

Rotary



Club of Hendersonville-Four Seasons

Sunday, August 25, 2024

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

By Tiffany Ervin

August: Membership/Extension Month

Mon, Aug 26: Tour D'Apple Prep Meeting

September: Basic Education & Literacy Month

Mon, Sept 2: Tour D'Apple all day at Blue Ridge Community College (no evening meeting)

Mon, Sept 9: Tour D'Apple de-brief

Mon, Sept 16: Community Grant Applications Review - MEMBERS ONLY PLEASE

Tues, Sept 17: Satellite Club for Alzheimer's Research, 6-7:30pm (via zoom)

Mon, Sept 23: Board Meeting

Mon, Sept 30: NO MEETING

Henry Has Arrived!

By Tiffany Ervin



Four Seasons Rotary is proud to be providing financial support for a Youth Exchange student this school year. Henry arrived from South Korea this weekend and is looking forward to his cultural exchange and studies in WNC.

A special thank you to our members Kevin Star, who serves on the District and regional youth exchange committees, and Harriett Hilton, who assists the district committee as well. We are well-represented at District 7670 and the Ohio-Erie Youth Exchange program.

Four Seasons Rotary Accepting Community Grant Applications

By Tiffany Ervin



For more than 44 years, members of the Four Seasons Rotary Club have contributed time, talents and monetary donations to help make Henderson County a better place to live, work and raise a family. This year, the club is once again offering Community Impact grants to local non-profits.

Applications are now available for grants up to \$1,500 each that support projects in one of Rotary International's seven areas of focus: Promoting Peace, Fighting Disease, Providing Clean Water/Sanitation/Hygiene, Saving Mothers and Children, Supporting Education, Growing Local Economies, and Protecting the Environment. Deadline to apply is September 6, 2024, and all funds must be used by May 31, 2025.

Any 501(c)3 serving residents of Henderson County is invited to apply by [downloading an application here](#) or

by emailing fourseasonsrotary@gmail.com with questions.

Each year, Four Seasons Rotary coordinates and hosts the Tour D'Apple bike ride on Labor Day, raising significant funds to support our regular local programs like Four Seasons Rotary Park, Special Needs Sports, and scholarships at Blue Ridge Community College," said Michele Garashi-Ellick, Grants Chair. "This year, we want to continue to make an even bigger impact by offering these community grants to local non-profits looking to expand current programs or implement new ones."

In 2023, Four Seasons Rotary awarded almost \$10,000 in community impact grants. Recipients included Veterans Healing Farm, Medical Loan Closet of Henderson County, Blue Ridge Community Health Services, Henderson County Education Foundation, Children & Family Resource Center, Caregivers of Mother Earth, and Smart Start Partnership for Children.

Club President Hal Manasa added that members hope to build lasting partnerships with the organizations selected in this grant cycle, providing local non-profits with additional volunteers and monetary support for years to come.

Club Meeting

Hendersonville-Four Seasons

Meets at Janitzio Mexican Restaurant, 1053 Spartanburg Hwy, Hendersonville, NC. Mondays, 5:30 - 6:30 PM

1053 Spartanburg Hwy Hendersonville, NC 28792

Time: Monday at 05:30 PM

Club Leaders



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Paige Carroll Scott
DG-Nominee

Birthdays

Adopt-A-Highway (August)

Four Seasons Rotarians and Four Seasons Toastmasters joined together to pick up trash on our adopted highway, on Saturday, August 3. Together our clubs have adopted Haywood Road (NC-191) between the stop lights at Mountain and Rugby Roads.

Thank you to President Hal, Harriet and Dick for participating!

These trash pickers collected about one hundred pounds of trash, as well as ten pounds of aluminum cans and other recyclable items. Four Seasons Rotarian Club and Four Seasons Toastmasters Club have joined together for three years in this service project.

The aluminum cans will be recycled to become a contribution to The CART Fund.



Rotary Action Groups



Another way to get engaged in Rotary is to join a Rotary Action Group. Rotary Action Groups are independent, Rotary-affiliated groups made up of people from around the world who are experts in a particular field, such as economic development, peace, addiction prevention, the environment, or water. There are currently 25 Rotary Action Groups which are listed below. [Read More](#)



Elizabeth
Mary Tait
August 6th



Melissa D.
Johnson
August
22nd



Emily
Dowling
Johnson
August
24th



Wade
Saunders
August
31st

Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding
Anniversaries Found

Years of Service



Christopher
Albert
Johnson
08-28-2017
7 Years

August PolioPlus News!

By Cynthia K. Ireland



It is too soon to forget about polio, even though there are generations now that know almost nothing about it. In one way, that is wonderful, but in another, it is really not gone until it is really gone. October 24th is Polio Awareness Day. Let's make it a month-long event.

This year weâ€™re asking clubs to plan a community awareness event and fundraiser. There will be awards at the district conference for the club that raises the most money per capita from the October event. To win, there must be a community outreach event to expand beyond our Rotarian generosity. Hendersonville Four Seasons is hosting a bingo night with donations to PolioPlus! What will you do? A Purple Pinkie Project is fun and easy! If you want to participate but not sure what to do, check here for resources for your club: [PolioPlus Resource Center](#)

Polio Plus Chairs, look for ways to share your ideas, think about what your public image plan will be, and learn more about Polio at the Foundation and Membership Summit on August 10th. Questions or ideas contact Cindy Ireland, District PolioPlus Chair, cnd.ireland@gmail.com