

Rotary



Club of Sylva

Birthdays

Gail Debnam
August 31st

Melissa Canady
Wargo

September 12th

Susan Scarlet-
Macaw

September 14th

Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding
Anniversaries Found

Speakers

September 09,
2021

[Dorian Palmer,
Recruitment and
Dev Specialist, Big
Brothers Big Sisters
of WNC](#)

"What is new with
Big Brothers Big
Sisters in WNC"

September 16,
2021

[Kenneth A. Shull](#)
DG Official Visit

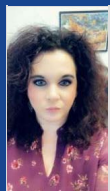
Club Leaders



[Nancy G
McConnell](#)
President



[James
Montsinger](#)
President-
Elect



[Hollie A
Johnson](#)
Secretary

News for Thursday, Sept. 2

Hi Everyone --

Just a reminder that we **do NOT have a noon meeting** this Thursday, September 2.

September promises to be full of Rotary fun and service! See below for dates to remember.

We will be asking all to wear masks, in compliance with the Jackson County mandate that went into effect on August 30 for all county locations.

Please note that some of the September activities are not on the usual schedule, so mark your calendars accordingly:

* **Satellite meeting, September 7** -- Chris Stuckey, Community Engagement Liaison of Westbridge Vocational, will share the mission and current activities affecting clients.

* **Noon meeting, September 9** -- **Dorian Palmer of Big Brothers/Big Sisters** will share with us their goals for serving in Jackson County.

* **Island beautification, September 11** -- Please join us at 8 a.m. to continue beautifying the island. (More info on this as date gets closer.)

* **Noon meeting, September 16** -- **District 7670 Governor Ken Schull** will share his vision for our district. Please attend and show DG Schull "The Greatest Rotary Club in the World!"

* **Rotary membership drive event with Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, September 23** -- This will be held at Innovation Station in Dillsboro (time to be determined, probably 5 to 7). Everyone is encouraged to attend and **talk to business leaders about the benefits of Rotary membership**. Attendees will receive a ticket for one free drink. Food options are being explored.

We are **seeking a volunteer to chair the Fundraising Committee**. This position is **of vital importance to our club**, because it enables us to serve our community of Jackson County through funding of various projects. We're **also seeking volunteers to serve on the committee**. We envision having a "champion (lead)" for each fundraising event so that all responsibility will not fall on the Fundraising Committee chair.

Thanks to each of you for supporting Rotary and its mission!

Yours in Rotary service,

Nancy and Jim

District Conference Roundup with District Awards

By Tim Radford



Joyce M. Pope
Treasurer



Roy Warren Burnette
Club Chair
District Conference Club Public Image Chair



Vance Davidson
Rotary Foundation Chair



Kenneth Nicholson
Sergeant-at-Arms



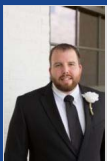
Matt Saenger
Club Admin Chair



James M. Spiro
Membership Chair



Scott Baker
Webmaster



Eddie Wells
Club Service Chair



Susan Scarlet-Macaw
Diversity Equity & Inclusion



Robert D. Carpenter
Youth Services Chair



Peggy Wike
Youth Services Chair



Joe Rigdon
iPast President

William Swift



On Friday, August 13th, Rotary District 7670 kicked off our District Conference at Crowne Plaza Hotel & Resort in Asheville, NC. This was a special conference as we recognized IPDG David Waechter's Visionary year and looked ahead what 2021-22 brings for DG Ken Shull as we Serve to Change Lives. The event was like a family reunion as we were able to meet with our friends across the district.

On Friday, we opened with Appalachian Reggae by Rastacoustic. After dinner, we heard from our keynote speaker, PRID Jeffry Cadorette. His message entitled "From Surviving to Thriving" illustrated new ways for Rotary to grow. You can watch the full message at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KhMmL_uAgIQ

When it came to the Awards Ceremonies, it was obvious that clubs across our district worked super hard this past year to make a positive impact. Congratulations to all the winners listed below.

2020-21 Membership Growth

- 1st Place: Rotary Club of Murphy-80% growth (from 30 to 54 members)
- 2nd Place: Rotary Club of Lenior-74.65% growth (from 71 to 124 members)
- 3rd Place: Rotary Club of Highlands-Mountaintop-38.71% growth (from 32-43 members)
- 4th Place: Rotary Club of Valdese-29.63% growth (from 27-35 members)

Distinguished Clubs Awards

- Small: Rotary Club of Waynesville Sunrise
- Medium: Rotary Club of Valdese
- Large: Rotary Club of Pisgah Forest
- X-Large: Rotary Club of Asheville

Governor's Clubs of Excellence

- Asheville
- Catawba Valley
- Franklin
- Franklin Daybreak
- Lenior
- Lincolnton
- Madison County
- Marion
- Murphy
- Pisgah Forest
- Sylva
- Valdese
- Waynesville

Public Image Stars:



Assistant Governor

Small

no submissions

Medium:

Four Seasons - Best Electronic Media & Best Video
Brevard - Best Press

Large:

Asheville Biltmore - Best Electronic Media
Sylva - Best Press
Murphy - Best Video

Extra Large:

Lenoir Impact - Best Electronic Media & Best Video
Best Press - Hickory

Best Overall Public Image:

Hickory

At Large Awards:

Public Image Stars:

Facebook Takeover Host - Tiffany Ervin
Best New Contender - Lenoir Impact
Most Consistent - Submitted for Every Public Image Award for 4 years- Pisgah Forest
Most Innovative - Sylva

On Saturday, we looked back upon the Visionary Year with IPDG David Waechter before passing the torch to DG Ken Shull as he previewed plans for a Changemaker Year.

Among Saturday's entertainment, we enjoyed fiddle playing by Jamie Laval, storytelling with Michael Reno-Harrell and an exciting performance by the Bailey Mountain Cloggers.

If you missed this year's conference, you missed a lot of fun and engagement. We hope you'll start planning to attend our next District Conference!

CART Update from District Chair Michele

By Michele Garashi-Ellick

It has been an amazing CART year and we could not have done it without your help! District 7670 raised \$123,609.04 in support of the CART Fund. WOW! A special thank you to the following clubs who received awards at the recent district conference and led the way.

Per Capita Giving:

- 1st Place Murphy \$505.49
- 2nd Place Newton Conover \$434.08
- 3rd Place Cashiers Valley \$163.53

Overall Giving:

- 1st Place Newton-Conover \$21,270.00
- 2nd Place Murphy \$15,164.71
- 3rd Place Cashiers Valley \$5,815.00



As we kick off the 2021-2022 CART campaign year, remember there is still work to be done. We now have a toolbox of resources that can help you get the message out to your

fellow Rotarians about CART. For example, did you know there is a [YouTube channel with videos of great ideas and best practices](#), including some that feature members from OUR district!

You can always reach out to me at mgellick@gmail.com or 828-507-5742 for support. Together we can continue our fundraising success and make an impact in the funding of Alzheimer's & Dementia research.

Stay safe and well!

Michele
CART Chair District 7670
