

Rotary



Club of Sylva

Birthdays

Jay Pavey Jr.
July 20th
Brett L Woods
July 22nd
Susan Kerns
Clements
July 27th
Kelli Brown
August 2nd
James Montsinger
August 5th

Wedding Anniversaries

Lemuel Carr Tyndall
III
August 3rd
Robert D. Carpenter
August 4th

Speakers

Club Leaders



James Montsinger
Diversity
Equity &
Inclusion



Joe Rigdon
President



Katherine Marie McMillan
President-Elect



Hollie A Johnson
Secretary



Susan Kerns Clements
Treasurer

News for Thursday, July 9

Hello Sylva Rotarians, I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend. It was great to see the **Flags for Heroes on display at Mark Watson Park** in Dillsboro.

It's been 4 months, 17 weeks, 119 days since we last met as a Club -- but who's counting? I'm excited that **we will meet via Zoom this week.**

Scott Baker has done a fantastic job of pulling things together so we can resume our meetings "virtually." He has provided links and tutorials to help us all gain connectivity. I encourage you to check them out (below) and **join us in a Zoom meeting this Thursday at noon.**

If any of the links below don't work, just use our club's home page at sylvarotaryclub.org -- the information and links appear on that page also.

There is an **island clean-up this Saturday, July 11 at 8 a.m.** -- We will be spreading mulch across the landscape. **Help is needed**, and it's a great way to serve our community while **connecting with fellow Rotarians safely.**

Enjoy the rest of the week. Stay Safe! Stay Healthy! Have Fun!

Yours in Rotary Service,

Joe

Weekly Meetings to Resume - Zoom Zoom!

By Scott Baker

Exciting news! **Our club's weekly meetings will begin July 9, 2020.** You will be emailed the passcode to get into the recurring weekly meeting. You'll be able to join the meetings video video (desktop application or on your mobile device) or by phone (audio only). Below is the information to connect and tutorial videos are in another story about how Zoom works and how you can test it.

Here are a few things you will need:

1. High-speed Internet connection for video calls from your computer or phone
2. A webcam with microphone on your computer; smartphones have this built-in
3. The Zoom app on your computer and/or mobile device
4. Patience and flexibility

You are encouraged to experiment with Zoom to connect with family and friends before the club meetings start so you are familiar with how it works. Here are a few rules we will have in place:

- Talking to each other will be done via the chat tool in Zoom. Talking audibly all at once does not work for these meetings. The club president and designated speakers will be the only ones talking.



James Dale Connor
President-
Nominee
Community
Service Chair



Vance Davidson
Rotary
Foundation
Chair



Kenneth Nicholson
Sergeant-at-
Arms



Eddie Wells
Past
President
Club Admin
Chair



Brett L Woods
Membership
Chair



Scott Baker
Webmaster



F. Patrick McGuire
Club Service
Chair



Charles William Wolfe
International
Service Chair



Matt Saenger
Vocational
Service Chair



Sunita Wright
Club Fund
Raising Chair



Ronald Blake Rhodes
Youth
Services
Chair



Todd Vinyard
Past
President
Club Public
Image Chair



Michael G. Wade
iPast
President

- There will be polling tools built into the meeting to allow for Q&A
- We are brainstorming the best ways to do Happy Dollars

That's it! We look forward to seeing everyone on Zoom!

Topic: Rotary Club of Sylva - Weekly Meeting
Time: Jul 9, 2020 12:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting (click on this link using your computer, tablet or smartphone):

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89088359023?pwd=UzZsbUw0VHJVRCtIRTBHajltTDk1QT09>

One tap access to the Zoom meeting if you're using a smartphone:

+19292056099,,89088359023#,,,,0#,,6044# US (New York)
+13017158592,,89088359023#,,,,0#,,6044# US (Germantown)

Or dial into any of these numbers, if you'll be using your phone to hear the audio without the video -- When prompted, specify that you're joining this Meeting ID: 890 8835 9023

(929) 205-6099
(301) 715-8592
(312) 626-6799
(669) 900-6833
(253) 215-8782
(346) 248-7799

Optional: download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZ0tf-GrqzIqGNcWel26jUCVFaJ8WLOiJmAF/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGhrjMiGdGcsBuERpx5AoqgWenwmFhjY1eqxrMUXZZVyDAEONoaoVTP9H6>

How Do I Zoom?

