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- Go to rotaryclubone.org, then look at "Makeup for a missed meeting" on the right. Follow instructions.
- When you have completed your 30 minutes, click on Request a Makeup Confirmation 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).
- Complete the "Request a Makeup" form (club secretary email is lferrell@catawbacountync.gov) and submit. You're done!
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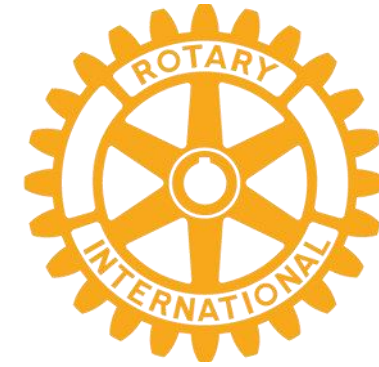
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Today Kimmie Rogers will speak to the club about PolioPlus. Her guests are AG O'Neal Shelton and polio survivor Susie Fender, who will discuss information on life after polio and the importance of finishing our fight to end this dreaded disease as well as how our next focus is to help those who have survived polio live a more normal life.



SCENES FROM THE FIELD
This year, only two countries have reported polio cases caused by the wild poliovirus: Afghanistan and Pakistan. Africa has not seen a case in over a year, but our work isn't done yet. These photos (<http://goo.gl/pskBB6>) offer a glimpse into the effort to end the disease that once affected 350,000 children a year.

AFGHANISTAN

Fewer than 10 cases have been reported in Afghanistan so far

in 2015. Strengthening immunization campaigns is key to stopping polio in the country.

PAKISTAN

According to experts, Pakistan will prove the biggest challenge to global eradication efforts, with the country accounting for nearly 90 percent of

the world's cases in 2014. However, we've seen recent progress in Pakistan, with the country reporting a near 75 percent reduction in cases in the first half of 2015 compared to the same time in 2014.

AFRICA

Nigeria saw its last polio case on 24 July 2014. The World Health Organization may soon remove Nigeria from the list of polio-endemic countries. When all of Africa goes three years without a case of polio, WHO will certify the region as polio-free.

Susan Walker is in charge of the program.



John Ross

My last communication in this space on Sir Nicholas Winton got a little weepy, so I hope to be totally upbeat this time. It shouldn't be hard, because Autumn is my favorite time of the year, and with the brief exception of the monsoon season of a couple of weeks ago, our weather has been fabulous (longtime residents might translate that as TOO COLD ALREADY!). Hickory to me is just magical in the time between September football games and the many great holiday activities that fill up the calendar between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day. The only negative, even though I don't golf, is seeing my many friends who sincerely miss the Champions Tour event at Rock Barn. I hope we can work together to help Jim Correll and the Rock Barn folks find a permanent sponsor. Hickory looks so good on TV!

Speaking of TV..... congratulations to Lenoir-Rhyne University for the good showing of their campus, the great tailgating scene around Moretz Stadium/John David Moose Field and the stands full of nearly 7,000 fans for their game with Wingate. The outcome for those of us rooting for the Bears was not as we would have liked, but I know one of the members of our club has great reason to be proud of his son's outstanding performance as the quarterback for the opposition.

Every weekend our hometown and home county offer a great number of recreational and cultural opportunities. In addition to good football on the weekend of October 15-17, I attended and heard three great musical events on Saturday and Sunday, including our own Hickory Choral Society in a wonderful and substantive program of British choral music, and just a few minutes later a program of music from the time of J.S. Bach at LRU's Grace Chapel. The night before I ventured "all

the way to Newton" to hear the Kruger Brothers collaborate with Austrian musician Wilfred Scharf, who plays the zither. This is the kind of entertainment I would expect in a big time university town like Ann Arbor or Chapel Hill. Maybe it is time that we all recognize that Hickory is a lot more exceptional than many of us think it is?

