

# Rotary

## Club of Asheville-Biltmore



Asheville-Biltmore

Meets at Deerfield Episcopal Retirement Community, at the Community Center, 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30 am.

Time: Monday at 07:30 AM

### Club Officers



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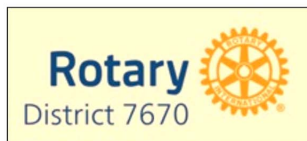
## Asheville-Biltmore Rotary NOV 18 Meeting + News

Our upcoming November 18, 2024, meeting features an informative presentation on the state of the Blue Ridge Parkway and surrounding areas, efforts going forward to restore and maintain this vital part of our region.



### Agenda, November 18, 2024

- Meeting Called to Order and All Welcomed -- **President John Forsyth**
- Moment of Silence.... Veterans Day Remembrance
- Pledge of Allegiance –**Marty Swenson**
- Announcements, Birthdays, and Anniversaries
- Happy and Sad Dollars--**Van Joffrion**
- Guest Speaker: **Carolyn Ward**, CEO, Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation - Introduction by **Alan Young**, Program Chair Committee
- Committee Reports
- Four-Way Test – **Herb Mensch**
- Closing Thoughts
- Next Meeting Date and Adjourn



Our District 7670 has set up a generous matching fund grant program to help our communities, working through our Rotary clubs. President-Elect **Wayne Mabey** is working the process to tap into this important resource as we support a number of local agencies that we know will use the funds wisely and immediately.

The November District Newsletter is out. Lots of good information therein. If you missed the email link, you may find it here:

<https://www.ismyrotaryclub.org/Ezbulletin2/preview2.cfm?ezBulletinID=105180>

### Asheville-Biltmore Rotary Leads the Pack on CART

The national home page for the CART program notes on its current posting that Asheville-Biltmore Rotary leads nationally in support of the CART program. Let's keep up the good

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work!



## Lights! Camera! Action! We Now Have A Club Video



Several of us have been thinking that a short video, talking about Asheville-Biltmore Rotary and Rotary International would be a good thing to have. So, we made one.

This video will have several uses. The first application is adding it to our website, under the **About Us** tab. No one in Hollywood is going to worry about losing an Oscar to us for audio or video – we were all learning how to do this as we went – but it's a good start.

Special thanks to those who worked on and narrated the video: **Betsy Baumgarten, Bill Clontz, Vic Galef, and Heather Whitmire.**

Check out the video at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bNPznVyufm4>

## The Service Above Self Corner: Volunteering & Donating



### Hooray! The Volunteers Programs are Back in Action!

We have, of necessity, talked a LOT lately about donating money to the great community organizations we support, as well we should be doing – the needs are great.

But Rotary is about much more than just fund-raising – giving of our time and talents are just as important, and now that form of service is coming back online, post Helene.

Volunteer Coordinator Gary Book is working with the organizations we regularly support to determine what their needs are, post-Helene and how/when/where we may help.

Our first engagement was with **Manna Foodbank**, at the new warehouse out beyond the Asheville airport, Wednesday, Nov 13, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. A crew of Rotary volunteers was signed up and advised of the new location. Volunteers at Manna going

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forward will basically see the same volunteer activities and shift times at the new location on 99 Broadpointe Drive, Mills River, N.C.

Our second engagement is with the temporarily relocated **Veterans Restoration Quarters (VRQ)**. We will be helping with the midday meal, working with the famous **World Kitchen** team, on Saturday, NOV 16. We have a full crew of 7 good Rotarian volunteers ready to go to work. The temporary site being used by the VRQ (The Quality Inn and Suites, 1430 Tunnel Road) does not have kitchen facilities. Consequently, volunteer activities will be modified, as well as shift times.

## Upcoming Volunteer Events

Additional volunteer opportunities at Manna, VRQ, Transformation Village, and others are being developed for November and December and beyond. Any new events will be announced via email and at our regular meetings (dates/shift times). Standby for further updates.

## A Reminder on How to Check Up on Current Opportunities and How to Sign Up Anytime (3 Options)

1. Use Volunteer Sign Up Site on the internet
  - a. Link is [www.volunteersignup.org/KDMK3](http://www.volunteersignup.org/KDMK3).
  - b. You will now see all the volunteer events that are currently available.
  - c. Choose the event which you would like to volunteer. Make sure you have selected the correct event, date, and time.
  - d. Move the cursor to the green arrow on the right side of your chosen event and click on it.
  - e. You will be asked for: last name, first name, your email address, and your phone number. Now check the green box at the bottom of the screen: "Agree and Sign Up"
  - f. You will see SUCCESS! You are now signed up for the event.
1. A clip board will be available at our meetings (passed around the tables) for you to indicate an event you would like to be a volunteer.
2. Email Gary Book ([ghbook46@gmail.com](mailto:ghbook46@gmail.com)) and let him know of an event you would like to be a volunteer.

Questions on volunteering? Contact **Gary Book**.



**It's ALWAYS a good time to donate to a worthy cause  
(or 2, or...)**

### Asheville – Biltmore Rotary Foundation

Questions? Dick Johannes or Jane Knight.

**Rotary International Foundation:** Sign in to MyRotary (<https://my.rotary.org/en/user>), Click on DONATE. ENSURE you enter your member number! Questions? Vic Galef.

**CART:** [mycartfund.org](http://mycartfund.org)

Questions? John Hinkle, Herman Boda, or call 828-507-5742.

**Polio Plus:** <https://www.endpolio.org/donate>

Questions? See Wayne Mabey, Cindy Ireland, [cnd.ireland@gmail.com](mailto:cnd.ireland@gmail.com), or the website.

**KIVA:** Make check payable to RCAB Foundation (NOT to the club), mark for KIVA, give to Jane Knight (703-216-9846) Questions? Contact Jane Knight or George Collett.

### Good Contacts to Keep Handy

Our web site: <https://Asheville-BiltmoreRotary.org>

Our Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/RotaryClubOfAshevilleBiltmore/>

Our Instagram site: <https://www.instagram.com/ABrc7670>

Our email: [AshevilleBiltmoreRotary@gmail.com](mailto:AshevilleBiltmoreRotary@gmail.com)

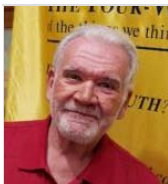
Our phone: 828-333-7246

District 7670 web site: <https://rotary7670.org>

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**See you Monday morning, November 18**

### Birthdays



[Gary H. Book](#)  
November 12th



[George C. Collett](#)  
November 23rd

### Wedding Anniversaries



[Libby Bush](#)  
November 6th



[George Herbert Mensch](#)  
November 25th



[David S. Millar](#)  
November 27th



[John A. Hinkle Sr.](#)  
November 30th