

Rotary



Club of Asheville THE COG

Tuesday, August 4, 2020



THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

By Sally Ekaireb on Saturday, August 1, 2020

NEW MEMBER TALKS

This Thursday, August 6th, we will be hearing from three of our newest members: Rev. Dena Whalen, Dave Kaverman, and Frankie Adkins. Getting to know our fellow Rotarians up close and personal is always a treat. We hope you can join us as we formally welcome them into our club.

Club Meeting

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

Speakers

August 06, 2020

New Member Talks
Short, autobiographical
talks from three new
club members.

August 13, 2020

Jeff Wilcox, Associate
Professor of
Environmental Studies
at UNCA

A geological history of
the Appalachian
Mountains

August 20, 2020

Ashley Lasher,
Executive Director,
Asheville Jewish
Community Center
(JCC)

Will discuss the JCC
mission to strengthen
Jewish identity,
celebrate Jewish
culture, and build
inclusive community.

August 27, 2020

Nate McGaha and Katie
Cornell
The Executive Director



Dena Whalen, Vicar of The Church of the Advocate and affiliated with Trinity Church, joined in March 2020.



David Kaverman, Partner at Acuity Mergers & Acquisitions, joined in May 2020.



Frankie Adkins, Financial Advisor at Edward Jones, joined in September 2019.

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

of Arts NC and the Asheville Area Arts Council Executive Director will discuss the state of the arts in the midst of a pandemic.

September 03, 2020

Sara Sanders

The executive director and cofounder will provide a virtual tour of the UNC Asheville Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math (STEAM) Studio

Coming Events

August 4th

Club Board Meeting

August 5th

Hike with Rotary

August 11th

Happy Hour Sip & Learn

August 14th

Asheville Tourists Baseball Game (CNX)

August 20th

Thirsty Third Thursday

August 20th

Nashville Songwriters in the Round

September 1st

Club Board Meeting

September 2nd

Hike with Rotary

Club Leaders



Sophia S. Ungert
President



Katherine Morosani
President-Elect



Richard T. Devereaux
Past President
Secretary
Webmaster

Rotary Hike

The August Rotary Hike will be held 8/05/2020 @ 5PM. Janet Whitworth will be hosting at her home in Biltmore Forest. Mask are worn prior to hike and during the debrief. Bring the beverage of your choice. Please contact Janet Whitworth or George Lycan for directions.

Happy Hour Sip & Learn via ZOOM

Learn more about what it means to be a member of the Rotary Club of Asheville. On the 2nd Tuesday of every month the membership committee will facilitate a chance for you to learn more about Rotary and and ask questions on numerous topics including: Leadership, Service Projects, Committees, DACdb, Club History, and Financial Structure. Meeting will begin at 5:30 PM with the first one planned for 8/11/2020. Janet will send ZOOM link the day of the scheduled meeting. 8/11, 9/8, 10/13, 11/10, and 12/8

Diaper Drive for ABCCM ♦ Transformation Village

Transformation Village currently has an urgent need for diapers for ages infant - 2 years old. To help, our club is being asked to donate through a Target Registry online. Simply click this link or type and paste into your browser to donate: <https://bit.ly/2WZW2Mj>

Thirsty Third Thursday

8/20, 9/17,10/15 at the Meadow @ Highland Brewery starts at 5 PM

Cart Fund

Rotary



The CART Fund is dedicated to raising funds to provide ♦seed♦ money for cutting edge, high impact research in hopes of finding a cure/prevention for Alzheimer♦s disease. Consider contributing \$1 a week per quarter; \$13.

Please look for Dustin Schlabach to email the weekly meeting Zoom. Click on the link or copy and paste in your web browser. If that will not work go to zoom.com, click join a meeting and enter the meeting ID included in Dustin's email.

**For Birthday/Anniversary/Happy Dollars/CART Funds
please mail your check to
Rotary Club of Asheville Foundation
P.O. Box 1954
Asheville NC 28801.**

If you would like to add an announcement in an upcoming COG please email to Sara Marshall smarshall@firsthorizon.com

Additional Volunteer Opportunities :



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



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



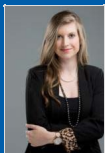
Donna W. Prinz
Club Director
Youth Services
Chair



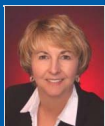
Ross Sloan
President-
Nominee



Patrick A. Snyder
Club Director
Community
Service Chair



Eva-Michelle G. Spicer
Club Director



Patricia M. Puckridge
Membership
Chair

Dustin L. Schlabach

*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. (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)

LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

By Melissa R. Drennan on Saturday, August 1, 2020

PROF. CHRIS COOPER SHARES POLITICAL EXPERTISE

Many thanks to Chris Cooper, professor at WCU and esteemed expert in local politics for speaking at our July 30 meeting. His talk could not have been more timely as he provided context for President Trump's election delay Tweet sent just that morning. Professor Cooper also shared insights on NC voter registration trends and the shifting demographics of our 11th congressional district.



