

# Rotary



# Club of Sylva

## Birthdays

Don Tomas  
November 25th

Beth Bell  
November 26th

Reginald E. Moody Sr.  
December 11th

## Wedding Anniversaries

Mary Wood Brown  
November 24th

## Speakers

### November 12, 2020

[Dr. Chris Cooper](#)  
2020 Election

### November 19, 2020

[John Nanni](#)  
Polio Survivor

### November 26, 2020

[No Noon Meeting - Happy Thanksgiving](#)

## Club Leaders



[Joe Rigdon](#)  
President



[Katherine Marie McMillan](#)  
President-Elect



[Hollie A Johnson](#)  
Secretary



[Susan Kerns Clements](#)  
Treasurer



[James Dale Connor](#)  
President-Nominee  
Community Service

## News for Thursday, Nov. 12

Greetings Fellow Rotarians,

My apologies for missing last week's meeting. But fortunately **Mike Wade** came out of the bullpen and picked up the save!

**Vance Davidson** delivered a great program on the Rotary Foundation and giving.

Three members were recognized for achieving their next level of Paul Harris Fellow: **Phil Haire**, **Tom Schutte**, and **Dale Connor**. Congratulations, Rotarians!

**This past Saturday, several Rotarians volunteered their time and pick-up trucks** to deliver firewood to the elderly in our communities. **hank you** to those who participated. And, thank you, **Eddie Wells** and The Department on Aging and Cullowhee United Methodist Church, for hosting Project F.I.R.E.

There will be another opportunity in December to deliver firewood to our seniors. We will keep you posted.

**On Saturday, November 14, District 7670 will host a virtual Foundation Celebration beginning at 5:30 p.m.** -- There will be comedy skits, Foundation awards, Club service project videos (including one by The Greatest Rotary Club in the World), and a **special surprise guest**. The host and emcee will be **PDG Isaac Owolabi**. Email invites have been sent out, so **register now!**

**Courthouse Hill is adorned with the Sylva Rotary Club's American Flags** in honor of Veterans Day and those who have served our country. The flags will be on display all week! If you have the opportunity, drive through downtown Sylva and see this magnificent display. But more importantly, thank a Veteran for their service!

Our **guest speaker this week is Dr. Chris Cooper, WCU Political Science & Public Affairs**. Dr. Cooper will summarize the 2020 election and field questions regarding the election process.

I hope to see everyone this Thursday via Zoom.















Yours in Rotary Service,

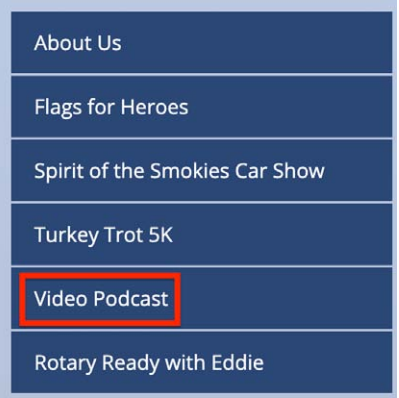
*Joe*

## How Can I Do Video Make-ups of Club Meetings?

By Scott Baker

Great question! We are recording all the virtual meetings for the club. You can get a make-up AND stay current on club happenings by watching. You get to report a make-up for watching as well! Win-Win!

-  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
-  James Montsinger  
Diversity Equity &  
Inclusion
-  Michael G. Wade  
iPast President
-  Peggy Wike  
Assistant Governor



Go to this web page:

<http://www.sylvarotaryclub.org/video-podcasts.php>

to get to an online list of available videos, or go to any page on our club's web site and then click the Video Podcast link menu item (shown in the image above).

Although the videos are on the club's YouTube channel, you'll need to get there by clicking on a link in the online list.

If you have any questions, please contact webmaster Scott Baker.



## Here's the URL (Link) to Click On to Join Our Zoom Meetings, or the Phone Numbers to Call

**To join our Zoom Meetings using your computer, tablet or smartphone, click on the following address.** (Or copy and paste it into your web browser's address bar, if clicking on the address doesn't work.)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89088359023?pwd=UzZsbUwOVHJVRctlRTBHajltTDk1QT09>

The address never changes, so **you can bookmark the address in your web browser** if you'd like, and **use that bookmark each week.**

Smartphones can use either one of these one-tap links:

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**Or, to participate via audio only:**

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## Virtual Foundation Dinner

By George David Waechter

You won't want to miss this one!

**District 7670 Rotary Foundation Celebration  
November 14, 2020 at 5:30 p.m./**



### ***Be the Change you wish to See!***

Our district's creative team is putting together a program "worth watching twice"! This event will be unlike anything you have seen. We will have a fun-filled hour of entertainment for you and your family and friends to enjoy from the comfort of home or perhaps even the spotlight of a club watch party!

