

We Meet on
Fridays at
11:30 am

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President's Notes

The elections will be here before we know it. We are looking forward to having Jennifer Roberts present this Friday on the security of voting in North Carolina. (*Hint: It is fine! We know we live in challenging times, and it will be helpful to have the voice of Mayor Roberts as the organization she participates with speaks in a nonpartisan voice in different venues across North Carolina.*)

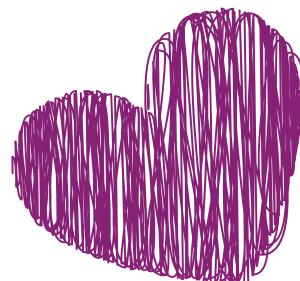
Coming up following week is Susan Andersen and Scholar Shereka Rowell who will talk about ANSWER Scholarship and the Emergency Fund and mentoring opportunities which will be part of our Grant for this year.

We have plenty of volunteer opportunities coming up. Along with our usual Diaper Bank and NC MedAssist dates, Queen City Impact has scheduled two new volunteer opportunities that anyone can sign up for: The Charlotte Tool Bank and Loaves and Fishes. We have also scheduled another District event at The Diaper Bank. And don't forget to sign up to ring bells for the Salvation Army. This sign-up will also be available on Friday.

We hope to initiate new member Teri Kirshbom this Friday also since the original date had to be postponed.

Please keep October 29 on your calendar for the next Discover Rotary event and hands-on meeting project. Please invite anyone that you think has what it takes to become a good Rotarian. And make sure you check out upcoming events listed on page 4 and pages 9-11.

Until then, we will see you on Friday.



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This Week's Speaker

September 16



North Carolina Trusted Elections Tour with Mayor Jennifer Roberts

A bipartisan group of individuals and organizations have come together to form the North Carolina Network for Fair, Safe, & Secure Elections, a grassroots project initiated by The Carter Center with a mission to create healthy dialogue and build consensus around election security and voting access in our state.

Recognizing an urgent need to enhance trust in our elections, the network is hosting the Trusted Elections Tour, a series of 14 town halls across the state – one in each congressional district – to provide information on the electoral process, build trust in our voting system, and strengthen civil discourse.

Jennifer Roberts is a former Mayor of Charlotte and a lifelong champion of issues related to education and equality. She is the first person to be elected to serve as both Chairman of the Mecklenburg County Commission and later as Mayor of Charlotte. She currently works as the Director of the Path to Positive Communities program with ecoAmerica, a national non-profit working to build institutional leadership, public support, and political will for climate action in the United States.

Mayor Roberts is a proud recipient of the Maya Angelou Women Who Lead award, the National Association of Women Business Owners' Public Policy Leader of the Year award, and Equality North Carolina's Ally of the Year award. She received her B.A. with highest honors in English from UNC-Chapel Hill, a Masters in European History from the University of Toronto, and a Masters in International Affairs from the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies in Washington, DC. She and her husband Manley live in Charlotte, but can usually be found on the weekends hiking the NC mountains. They have two college aged children.



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Upcoming Speakers

September 23



**ANSWER
Scholarship
with
Susan Andersen
and
Shereka Rowell**

Susan Andersen is the founder and executive director of ANSWER Scholarship, Inc. She has led ANSWER's growth since its start in 2006, including its Mentors For Mom and Professional Development programs.

ANSWER mentors and prepares mothers of school-age children to achieve a college education and be role models of academic, personal, and professional success for their children.

The organization started with awards to four moms. From that modest beginning, ANSWER has now served more than 100 mothers in our region and awarded over \$630,000 in scholarships.

ANSWER moms have a graduation rate of 85%, which is much higher than average for non-traditional students. Some ANSWER moms have gone on to earn master's degrees.

Susan Andersen has received wide acclaim for her work to help mothers achieve a better life for their families. The Charlotte Ledger named her to its inaugural class of 40 Over 40, an award saluting people who have made Charlotte a better place. Andersen was named one of the city's 50 Most Influential Women by The Mecklenburg Times. The Charlotte Observer's editorial board has honored her in its annual tribute to leaders whose good works enrich our region.

