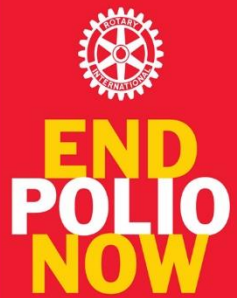


Rotary Gastonia East

Service Above Self since 1970



Bingo: Mark Epstein

Prayer/Pledge: Dave Kirlin

Health & Happiness: John Watts

Sgt.-at-Arms: Alan Cloninger

Welcome to our June 1, 2015 meeting

We are glad you are here!

**New
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Happy Birthday This Week

May 29- Steven Cherry

June 5- Gary Foster

Club Anniversary

Kelly Morris – 36 years

Gene Matthews- 33 years

Gene Maloney- 33 years

Phil Jamison- 19 years



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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>
June 8	Chuck Long	Skip Bradley	Monte Monteleone	Joel Long
June 15	Al Juhl	Chris Pridnia	T.J. Solomon	Joel Long

Events and Happenings

June 12th Concert Features the Catalinas

The third concert in the Rockin' with Rotary at the Rotary Pavilion will be held Friday June 12th beginning at 7:00 PM.

The featured band for this concert is the Catalinas, an American beach music band from the late 1950s.

Since the Catalinas formed in Charlotte, North Carolina, in late 1957, over 60 accomplished guitarists, keyboardists, trumpet players, drummers, bass players & singers have been a part of the band. Most have come from communities along the Interstate 77 corridor from Statesville to Charlotte.



The Catalinas

Gary Barker, a Statesville resident who plays guitar and sings, is the current owner of the band. He started with the band in 1965, and has been the steady influence for the last thirty years. In his own words, "I just did not get it into my head that I was getting paid to do something I love."

Barker attributes the band's long success to the ongoing popularity of beach music and the great tunes that the band has composed and recorded over the years. Some of their classics include, "You Haven't The Right," "Facts Of Love," "Dancin'-Romancin'," "Hey Little Girl (aka Rainy Day Sunshine)," and their signature song "Summertime's Calling Me" from 1975.

The Catalinas have a tremendous following and the concert should be well attended. In addition to music and dancing there will be a Car Cruise In, vendors from downtown businesses, and food and beverages.

A special thanks to the City of Gastonia and Planet Fitness for their support of this project and making it possible.

Invites some friends and bring some chairs for some fantastic Rotary family fun in downtown Gastonia.

Good News on the Foundation Front

Thanks to the summer concert series, Gastonia East Rotary Club has made our annual commitment of more than \$100 per person to the Rotary Foundation. This financial commitment makes our club eligible to submit a grant application to District 7680 for DDF (District Designated Funds). Our grant submission is Robot STEM Initiative that will support our efforts in the ROBOGASTON Robot Challenge. We have asked for \$14,400 from DDF to match \$14,400 from Gastonia East Rotary to support the more than 500 students involved in the robot teams across Gaston County. A portion of the request is to fund the addition of a Unmanned Ariel Vehicle (UAV) program to Gaston County High Schools. Not only will these students learn about drones they will learn about commercial uses of drones which will culminate in an FAA certification as a drone pilot.

We should know the outcome of our proposal in September 2015.

