

# Rotary



## Club of Asheville THE COG

Wednesday, September 16, 2020



### THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

By Sally Ekaireb

#### HISTORY OF AFRICAN-AMERICANS IN ASHEVILLE

Our guest speaker on September 17 will be Dr. Darin J. Waters, the Executive Director of the Office of Community Engagement, and an Associate Professor of History at UNCA. Dr. Waters will share with us his historical expertise regarding North Carolina and Appalachia, and American race relations. His presentation titled: ♦The History of African-Americans in Asheville♦ will focus on this important aspect of Asheville's history.



Please join us Thursday in welcoming Dr. Waters to our weekly meeting.

### CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Happy Hour Sip & Learn via ZOOM - Coming Up 10/13

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. Janet will send a ZOOM link the day of the scheduled meetings: 10/13, 11/10, and 12/8

#### Thirsty Third Thursday - Coming Up 9/17 - Tomorrow

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

#### Transformation Village ABCCM Needs October Volunteers

### Club Meeting

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

### Speakers

#### September 17, 2020

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

#### September 24, 2020

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

#### October 01, 2020

Antony Chiang  
CEO of Dogwood Trust  
will provide an update on  
one of the nation's  
largest health  
foundations.

#### October 08, 2020

NC Attorney General Josh  
Stein

Covid-19 and the NC  
Attorney General's Office

#### October 15, 2020

Joe Lordi  
will discuss the genesis of  
the Asheville Peak  
Academy, a new charter

school targeting the opportunity gap within Asheville schools.

## Coming Events

September 17th  
[Thirsty Third Thursday](#)

September 19th  
[WNC Nature Center Play Area Work Day #2](#)

October 6th  
[Club Board Meeting](#)

October 7th  
[Hike with Rotary](#)

October 13th  
[Happy Hour Sip & Learn](#)

October 14th  
[Around the World With Asheville Rotarians](#)

October 15th  
[Thirsty Third Thursday](#)

## Club Leaders



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Many businesses have now embraced full-time work-from-home policies, yet employers still want to find a way to engage their employees working in disparate locations. Keeping relationships strong among remote teams is a challenge. ABCCM Transformation Village is seeking volunteers to cook and serve meals. Transformation Village is ABCCM's vision of taking every single woman, mom with children and intact family off the street or out of a car. We work to provide each woman with stability, personal skill building, educational and training opportunities leading to employment and housing along with the restoration of personal dignity, faith and strength. Transformation Village is welcoming volunteer teams of 4-8 people beginning in October to help cook and serve lunch or dinner meals for our women, children and female Veterans. If interested, please contact Beverly Buckner, (828) 398-6985 or Carolyn Cronin (828-577-3599).

## Cart Fund

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The CART Fund is dedicated to raising funds to provide 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

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](mailto:smarshall@firsthorizon.com)*

## Additional Volunteer Opportunities :

\*Our Rotary Club has volunteered to help out MANNA Food Bank on Monday, Sept. 14th at 9:00 am. They need 15 volunteers. Please come and bring any family members willing to help. It's fun!!! YOU MUST SIGN UP TO PARTICIPATE!! Visit the MANNA FoodBank event registration page: <http://cerv.is/m?0330rRotaryAVL> and use **Event Reservation Code: RotaryAVL**



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\*Please let your friends, family, and neighbors know that Asheville City Schools is hiring substitute teachers for the 2020-2021 school year. All candidates need to complete an online application that includes three references. The application is located on the ACS homepage under the careers tab. Applicants must be a minimum of 18 years of age and hold a high school diploma. Substitute teaching allows individuals to work with our amazing K-12<sup>th</sup> grade students and have a flexible schedule. To learn more about how to become a substitute teacher, please contact Kimberly Dechant, Ed.D. at 828-350-6140 or email [Kimberly.dechant@acsgmail.net](mailto:Kimberly.dechant@acsgmail.net).

\*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](http://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](http://handsonasheville-buncombecounty.org) for all volunteer opportunities in the area. (Rotarian Kevin Montgomery, Director of Resource Development)

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## LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

By Melissa R. Drennan

### OVERCOMING THE CURRENT CHALLENGES OF PUBLIC EDUCATION



Our September 10 meeting was an interesting and timely dialog with Copland Rudolph, the Executive Director of the Asheville City Schools Foundation, and Dr. Gene Freeman, the new superintendent of Asheville City Schools. They provided insights into how our Asheville schools are adapting in the time of COVID.

We thank them for their time to engage with us. Moreover we thank them for the ways they are striving to meet the challenges of educating in this environment. If you missed this program, please tune into the recording to learn more.







Donna Rogers  
Ensley  
Assistant  
Governor

## 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 of \$1000 will be awarded to 10 organizations. 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](http://www.RotaryAsheville.org), using the link Documents, or requested from the Rotary office at [avlrotary1915@gmail.com](mailto:avlrotary1915@gmail.com) or from the Grants Committee Chairman David McCartney, email [david.mccartney@hotelarras.com](mailto: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 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.

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### FOUR WAY TEST

## Birthdays

Alena Klimas  
September 20th

Rachel Rion Moran  
September 20th

Eric C. Bryant  
September 20th

C. Richard Douglass  
September 21st

Richard J. Jacobs  
September 23rd

Joseph T. Hackett  
September 24th

Robert Steve Frellick  
September 25th

Steve Roman  
September 28th

Alexander F. Comfort  
September 29th

Frank Harwell Rutland  
September 30th

John S. Fisher  
September 30th

Mehmet Zeki Maviyildiz  
October 1st

Todd M. Williams  
October 1st

Thomas A. Cannon  
October 3rd

Frankie L Adkins  
October 8th

William R. Goacher  
October 9th

Joe L Worthington Jr.  
October 9th

Donna W. Prinz  
October 10th

William E. Chandler Jr.  
October 12th

Richard T. Devereaux  
October 16th

## Wedding Anniversaries

Ken Nelson

September 23rd  
Jessica Z Hendrix  
September 24th  
William C. Rawlings  
September 30th  
Eric W. Michael  
September 30th  
Megan E Robinson  
October 1st  
Joseph T. Hackett  
October 3rd  
Joshua M. Abrams  
October 6th  
James T. Deuel  
October 6th  
Scott Hicks  
October 7th  
Margaret Gormley-  
Chapman  
October 9th  
Paul Hyler  
October 10th  
George G. Lycan  
October 11th



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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.

