

Rotary



Club of
Asheville
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Tuesday, July 7, 2020



ROTARY OPENS OPPORTUNITIES

Wednesday, July 1, 2020

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Opportunities

Club Meeting

Asheville
Meets at Tuton Hall at
Trinity Episcopal Church
60 Church Street
Asheville, NC 28801
Time: Thursday at 12:30
PM

Speakers

July 09, 2020

District Governor David
Waechter

Rotary Governor
Waechter will offer his
vision for the new
2020-21 Rotary Year.

July 16, 2020

John Nanni

John is a polio survivor
who will present "The
Three P's: Polio, Post
Polio Syndrome &
PolioPlus"

July 23, 2020

Maureen McCarthy and
Ed Manning

These two facilitators
and collaboration
coaches will discuss
"Connection as
Medicine" and the
Center for Collaborative
Awareness

July 30, 2020

Dr. Chris Cooper
Professor Cooper, Head
of the Department of

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING:



Please look for Dustin Schalbach to email the weekly meeting Zoom. Congrats to Pat Snyder as our new Community Service Board chair. Thank you, Pat, for all of your hard work as Sergeant at Arms last year.

ABCCM Kitchen Equipment day went very well on Thursday morning. Carolyn Cronin announced that on Thursday, July 16 from 9-noon, volunteers are again needed for the continuation of the Kitchen Project. See article below.

OUR CLUB WON "CLUB OF EXCELLENCE" AWARD AT DISTRICT ON SATURDAY! and SECOND PLACE IN GOVERNOR'S AWARD FOR LARGE/EXTRA LARGE CLUB. OUR CLUB WON FIRST IN PUBLIC IMAGE NEWSLETTER/BULLETIN AND SECOND PLACE IN TOTAL GIVING FOR CART. WOW!

Welcome Guests on Thursday from Sophia's family: sisters Melanie and Helen Stefanidis, her parents joining in from Weaverville, daughter Anna Olivia,

Political Science and Public Affairs at Western Carolina University, will discuss the current political climate in the region in light of the upcoming fall elections.

August 06, 2020

New Member Talks

Short, autobiographical talks from three new club members.

Coming Events

July 7th

Club Board Meeting

August 4th

Club Board Meeting

Club Leaders



Sophia S. Ungert
President



Katherine Morosani
President-Elect



Richard T. Devereaux
Past President
Secretary
Webmaster



David A. Kozak
Treasurer



Stephen F. Anderson
Club Director



Bradley A. Arnold
Rotary
Foundation
Chair
Club Director



Melissa R. Drennan
Club Admin
Chair
Club Director

and husband, Frank Ungert, president-nominee of the Asheville Breakfast Club.

Congratulations to Oscar Wong for winning the 2020 Brewers Association Recognition Award. Only 34 brewers have won this award in the world. Well done!

The Feed the Children Project in Enka each week is going very well, and we have plenty of volunteers. We are giving away hundreds of meals to children and their families each week. Thanks again to Donna Ensley and Janet Whitworth for organizing/facilitating this worthy project.

If you have had a birthday or anniversary, or want to give Happy Dollars, please put your check in the mail to Rotary Club of Asheville Foundation, P.O. Box 1954, Asheville 28801. This all goes to our scholarship fund. Thanks!!!

PLEASE SUPPORT ROTARY MEMBER BUSINESSES NOW MORE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AMONG OUR OWN:

*Contact Salvation Army Commander and fellow club member [Phil Swyers](#) if you'd like to help out with Covid-19 relief efforts

*Contact the Red Cross of WNC at [redcross.org/volunteer](https://www.redcross.org/volunteer). (Rotarian Megan Robinson, Executive Director Red Cross of WNC)

*Contact the Asheville Y downtown or Ferguson branch to give shopping bags for their food packages. (Rotarian Jessica Hendrix, Executive Director Asheville Y)

*Contact handsonasheville-buncombecounty.org for all volunteer opportunities in the area. (Rotarian Kevin Montgomery, Director of Resource Development)

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO ASK YOUR FRIENDS TO ZOOM IN ON OUR MEETINGS TO SEE WHAT ROTARY IS ALL ABOUT!