By Scott Baker

Here are some great video tutorials to watch about how to Zoom.

If you cannot see the embedded videos below in this article, then click on each title, which is a link to a YouTube video.

Or, if the links don't work for you, then please see the online (web) version of this article, on the home page of our website (sylvarotaryclub.org).

First: [How to Join a Meeting](#)



Peggy Wike
Assistant
Governor

Second: [Joining & Configuring Audio & Video](#)

Third: [Meeting Controls](#)


Welcome Message from District Governor David

Friday, July 3, 2020



Dear Fellow Rotarian,

It is an honor and a privilege to serve as your District Governor for 2020-21. I am thankful for your commitment to service to your club, your district, and to *Doing Good in the World*.

Our beloved Rotary is changing. In fact, we face revolutionary change in the world today given technology, media, population, and society. We cannot ignore change and expect long-term success. We must embrace and manage change to ensure our clubs are flexible enough to withstand it. We must also re-main true to the values and traditions that define who we are  and discard those which are archaic and unnecessary. We must envision what Rotary will be like for future generations. This will

be a club level process supported by district leadership.

As we begin to consider the years ahead, I urge you to consider the value of Rotary. When people decide to join or leave Rotary, it is a value decision they are making. All of us should have priorities for our spiritual, family, work, lei-sure, and service time. First, I ask you to consider in what order these should be for yourself, and second, I suggest that almost everyone is doing the best they are able to do. The value of Rotary is defined by these. This year we will explore this, and we will seek a clear description of the value of Rotary to our prospective members and the public.

The Rotary Strategic plan outlines four priorities for the next five years: increase our impact, expand our reach, enhance participant engagement, and increase our ability to adapt. As for how to begin implementing this plan, I submit to you three objectives for 2020-21.

We will start new clubs with innovative models and a heavy emphasis on community-based Rotaract. Rotaractors are not making the leap across the gap to legacy club membership. Community-based Rotaract is a sustainable model where young professionals can grow their families, their careers, and their engagement in Rotary. There is no wrong age to join Rotary and new club models address this. We want young professionals, middle aged families, and our seniors alike, to engage Rotary in creative and affordable ways.

We must make sure that prospective members understand what being a Rotarian means before they join. When we lose Rotarians because they stop enjoying Rotary, this is a very negative drain on our public image. I am urging clubs to implement a membership pipeline. We can use an organized and systematic approach to recruitment and retention. This concept seeks to improve the quality of our membership recruitment process, not just the quantity of prospects. We want to grow Rotary, but we want to do so in a smart and well-considered way.

The Rotary Foundation transforms money into service that changes lives close to home and around the world. When you give to the Foundation, half of the money goes to international projects and half comes back to our district for district grants. I am asking Rotarians to give through Rotary Direct this year. It is easier for your Foundation Chair in your club, easier for the district, and ultimately, easier for you as a philanthropist. Please support the Annual Fund and also our efforts to End Polio Now. We are all weary in our battle to eradicate polio, but it is a promise we have made to Humanity. It is a promise we must keep, and it is a battle that we will win.

In conclusion, the success of this plan will be decided by you and your club, not a district act. I have been to numerous events in preparation for the role of District Governor and I have one reflection that continuously flashes in my mind our district is a bright star in the constellation of Rotary. District 7670 is innovative, organized, thoughtful, professional, and most of all, generous. We are a great group of friends and **together, we open opportunities** for our members, our families, our businesses, and most importantly, for the people we serve.

May you and your club have a wonderful year of Rotary and the blessings of our Creator fall upon this world we live in and those whom we serve.

Cordially yours,

David

G. David Waechter
District Governor 2020-21
