

Rotary



Club of Asheville THE COG

Monday, September 4, 2023



Club Meeting

Asheville
Meets at TUTION HALL,
TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH.
To request a Zoom simulcast
link email
avlrotary1915@gmail.com.
60 Church St
Asheville, NC 28801
Time: Thursday at 12:30 PM

Speakers

September 07, 2023

[Pat Snyder](#), [Tim Owings](#),
[Andrew Mecurio](#)
Rotary Giving

September 14, 2023

[Celeste Collins](#)
DEI Committee Presentation

September 21, 2023

[DG Sean Gibson](#)
District Governor Updates

September 21, 2023

[Sean Gibson](#)
DG Official Visit

September 28, 2023

[Patricia Waters](#),
New Member Talks

Coming Events

September 5th
Board Meeting

September 14th
Discover Rotary
Speaker: Celeste Collins
Subject: DEI Committee
Presentation

September 20th
**Third Wednesday at the
Watering HOle**

October 3rd
Board Meeting

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

By Christena Southwick on Tuesday, August 29, 2023

ANNOUNCEMENTS AT MEETING ON AUGUST 31, 2023

Thank you to Michelle Daniels for matching the CART bucket this week.

Please be reminded that the Rotary Foundation Dinner will be October 7 at Morganton Community House. The cost is \$45 per person. Register on the District Page in dacdb.

Lacy Hagan said to contact her if you were interested in helping at the annual Storytelling Festival the first weekend of October in Jonesborough, TN.

UPCOMING MEETING PROGRAMS FOR SEPTEMBER:

September 7 Pat Snyder, Tim Owings, Andrew Mecurio
September 14 Celeste Collins
September 21 DG Sean Gibson
September 28. New Member Talks

ALL MEMBERS INVITED TO THE MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS:

Board meeting on September 5
October 3rd at Asheville Chamber of Commerce, Room 315
President Pat announced that the Board minutes are available on DACdb.com for members to see.

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

By Patrick A. Snyder on Friday, September 1, 2023

HOW ROTARY DOES ITS WORK



Do you wish you had a better understanding of how Rotary International and our clubs' foundations raise money to plan and implement all the international and local community projects we support? Are you curious what the difference is between a Paul Harris Fellow and a Paul Harris Society Member? Are you curious about how you can help us raise funds or implement grants even if you aren't in a position to make donations right now?

If your interest is in supporting education, promoting peace, community economic development, or any of the other focus areas of Rotary, our Rotary Giving program on September 7th will help attendees understand how we can most effectively apply our donations and time for the projects we are most passionate about for our local community and abroad. Ultimately, the importance of donating to Rotary lies in the organization's ability to mobilize resources and volunteers to address a wide array of global challenges, both on a local and international scale. Donations and fundraising play a crucial role in supporting Rotary's mission of creating positive and sustainable change in the world.

Club Leaders



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Youth Services
Chair



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Club Director
Vocational Service
Chair



Anthony D. Lynch
Attendance
Secretary
Sergeant-at-Arms



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Club Director
Rotary Foundation
Chair



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Club Director
Membership Chair



Richard T. Devereaux
Diversity Equity &
Inclusion
Webmaster

NEW MEMBER INDUCTEES

By Christena Southwick on Friday, September 1, 2023

CLUB MEMBERSHIP GROWS



On Thursday, the Rotary Club of Asheville welcomed two new members. They are Alan Hicks and Judge Larry Janow.

Betty Doll sponsored Alan, who is a neighbor and friend. Alan is the father of former member Scott Hicks, a patent lawyer, who now lives abroad with his family. Alan is himself a lawyer, and a former member of the army reserves. He has a life-long track record of community service as well as serving on two school boards.

Ward Peacock, Membership Chair, introduced Judge Janow. Sponsor Sandra Smith was unable to be at the meeting. Ward told us that Judge Janow practiced general law for 10 years, then became a judge on the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court of Virginia. He has also worked as an associate law professor and spent many long hours in community service mediating, as well as helping draft policy through judicial study teams and committee work. He graduated from the University of Virginia with a BA in Psychology and earned his JD from the University of Oklahoma School of Law.

Welcome to the club Alan and Larry. We look forward to working together with you to continue to do good in the community and the world.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

By Christena Southwick on Friday, September 1, 2023



CARRIER PARK PAVILION PICNIC

The scene at the annual picnic was cloudy, but it was raining fun, food, and fellowship, not drops of water. Despite the weather warnings, President Pat opted to carry on with the event, and it was the right call. A good time was had by all.

The Rotary Pavilion at Carrier Park, according to Bob Haggard, a club member for over 40 years, was constructed as a commemorative project.