MEET NEW RI PRESIDENT Holger Knaack

Wednesday, July 1, 2020

HOLGER KNAACK SELECTED TO BE 2020-21 RI PRESIDENT

By Ryan Hyland

as reported in The Rotarian Magazine, July 2020
Holger Knaack, a member of the Rotary Club of Herzogtum Lauenburg-Mölln, Germany, has been



Mark A. Knollman
Club Director
Vocational
Service Chair



Sharon Kay LeDuc
Club Director
International
Service Chair



Sara L. Marshall
Bulletin Editor
Club Public
Image Chair



Donna W. Prinz
Club Director
Youth Services
Chair



Ross Sloan
President-
Nominee



Patrick A. Snyder
Club Director
Community
Service Chair



Eva-Michelle G. Spicer
Club Director



Patricia M. Puckridge
Membership
Chair



Dustin L. Schlabach
Sergeant-at-
Arms



Ford Willis
Sergeant-at-
Arms

Megan E. Robinson



selected to serve as president of Rotary International in 2020-21.

The Nominating Committee's decision follows the resignation last month of President-nominee Sushil Gupta due to health reasons. Knaack will officially become president-nominee if no other candidates challenge him by 31 May.

To build a stronger membership, Knaack says Rotary must focus on increasing the number of female members and transitioning Rotaractors into Rotarians.

Knaack believes that the People of Action campaign offers new public awareness possibilities for Rotary. ♦ This campaign conveys our global image while still respecting differences in regions and cultures, ♦ he says.

A Rotary member since 1992, Knaack has served Rotary as treasurer, director, moderator, member and chair of several committees, representative for the Council on Legislation, zone coordinator, training leader, and district governor.

He is an endowment/major gifts adviser and co-chair of the Host Organization Committee for the 2019 Rotary International Convention in Hamburg.

Knaack is the CEO of Knaack KG, a real estate company. He was previously a partner and general manager of Knaack Enterprises, a 125-year-old family business.

He is a founding member of the Civic Foundation of the City of Ratzeburg and served as president of the Golf-Club Gut Grambek. Knaack is also the founder and chair of the Karl Adam Foundation.

Knaack and his wife, Susanne, are Major Donors to The Rotary Foundation and members of the Bequest Society.

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

By Sally Ekaireb on Saturday, July 4, 2020

MEET DG DAVID WAECHTER

On **Thursday, July 9**, we welcome **2020-21 District Governor David Waechter** as our speaker.

David is a member of the Rotary Club of Lenoir where he previously served as President. To be selected to serve as a district governor, you must have proven strong leadership skills and dedication to Rotary. Before



Club Programs
Chair



Janet L.
Whitworth
iPast President



Donna Rogers
Ensley
Assistant
Governor



becoming DG, David served as DG Nominee under Isaac Owolabi and DG Elect under DG Tiffany Ervin. Together with the leadership team, the district governor role is to:

Strengthen clubs, organize new clubs, and grow membership

- Encourage contributions and other support for The Rotary Foundation
- Promote positive public image and serve as spokesperson for district
- Develop a safe environment for youth participants
- Conduct district conference and other meetings
- Supervise district nominations and elections
- Prepare budget, provide annual report, and help administer District Designated Funds
- Complete online district qualification
- Work with governor-elect and other district leaders

At our meeting David will share his vision and the Rotary International vision for the year ahead. Our theme for this year is ***Rotary Opens Opportunities***. We hope you can join us!

ROTATING IN: NEW BOARD MEMBERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

By Christena Southwick on Wednesday, July 1, 2020

NEW BOARD OFFICERS

PRESIDENT SOPHIA UNGERT
PRESIDENT-ELECT KATHERINE MOROSANI
PRESIDENT-NOMINEE ROSS SLOAN
SECRETARY RICK DEVEREAUX
TREASURER DAVID KOZAK
PAST PRESIDENT JANET WHITWORTH
CO-SARGENT-AT-ARMS DUSTIN SCHLABACH and FORD WILLIS

CLUB DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

MELISSA DRIVER CLUB SERVICE A

Cog Meeting Summary Committee-
Tom Leavesley
Music Committee-Richard Jacobs
Invocation and Pledge-Don Reback
Program Committee-Megan Robinson
DACdb ♦ Rick Devereaux
Strategic Planning-Donna Ensley

Birthdays

Gregory C. McDonald
July 10th

Janet L. Whitworth
July 11th

Charles P Thompson
July 19th

Dustin L. Schlabach
July 24th

Kevin R. Montgomery
July 26th

Scott Hicks
July 28th

R. Scott White
July 30th

Benjamin P. Powell
August 4th

Gina Collias
August 5th

Wedding Anniversaries

Melissa A. Driver
July 9th

Joshua P. Christ
July 10th

Donald P. Weidemann
July 14th

James W Baley
July 15th

David K Snider Sr.
July 23rd

Levon B. Reese
July 27th

Stephen F. Anderson
July 29th

Kimberly S Winters
July 30th
Zachary F. Lamb
August 2nd
Richard Travis Hall
August 5th