This past weekend was the annual Hart Square Festival, one of the most unique and enjoyable events in the Southeast. What an extraordinary collection of log structures, and what an extraordinary collection of volunteers who gather every year to make this incredible place come alive. Honestly, it is my very favorite day of the year! Even when I can't attend, I just feel so joyful knowing that so many people get to have that experience and get to see the incredible commitment of Dr. Bob Hart and his family and many friends. Maybe, just maybe, something like this could happen someplace else. BUT, IT DOES HAPPEN HERE!

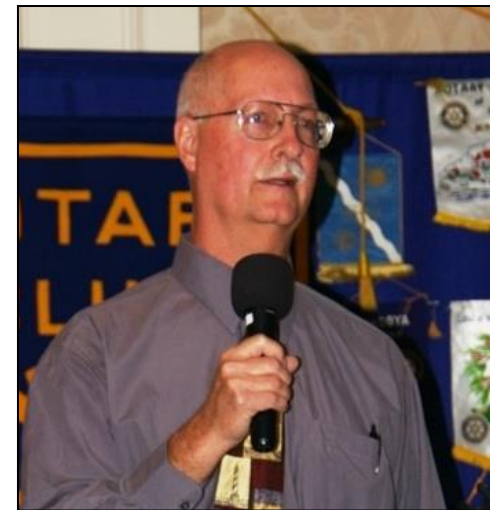
When I look around at our club meetings each week I never fail to marvel at the wonderful people with whom I get to share my lunch hour each Thursday. Our community's history can be found at the back table, along with some astute gamblers. I also marvel at the young people who are joining our club, and what so many of them have accomplished in just a few years. Entrepreneurship is once again alive and well in this community. That is not something I would have stated when I was invited to join the Hickory Rotary Club in 1992. The three big adaptive reuse projects (Hollar, Moretz, and TI) add so much to the attractiveness of our city, and similar big things are taking place in Conover, Newton and other outlying communities.



Last week . . .



The club welcomed HHS student guests Sophie Rice, Alexis Flack, Darian Abernathy, Max Hirsh and HHS Principal Ron McCreary.



Miles Champion, Senior Civil Engineer, for the City of Hickory Engineering Division, updated the club about how Hickory is improving public spaces for its citizens. Learn more at <http://goo.gl/rf8NEU>.



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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?

Rotary in particular has inspired my own personal commitment to get deeply involved in achieving (polio) eradication. — Bill Gates

WHAT DOES THE ROTARY FOUNDATION DO WITH ITS MONEY?

The Rotary Foundation spends charitable contributions on multiple programs and grants. From the eradication of POLIO to scholarships, vocational training teams, Rotary Peace Centers, Humanitarian projects. The funds are used for programs and projects Rotarians feel passionate about. If you want detailed financial information you should check on-line at www.rotary.org and

you can see how much was spent on each program as well as operating costs. I can tell you that our Foundation is ranked as one of the best. With 1.2 million Rotarians overseeing the funds at a grassroots level I have all the confidence in the world that are funds through Rotary are in amazing hands doing amazing work here and abroad.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION SPENDS ITS MONEY IN OUR NAME TO DO GOOD WORK!



Club Assignments

Date	Today	5-Nov	12-Nov	19-Nov
Program	Susan Walker	Cori Tingen	Bob Conklin	Bob Conklin
Speaker	Kimmie Rogers	Al Kirchner	Bethany Delany	Ryan Odum
Topic	Polio Plus	Food Matters	Christmas Bureau	LR Men's Basketball
Rotary Moment	NA	John Olson	Anne Williams	John Millholland
Raffle	Cuyler Dunbar	Mitzi Gellman	Noah Geoghegan	Cliff Goddard
Visitors	Tony Reed	Jan Bohmuller	Dan Duke	Susan Vincent
Greeter	Mark Teague	Lindsay Lawhon	Jan Bohmuller	Susan Walker
Message	John Ross	Shuford Abernethy	Mike Johnson	Lynn Loehr
Invocation	Anne Williams	Dan Duke	John Bates	Clarence Pugh
Video Camera	John Bates	Susan Walker	Phillip Reed	Jennifer Clark

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