




Tuesday, August 31, 2021

District Leadership

-  Kenneth A. Shull
District Governor
-  Tammy Mosteller
DG-Elect
-  Sean Gibson
DG-Nominee

Events

- September 2nd Annual Fundraiser
- September 10th District Governor Nominating Committee
- Club Anniversaries**
- Arden August 11th
- Brevard August 21st
- Murphy August 26th

Message from Governor Ken (August)

By Kenneth A. Shull



It's been an exciting month around Western North Carolina with the highlight being the fact that we FINALLY got to have a district conference! There are lots of notes in this newsletter with updates so please take a look at the various awards and speakers. PDG David and I appreciate everyone who worked on the event, volunteered at the event, attended the event and talked about the event when they went back to their clubs. It was a great weekend!

Our area hasn't been immune to the disasters, storms and floodings that are going on around the world. We continue to keep our friends in Haywood County in our thoughts as many face the realities of rebuilding.

My governor's official visits continue, as do other fun club activities and fundraisers. Thank you to everyone for the invitations and I hope to visit many more of you in the upcoming months. Now is a great time to look at your "Pink Pages" to see how you're doing as we near the end of the first quarter! Let me or your Assistant Governor know if you need any help - it makes a great teambuilding club activity to review your goals and accomplishments so far.

Thanks again for everyone who is making this year so special - it is YOU the members of District 7670 who are making this experience so memorable!

District Conference Roundup with District Awards

By Tim Radford

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 Jeffrey 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=KhlMmL_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. [Read More](#)



Magic Book Bus takes to the road

By Peter B. Mumola

The Magic Book Bus is now in service in the Rosman area of Transylvania County. This is the brain child of school media specialist and librarian Sarah Justice. The story of how this project came about is shown in the attached link provided by WLOS. This project was funded by a Rotary District 7670 Grant and the Rotary Clubs of Brevard and Pisgah Forest. Enjoy the show!

<https://wlos.com/community/carolina-moment/media-specialist-realizes-vision-for-magic-school-bus-hits-the-road-all-summer-in-transylvania>



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 mgallick@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



Morganton Ohana Family Mud Run raises over \$18,000 for Burke County

By Allen VanNoppen

Over 900 runners, thousands of smiles, tonnes of MUD and over \$18,000 was raised for Burke County in this year's 2021 Morganton Ohana Family Mud Run.

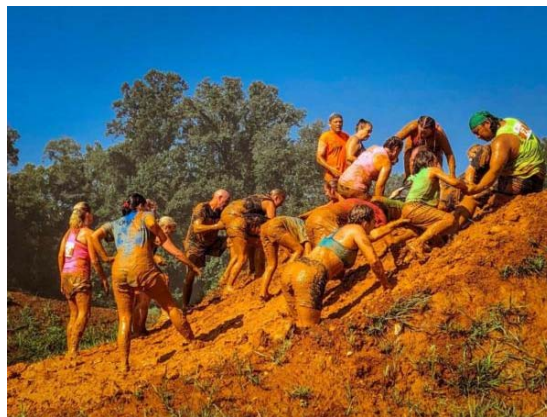
The Morganton community got down and dirty as the annual Ohana Mud Run returned in-person.

The Ohana Mud Run was held on Aug. 7 at the Bennick Compound in Morganton for friends and families to enjoy.

This 1-mile run includes 16 team-based obstacle courses for participants to endure. The obstacles include rope crawls, large mud hills, a river tubing section, large sprinklers, inflatables and much more, according to the Ohana Mud Run website, ghanamudder.com.

Proceeds from the Ohana Mud Run support The Rotary of Morganton and Allvecubed to create life enrichment scholarships and assist foster care families in the community.

If your club wants more information, call George Milner 843-810-3849.



Update From Your District Foundation Committee

By Gary D. Dills

Notes from your District's Foundation Committee

1. Foundation Banquet and Awards: This is an in-person event to celebrate Foundation efforts from last year, to fellowship and to hear from The Rotary Foundation Trustees Chair, PRIP John Germ. Location is the beautiful Morganton Community House, activities begin at 5PM and end approximately 8PM on Saturday 30 October. Please go to the district calendar (on 30 October) to register or [click here](#).

