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New things to check out

Physician Provides Alternative Primary Care



Dr. Patrick Fillnow

Dr. Patrick Fillnow has opened Sojourn Direct Primary Care in the Village at Robinson Farm. Sojourn offers unlimited office visits and access to Fillnow via phone, text or email for a set monthly fee. Office visits typically last 30-60 minutes and give patients an alternative to the traditional primary care model. Fillnow graduated from the University of South Carolina School of Medicine in 2008, and he completed his residency at the Medical University of South Carolina in 2011. Details: sojournpcc.com.

Seafood Saloon Offers Flavors of the Caribbean

Woody's Seafood Saloon has dropped anchor in the former Gibson spot in Ballantyne Corners. The Caribbean-style eatery has its flagship location in St John, U.S. Virgin Islands and brings stateside its crabcake sliders, frozen drinks and mango chicken. Look for special events, live music, plus a refreshed rooftop bar: [instagram.com/woodys_clt/](https://www.instagram.com/woodys_clt/).



Photo by Shrimp & Grisettes

Bank Branch Comes to Conlan Circle



Chase has opened a branch at 13733 Conlan Circle, in the former Vine American Kitchen spot. Nine employees work at the freestanding location, including a private client advisor who can help customers with banking, home and business lending, financial planning, retirement and investment advice. There are three ATMs on-site. The Ballantyne branch is the 15th location Chase has opened in the Charlotte area since March 2020. Details: chase.com.

Sweet Charities

Lending a helping hand



Rotary Donates to Tech Nonprofit

Mecklenburg County-South Rotary Club presented a check on Giving Tuesday in November to Do Greater Charlotte founder and CEO William McNeely. The \$7,000 donation will support the organization's efforts to increase technology access and enhance skills. Specifically, it will fund a podcast studio and other IT equipment. The Rotary raised the money during its Bloody Marys on Five golf event last fall and from a matching Rotary district grant. Meck-South Rotary Club meets via Zoom and in person every Friday at 7:15 a.m. at Home2Suites by Hilton Charlotte Piper Glen. Details: mecksouthrotary.org.

Food Pantry Started at Community House Middle School



Ballantyne Families Helping Neighbors in Need has opened a food pantry at Community House Middle School. All families who attend or work for one of the nine Ardrey Kell feeder

pattern schools are eligible to use the new food pantry. Families should speak with their school counselors, who will fill out a Google form, and then volunteers will deliver food to that family's school. Community collections are now underway. Endhaven Elementary, for example, held a contest among grades and made a can sculpture spelling out "kind" with its remarkable collection of 3,000 cans. Details: [@](https://sites.google.com/view/ballantynefamilies)