"This was a project for Rotary's Centennial Year. Our club was one of three who joined together to raise funds for the project. The structure itself was erected primarily by Rotary volunteers. I was part of the crew that nailed shingles to the roof, and I am mildly surprised that they are still doing their job! I think this is a great example of a highly visible service project and also a good example of successful cooperation





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Club PolioPlus Chair



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Club Programs Chair



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iPast President



Lynne Porter
Assistant Governor

Birthdays

Margaret Gormley-Chapman
September 8th

George G. Lycan
September 12th

Keith Whitman Bell
September 13th

among Rotary clubs," Bob said.

The members who attended were also able to see and enjoy the new Bee Pollinator Garden adjacent to the pavilion.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

By Christena Southwick on Monday, September 4, 2023

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME

The night was clear, the weather warm and mild with no breeze. The Asheville Tourists were hosting the Bowling Green Hot Rods for the last home game of the 2023 season. Rotary was ready to enjoy the occasion, taking it all in with box seats and plenty of food. Fellowship was in abundance with 48 people attending.

"Even though the Tourists lost, this annual event put together by the Social Committee will continue to be remembered as a good night to be with fellow Rotarians," said Janet Whitworth. "We always have fun--win or lose!" (Pictured is president Pat's son, Barrett, getting a high five.)



LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

By Celeste B. Collins on Friday, September 1, 2023

NEWS FROM THE 118TH CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Representative Chuck Edwards spoke to the Rotary Club of Asheville last week. He began his talk by stating that he is a proud member of the Hendersonville Rotary Club and connected his commitment to service to the values of Rotary.

He reviewed some of his recent work, including reflections on a trip to the US/Mexico border in Arizona stating that the drug smuggling on the border there is out of control.

He reported that being a newly elected Representative and being appointed to three significant committees was a big deal. He was successful in requesting to be appointed to the Budget Committee, Oversight Committee, and Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

He joined a conservative climate caucus - a group of House and Senate members that acknowledges the climate is changing and is looking at what reasonable steps can be taken to address the problems. Their goal is to recommend actions that do not disrupt the economy but allow people to make choices to reduce the carbon footprint.

He offered clarifications on two phrases frequently used but often confused: 1) Government shutdown, which means the US has money to spend but there is no agreement on how to spend it. Critical services still operate. 2) Default on debt has never happened in the history of the country. Default refers to the country defaulting on its debt.

Representative Chuck Edwards spoke about the current structure for federal spending and the huge federal deficit, stating bills are passed to fund programs with no accountability. He said it was because there is no connection between the Appropriations Committee, the Ways and Means Committee, and the Budget Committee--the three committees he serves



Lawrence Janow
September 13th
Donna Rogers Ensley
September 15th
Evan Justin Rosenberg
September 19th
Eric C. Bryant
September 20th
Rachel Rion Moran
September 20th
Joseph T. Hackett
September 24th
Robert Steve Frellick
September 25th
Frank Harwell Rutland
September 30th
Thomas A. Cannon
October 3rd

Wedding Anniversaries

Danielle M Kwasnik
September 4th
Jacqueline Boone
September 4th
Thomas G. Leavesley
September 7th
Donna Rogers Ensley
September 10th
Susan F. Harper
September 11th
Herman S. Turk
September 12th
Eva-Michelle G. Spicer
September 14th
Janey Cope
September 15th
Rae Geoffrey
September 20th
Evan Justin Rosenberg
September 21st
Ken Nelson
September 23rd
Jessica Z Hendrix
September 24th
Sarah A Cockman
September 24th
Margot Baron
September 25th
Skyler Duncan
September 29th
William C. Rawlings
September 30th
Eric W. Michael
September 30th
Joseph T. Hackett
October 3rd

on. He said the Budget Committee is planning to put forth an amendment to balance the budget in the next 10 years.

To illustrate bi-partisan cooperation, Representative Edwards reviewed some bills that were passed, including the national defense authorization act, federal aviation reauthorization, and supply chain bills.

Representative Edwards said he is most proud of his work that serves people back here in the district and commented that for the last several years folks in the mountains have felt left out. His priority for serving the district informed him how he setup his office as the only mobile congressional office in the US. Since the launch in March 2023, they have conducted 184 mobile office visits. Currently, his office has 1268 cases that they are working on.

The program wrapped up with Representative Edwards mentioning efforts to assist people affected by the plant closing in Canton (Pactiv), his opposition to the Eastern Band of Cherokee's proposed plan to vote on legalizing marijuana. He provided five minutes of Q&A.

Four Way Test

By Julie P. West on Sunday, October 2, 2022

The Four Way Test Rotary



- 1. Is it the TRUTH?**
 - 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?**
 - 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**
 - 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?**
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