Andersen holds a B.A. in Business Administration from UNC Charlotte. She has two children. Emily is a graduate of Auburn University and David received his master's degree in aerospace engineering from Georgia Tech.

When Andersen isn't busy trying to build economic mobility in Charlotte one mom at a time, you'll usually find her on a bicycle.

Shereka Rowell will be joining Susan. This is her second year with ANSWER. She was recently awarded emergency funding so she will speak firsthand on the importance of the grant project that our club will be doing this Rotary year.



Get ready to Imagine What's Next with Rotary!

Rotary members like you are taking action and creating meaningful change in communities worldwide.

At past conventions, you've seen what we can accomplish when we come together and share our passion for Doing Good in the World. We're excited to keep the momentum going in 2023. **Join us in the beautiful city of Melbourne, Australia, 27-31 May** to connect with other people of action. We'll hear from great speakers, enjoy fantastic entertainment, take part in inspirational breakout sessions, and so much more.

Register today to receive the reduced rate. Don't wait, because **this rate expires on 15 December**.

[Register Today](#)

[Click here to check out this month's District newsletter. Lots of good information.](#)



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Queen City Impact

CART Fund

Foundation Giving

District Dates

September 17 District Training

September 21 Peace Conference

October 22 Flight of Honor

October 22 Annual Polio Fundraiser

October 24 World Polio Day

November 5 Diaper Bank

November 18 Foundation Celebration

REGISTER ON DACdb.

Friday, October 29, 2022 10:30 am

Dilworth Neighborhood Grille

911 E Morehead St

DISCOVER



Rotary

Birthdays

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Club

Anniversaries

Emily Chuma (1 yr)

Charlie Seaman (3 yrs)

Barbara Horstmann (4 yrs)

Alan Loeser (4 yrs)

Kevin Kendrick (5 yrs)

Jenny Kendrick (5 yrs)

Michael Deeb (2 yrs)

Amarja Webb (2 yrs)

NC MedAssist

We had an awesome day of service today at NC MedAssist where a group of NINE of us sorted products and shopped for a mobile event next week. I am always energized when working for a good cause and even more so when I get to do it in the company of people I respect and love.

Today, my thanks go to Jerry Coughter of the Rotary Club of Charlotte; Jerry Overcash, Mohamad and Esther Abdul-Hameed of the Charlotte International Rotary Club; Alexander Fultz; Linda and Jerry Rakvic of Mecklenburg County- South Rotary and the Fort Mill Rotary Club; and Howard Castleman of the Charlotte Dilworth Rotary club!

Thank you to these outstanding people and Rotarians!



NC MedAssist



Ongoing Volunteer Opportunities



We volunteer on the second and fourth Tuesdays.

NC MedAssist is the only statewide non-profit pharmacy in North Carolina. Through our various programs, we provide prescription and over-the-counter medications to our neighbors in need at no cost. We believe that no one should ever have to choose between purchasing food or buying their medicine.

Volunteers sort donated items and pack items for mobile events.



We volunteer on the first and third Tuesdays.

The Diaper Bank supplies diapers, feminine hygiene products, and adult incontinence items to many partner organizations who then supply them to their clients.

Volunteers repackage these items into small bundles which are meant to function as a bridge to dignity for recipients.

New Volunteer Opportunities

September 20

6 pm - 8 pm

Charlotte Tool Bank

Saturday, November 5

District Event

10 am - 12:30 pm

The Diaper Bank

Saturday, November 5

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Loaves and Fishes

(Please follow directions on the Sign Up Genius to also register on the Loaves and Fishes website.)



Other Volunteer Opportunities



DOING THE MOST GOOD®



It's that time of year again! This is our 47th continuous year of ringing bells for the Salvation Army!

We will be ringing bells in 2-hour increments with 2 people per shift on the Saturday after Thanksgiving and the next three Saturdays in December (3, 10, & 17).

The Salvation Army may schedule December 24 bell ringing also. I have included that date on the Sign Up Genius. If you are able and would like to ring bells that day, please sign up and we will let you know if it happens.

If you are bringing family, please sign up for both slots as the area for bell ringing is on the small sidewalk.