2. World Polio Day is 24 October: Take advantage of this special day to inform the public and your club of Polio in the world (currently 2 active cases, 1 each in Pakistan and Afghanistan). Perhaps your community has a public electronic billboard, perhaps you can run a public service ad in your local newspaper and radio station. Plan now and execute in October. This vaccine saves lives, and your contributions make it possible.

3. Million Dollar Dinner: DG Ken has asked WNC Rotarians to step up and be a donor of \$10K (new money) or more. That might sound impossible, but there are several ways to make a major gift/bequest of \$10K or more, including a Cash gift (including gifts of stock), an Annuity, a Bequest (Life Insurance or retirement plan beneficiary designation or bequest, etc.) and several other methods. For more info contact Co-chairs PDG Carol King (caroldg0910@cs.com); or PDG Isaac Owolabi (dgisaa1819@gmail.com).

Remember The Rotary Foundation is our charity ♦ Contribute to the annual fund and help our foundation ♦ Do Good in the World ♦.

♦ Service is the rent we pay for being, it is the very purpose of life, and not something you do in your spare time ♦ -- Edelman

2021 Roy Rickman Fundraiser for Scholarships & Service Projects

By Lee H. Berger on Friday, August 27, 2021



From five hundred (500) tickets to four (4) final tickets, The Rotary Club of Franklin held the 31st Annual Roy Rickman Scholarship fundraiser virtually on Thursday, August 26. The final four ticket holders decided to split the \$16,000 prize offered this year, each receiving \$4,000.

This fundraiser is a reverse ticket draw: the first person's ticket drawn receives \$100, which is price of the ticket, as a consolation prize. Then the reverse drawing continues.

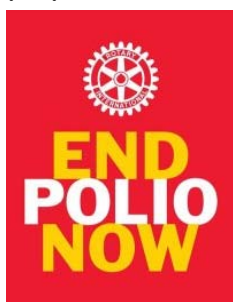
This year's president, Kyle Ledford, and president-elect Paul Garner presided over the pre-draw Thursday afternoon when 450 tickets were drawn. Four other Rotarians as well as an independent CPA observed the process. The final 50 tickets were drawn during a virtual live program on FranklinRotary.com

While most of the Rotarians remembered to purchase a ticket for themselves, none of the Rotarians were in the final four. But the real winners are the 5 scholarships (one is reoccurring for four years) that were awarded this year as well as the numerous humanitarian projects of the club.

The club thanks Backlot Cinema of Franklin for their technical expertise. This could not have been accomplished without their work.

Register World Polio Day events

By Tiffany Ervin



Take action for World Polio Day on 24 October by promoting awareness of Rotary's polio eradication efforts, raising funds, and planning club events. Let's engage our communities in the fight against polio, because as long as polio exists anywhere, it remains a threat everywhere. Download the [World Polio Day Toolkit](#) for resources and tips for participating in promoting a polio-free world.

Be sure to register your club participation for World Polio Day on endpolio.org to show how Rotary, Rotaract, and Interact clubs around the world are striving to eradicate polio. Club presidents who register their events, fundraisers, and promotions by 14 October will receive access one week early to download Rotary's World Polio Day Global Update program, which is scheduled to broadcast on 24 October on [Facebook](#) and at endpolio.org.

International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians Tour WNC/D7670

By Tiffany Ervin

Rotarian John Kramb poses with other members of the [International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians](#). They met in District 7670 in Maggie Valley, NC, for their first group ride in over a year. COVID, you know. The riders came from Pennsylvania, Virginia, North Carolina, California and other states. They had a memorial service for two members who passed last year, and rode a couple of hundred miles in the twisty, windy roads of the Blue Ridge. The photograph shows the group at a scenic overlook at the Southern end of the Blue Ridge Parkway, close to Cherokee, NC.

