be in attendance and will hold a short "question-and-answer" session following the screening of their films.

The festival will end with a very special awards ceremony and dinner, held at Moretz Mills that Sunday evening. The dinner event will present a series of awards to the films selected by a panel of judges as the best of the weekend festival, as well as other special presentations. This is shaping up to be a very exciting event and can be considered the Catawba County version of the "Academy Awards!"

Tickets are now available to the general public for all of the events through the festival's web site at footcandlefilmfestival.com. Tickets can be purchased for any of the individual film screenings throughout the weekend, for the Friday

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Michael Blackburn

Back in '86, I was a thirty-three year-old Texan and fledgling hospital administrator taking my first CEO position in the beautiful mountains of northeast Georgia. Habersham County Medical Center was the second largest employer and the only hospital in the county, and I was expected, by my board chairman, to join the Rotary Club. And so I did!

It was THE CLUB of the community's best leadership, all men, and we met at Billy Bob's Steakhouse. Billy Bob Caudell was a Rotarian with the best fried chicken in town and room for at least a hundred every week. No matter the war, crime, terror, evil and fear there was in the world at the time, our Rotary Club was always striving to "do some good" in our community and the world. We had the Four-Way Test and high expectations for character and attendance. One of my jobs was to be "De Judge." I levied fines for members who got their names in the paper, for any reason...good or not so good. There was no tolerance for less than 85% attendance (and there was no Internet and the next club was 30 miles away!). And everyone was expected to have a high level of involvement (unless of course you were Senior Active and received the customary lunch discount). There were Rotary Anns, and Andy hadn't arrived as yet (RIP). No one knew any better, and most of us...even if we were to give it a thought...would have never thought it would ever be any different

than it was. There's one thing I've learned to depend on in life, and that is change!

As I moved up in my hospital career, I was privileged to become part of a couple of other southern communities and was a Rotarian in each. As president of two clubs, I became part of the transition of membership that better reflected our societal changes and the broader diversity of our changing communities. And, in looking back and comparing to present, there have been style and club culture changes, to be sure. Maybe our jokes are more likely out of Boy's Life or Reader's Digest (those are old magazines)...or the Internet...and less likely from the locker room or hunt camp? And, we still have Sunshine together, and that's what matters!

To be sure, Rotary still represents the best of our community, striving to "do some good" in our community and our world. When I became CEO at Frye, Charles Snipes, from his Frye board position, beat Don Coleman to the draw and expected me to join his Rotary club. I was impressed with his commitment to Rotary...and his exemplary attendance record! And the Thursday Rotary Club of Hickory continues to carry on the Rotary traditions and the Four-Way Test in a world that still has war, crime, terror, fear and evil. Thanks to Rotary, you and I get to do our small part and "do something good." Thank goodness some things never change!

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opening short film screening and reception and for the Sunday evening awards ceremony and dinner. Descriptions of the films and their trailers can be found on the festival web site as well.

Many organizations have provided support to the festival during its inaugural year, including the United Arts Council of Catawba County, the Hickory Metro Convention and Visitors Bureau, the City of Hickory and many others. The film society hopes this event will begin an annual tradition for the Catawba County area, with intentions to grow the size of the festival to multiple venues and to include more films in the coming years.

Alan Jackson and Chris Frye are the Co-Founders and Co-Directors of the

Footcandle Film Society. The Society is a non-profit organization encouraging the screening and discussion of films in the Catawba County area. It holds monthly screenings of both independent and award-winning films, and fosters discussions of the films at each screening. For more information about the film society, please visit its web site at www.footcandle.org.

Bob Conklin is in charge of the program.



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Congratulations to Rotarian Cori Tingen and husband Mike Guiliani on their recent marriage. Live long and prosper, Mike and Cori!

Last week . . .



Terry Clark, Hickory Regional Airport Director, gave the club an update on the airport and its plans for expansion.

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?

The length of a film should be directly related to the endurance of the human bladder. — Alfred Hitchcock



WHAT IS A PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY MEMBER?

The Paul Harris Society recognizes individuals who contribute US\$1,000 or more each Rotary year to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus Fund, or an approved global grant. Paul Harris Society contributions count toward Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member (Annual Fund contributions only), Paul Harris Fellow, Multiple Paul Harris Fellow, and Major Donor recognition. Recognition consists of a chevron style pin provided by your District Paul Harris Society Coordinator. A US\$1,000 gift in your name to The Rotary Foundation can create a legacy of helping many people live better lives around the world.

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Club Assignments

Date	Today	24-Sep	1-Oct	8-Oct
Program	Bob Conklin	Bob Conklin	Bob Conklin	Club Fellowship
Speaker	Alan Jackson	Austin Pearce	Dr. Robbie Adell	Club Fellowship
Topic	Footcandle Film	Soup Kitchen	Hickory Public	Club Fellowship
Rotary Moment	Mitzi Gellman	Charles Young	Robert Bumbarger	John Ross
Raffle	Rich Brown	Joe Britt	Jamie Brown	Dean Doucette
Visitors	Tom Adkins	Anne Williams	Sandi Fotheringham	Cliff Goddard
Greeter	Doug Rongo	Tara Bland	Pam Barbour	Carol Kammer
Message	Michael Blackburn	Bill Miller-Zurell	Ernie Masche	Andrea Surratt
Invocation	Susan Walker	Thomas Griffis	Bob Shoffner	Mike Johnson

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