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A Helping Hand Here at Home and Around the World



Triad United Rowing Association Founder and Head Coach Gene Kininmonth, center, prepares to cut the ribbon provided by Business High Point, declaring the company a member of the City of High Point Chamber of Commerce. With him from left to right are Melody Burnett, President of Visit High Point, John Joyce, Global Director of the Lenny Peters Foundation, a member of the Triad Rowing Club, Stefanie Walling, marketing director for Bethany Medical and Patrick Chapin, President of Business High Point.

## LPF-Sponsored Rowing Event Makes Splash

### Foundation receives warm welcome as presenting sponsor

**HIGH POINT, N.C.** – Seasonably cold winds at times drove white caps across Oak Hollow Lake in High Point April 2, making waters choppy and enhancing the threat of capsizing for middle and high school rowing teams eager to get across the finish line. The sun shone through the clouds at times, offering a fleeting reprieve from the icy chill which lingered between gusts. Welcome to spring in North Carolina.

Organizers of the 2022 N.C. Rowing Championships took extra care to maximize safety, spending much of their own

time, legs folded into slender crafts, sliding between rowing teams just finishing a heat and those positioning themselves for the next race.

Back on land, however, a more festive atmosphere permeated from the VIP tent where event sponsors, including the Lenny Peters Foundation, were invited to keep warm and mingle, mimosas in hand and smiles on faces.

Triad United Rowing Association Founder

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# Rowing

Gene Kininmonth presided over trophy ceremonies and a ribbon cutting administered by Business High Point, the city's chamber of commerce.

Lenny Peters Foundation Global Director John Joyce thanked those in attendance for supporting the local economy with such an event that drove in more than 3,000 spectators from across the state and beyond. He later joined Kininmonth and other event sponsors in the ribbon cutting concluding the days ceremonies.

"The vast influx of revenue from hotel room nights, stops at gas stations and grocers, from restaurants and retailers is one of many drivers of our support for such a momentous event," Joyce said.

"Another is the opportunity to show folks from out of town or out of state just what it is we all know and appreciate -- that High Point has a lot to offer in the way of beauty and amenities which makes this city and the surrounding Triad an ideal destination for future events, tournaments and even permanent relocation of residences and businesses."



A display of complimentary watches sits atop a silver tray adorned with roses at the corners. The watches were handed out as gifts to the VIPs in attendance, many of whom helped sponsor the event.



Lenny Peters Foundation team members Sister Mary and Feji Anju present a financial gift to parish resident, Rosilly, 75, who is disabled.

## Giving back one parishioner at a time

**TRIVANDRUM, INDIA** – The Lenny Peters Foundation India team continued its outreach this month, visiting homes of those in need and delivering financial assistance, prayers and a welcome visit.

Patients afflicted with everything from cerebral palsy to autism and cancer were visited by Sister Mary, Feji Anju and Renjiny George, among others.

The LPF team has been coordinating with priests and nuns in the local parishes of Trivandrum and the broader Kerala area to identify individuals with specific needs the Foundation is well positioned to assist with. The response so far has been one of gratitude and appreciation.



## Message From LPF Global Director

### 90 Days and Counting

**HIGH POINT, N.C.** – Every now and again I am reminded of the mission. It is easy to get mired in the calendar of events we sponsor and attend or the projects we undertake. Then I'll get an email from someone in need, and not seeking a lot of money, just enough to gain some breathing room or to get by.



John Joyce

Either that, or I will receive a new video from our LPF India Team showing our team members, usually joined by a parish priest or sister, visiting the homes of the poor, sick or disabled. Or they travel to one of our many homes – orphanages, prayer centers, palliative care centers – to deliver financial assistance, prayers and a moment of human interaction. These are moving experiences for all and reminds us why we are here.

In South Africa our team runs homes for children, whose photos I receive show they are clothed, fed, educated and not least of all, loved.

The team members I have met and have begun to work with welcomed me with joy and kindness and seeing their efforts on display ensure I never lose sight of the mission. By God's grace, we are here to help.



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