We will be ringing at **Black Hawk Hardware and Garden Center, Park Road Shopping Center, 4224 Park Road, Charlotte:**

10 am - 12 pm

12 pm - 2 pm

2 pm - 4 pm

4 pm - 6 pm

Click on the image to go to the SignUp Genius!

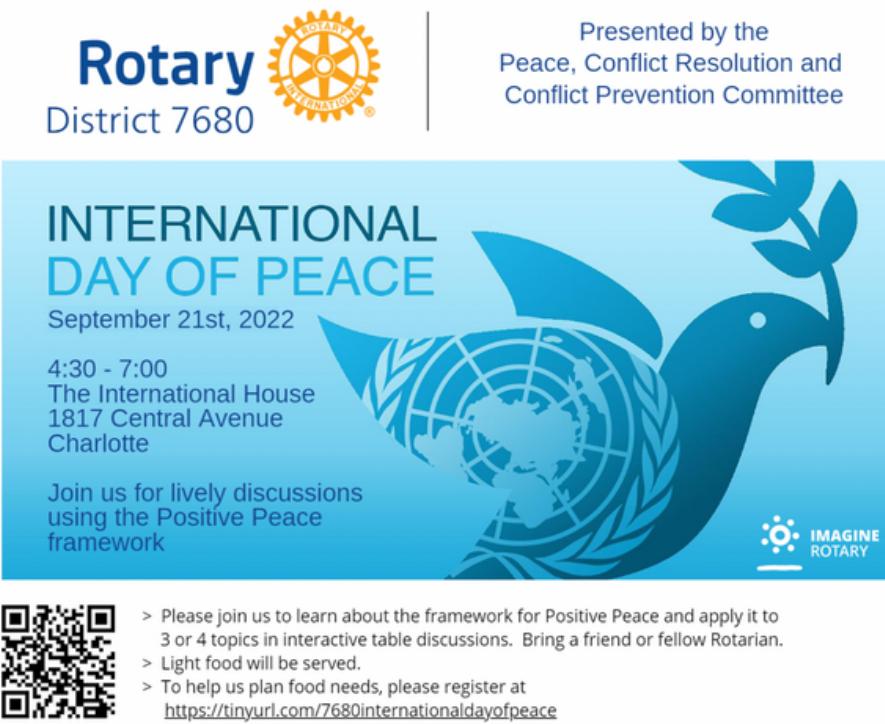
Two International Day of Peace Celebrations

Event #1 In-Person

We are inviting you TO PARTICIPATE in a Rotary District 7680 celebration of the worldwide INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE on Wednesday, September 21st, 2022.

We'll meet from 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM at International House, 1817 Central Avenue, Charlotte, NC for fellowship, refreshments, and interactive discussions on peacebuilding.

Please review the ANNOUNCEMENT FLYER below for details. Registration is required, Register NOW for International Day of Peace .



Event #2 – On-line only

Wednesday, September 21st will be recognized throughout the world as International Day of Peace. This is to invite you to a one-hour VIRTUAL GATHERING of Rotarians from our district and guests from around the world to celebrate Peace. You do not need to register. Just use the zoom information below to join fellow Rotarians in a fast-paced online experience with a variety of short presentations on Rotary's peacebuilding accomplishments.

Topic: International Peace Day event

Time: Sep 21, 2022 11:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85013851945?pwd=bnRsUC9JbWczWXJ2VHVqM2ZZNnlrQT09>

Meeting ID: 850 1385 1945

Passcode: 129800



Allison Burkett is a member of our Queen City Impact Club. Karen Dale Foundation is her organization.

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All proceeds to support the Karen Dale Foundation's CariHealth Jamaica and Education & Literacy Programs.



Caribbean *Lunch Box*

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Saturday, September 24th, 2022
11am - 2pm
Levine Senior Center
1050 Devore Lane, Matthews, NC

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SPEAKER

Dean Rohrs, former RI Vice President and Director and a current member of the Board of Trustees for the Rotary Foundation



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CELEBRATE ROTARY

7680 Foundation Celebration

NOV 18

Great Wolf Lodge

Concord
6:00 - 9:00



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<https://tinyurl.com/7680foundationcelebration>