

Rotary



Club of Asheville THE COG

Monday, July 18, 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 avrotary1915@gmail.com.
60 Church St
Asheville, NC 28801
Time: Thursday at 12:30 PM

Speakers

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](#)

August 11, 2022

[Prof. Chris Cooper, WNCU](#)
2022 Election Update

Coming Events

July 21st
[Thirsty Third Thursday Social](#)

July 28th
[Volunteer to Raise Funds -
Asheville Tourists Game](#)

August 2nd
[Board Meeting](#)

August 13th
[Asheville Tourists Game
Outing](#)

August 14th
[Community Service Monday -
Now SUNDAY, Aug 14th!](#)

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

By Sophia Stefanidis Ungert

The Golden LEAF Foundation



Scott Hamilton became the president of the Golden LEAF Foundation in November 2019. In this role, Scott is responsible for working with the Golden LEAF Board of Directors to develop and implement the foundation's grantmaking priorities and strategies, overseeing the foundation's investments, and managing the day to day operations of the organization.

The Golden LEAF Foundation is a nonprofit organization established in 1999 to receive a portion of North Carolina's funding from the 1998 Master Settlement Agreement with cigarette manufacturers. For 20 years, Golden LEAF has worked to increase economic opportunity in North Carolina's rural and tobacco-dependent communities through leadership in grantmaking, collaboration, innovation, and stewardship as an independent and perpetual foundation.

Hamilton previously served as executive director of the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) in Washington, D.C. and in leadership roles with various county and regional economic development organizations in North Carolina, including as president and CEO of AdvantageWest, a nonprofit regional economic development partnership serving the 23 westernmost counties of North Carolina.

Hamilton is a current member and past president of the North Carolina Economic Developers Association and has held leadership positions with numerous boards and organizations across North Carolina. He served for 11 years as a gubernatorial appointee to the North Carolina Commission on Workforce Development.

A graduate of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Hamilton received additional training and certification in economic development from the University of North Carolina School of Government and the Georgia Institute of Technology. He is also a graduate of the Economic Development Institute at the University of Oklahoma and the North Carolina Rural Economic Development Center's Rural Economic Development Institute.

LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

By Melissa R. Drennan

I never thought I would want to redo my

Club Leaders



[Ross Sloan](#)
President



[Patrick A. Snyder](#)
President-Elect



[Betty A. Doll](#)
Secretary



[Janet L. Whitworth](#)
Past President
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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
Sgt-at-Arms



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

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

high school years until hearing about the terrific new North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics (NCSSM) opening in Morganton this year. Our program speaker on July 14 was Kevin Baxter, Vice Chancellor & Chief Campus Officer for NCSSM-Morganton. He shared the history North Carolina's visionary action to start providing cutting-edge STEM education for high school juniors and seniors in 1980.



The NCSSM program is distinguished by no-cost tuition, on-campus residency, accelerated learning, and a diverse student body representing each district in North Carolina and a 50/50 population of female and male students. Demand from the success of the first campus in Durham prompted the North Carolina legislature to fund a new campus in Morganton. The new campus will open to students with classes starting on August 10, 2022.

Kevin Baxter's enthusiasm for and dedication to the new school came through clearly in his remarks. We wish him and NCSSM-Morganton's inaugural student class much success.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Nashville Songwriters in the Round August 18th

Join the Rotary Club of Asheville for an intimate concert experience to benefit the Tennent Scholarship Fund. Renowned songwriter Phillip Lammonds will travel to Asheville with three friends to serenade us with song and entertainment in the Highland Brewing Event Center.

The Tennent Scholarship is a merit and need based scholarship that awards eligible Buncombe County seniors with a one time, freshman year, scholarship to college. [Click this link](#) to see and hear from this year's scholarship winners who were featured on WLOS.

Ticket price includes all beverages, dinner, dessert, and your priceless concert experience. Purchase tickets at [Givebutter.com/](#) RotaryAsheville.

Since 1915, [the Rotary Club of Asheville](#) has served the local community, fulfilling a standing mission of Rotary clubs all over the world to take action to enhance basic education and literacy.

If you would like more information about sponsorships, please contact Janet Whitworth at jwhitworth711@gmail.com or 828-768-1808.

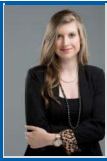
Community Service Monday

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.



[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

Jacqueline Boone
July 18th
Charles P Thompson
July 19th
Dustin L. Schlabach
July 24th
Maxine O Parsons-Kogut
July 25th
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

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

Rotary Attire Available



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

Betty A. Doll
August 7th
Robert H. Haggard
August 12th
Susan F Lightner
August 14th
Steven M. Higley
August 14th
Christena Southwick
August 15th
Thomas G. Leavesley
August 16th
Kristen R Layton
August 17th

Wedding Anniversaries

David K Snider Sr.
July 23rd
Levonía B. Reese
July 27th
Stephen F. Anderson
July 29th
Zachary F. Lamb
August 2nd
Andrew Mercurio
August 5th
Richard Travis Hall
August 5th
Bruce G. Clark
August 7th
Linda Nelson
August 11th
Alexander P. Pence
August 11th

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?