While in WNC, the group also attended a club meeting of the Rotary Club of Waynesville! As a part of the ride, PDG John is raising funds for PolioPlus, and his goal is \$10,000. He would appreciate your support, which can be made at <https://raise.rotary.org/john.kramb/fundraiser1>

When you make a donation on this site, the amount will be credited to your Rotary donation account, not John's. It was great to have these Rotarians in WNC for a few days!



DG Nominations Due Sept 3

By George David Waechter on Wednesday, August 25, 2021

Final reminder that the deadline for nominations for District 7670 Governor 2024-25 will be September 3, 2021. Please ask your club president for the appropriate materials and procedures. All materials must be sent to dgdavid20.21@gmail.com before midnight on September 3, 2021.

TDA Riders Support Interfaith Assistance Ministry

By Tiffany Ervin

Four Seasons Rotarians and #TourDApple co-directors Barry Macdonald and Dick Miley recently presented a check for \$800 to Elizabeth Moss, executive director of Interfaith Assistance Ministry (IAM), to purchase shoes, diapers and other supplies for those in need.

[You can watch the video here!](#)

These funds have been donated by riders who have already registered for the 2021 TDA sponsored by Four Seasons Rotary, and made an additional contribution above their fee to participate. This is the largest donation by riders of any year, and we expect many more to be made before the actual event on Labor Day.

IAM provides crisis assistance with a range of essential items and services including food for a week for each family member, clothing, linens, personal hygiene supplies, heat and utility bills, rent and mortgage payments, medications, pet food, and other basic needs for Henderson County residents.

To learn more about this year's bike ride, visit www.tourdapple.com.

Update from Your District Membership Committee

By Philip Reed

Who brought you into Rotary? Who brought that person in? And who sponsored them, all the way back to Paul Harris and the founders of Rotary?

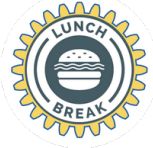
Your membership is a link in an unbroken chain of Rotarians inviting people with a heart for service into Rotary, and if you do not invite others into Rotary membership, that chain is broken and the power of Rotary for doing good is diminished.

If you do your part this year to help your Club and Rotary recover from COVID-19 and grow ♦ bring a worthy acquaintance into your Club, your Club and Rotary grow, and the chain back to Rotary♦s founding is lengthened.

With your help, this will be a great year!

A Brand New Event for County Rotarians!

By Persephone D Ocasio on Thursday, August 26, 2021



[Read More](#)

IMPACT by The Rotary Club of Lenoir has exciting news!

IMPACT by The Rotary Club of Lenoir is proud to announce the launch of a new networking and social event for Caldwell County Rotarians!

Many Rotarians in Caldwell County are affiliated with local non-profit organizations, have their own businesses and have a strong foundation in the area. This event will enable members to share their experiences as Rotarians, as well as individuals over a lunch!

We anticipate this event to be a success, and hope to make it a regularly occurring event for members.

September is Basic Education and Literacy Month!



Why?

Basic education and literacy is one of The Rotary Foundation♦s six **Areas of Focus**. Rotary knows that basic education and literacy are essential for reducing poverty, improving health, encouraging community and economic development, and promoting peace both in our local communities and around the world.

What Rotary Does!

We take action to empower educators to inspire learning at all ages. We do this by supporting education through **scholarships**, **donations**, and **service projects** around the world.

What Can My Club Do?

Take this month to focus on what your local club can do to help in this area of focus. Is there a need in your local community to help improve literacy in adults? Are your local schools in need of books and material to help teach young new readers. Now is a great time to start planning fundraisers to use for local high school scholarships!

Again, this year schools are facing a difficult time educating students during a global pandemic. Reach out to the local schools and see how your club can help (school supplies, PPE gear, distance learning assistance). Make a difference in your community and around the world.

#RacingForRotary

By Joy B. Cline on Saturday, August 28, 2021

#RacingForRotary

The Rotary Club of Newton-Conover enjoyed a beautiful Carolina day at the Little Mountain Kart Club's [Racing For Rotary](#). We had great fellowship among Rotarians and met many new friends. And, we have a potential new Rotarian!

