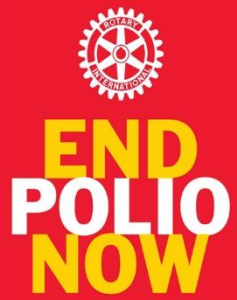


Rotary Gastonia East

Service Above Self since 1970



Bingo: Kirk Setzer

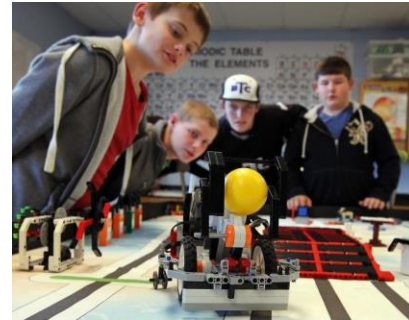
Prayer/Pledge: Richard Rankin

Health & Happiness” Natalie Tindol

Sgt.-at-Arms: David Fogarty

Welcome to our February 23, 2015 meeting
We are glad you are here!

Carrie Minnich
Gaston County Schools
ROBOGASTON 2015



Happy Birthday This Week

Feb 21 - Veronica Feduniec

Feb 23- Peter Wittenberg

Feb 24- John Watts



Club Anniversary

James Stewart- 43 years

John Judson- 30 years

David Kirlin- 29 years

Charles Saunders 25 years

Natalie Tindol- 19 years

Sheree Hall- 15 years

Lindsay Lockett- 15 years

Jesse Cole- 2 years

James Burgess- 1 year

Jennifer Purdee- 1 year



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<http://www.gastoniaeastrotary.org/>

The individuals listed below are responsible for the Prayer/Pledge and calling Bingo on the assigned dates. **If you cannot attend on the date requested, please delegate your responsibility to another club member.**

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Prayer/Pledge</u> | <u>Bingo</u> | <u>Sgt.at Arms</u> | <u>Health & Happiness</u> |
|-------------|----------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| Mar 2 | Don Buckner | Jennifer Purdee | Jay Falls | Natalie Tindol |
| Mar 9 | Wil Neumann | Craig Lowry | Jonathan Schnibben | Kelly Morris |
| Mar 16 | Julie Allen | Fred Spach | Ralph Dickson | Kelly Morris |

Events and Happenings

Rotary Leadership Institute *Saturday, March 28 Mooresville, NC*

Learn all about Rotary and gain a deeper understanding of its programs and offerings. You will take away an appreciation of your role in the Rotary movement and the good it does at home, in this country and around the world.

Gastonia East Rotary and City of Gastonia Downtown Friday Night Concert Series

Gastonia East Rotarians mark your calendar to come out and help with the Rockin' with Rotary concert series presented by Gastonia East Rotary Club and City of Gastonia. The concerts will be at the Rotary Pavilion from 7P – 10P. We will need your help to make this project a success. The dates are May 15, May 29, June 12, June 26, July 10, July 24, August 7, and August 21.

RoboGaston 2015 *Saturday, March 7 East Gaston High School, 1744 Lane Road, Mount Holly, NC 28120*

Gastonia East Rotary is sponsoring the Gaston County Schools robot competition for 2015. The event will be held at East Gaston High School the first weekend of March.

Gastonia East Rotarians will join with other community leaders and educators to judge the competition's various elements. Training will be provided the morning of the event. Our Rotarians will need to be at East Gaston High School at 7:30 AM. The day will conclude with awards at approximately 2:30 PM. Both breakfast and lunch will be served as a part of the day.

The Gastonia East Rotary Club is being asked to supply 14 judges the day of the event. Please contact Karl McKinnon (klmckinnon@gmail.com) or 704-214-9093 if you would like to participate as a judge for this event.

EREY and Foundation Giving

As we have reached the middle of the Rotary year as signified by the mid-year assembly, we received a report on our club giving to the Rotary Foundation. There is good news and bad news. **The good news is that Gastonia East Rotarians have surpassed the \$4,400 goal set forth for the END POLIO NOW campaign with a current total of \$4,575.**

However, we are currently at **only 37 percent of our \$13,000 foundation giving goal** with \$4,845. There is a high level of confidence that Gastonia East Rotary Club will meet this goal with the proceeds of the summer concert series contributing to Annual Fund.

However, our EREY (Every Rotarian Every Year) giving is a real concern. This is the recognition that every member of a Rotary Club **contributes any amount** to the annual fund. Currently, **only 13 club members of 105 members (12 percent) has given any amount to the annual fund.**

The easiest ways to give to the foundation is to go online to the annual fund donation portal at: www.rotary.org (click the GIVE BUTTON)

From here you can set up a periodic donation Say monthly ... for \$10 ... charged to your credit card ... and in 8 years and 4 months you will be a Paul Harris Fellow. Each year you will be recognized as an EREY Rotarian. Each year you will also be recognized as a Sustaining Rotarian ... **for less than the cost of a two 20 oz. soft drinks per month.**

It really is that simple and will be really that painless. Will you make the sacrifice and help out Gastonia East Rotary help those less fortunate around the world and right here in District 7680.