Whether you are a political junkie or simply an engaged citizen, this presentation gave a fascinating look at our political landscape. If you missed this meeting, please see the presentation recording to learn more.

SPOTLIGHT ON SCOTT WHITE

By Linda Nelson on Tuesday, August 4, 2020

A MAN OF MISSION AND GLOBAL SERVICE

Scott White moved to Asheville in 2012 after spending the previous twenty-four years ministering to various Churches around North Carolina, including Raleigh and Charlotte. He is now the Rector of Trinity Episcopal Church, which he says made it super easy to attend our Rotary meetings, obviously before COVID19.

Scott's commitment to community outreach and leadership segues



Sergeant-at-Arms



Ford Willis
Sergeant-at-Arms



Megan E. Robinson
Club Programs Chair



Janet L. Whitworth
iPast President



Donna Rogers Ensley
Assistant Governor



effortlessly to the Rotary's mission and global service. Being a Rotarian allows him to express his preferred mode of engagement with the world.

If you had asked Scott before he went into the Ministry what career he would have chosen, he would probably have said a boat-builder. He grew up surrounded by water in Newport, Rhode Island, and he and his two sisters, one younger and one older, were avid sailors. During this period, he built many sailboats, and not tiny ones either, but 40-60 boats. His passion for sailing and boat racing

continued until he left Newport to attend General Theological Seminary in New York City, where he earned a Master of Divinity. He then went continued his studies by attending Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria, where he gained a Doctor of Ministry.

Scott enjoys the outdoors. He particularly likes to hike, run, ride bikes, play golf, and occasionally hike the Roan mountain. Reading is high on his list of enjoyable activities, especially historical fiction and biographies. He is currently reading *The Weather House* by Gary Eddey, which is equal parts international espionage, mystery, adventure, with an intriguing backdrop of the lead up to World War I.

Scott is married to Michele, who is a development educator for a non-profit organization. They have two children, Samuel (16) and Harrison (13), a labradoodle called Henry, and not forgetting their four chickens.

Birthdays

- Benjamin P. Powell
August 4th
- Gina Collias
August 5th
- Betty A. Doll
August 7th
- Robert H. Haggard
August 12th
- Susan F Lightner
August 14th
- Steven M. Higley
August 14th
- Wayne A. Roddy
August 15th
- Christena Southwick
August 15th
- Thomas G. Leavesley
August 16th
- J. Huntington Mallett
August 21st
- Lee Scott
August 22nd
- Dennis King
August 24th
- Barbara J. Bowers
August 29th
- Deborah H. Francis
September 2nd

Wedding Anniversaries

Richard Travis Hall
August 5th
Bruce G. Clark
August 7th
Alexander P. Pence
August 11th
Linda Nelson
August 11th
Sophia S. Ungert
August 19th
William R. Goacher
August 23rd
Carol C. Hensley
August 23rd
Robert Lee Garrett
August 26th
John A. Locke
August 29th
Charles M Peabody III
August 29th
Kevin R. Montgomery
September 1st
David R. McCartney
September 1st
Steven M. Higley
September 2nd



One day, when it's safe to travel, he hopes to visit Scotland and not just for the natural beauty of the area, but he would love to partake in a whisky tasting (note the Scottish spelling) ♦ Go, Scott!

Thank you, Scott, for being a Rotarian, and thank you, Jim Duel, for being his sponsor.

NOTEWORTHY NEWS

WNC Nature Center Play Area Refurbishment




In roughly 2015, the Rotary Club of Asheville funded and built a play area at the WNC Nature Center. However over time, several of the items have become worn, damaged, and unsafe and many items have needed to be removed. It was built as space that allowed children to explore natural materials through movement (balance beams, stumps) and through sound (wooden xylophone, wooden tongue drum, rain sound maker). And it is part of the collection of play areas in the nature center they call "Nature at Play". As a joint effort with Rotaract and the nonprofit Friends of the Nature Center, we purchased and located new natural equipment and spend the day on Saturday creating a new sensory path walkway, stump jumps, and a new fort building post. The balance beams are on back-order

but once they come in they will also be replaced and the park site will be ready for play again.



Our writing committee had a meeting 7/27/2020 and discussed the need for our COG to begin publishing some "feel good" articles with silver linings for this challenging and unique time we are all living in. If you have something great you've seen or experienced, or even would like to expand on a Happy Dollar story please reach out to Kirk Borland.

FOUR WAY TEST



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?