

Rotary



Club of Asheville THE COG

Monday, July 11, 2022



IMAGINE ROTARY

Club Meeting

Asheville
Meets at TUTION HALL, TRINITY
EPISCOPAL CHURCH--Proof of
Covid-19 vaccination or recent
(72 hrs) negative Covid-19 test
required to attend in-person. To
request a Zoom simulcast link
email avlrotary1915@gmail.com.
60 Church St
Asheville, NC 28801
Time: Thursday at 12:30 PM

Speakers

July 14, 2022

[Kevin Baxter, Chief Campus
Officer, NCSSM](#)

North Carolina School of Science
and Mathematics (NCSSM) -
Morganton

July 21, 2022

[Scott Hamilton, President and
CEO](#)

Golden Leaf Foundation

July 28, 2022

[Diana Sierra, CEO](#)

YWCA of Asheville and Western
North Carolina

August 04, 2022

[John Franks](#)

Coming Events

July 21st

[Thirsty Third Thursday Social](#)

August 1st

[Community Service Monday](#)

August 2nd

[Board Meeting](#)

Club Leaders

[Ross Sloan](#)
President

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

By Sophia Stefanidis Ungert

NCSSM-Morganton Campus



Kevin Baxter is the Vice Chancellor & Chief Campus Office for NCSSM-Morganton and joined the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics in January 2017. Kevin's career has largely centered on Honors education – first at the University of Maryland and then at East Carolina University – where he designed, built, and grew special programs and communities for talented scholars. This work led him to his current role at NCSSM where since 2017 he has led the development and opening of the 18th campus of the UNC System at NCSSM-

Morganton.

Kevin is deeply engaged in Burke County and throughout Western North Carolina. A 2022 graduate of Leadership North Carolina, his current service roles include serving as Chairman of the Board of C2Life Foundation, serving as a board member with the Burke County Chamber of Commerce, the WNC Bridge Foundation, and the YMCA of Catawba Valley, and serving on the steering team for the Industrial Commons Innovation Campus, the Work in Burke initiative, and the Appalachian State University Hickory Campus Advisory Council. He and his family have established roots in Morganton and are thrilled to be part of such a diverse and resilient community in the foothills of WNC.

LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

By Melissa R. Drennan

On July 7th, our Rotary club, along with clubs across the globe, installed its new officers and board of directors. Past president, Rick Devereaux presided over this installation. It was remarkable to hear this is our club's 107th installation. The newly installed officers and board members for the 2022-2023 Rotary year are: Ross Sloan, president; Pat Snyder, president-elect; Eva-Michelle Spicer, president-nominee; Betty Doll, Secretary; Janet Whitworth, Treasurer;



Patrick A. Snyder
President-Elect



Betty A. Doll
Secretary



Janet L. Whitworth
Past President
Treasurer



Celeste B. Collins
Club Admin Chair
Club Director



Lisa Cutshaw
Bulletin Editor



Albert Davis
Club Director
Community Service
Chair



Tanya N. Fletcher
Club Director
Youth Protection
Officer
Youth Services Chair



David T. Kaverman
Membership Chair
Club Director



Kevin R. Montgomery
Club Director



Linda Nelson
Club Director
Communication and
Outreach



Maxine O. Parsons-Kogut
Club Director
Rotary Foundation
Chair

Charles M. Peabody III
Attendance Secretary



Katherine Morosani, immediate past president; and board of directors Celeste Collins, Al Davis, Tanya Fletcher, Dave Kaverman, Kevin Montgomery, Linda Nelson, Maxine Parsons-Kogut, Chip Peabody, Kelly Shanafelt, and Kristy Wilson. With this terrific leadership team, we should be in good shape for many years to come.

Our newly inducted president, Ross Sloan, spoke to the club starting with the Rotary International theme of "Imagine Rotary" as Rotary International makes history with its first female president, Jennifer Jones. Ross also shared key takeaways from the recent membership survey. He summarized his priorities for the coming year. These are to act on our strategic plan, to build member engagement, and to put our club's foundation funds to work doing good in this community and around the world. In support of these priorities, he revealed three new initiatives in the literacy committee's "Read to Succeed" project; Ukrainian relief partnering with a club in the Czech Republic, and the "Teachers of Excellence" project. We will learn much more about these exciting new initiatives over the year to come. It's clear this club isn't resting on its 107- year history and it is a great time to get engaged as we "Imagine Rotary" in the year to come.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS



Sgt-at-Arms



[Kelly C Shanafelt](#)
Attendance Secretary
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Eva-Michelle G. Spicer](#)
President-Nominee



