

Rotary



Club of Asheville THE COG

Tuesday, September 7, 2021



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

Club Meeting

Asheville
Meets at TUTION HALL, TRINITY
EPISCOPAL CHURCH--Proof of
Covid-19 vaccination or recent
(72 hrs) negative Covid-19 test
required to attend in-person. To
request a Zoom simulcast link
email avrotary1915@gmail.com.
60 Church St
Asheville, NC 28801
Time: Thursday at 12:30 PM

Speakers

September 09, 2021

[Dr. Tony Baldwin, Buncombe
City Schools Supt.](#)
Ste of our Schools Post-Covid

September 16, 2021

[Nathan Pennington, Buncombe
County Planning & Development
Director](#)
County Planning Initiatives

September 23, 2021

[Bakari Sellers](#)
Noted national attorney, author,
and political commentator

Coming Events

September 9th
[Tourists Game Volunteers](#)

September 12th
[September Carrier Park
Cookout](#)

Club Leaders



[Katherine Morosani](#)
President

[Ross Sloan](#)
President-Elect

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

By Donna Rogers Ensley

The State of Our Schools Post Covid



Dr. Tony Baldwin has served as Superintendent of Buncombe County Schools since 2009. A graduate of T.C. Roberson High School, Dr. Baldwin has spent his career as an educator in Buncombe County.

Most recently, Dr. Baldwin was awarded the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's 2018 Superintendent of the Year. Dr.

Baldwin was named the 2016-17 Western Region Superintendent of the Year. He was a 2017 nominee for the North Carolina Association of School Administrators Superintendent of the Year.

As Superintendent, Dr. Baldwin is dedicated to several major initiatives that will drive student success in BCS. His priorities for advancement are within the areas of instructional technology, STEM, graduation initiative, and global education. The 1:1 Digital Initiative entered its fourth phase in 2018 extending into grades K-12. Partnerships with Eblen Charities and Spring have now made mobile hotspots available for any student that does not have Internet access at home; Project Lead the Way- a comprehensive STEM curriculum- was fully implemented at the elementary, intermediate, middle, and high school levels during the 2016-17 school year; The success of the Graduation Initiative was represented in the Spring of 2016 with the announcement of district's lowest dropout numbers ever and our highest ever four-year cohort rate of 88.3 in 2017!

Join us this **Thursday, September 9**, to hear more of Dr. Baldwin's successes and initiatives.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Traveling Rotarians - Two Beautiful Cities

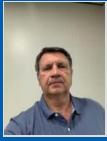
Join us on **Wednesday, September 8** at **7 p.m.**, as **Dave Mans** presents a brief history of the City of Pasadena, the founding of the Tournament of Roses, and the events that happen in Pasadena each New Year's Day including the Rose Parade and the Rose Bowl Game. Find out how Rotary members can travel to Pasadena and help decorate



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[Melissa R. Drennan](#)
Club Admin Chair



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Interact Club Sponsor
Youth Services Chair



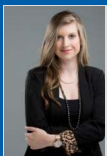
[David T. Kaverman](#)
Membership Chair



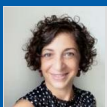
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Bulletin Editor



[Ford Willis](#)
Attendance Secretary

the Rotary float!



After, **Ken Nelson** will take us to beautiful Samaur, France, an Asheville Sister City located in the beautiful Loire Valley and visited by several members of our Rotary Club.



Do you have travels you'd be willing to share with the group? Please let **Dave Kaverman** or **Betty Doll** know. Watch for the link to the September 8th program in your email that morning.

September Cookout

The Fellowship Committee is asking you to mark your calendars for another fun Rotary Cookout! **Sunday, September 12th, from 4 - 7 p.m.** at the Rotary Pavillion in Carrier Park. Bring a dish to share and the Club will provide the burgers/hot dogs.



Please RSVP using the link **Betty Doll** sent you. If you cannot find that



Sergeant-at-Arms



Kristy Wilson
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Sgt-at-Arms



Sara L. Marshall
Club Public Image
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Sophia Stefanidis
Ungert
Past President



Richard T. Devereaux
Assistant Governor

Birthdays

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

Evan Justin Rosenberg
September 19th

Eric C. Bryant
September 20th

Rachel Rion Moran
September 20th

Richard J. Jacobs
September 23rd

Joseph T. Hackett
September 24th

Robert Steve Frellick
September 25th

Steve Roman
September 28th

Alexander F. Comfort
September 29th

John S. Fisher
September 30th

Frank Harwell Rutland
September 30th

Mehmet Zeki Maviyildiz
October 1st

email, please log into DACdb and RSVP by going to the *Club Calendar* and clicking the *RSVP* link under: **September 12, 2021 - September Carrier Park Cookout.**

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

Final Opportunity to Volunteer at a Tourists Game!



