

# Rotary



# Club of Hendersonville-Four Seasons

Monday, October 5, 2020

## October 5 Meeting

By Tiffany Ervin on Monday, October 5, 2020

Our guest speaker tonight at Oklawaha Brewing at 5:30pm will be Bob Williford from the [Henderson County Chamber of Commerce](#). He will speak about Economic Development.

We will also induct our newest member, Emily Johnson, and present the Rotarian of the Year for 2019-2020.

If you are unable to attend in person, [please join us via Zoom](#).

## Tour D'Apple Report To Members

By Richard E. Miley on Saturday, October 3, 2020

Our 8<sup>th</sup> annual Tour d'Apple cycling event on Labor Day drew 375 cyclists from 12 states to ride up the mountains and around our local apple orchards. We are grateful to Club members and many community volunteers who made the Tour possible and a success on many levels.

In contrast to the cancellations of most cycling and other athletic events in western NC, the TDA went off without a hitch with COVID avoidance and much social distancing.

We expect net profits of approximately \$15,000 for Club and Foundation projects this Rotary year. Amazingly, cyclists more than doubled their extra donations to \$1042 (up from \$500 in 2019). Our District Governor has suggested that the Club designate these extra cyclist donations for winter coats for children in need.

The Tour spent more than \$20,000 at mostly area businesses for tee-shirts, Chick-fil-A sandwiches, printing, rental table, portable toilets, etc. Other payments included contributions of \$600 to the Sheriff's Volunteers in Partnership (VIPs) and \$800 for extra-duty deputies and officers.

We urge members to patronize to our TDA sponsors:

Hunter Subaru, Sycamore Cycles, Baird Wealth Management, Emerge Ortho, Formation PR, First Bank, Home Trust Bank, Mountain Inn & Suites, Ingles, Sam's Club, AAA Storage World, Penske Trucks, Mountain Valley Spring Water, Clif Bar and U-Haul on Airport Road.

These sponsors contributed \$9400 in cash and another \$1100 in in-kind support. A special thanks goes to Formation PR and Derek Stipe for their graphic design on the TDA website, tee-shirts and jerseys.

We also thank: Hunter Subaru and Liberty Bicycles for SAG vehicles; Asheville Bicycle Company and Sycamore Cycles for rest-stop mechanics; the Camera Club; and Blue Ridge Amateur Radio Club and Henderson County Amateur Emergency Services for HAM radio services.

And thanks again to our Club members, volunteers, and Idaph Events LLC for making the 8<sup>th</sup> annual Tour d'Apple a great success. As a postscript, over 90% of TDA cyclists rated their experience as excellent! We have received no reports of virus infections of cyclists or volunteers.

[View photos here.](#)

## Four Seasons Rotary Park Gets New Playground Equipment

By Tiffany Ervin on Thursday, September 10, 2020

The neighborhood surrounding Four Seasons Rotary Park saw some new playground equipment installed back in April. The installation came during a time when playgrounds across the state were closed due to COVID-19, but with the easing of the Governor's restrictions, children will now be able to enjoy new play areas.

The Four Seasons Rotary Club received a grant for the new equipment. Last year's Club President Melissa Johnson applied for a Rotary District 7670 Grant to improve the park, upgrade the playground equipment, and honor some former Rotarians in a way that benefits the entire community.

## Club Meeting

Hendersonville-Four Seasons Meets at Oklawaha Brewing Company  
147 1st Ave E  
Hendersonville, NC 28792  
Time: Monday at 05:30 PM

## Club Leaders



Christopher Albert Johnson  
President



Grant A. Morrill  
President-Elect



Donna M Thompson  
Secretary



Corey Prince  
Treasurer



Nick Bearden  
Assistant Governor

## District Leaders



George David Waechter  
District Governor



Kenneth A. Shull  
DG-Elect



Tammy Mosteller  
DG-Nominee

Tiffany Ervin  
IPDG



◆The Four Seasons Rotary Club has a long history with this park,◆ said Melissa Johnson. ◆Luther Smith, a former Rotarian, designed the park twenty years ago. Luther passed away last year, but his designs can still be enjoyed on Hendersonville◆s Main Street and other local parks.◆

Johnson explained their club wanted to honor another former Rotarian with new playground equipment.

◆We wanted to honor Dr. Jim Volk by upgrading the playground equipment in the park,◆ said Johnson. She explained Dr. Volk, who passed away in 2018, was a longtime Hendersonville pediatrician who served as a faithful Rotary member club president. ◆Dr. Volk dedicated so much of his life to improving the lives of children; we thought new playground equipment was a fitting way to honor his legacy.◆

The Four Seasons Rotary Club has partnered with the City of Hendersonville Public Works Department and Cunningham Recreation to make the project a reality. Cunningham crew members conducted the installation and the Public Works Department assisted with the facilitation of the project as well as site preparation and installing a border around the playground and fall protection mulch.