More than 75 drivers registered for the event and approximately 150 in attendance. It was fun for the whole family, all the while with proceeds going to the Rotary Club of Newton-Conover.

A special thank you to our wonderful sponsors, Associated Brands, Dale Earnhardt Chevrolet, JEH Electric, JLS Machine Inc., My Mac Life Racing, New Market Solutions, Pat Gibson, Power Max Racing Products, Ronnie & Jewell Rathbone, Robinson Builders Mart, The Knorr Group of Alcova Mortgage, The Untouchables, and Timmerman. Grateful to EMS, Whisk & Barrel, all volunteers, Jonathan and Marie Setzer, Scott Gilleland and Doug Rick for making this day possible. We all headed home with dirt in our shoes, sweat on our brow, and a full heart.

Thank you for supporting Rotary!
[#RacingForRotary](#) (click hyperlink for short video of race)



DaCdb.com Tip of the Month

By Billi J. Black

Do you want to customize what you see on your My CLUB tab? Move the icons around by using a left click on the icon and drag it where you want it to be. So the top three on the left CAN BE those used most often. If you don't use an icon and don't want to see it - click on the cog at the top right of your screen. (See picture below.)



Rotary District 7670 - Franklin Daybreak

Black, Billi J.

ANKLIN DAYBREAK CLUB FUNCTIONS (#50795)

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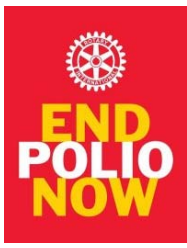
Polio In Afghanistan

By Tiffany Ervin on Wednesday, August 25, 2021

Eradicating Polio in Afghanistan - a note from Michael McGovern, Rotary International PolioPlus Committee Chair

As the sun rose on 1 January 2021, we all worried about what this new year would bring. For those of us who closely follow polio eradication progress, it was an especially worrisome time. 2020 and 2019 had seen an uptick in wild polio virus cases and in circulating vaccine derived cases. Polio vaccinations had had to be suspended for a while in 2020 due to the coronavirus and vaccines for Covid-19 were just starting to receive early use approvals.

The polio news was especially bad in Afghanistan. On the very first day of 2021, a wild polio virus case was reported. In the next week, the national health minister was fired due to hints of corruption on non-polio



matters. Before month's end, the government of Afghanistan ordered the UNICEF polio lead to leave the country relating to a verbal spat that had occurred in the President's office. Then in March and June there were coordinated attacks on polio workers and their security teams leaving eight families having lost loved ones. The Taliban denied responsibility for the attacks, and it appeared the attacks were tied to elements who supported ISIS or ISIL as they are also known. We also noted that some areas of the country had been subject to over 30 months of a ban on house-to-house polio vaccinations.

[Read More](#)

Congrats PDG Billi Black!!

By Tiffany Ervin

We are pleased to announce the appointment of PDG Billi Black by RI President Elect Jennifer Jones as the Rotary Public Image Coordinator for Zone 33! Billi will serve from 2022-2025 as one of 38 coordinators around the globe.

Congratulations Billi and thank you for your service!



Our Newest Paul Harris Fellow - Nathan Moran

By Cynthia K. Ireland



Congratulation to Nathan Moran for achieving Paul Harris Fellow. Thank you Nathan for supporting the Asheville Breakfast Rotary club with your fellowship and hard work, and for supporting The Rotary Foundation for doing good work in the world!

Adopt-A-Highway (August)

By Tiffany Ervin



Thank you to the many Four Seasons Rotary members and families who showed up early on Saturday, Aug. 21, to pick up trash along Highway 191 as part of our #AdoptAHighway project.

Participants included Bob Engstrom, Melissa & Chris Johnson, Cristina Hull, Ray & Catherine Daley, Hal Manasa and Dick Miley. Along with the "pickers" from Four Seasons Toastmasters, the group collected 10 bags of trash and three bags of recyclables, as well as a small box turtle that found itself in the middle of Haywood Road!

Special thank you to superstar Dick Miley who organized our group! This is a great way to show we #LoveHendo & know how to "Serve To Change Lives!"