### **Your Host - PDG Isaac Owolabi**

- Learn about the Power of Continuity
- Club Service Project highlights
- Comedy guests!
- DG David Waechter and RI Director Peter Kyle "Between 2 Rotary Wheels"
- District Foundation Awards with IPDG Tiffany Ervin
- Special Surprise Guest

Music, fun, awards, and celebration - no Zooming, just pure Viewing Pleasure!

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## 20 Reasons to Join Rotary

By Timothy Edward Radford



Rotary will add value to your life through friendship, business and personal growth and development. If you have folks asking you why join Rotary, please share this article with them.

### **Friendship**

In an increasingly complex world, Rotary provides one of the most basic human needs: the need for friendship and fellowship. It is one of two reasons why Rotary began in 1905.

### **Business Development**

The second original reason for Rotary's beginning is business development. Everyone needs to network. Rotary consists of a cross section of every business community. Its members come from all walks of life. Rotarians help each other and collectively help others.

### **Personal Growth and Development**

Membership in Rotary continues one's growth and education in human relations and personal development.

### **Leadership Development**

Rotary is an organization of leaders and successful people. Serving in Rotary positions is like a college education. Learn how to motivate, influence and lead other leaders.

### **Citizenship in the Community**

Membership in a Rotary club makes one a better community citizen. The average Rotary club consists of the most active citizens of any community.

### **Continuing Education**

Each week at Rotary there is a program designed to keep one informed about what is going on in the community, nation, and world. Each meeting provides an opportunity to listen to different speakers and a variety of timely topics.

### **Fun**

Rotary is fun, a lot of fun. Each meeting is fun. The club projects are fun. Social activities are fun. Serving others is fun.

### **Public Speaking Skills**

Many individuals who joined Rotary were afraid to speak in public. Rotary develops confidence and skill in public communication and the opportunity to practice and perfect these skills.

### **Citizenship in the World**

Every Rotarian wears a pin that says "Rotary International." There are few places on the globe that do not have a Rotary club. Every Rotarian is welcome -- even encouraged -- to attend any of the 33,000 clubs in over 200 nations and

geographical regions. This means instant friends in both one's own community and in the world community.

### **Assistance when Traveling**

Because there are Rotary clubs everywhere, many a Rotarian in need of a doctor, lawyer, hotel, dentist, advice, etc., while traveling has found assistance through Rotary.

### **Entertainment**

Every Rotary club and district has parties and activities that provide diversion in one's business life. Rotary holds conferences, conventions, assemblies, and institutes that provide entertainment in addition to Rotary information, education, and service.

### **The Development of Social Skills**

Every week and at various events and functions, Rotary develops one's personality, social skills and people skills. Rotary is for people who like people.

### **Family Programs**

Rotary provides one of the world's largest youth exchange programs; high school and college clubs for future Rotarians, opportunities for spouse involvement, and a host of activities designed to help family members in growth and the development of family values.

### **Vocational Skills**

Every Rotarian is expected to take part in the growth and development of his or her own profession or vocation, to serve on committees, and to teach youth about one's job or vocation. Rotary helps to make one a better doctor, lawyer, teacher, etc.

### **The Development of Ethics**

Rotarians practice the 4-Way Test that governs one's ethical standards. Rotarians are expected to be ethical in business and personal relationships.

### **Cultural Awareness**

Around the world, practically every religion, country, culture, race, creed, political persuasion, language, color, and ethnic identity is found in Rotary. It is a cross-section of the world's most prominent citizens from every background. Rotarians become aware of their cultures and learn to love and work with people everywhere. They become better citizens of their countries in the process.

### **Prestige**

Rotary members are prominent people: leaders of business, the professions, art, government, sports, military, religion, and all disciplines. Rotary is the oldest and most prestigious service club in the world. Its ranks include executives, managers, professionals -- people who make decisions and influence policy.

### **Nice People**

Rotarians above all are nice people -- the nicest people on the face of the earth. They are important people who follow the policy of "it is nice to be important but it is more important to be nice."

### **The Absence of an "Official Creed"**

Rotary has no secret handshake, no secret policy, no official creed, no secret meetings or rituals. It is an open society of men and women who simply believe in helping others.

### **The Opportunity to Serve**

Rotary is a service club. Its product is serving. Rotarians provide community service to both local and international communities. This is perhaps the best reason for becoming a Rotarian: the chance to do something for somebody else and to sense the self-fulfillment that comes in the process and return of that satisfaction to one's own life. It is richly rewarding.

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