◆Even though the equipment couldn◆t be used when it was first installed, we are happy it is ready to go now that playgrounds have reopened,◆ said Melissa Johnson. ◆Life moves on and good things are still happening during this time. We are looking forward to this being a great addition in the community.◆

## MANNA Food Distribution at Connor Creek

By Tiffany Ervin on Saturday, September 12, 2020



Four Seasons Rotary President Chris Johnson recently volunteered at a MANNA Food Bank distribution at Connor Creek in Hendersonville, helping provide food for 240 people in 57 households.

We are currently seeking volunteers to man a monthly shift for this important service project. Please contact Chris at [johnsonca1775@gmail.com](mailto:johnsonca1775@gmail.com) if you can help!



## Food Donation To Boys & Girls Club from Four Seasons Rotary

By Tiffany Ervin on Monday, September 14, 2020

More than 120 pounds of pre-packaged snacks and bottled water left over from the 2020 Tour D'Apple were donated to



### Birthdays



Henry G Hoffmeyer  
July 25th



Robert T. Stillwell  
August 6th



William Taylor Biddle Jr.  
August 19th



Melissa D. Johnson  
August 22nd



Emily Dowling  
Johnson  
August 24th



Wade Saunders  
August 31st



Lisa T Holland  
September 9th



Tiffany Ervin  
September 15th



Eugene M. Carr III  
September 19th



Corey Prince  
September 24th



Bart Coates  
October 4th

Sharon Conoley  
October 19th



the Boys & Girls Club of Henderson County. We are happy to see this food used by those who need it in our community, and it is part of our zone's initiative to #Feed10Million.

## TDA Participants Donate Food to IAM

By Tiffany Ervin on Saturday, September 19, 2020



The participants in the 2020 Tour D'Apple donated more than 75 pounds of canned goods and non-perishable foods to be donated to Interfaith Assistance Ministry! This initiative will support our zone's effort to #Feed10Million.

## October is...

By George David Waechter on Thursday, October 1, 2020



Economic and Community Development month!

This particular image is from [#rotaryinternational](#) The story: "Seven Women is a nonprofit that offers fair-trade products and services. Stephanie Woollard, a member of the Rotary Club of Melbourne, Victoria, Australia, and a former Rotary Peace Fellow, started the organization in 2006 to empower marginalized women in Nepal. The women receive skills, literacy, and financial training that helps them increase their income and independence. Seven Women products are sold throughout Australia and at a shop at their center in Kathmandu.

5 August 2018, Kathmandu, Nepal."



## District 7670 Coat Drive

By George David Waechter on Thursday, October 1, 2020

As you know, the Fall season always brings cooler temperatures and the risk of colds and flu. Well, this year has an extra concern that we all know and have been concerned about since February - Covid19. Many clubs in our district do already perform a coat drive each year, but this year is different and we can all see why we should lend a hand. Join us in making this a district-wide effort.

With schools, senior centers, and other places where people



Martin E. Geyer  
October 25th



## Wedding Anniversaries



George Liell Mager  
July 15th



Janice Bullard Mager  
July 15th



Donna M Thompson  
July 19th



William Taylor Biddle Jr.  
July 22nd



Eugene M. Carr III  
July 30th



Cristina Hull  
September 2nd



Wade Saunders  
September 16th



Lisa T Holland  
October 1st



Christopher Albert Johnson  
October 1st



Steven Ray Studebaker  
October 12th

## Years of Service



Richard E. Miley  
10-12-1978  
42 Years



usually find warmth and comfort being less available than normal, we know that people will feel the chill of winter more this year. First Lady Deborah and I are personally worried about our seniors and children as they face the winter season with increased risk of infections and fewer friends and family to check on them. Kids in poverty often receive their only meals and warmth for the day at school and many of these kids will be either out of school or not in school as much. Seniors are in a similar tough scenario.

A coat is one of the most basic commodities that many children and seniors in poverty lack. You can make a difference in their lives. Please join me and my family as we give our communities the gift of warmth and comfort this winter. Contact your club president for more information.

[Read More](#)



David Love  
09-01-1981  
39 Years



Martin E. Geyer  
09-23-1997  
23 Years



Tiffany Ervin  
07-01-2010  
10 Years



Sharon Conoley  
09-13-2011  
9 Years



Barry Macdonald  
10-25-2011  
9 Years



Grant A. Morrill  
07-01-2015  
5 Years



Joanne Sciandra  
Biddle  
08-31-2015  
5 Years



Richard Prince  
07-01-2016  
4 Years



Donnie Jones  
08-26-2017  
3 Years



Christopher Albert  
Johnson  
08-28-2017  
3 Years



Lisa T Holland  
09-24-2018  
2 Years



Donna M Thompson  
09-24-2018  
2 Years

Kathryn Watkins  
07-02-2019  
1 Year



Douglas E. Watkins  
07-02-2019  
1 Year

Bart Coates  
09-16-2019  
1 Year

Emily Dowling  
Johnson  
09-07-2020  
0 Years