STEVE ANDERSON CLUB SERVICE B



Membership Chair ♦ Pat Puckridge

Sub chairs:

Recruitment ♦ Al Davis, chair

New Member Orientation-Steve Aschmann, chair

Engagement and Retention-Rachel Moran, chair

Fellowship ♦ Betty Doll, chair

Member Care ♦ Bill Goacher, chair

Share the Wealth ♦ Oscar Wong,

Ross Sloan, Eva-Michelle Spicer

EVA-MICHELLE SPICER CLUB SERVICE C



PI Chair- Sara Marshall

sub-committees:

Program Write Ups/PI Substitute- Sally Ekaireb,
chair

Feature/Profile Writing- Kirk Borland, chair

Social Media/Facebook- open

Media Relations-open

Photographer-Zeki Maviyildiz

DACdb/Webmaster-Rick Devereaux

Fundraising Committee- chair open

MARK KNOLLMAN VOCATIONAL SERVICES



Tennent Scholarship-Callie Davis

Nashville Songwriters in the Round--Marvin Thomas

Morrill Scholarship-Christena Southwick

Rotaract--Jarrod Perkins

Literacy--open

PAT SNYDER COMMUNITY SERVICE

ABCCM Transformation Village ♦ Carolyn Cronin and
Christena Southwick, co-chairs

Community Grants: chair(s) -needed



Honor Flight: Bob Haggard, chair
Red Cross Blood Drive, Carmen Cabrera, chair
Rotarians Against Hunger: Bill Bass + one more
Salvation Army Bell Ringing: Alex Pence, chair
Thanksgiving Vet Breakfast: Tom Leavesley
WNC Nature Center Play Space Renewal:
Pat Snyder and Catherine Glen, co-chairs

SHARON LEDUC INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS



International Projects- Benji Burrell and
Marcia Whitney, co-chairs
Global Grants-Nancy Brooks, chair
Honduras Brigade- Bob Haggard and John
Matheson, co-chairs
Guatemala Simple School- Bill Rawlings, Chair
Friendship Exchange- George Lycan
Folk moot- chair unnamed

DONNA PRINZ YOUTH SERVICES



INTERACT CLUB, Jacob Kerber, faculty sponsor
RYLA

BRAD ARNOLD ROTARY FOUNDATION CHAIR



Foundation Giving--open
Polio Plus--open
CART-- Kevin Montgomery, chair

DISTRICT OFFICERS FROM OUR CLUB

ASST DIST GOV DONNA ENSELEY



FOUNDATION CHAIR, CAROL KING








FOUNDATION CHAIR


By William C. Rawlings on Sunday, July 5, 2020

Rotary Club of Asheville Foundation Update

Fellow Members,

As we bring in the new Rotary year, I m writing to give our club an update on the Rotary Club of Asheville Foundation. As your outgoing Foundation Chair I d like to welcome our incoming board members, and give you a report on the financial health and standing of our club s Foundation. For some of you that may be unclear on the structure, I ll start with a refresher.

I m speaking of the Rotary Club of Asheville Foundation, which is separate from the Rotary Intl Foundation you hear about fairly frequently. Our club set up The Rotary Club of Asheville Foundation, Inc., a 501(c)(3) organization to offer a tax-deductible way to donate to support our club s projects. Per the rules that govern this entity, our Foundation has its own bylaws and a board of directors separate from our club s board.

Our board meets quarterly, per the bylaws, and assists our club s board of directors on the financial feasibility of the projects they elect to support. Essentially, the Foundation Board manages the money raised to support the work we do. And our primary income is the yearly fundraiser.

We are currently in very good standing, which says a lot about the generosity of our membership. This has been a difficult year, and while we were unable to hold an annual fundraiser and conduct some of our



projects due to the pandemic, most of our projects were funded. And funds designated for the others were redirected to provide some urgently needed support for deserving projects, such as the COVID relief efforts of the Copan Ruins Rotary Club in Honduras, providing food for families in need.

Our club overall has been in good standing, and at our last Foundation Board meeting we elected to transfer \$40,000 in club fund surplus to our Foundation to support our projects. Our club project budget this year was \$81,880 (prior to our additional relief spending), so the surplus transfer is a huge chunk of what we typically spend on club projects annually.

These funds could not come at a better time given the delay of our fundraiser, and the financial uncertainty many of us have experienced over the past few months. But this is certainly not a reason to stop supporting the Foundation if you are able. Support is needed now more than ever.

Now I would like to introduce your fellow club members that will be serving our club as your Foundation Board members in the upcoming year.

