

# Hickory Rotary Club Roster

## How to make up meetings online

- Go to [www.Rotary7670.org](http://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](mailto:lferrell@catawbacountync.gov) . . . You're done!
- Another option: View a previous meeting video on the [hickoryrotary.org](http://hickoryrotary.org) website and inform Leslie.

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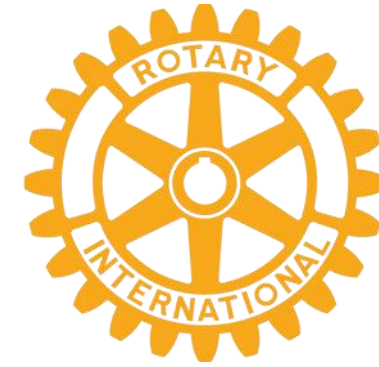
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## Club Fellowship

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

— Mahatma Gandhi

I slept and dreamt that life was joy. I awoke and saw that life was service. I acted and behold, service was joy.

— Rabindranath Tagore

Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth.

— Muhammad Ali

Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart.

— Elizabeth Andrew

The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention.

— Oscar Wilde

We can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone.

— Dr. Loretta Scott

Act as if what you do makes a difference. It does.

— William James

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.

— Winston Churchill

Nobody made a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could only do a little.

— Edmund Burke



## Song of the Day

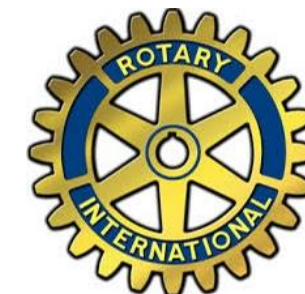
R-O-T-A-R-Y, that spells Rotary;

R-O-T-A-R-Y is known on land and sea;

From North to South, from East to West,

They profit most who serve the best;

R-O-T-A-R-Y, That spells Rotary.





Andrea Surratt

I recently attended a conference in Seattle, Washington. Unlike the Carolinas this week, the weather was perfectly sunny and warm, signaling that fall had arrived. And so it made the streets of Seattle full of shoppers, commuters and panhandlers—all of whom are people just trying to get from point A to point B (metaphorically-speaking) in their lives and also literally sharing the same pavement each day.

Two experiences continue to linger in my mind and provide the story here that speaks to the Four-Way Test. After getting dressed up for a reception and realizing that the ticket I needed was still at the registration desk in the Washington State Convention Center, I decide to wander from the hotel to the center about a block away. It was after business hours but only about 6:30 p.m., and the activity in the building had come to a halt. Replacing it was a number of, mostly, men with all of their belongings, including sleeping bags, wandering the halls of the convention center to claim their spot for the night behind a planter or on a bench outside a meeting room.

My first reaction was surprise to think that this was an option for them. Why is this allowed? My second reaction was some degree of nervousness since I was not finding anyone from the conference as I walked several levels of the building. I did eventually see a police officer patrol-

ling the building, and I relaxed a bit, but I never found my ticket and never made it to the reception.

You see, I needed a ticket to enter my event and was shut out otherwise, but these folks could enter without a ticket and raise their quality of life tremendously for the evening. Safe places matter. I had a safe place to return to and sleep at the hotel. And this convention center provided a beneficial, safe place.

The second experience was the panhandling woman outside of the drug store who claimed over and over to anyone who would listen that she was a grandmother of three just trying to make it and would someone help. When I didn't put money in her box, she still said a blessing for my day. I am disappointed in my response. I would like a do-over or some advice on how to handle next time. Why should my bell ringing efforts at Christmas be received with any more enthusiasm than what I gave to her? I did struggle to know if her story was the truth. But I also know that doing nothing is not fair to all concerned. It was comforting to know that the State of Washington was managing as best they could the number of homeless who needed that space as shelter at night.

It seems that good will was displayed there. Now I need to work on my good will.

The Rev. Susan Smith Walker was ordained on September 27, 2015, in a unique multi-cultural, interdenominational interfaith service at Church of the Master United Church of Christ in Hickory. Walker was originally ordained in 2009 by the Christian Universalist Association and was recently approved by the Western North Carolina Association UCC for ordained ministry in their denomination.



Most people know her as the Associate Pastor of Exodus Missionary Outreach Church and Assistant Executive Director of Exodus Homes, a faith-based United Way agency in Hickory. Six years ago, the Church of the Master UCC invited Walker to be part of their ministry also, and she has served in both churches since then. Walker has been moving towards UCC ordination for years, with the full support of the Rev. Reggie Longcrier, founding pastor of Exodus Church. Longcrier was the guest speaker for the ordination service. "God has given Rev. Walker a great commission. She demonstrates the unconditional love of God through her life and service. People see Christ in her," he said. Her standing as an ordained UCC minister will draw the two ministries closer together in partnership.

Congratulations Rotarian Susan!



K.R. Ravindran

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### Last week . . .

Newly-appointed Hickory Public Schools Superintendent Robbie Adell updated the club on the status of education in our city and in the state of North Carolina. Learn more at [www.hickoryschools.net](http://www.hickoryschools.net).



### 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 fellowship of true friends who can hear you out, share your joys, help carry your burdens, and correctly counsel you is priceless.**  
— Ezra Taft Benson



#### WHAT IS THE ROTARY FOUNDATION'S ENDOWMENT FUND?

If you will remember, The Rotary Foundation is funded in two different ways: the Annual Fund and the Endowment Fund (formerly the Permanent fund). The Permanent Fund enables individuals to combine their gifts into a significant force to address the world's greatest needs for generations to come. Donations to the Endowment Fund are made with outright

gifts (cash, securities, real estate, tangible personal property or an Endowed Fund), life income agreements, or bequests by a will or trust. Contributions to this fund are invested for the future. Only earnings from their investments are used to support Foundation programs.

**WHAT'S YOUR LEGACY? IF YOU WANT TO LEAVE A LASTING LEGACY TO THE WORLD THROUGH THE ROTARY FOUNDATION'S ENDOWMENT FUND - JUST ASK ME HOW AND I'LL SHOW YOU.**

### Club Assignments

Date	Today	15-Oct	22-Oct	29-Oct
Program	Club Fellowship	Suzanne Trollan		
Speaker	Club Fellowship	Judith Domer		
Topic	Club Fellowship	School in Kenya		
Rotary Moment	John Ross	Meg Locke	Thomas Griffis	Allen Finley
Raffle	Dean Doucette	Tony Reed	Jennifer Clark	Cuyler Dunbar
Visitors	Cliff Goddard	Andrea Surratt	Mark Teague	Tony Reed
Greeter	Carol Kammer	Gerry Knox	Steven Walker	Mark Teague
Message	Andrea Surratt	Susan Walker	Rich Brown	John Ross
Invocation	Mike Johnson	Bill Miller-Zurell	Cliff Moore	Anne Williams
Video Camera	Ray Cerda	Cori Tingen	Tara Bland	John Bates

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