

Rotary



Club of Asheville THE COG

Tuesday, August 25, 2020



THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

By Sally Ekaireb

COVID-19 & THE ARTS

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 27, 2020

Nate McGaha and Katie Cornell the state of the arts in the midst of a pandemic.

September 03, 2020

Sara Sanders
a virtual tour of the UNC Asheville Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math (STEAM) Studio

September 10, 2020

Dr. Gene Freeman and Copland Rudolph
the state of Asheville's city schools during the pandemic.

September 17, 2020

Dr. Darin J. Waters
the history of African Americans in Asheville

September 24, 2020

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



On Thursday, August 27th, our program will give an overview of the impact of COVID-19 on the Federal, State and Local levels by arts leaders Nate McGaha of Arts North Carolina and Katie Cornell of the Asheville Area Arts Council. We all love Asheville for the vibrant arts communities it offers to both residents and tourists. Come join us and hear about how we are working to maintain and foster arts programs during this challenging time.

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy Hour Sip & Learn via ZOOM - *UPDATE NEW DATE 9/1

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 ask questions on numerous topics including: Leadership, Service Projects, Committees, DACdb, Club History, and Financial Structure. Meeting will begin at 5:30 PM. Janet will send ZOOM link the day of the scheduled meeting. 9/1, 10/13, 11/10, and 12/8

Coming Events

August 27th
[Asheville Club
Foundation Board
Meeting](#)

September 1st
[Club Board Meeting](#)

September 2nd
[Hike with Rotary](#)

September 1st
[Happy Hour Sip &
Learn](#)

September 17th
[Thirsty Third Thursday](#)

Club Leaders



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Club Director



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Club Director
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Chair

[Sharon Kay
LeDuc](#)

ABCCM Transformation Celebration Virtual Gala And Auction

Date and Time : Friday, August 28 at 7:00 pm
ABCCM' s Annual Gala and Auction has gone virtual. Help celebrate transformed lives while raising funds to equip and empower others via Virtual/Zoom and Livestream on Facebook. The goal is to raise \$250,000 to provide immediate, critical assistance to individuals and families in crisis, homeless women and children, and Veterans through our five ministries. Please email, tiffany.armstrong@abccm.org for more information. Register for free today, at the following link: <https://e.givesmart.com/events/hIB/>

Around the world with Asheville Rotarians - VIA Zoom

Starting September 9th at 7pm a monthly series will be hosted by the Fellowship Committee. Two members will be featured as they share memories and photos of their travels. See article below for additional details and a sneak peak. A Zoom invite link will be sent to members.

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/2WZV2Mj>

Thirsty Third Thursday - Coming Up 9/17

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

September Rotary Hike

The September Hike will take place Sept. 2nd at 5 pm. The host will be David Kozak, at his home 42 Viera Dr in Swannanoa. Masks are required except during the hike (approx 1.5 miles). Please join us for a great time, bring a chair and the beverage of your choice.

Cart Fund



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.

Weekly Meeting Zoom Instructions



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Governor

Birthdays

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 :

*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 Sally Ekaireb

ASHEVILLE JCC RISES TO COVID-19 CHALLENGE

Our speaker for the August 20 meeting was Ashley Lasher, Executive Director of the Asheville JCC. Ashley began her talk describing how important the JCC was for her growing up because it was a place where she could totally be herself. She explained that a key aspect of the JCC mission is its focus on *inclusivity* of all members of the community. Then Ashley discussed the range of challenges the JCC has dealt with this year as well as their successes in maintaining and recreating the youth

Barbara J. Bowers
August 29th
Deborah H. Francis
September 2nd
Philip W. Swyers Jr.
September 5th

Margaret Gormley-
Chapman
September 8th

George G. Lycan
September 12th

Keith Whitman Bell
September 13th

Donna Rogers Ensley
September 15th

Scott T Baker
September 15th

Alena Klimas
September 20th

Rachel Rion Moran
September 20th

Eric C. Bryant
September 20th

C. Richard Douglass
September 21st

Richard J. Jacobs
September 23rd

Wedding Anniversaries

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

programs and services after the onset of Covid-19 in March. Thank you Ashley for bringing us hope and inspiration, for we are all in this together. If you missed this excellent presentation, please take advantage of the meeting recording.



