

Rotary



Club of Asheville THE COG

Wednesday, September 15, 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 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

No Events found

Club Leaders



[Katherine Morosani](#)
President



[Ross Sloan](#)
President-Elect



[Richard T. Devereaux](#)
Past President
Secretary

[David A. Kozak](#)
Treasurer

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

By Katherine Morosani

County Planning Initiatives



Join us this Thursday, September 16,
as we welcome **Nathan ♦Nate♦
Pennington**, Planning Director of
Buncombe County's Planning &
Development Department.

Nate was born in Amory, Mississippi
and grew up most of his life in
Tennessee in the Nashville area. He
holds bachelor's and master's degrees
from the University of Tennessee in
Knoxville, in sociology with the latter
degree in urban and regional planning.

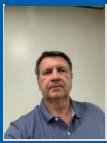
Before Nate knew that urban planning
was a science, he found an interest in building cityscapes in the sand
and mud box, using sprinkler system piping for stormwater culverts and
sticks, stones and scrap wood for structural steel to reinforce mud
skyscrapers and infrastructure.

After grad school, Nate landed in the Florida Keys as a planner working
for Islamorada, Village of Islands. After working in the Emergency
Operations Center for 8 hurricanes during the 2004 and 2005 hurricane
seasons, he and his wife (also a planner) bounced back to the
mountains. He spent 9 years working for the City of Asheville and is
nearing 6 years working for Buncombe County.

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Final Volunteer Shift with the Asheville Tourists





Patrick A. Snyder
President -Nominee
Treasurer



Janet L. Whitworth
Past President
Treasurer



Bradley A. Arnold
Rotary Foundation
Chair



Celeste B. Collins
Diversity Equity &
Inclusion



Albert Davis
Community Service
Chair



Melissa R. Drennan
Club Admin Chair



Tanya N. Fletcher
Interact Club Sponsor
Youth Services Chair



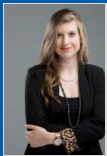
David T. Kaverman
Membership Chair



Sharon Kay LeDuc
International Service
Chair



Eva-Michelle G. Spicer
Club Director



Helen Stefanidis
Bulletin Editor



Ford Willis
Attendance Secretary
Sergeant-at-Arms



Kristy Wilson
Vocational Service
Chair

Joseph T. Hackett



Rick Devereaux thanks those that participated at our final fundraising volunteer opportunity with the Asheville Tourists:

I can't thank you enough for soldering on for 5 hours last night (Thursday, September 9)!! Whether you were a veteran concessionaire in the cooler confines of Moon's Landing or a rookie working in the the sweatshop of "Crash's Kitchen, you are all heroes in my book. Thanks for selling countless hot dogs and chili cheese fries and transforming the Rotary cog wheel into a smiling face for the Asheville public.

A special thank you to our Rotary spouses who helped out last night -- Elizabeth, Stephanie, Frank, Carleton, and Tom -- you each went above and beyond, and selflessly helped our club and our service projects. We are indebted. We will figure out a better way to say thank you in the near future.

I'll let you know as soon as I find out what our take was from the Tourists. According to Sophia, in tips alone we netted over \$50! So if anyone needs a reference for a budding fast food career let me know and I'll put in a good word for you.

Update on In-Person Meeting Policy

A new 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



Club Programs Chair



[Charles M. Peabody III](#)
Sgt-at-Arms



[Sara L. Marshall](#)
Club Public Image
Chair



[Sophia Stefanidis
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Past President



[Richard T. Devereaux](#)
Assistant Governor

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.

Donations and Scholarships

Donations to our **Club Foundation** can now be made directly on our website. Didn'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.

Birthdays

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

Thomas A. Cannon
October 3rd

Jonathan Allred
October 6th

Frankie L. Adkins
October 8th

William R. Goacher
October 9th

Joe L Worthington Jr.
October 9th

Donna W. Prinz
October 10th

Wedding Anniversaries

Evan Justin Rosenberg
September 21st



Ken Nelson
September 23rd
Jessica Z Hendrix
September 24th
William C. Rawlings
September 30th
Eric W. Michael
September 30th
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 Hylar
October 10th
George G. Lycan
October 11th

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

LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

By Melissa R. Drennan

The State of Our Schools Post Covid

We were privileged to have **Dr. Tony Baldwin** address our club on September 9th. Dr. Baldwin has served as Superintendent of Buncombe County Schools since 2009. Buncombe County includes 44 schools, 22,000 students, and 4000 staff.



Dr. Baldwin shared the success of a global education initiative to introduce language immersion starting in kindergarten. Rotary was an early supporter of this initiative twelve years ago which has now expanded to cover grades K through 6. Dr. Baldwin also discussed the school's pandemic response. Buncombe County schools remain committed to student education as well as supporting students' social and emotional skills development.

Many thanks to Dr. Baldwin for his dedication to this mission during these difficult times.

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?