Foundation Chair ♦ Rick Devereaux
Secretary ♦ Janet Whitworth
Appointed Director ♦ Sophia Ungert
Appointed Director ♦ Katherine Morosani
Elected Director ♦ Betty Doll
Elected Director ♦ Kevin Montgomery
Elected Director ♦ Carter Webb
Outgoing Foundation Board Members
Past Foundation Chair ♦ Bill Rawlings
Past Elected Director ♦ Marcia Whitney

Thanks to all of these members that have lent their support, advice and expertise on how to best manage our club's project funds during the past Rotary year. No doubt our club is in great hands for our upcoming year.

Yours in Service,
Bill Rawlings

NEW PI CHAIR NAMED

By Kirk Borland on Monday, July 6, 2020

PUBLIC IMAGE CHAIR SARA MARSHALL, "DRIVEN TO SERVE"

Upon first encounter, Sara Marshall projects an unflappable, high energy, socially comfortable persona. Plus, she loves to engage with people and help problem solve. What better credentials could one have for becoming Chair of our Club's Public Image committee!

Sara was born and raised in Sumter, S.C.---the kind of comfortable, small town, where everyone in the neighborhood knows you and one is



encouraged to become an extrovert. Born on July 3rd, she just missed by a few hours being an Independence Day baby.

Sara discovered her professional passion quite by accident, when she applied for a part time job as a teller with Bank of America immediately after graduation. Within six months she was opening new accounts as an account service representative. Later she got involved with the operational side and discovered her love of sales. As Sara says with great enthusiasm, "In banking, we're not just selling products, we are selling a need a solution. a mortgage for a first home or a line of credit to help a business grow. It's all very, very rewarding!"



Over the course of nine years (not counting a few years off to be a new mom and to open a franchise business), Sara rose steadily in banking. Seven years ago she and daughter Camryn moved to Hendersonville where Sara served as Store Manager for TD Bank in Traveler's Rest.

Today, Sara serves as a Banking Center Manager with First Horizon Bank in North Asheville helping high net worth individuals on a 24/7 basis. Sara, who professes to "thrive on chaos", finds the fast paced, highly competitive environment to be invigorating. When not problem solving for her clients, Sara serves on the Advisory Council for her daughter's school district as well as on the YMCA

Woodfin Advisory Board. She and Camryn also enjoy hiking, waterfalls and Bluebell ice cream.

Dave McCartney sponsored Sara, whose induction coincided with our first "virtual" club meeting. Wasting no time, Sara looks ahead to her new public image responsibilities with the same creative energy that has propelled her in banking. Please join in congratulating Sara and give her your support as she embarks on this new challenge.

TRANSFORMATION VILLAGE VOLUNTEER'S UPDATES

By Christena Southwick on Monday, July 6, 2020

"KP DUTY" AT TRANSFORMATION VILLAGE

LAST THURSDAY, nine Rotary Club of Asheville members came to the rescue, and literally helped put together the long-awaited Transformation Village kitchen area. Carolyn Cronin, also a member and on ABCCM staff as fundraising director, was there to take pictures, and later to lavish praise.



Carolyn said to the volunteers, "Thank you for your important contribution and precious time in providing volunteer services to ABCCM's Transformation Village...It is such an inspiration to see how the Rotary Club of Asheville members come together in time of need

to assist Chef Eric Cox, past president of the Rotary Club of Weaverville, set up the commercial kitchen, of which he is very proud. Positive activities like this make a huge impact on the lives of



homeless Veteranwomen, single women and mom's with children. Your kind gesture means so much to our community as we prepare to double the capacity to serve the women and children with the completion of Phase I of Transformation Village." The Rotary Club continues to



demonstrate strategic leadership in overcoming one of Asheville's biggest needs through their financial and volunteer support of the Rotary Kitchen Project. The club has raised over \$51,000 for the commercial kitchen. The club's investment paid for the kitchen equipment and tools ABCCM will need to prepare for 300+ residents in the expanded transitional facility and provide training for our residents in culinary skills in partnership with AB-Tech."



Volunteers who were seen behind the masks were Bill and Lynnell Goacher, Tom Leavesley, Carolyn Cronin, Sharon LeDuc, Linda Nelson, Christena Southwick, Richard Douglas, Pat Snyder, George Lycan, and Chuck Reilly. It was a very satisfying "service above self" project.

COME AND JOIN IN AGAIN ON JULY 16TH FROM 9-NOON AT ABCCM. CONTACT CAROLYN CRONIN at carolyn.cronin@abccm.org OR BILL GOACHER, goacherints34@gmail.com IF YOU ARE VOLUNTEERING.

LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

By Melissa R. Drennan on Sunday, July 5, 2020

PRESIDENT SOPHIA BEGINS

This last Thursday, July 2, was the inaugural meeting of the 2020-2021 Rotary year. Our Assistant District Governor, Donna Ensley, inducted the newly elected board members, and Sophia Ungert as the new President of the Rotary Club of Asheville. Sophia shared her vision and goals for the upcoming year. In her remarks, she observed we are living in a period of profound change. With changes come opportunities, and in keeping with the 2020-21 International Theme, "Rotary Opens Opportunities," President Sophia



urged each of us to find ways to engage within our club this coming year and use those opportunities. She cited

Rotary's vision statement as her inspiration, "Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves."

Thank you, President Sophia, for your inspirational remarks in these challenging times, and we look forward to your leadership this coming Rotary year. It's going to be a good one!

If you missed this meeting, you can tune into the Zoom recording to learn more about how you can contribute in the year to come. A link to the recorded meeting will be sent out to the club weekly following each meeting.

UPDATE ON AVTAR

By Christena Southwick on Tuesday, May 26, 2020

AN OPEN LETTER FROM AVTAR

Dear Members,
I enjoyed seeing all of you on Zoom on Thursday.

Since Katherine Morosani was questioning about kidney for transplant, and I answered her that any kidney will do. Because of the tradings University arranges cross kidney transplants. That is when a donor volunteers a kidney of any type on my behalf, the University can find a suitable donor from any one matching my kidney type cross matching with them.

So, any healthy person volunteering

service above self can contact the coordinator at Wake Forest University and register for evaluation.

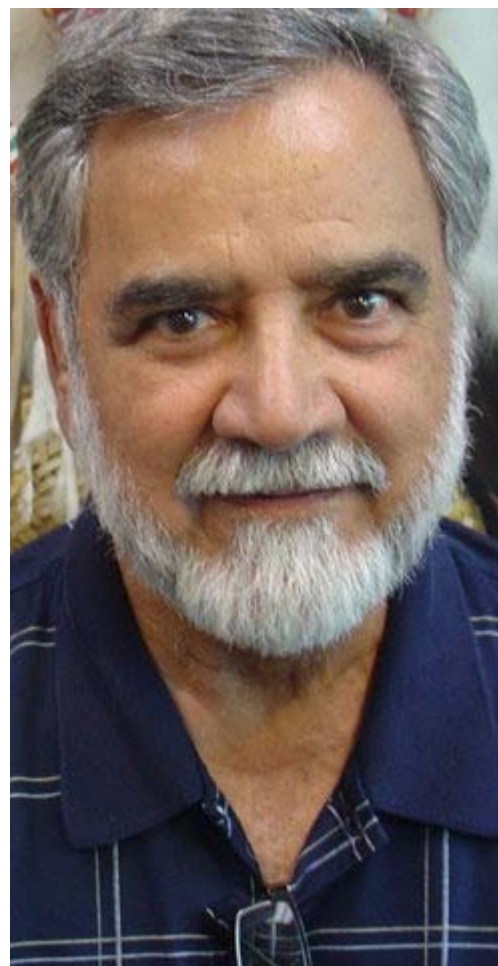
Presently I am doing dialysis every day and have few hours during the day to feel alive in the world.

Dialysis is doing temporary job for clearing toxins from the body instead of the kidneys, but not enough to feel normal.

I deeply appreciate your help in promoting my needs for the kidney. Thanks, and I wish you well.

With best regards to the Rotary members.

Avtar



ROTARY VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION

By Janet L. Whitworth on Tuesday, May 12, 2020

OPEN HEARTS AND WILLING HANDS

MANY, MANY THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS WHO HAVE ANSWERED THE CALL TO HELP OUT AND LEND A HAND. BELOW ARE PICTURES FROM THOSE EVENTS. OUR MOTTO, "**SERVICE ABOVE SELF**" IS MORE PERTINENT NOW THAN EVER BEFORE. ENJOY THE PICTURES!
With admiration for all of you, Janet





FOUR WAY TEST

Tuesday, January 7, 2020



THE FOUR-WAY TEST

of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

OBJECT OF ROTARY

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- FIRST:**
The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- SECOND:**
High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- THIRD:**
The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- FOURTH:**
The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

SERVICE ABOVE SELF

Tuesday, November 12, 2019



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FOCUS AREAS REDEFINED:

Rotary International has changed the names of three of our areas of focus to better reflect the types of projects members are carrying out. The areas of focus are now called:

- *Peacebuilding and conflict prevention**
 - *Disease prevention and treatment**
 - *Water, sanitation and hygiene**
 - *Maternal and child health**
 - *Basic education and literacy**
 - *Community economic development**
-