This Thursday, **September 9th**, is our Club's final opportunity to provide volunteers to work the concessions at an Asheville Tourists game to earn money for our foundation. The last time we did this we made \$900 even though the game was a rainout after just one inning. **We need 8 more volunteers.** The commitment is from **4:30 - 9:30 p.m.** and mainly consists of working at one of two concession stands at the park.

This will also be a **"Thirsty Thursday"** and promises to generate a big crowd, so this should be a big fundraiser in support of our club's service projects. Another perk... all volunteers receive a free hot dog meal and Tourists baseball cap!

Update on In-Person Meeting Policy

A new August 18 order from the Buncombe County Board states that **"face coverings are required of all Buncombe County citizens, residents and visitors in any indoor spaces in public spaces** to maximize protection from the Delta variant and prevent possibly spreading it to others. Indoor public places means ... any indoor place the public is invited or allowed to enter and gather." The order also says, "for restaurants, bars, and other food establishments, this includes that all guests wear face coverings at their tables **unless actively drinking or eating.**"

In order to comply with this order, our club **now requires that all meeting attendees continually wear a face covering** unless actively eating or drinking, regardless of vaccination status.

Public Image Committee Help

Thomas A. Cannon
October 3rd
Jonathan Allred
October 6th

Wedding Anniversaries

Thomas G. Leavesley
September 7th
Donna Rogers Ensley
September 10th
Susan F. Harper
September 11th
Herman S. Turk
September 12th
Eva-Michelle G. Spicer
September 14th
Evan Justin Rosenberg
September 21st
Ken Nelson
September 23rd
Jessica Z Hendrix
September 24th
Eric W. Michael
September 30th
William C. Rawlings
September 30th
Joseph T. Hackett
October 3rd
Joshua M. Abrams
October 6th
James T. Deuel
October 6th
Scott Hicks
October 7th

Love telling stories? Join the writers team to help with member profiles for the Spotlight column. It's a great way to help build our Rotarian community while getting better acquainted with some of our members, please contact [Kirk Borland](#), who coordinates our team of writers.

Enjoy being at the weekly meeting? Help us with reporting program information. Please contact PI Chair [Sara Marshall](#) for more information on how you can help.

Like reading this weekly newsletter? Use your skills to help publish it. Contact [Sara Marshall](#) for more information.

Donations and Scholarships

Donations to our **Club Foundation** can now be made directly on our website. Can't make the fundraiser but want to contribute to our projects this year, owe happy dollars for birthdays and anniversaries, been fined for looking too good in the media ♦ hit the EASY button by going to [RotaryAsheville.org](#). Also, treasurer **Janet** now has the ability to take donations, happy dollars and fines at club meetings via credit card. And don't worry, she will ALWAYS take your cash or check.

Please bring raffle items for our weekly drawing that benefits the **Tennent Scholarships**. Promote your business, your passion, or your creativity.

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.

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

Additional Volunteer Opportunities :

*Please submit any volunteer opportunities you feel your fellow Rotarians would enjoy being a part of.



If you would like to add an announcement in an upcoming COG, please email [Sara Marshall](mailto:Sara.Marshall@rotary.org) no later than Saturday, prior to Tuesday publishing.

LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

By Melissa R. Drennan

Getting To Know Our New Members



Our September 2nd meeting was a time to celebrate three terrific new members in our Club. We heard new member talks from **Amy Stovall**, **Evan Rosenberg**, and **Ward Peacock**. All three of them have had successful careers as technology professionals. All three of them are also new to the Asheville area. Yet their unique individuality shone as each shared their talks. **Amy** is a strong advocate for women in STEM and shared challenges faced by women in her career. **Evan** is a drummer and a music lover. **Ward** is a native North Carolinian who is a Rotary past president.

We hope all three have found a home in this beautiful region and in our Club.

FOUR WAY TEST



THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

first

Is it the **TRUTH**?

second

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

third

Will it build **GOODWILL** and
BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

fourth

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to
all concerned?