[Kristy Wilson](#)
Club Director
Vocational Service
Chair



[Richard T. Devereaux](#)
Webmaster



[David Andrew Mans](#)
International Service
Chair



[Andrew Mercurio](#)
Club Fund Raising
Chair



[Marcia Whitney](#)
Diversity Equity &
Inclusion



[Daniel M. Crupi](#)
RYLA Point of Contact



[Cassidy Harbison](#)
Club Public Image
Chair



[Katherine Morosani](#)
Past President



[Lynne Porter](#)
Assistant Governor

Birthdays

Janet L. Whitworth
July 11th

Carol L Birkner
July 15th

Jacqueline Boone
July 18th

Charles P Thompson
July 19th

Dustin L. Schlabach
July 24th

Maxine O Parsons-Kogut
July 25th

Community Service Monday

Our Club volunteers for a different organization on each Community Service Monday, the first Monday of the month. Be on the lookout for information about upcoming service opportunities in August and beyond!

Reach out to [Kelly Shanafelt](#) for more information.

Enjoy a Night Out at the Ballpark

The Fellowship Committee will be hosting a night out at the ballpark Saturday, August 13. We will be at the Hi-Wire event space to watch the Asheville Tourists play ball. More information about tickets coming soon. Email [Colleen Dieterly](#) with questions.

TOURIST GAMES are Coming Soon - Rotary Fundraising Opportunity !!

Come out and volunteer, have a great time with fellow Rotarians and help us fund-raise for Rotary projects while helping the Tourists. The remaining date is:

July 28th Thursday

Come out and help Rotary raise funds and help the Asheville Tourists and Concession Facilities feed hungry fans on these dates. It would be great if we could have **at least 10 volunteers for each event / date** :)

Please reach out if you have any questions - Dave Snider - Coordinator 828-424-5786 Verizon, or [email me by clicking here](#).

Rotary Hiking Group

The Downtown Rotary Club has a monthly hike on short routes in and around the city. It goes on the 1st Wednesday of every month at 5pm. We have a fun hike and then have a fun social-home for dinner.

If you are interested, please contact George Lycan at glycan@kw.com

Thirsty Third Thursday

Join us on the third Thursday of each month around 5 pm at Highland Brewery for Thirsty Third Thursday. Join with fellow Rotarians, spouses and partners, friends, guests and anyone else who is interested, sip a libation, and get to know each other a little better. Weather permitting, we'll be out on the Meadow at Highland--if not, we'll be inside.

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

Win a Spring & Mulberry Chocolate Bar

Don't miss your chance to win a free chocolate bar as part of the split-the-pot weekly drawing. Keith Bell's daughter has donated 5 chocolate bars for the cause, and Keith is bringing a different one each week. He has already donated four of them, and there is one left to go. Enjoy a Spring & Mulberry chocolate bar and support the club at the same time!

Rotary Attire Available

Club member Lacy Hagan has Rotary attire available for purchase. With our upcoming Community Service Mondays,

Christi L Ocke
July 26th
Kevin R. Montgomery
July 26th
Scott Hicks
July 28th
R. Scott White
July 30th
Benjamin P. Powell
August 4th
Gina Collias
August 5th
Betty A. Doll
August 7th



let's show up proudly displaying the Rotary logo! You can e-mail Lacy at lacyh@lantanaemb.com.

Update on In-Person Meeting Policy

All members attending in person are still required to provide proof of vaccination or a recent negative test result, but the mask requirement is no longer in place per CDC guidelines.

Donations and Scholarships

Donations to our **Club Foundation** can now be made directly on our website. Couldn't make the fundraiser but want to contribute to our projects this year, owe happy dollars for birthdays and anniversaries, been fined for looking too good in the media – hit the EASY button by going to RotaryAsheville.org.

Please bring raffle items for our weekly drawing that benefits the **Tennent Scholarships**. Promote your business, your passion, or your creativity.

Cart Fund



The CART Fund is dedicated to raising funds to provide "seed" money for cutting edge, high impact research in hopes of finding a cure/prevention for Alzheimer's disease. Consider contributing \$1 a week per quarter; \$13.

For Birthday/Anniversary/Happy Dollars/CART Funds
please mail your check to
Rotary Club of Asheville Foundation
P.O. Box 1954
Asheville, NC 28801

Additional Volunteer Opportunities :

*Please submit any volunteer opportunities you feel your fellow Rotarians would enjoy being a part of.



If you would like to add an announcement in an upcoming COG, please email [Lisa Cutshaw](mailto:Lisa.Cutshaw) no later than Saturday, prior to Tuesday publishing.

FOUR WAY TEST



THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

first

Is it the **TRUTH**?

second

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

third

Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

fourth

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?