HARRY MORRILL COMMUNITY GRANTS FOR 2021

By Sally Ekaireb



ROTARY CLUB OF ASHEVILLE OFFERS HARRY MORRILL COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR 2021

The Rotary Club of Asheville is pleased to offer annual grants to organizations in our community that will support them with their worthwhile projects. Eligible charitable purposes for these grants include support for health, human services, the arts and education. Recipient organizations must be classified as a 501 (c)(3) public charity, church, school or government agency.

In 1981 Harry R. Morrill donated funds to Rotary with the intent to use the spendable income only for educational or local charitable donations that conform to Rotary ideals. Funds are held by the Community Foundation of Western North Carolina and grants are administered by the Rotary Club of Asheville.

For this cycle a total of \$10,000 will be awarded and grants up to \$1000 will be considered. Applications for grants must be received by October 31, 2020 for projects proposed for the 2021 calendar year. Application forms may be obtained on the Rotary website www.RotaryAsheville.org, using the link Documents, or requested from the Rotary office at avlrotary1915@gmail.com or from the Grants Committee Chairman David McCartney, email david.mccartney@hotelarras.com. Organizations which received a grant last year must take one year off before reapplying.

The Committee will review all requests in accordance with Mr. Morrill's

September 2nd
Thomas G. Leavesley
September 7th
Donna Rogers Ensley
September 10th
Susan F. Harper
September 11th
Eva-Michelle G. Spicer
September 14th
Ken Nelson
September 23rd
Jessica Z Hendrix
September 24th

intention that a wide range of worthwhile community projects be supported. The following considerations will guide the Committee as they evaluate each project:

1. Will the project support health, human services, the arts, or education to benefit our community?
2. Would the funding provide benefit primarily to the disadvantaged?
3. Will the funds support a one time or additional project rather than be used for regular operations

Grants will be awarded in December 2020. Please contact the above Chairman, David McCartney, with any questions.

THE FIRST TRIP AROUND THE WORLD

By Betty A. Doll

Are you ready for a little vicarious living? Join us (via Zoom) on September 9th at 7 pm for the first episode of **◆Around the World with the Asheville Rotarians◆**. Each month will feature two of our own members who will share memories and photos of a journey they have taken. The presentations will be about 20 minutes followed by about 10 minutes for any questions you may have.

In this first episode, Jim Deuel will be sharing about his time in Paris followed by a trip down the Rhone River. Here is a sneak preview:

Pat Puckridge will also be sharing the highlights of her trip to Barcelona. Watch next week for a sneak peak of her trip.



Mark your calendars NOW for September 9th at 7 pm!

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

By Kirk Borland

DICK HALL◆."in the company of people who do things!◆

Dick and Yolanda Hall retired to Asheville in 2000 with the purchase of a home during the early days of the Biltmore Park development. Dick◆s neighbor and contractor was Rotarian Bill Bass and within months of moving in, Dick joined our downtown club. He admits he saw

Rotary as a great way to make new connections. One of those connections proved to be Riverlink where Dick served on the Board for 13 years.

Rotary and Dick Hall have been a great match. Over the years, he made three trips as part of our Honduras medical/dental mission, concluding participation only when the rough roads got to be a little too much for his back. He also

participated in the first Honor Flight and then went on to do two more of those inspiring Washington trips. When our Club's Centennial was approaching in 2015, Dick stepped up to become the Club's Historian and created a presentation that chronicled our 100-year history. (By the way that presentation, full of wonderful moments in the Club's history is still available for viewing.)



Ask Dick what he has enjoyed the most over his 20 years in Rotary, he is likely to tell you it has been the International experiences. He remembers shortly after the 9/11 terrorist attack when Rotarians from France overcame travel obstacles in order to get to the United States to show their support. And in 2004, on the anniversary observance of D-Day, Dick was a participant in the Friendship Exchange with Rotary Club of Saumur, France. Most recently, Dick and Yolanda (who is a Paul Harris Fellow) were in New Zealand and Singapore where they made a point of visiting with the Rotarians. Dick highly values the opportunity such visits offer to connect and gain insights from community leaders in far-away places.

It's an experience you just can't get from books or tour guides.

Looking back, Dick celebrates the growth in participation by women and young people in today's Club; in turn, we honor his two decades of service.

FOUR WAY TEST



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THE FOUR-WAY TEST Of the things we think, say, or do

The Four-Way Test is a nonpartisan and nonsectarian ethical guide for Rotarians to use for their personal and professional relationships.

