

# Rotary



# Club of Hendersonville-Four Seasons

Sunday, August 7, 2022

## Healing Waters - Aug 8

By Tiffany Ervin

Join us on Monday, August 8, at Janitzio's (5:30pm) to learn how we as Rotarians and #PeopleOfAction can help end the global water crisis!



Paul Garner, the President-Elect of the Rotary Club of Franklin, is a partner impact advisor for [Healing Waters](#), an international non-profit organization that builds holistic clean water solutions in at-risk communities around the world, empowering people not just to survive, but to thrive – physically, socially and spiritually.

Don't miss this opportunity to hear a passionate story from a fellow Rotarian in District 7670 and learn how we can be part of this initiative, both as a club (through a district or

global grant) or as an individual.

## Courtney Stepp Lowery-Aug 22

By Tiffany Ervin

Join us on Monday, Aug 22 to hear from Courtney Stepp Lowery, a native of Hendersonville. She is a business professional in the community as a VP Business Development Officer with First Bank, and serves on the board for the Hope Coalition of Henderson County. She is also known for sharing vulnerable truths of overcoming challenges and adversity in life to move forward on a more positive path. She brings a message to the rotary group of "Using Your Story" and the power of the personal narrative as we go out in the community as "People of Action."

Courtney represents the Hope Coalition as a

### Club Meeting

Hendersonville-Four Seasons Meets at Janitzio Mexican Restaurant, 1053 Spartanburg Hwy, Hendersonville, NC. Mondays, 5:30 - 6:30 PM 1053 Spartanburg Hwy Hendersonville, NC 28792 Time: Monday at 05:30 PM

### Club Leaders



Eugene M. Carr III  
President  
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Wade Saunders  
Secretary  
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Tiffany Ervin  
Bulletin Editor  
Club Public Image  
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Melissa D. Johnson  
Assistant Governor

### District Leaders



Tammy Mosteller  
District Governor



Sean Gibson  
DG-Elect



Connie M. Molland  
DG-Nominee

### Birthdays

Melissa D. Johnson  
August 22nd



community member in recovery and serves as their

Treasurer/Secretary. She has shared her own stories as part of her contribution and work in the community. She has

lived experience of trauma, poor coping skills and the destruction of addiction in her own life, and also knows the powerful healing that is possible through recovery and the hard work of personal growth and development. Her story highlights the power of the personal narrative in the work that we do in our communities to help and serve others. Her story tells us that there is hope for those who suffer, and that our pain can be turned into purpose.

Courtney holds a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science and Psychology from Appalachian State University. She resides in Flat Rock with her husband, Sean, and 12-year-old son, Tyler. Outside of her banking career and finding ways to be of service through her personal recovery journey, she can generally be found cheering her son on in all manner of sporting activities, and out running, hiking, biking and seeking all manner of adventure herself in our beautiful Western North Carolina and beyond!

She considers it an honor to share her truth with the community, for better and worse, with pitfalls and successes of her journey. There are no limits to what we can learn in acknowledging the experiences and truths of those all around us. Our stories matter and fuel our missions out in the world.

## Chamber Events-You're Invited (if you wear your Rotary attire!)

By Tiffany Ervin on Friday, August 5, 2022

Did you know Four Seasons Rotary is an active member of the Henderson County Chamber of Commerce? That means you're invited to participate in the Chamber's events, including ribbon cuttings and networking socials. Why not wear your Rotary shirt and show up to one of these activities and invite the folks you meet to come visit us?

Ribbon Cutting (**Hope Coalition, 101 S. Grove St., Hendersonville**) 11:30am-12:30pm  
 AM Power Hour (**Veterans Healing Farm, 38 Yale Rd, Hendersonville**) 8-9am  
 Business After Hours (**First Citizens Bank, 539 N Main St, Hendersonville**) 5:30-7pm



## Safelight-Hope & Healing for Families

By Tiffany Ervin on Monday, August 1, 2022

Susan Huter, program director for Safelight, and Laura Phipps, PA



Emily Dowling Johnson  
August 24th



Wade Saunders  
August 31st

### Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding Anniversaries Found

### Years of Service



David Love  
09-01-1981  
41 Years



Donnie Jones  
08-26-2017  
5 Years



Christopher Albert Johnson  
08-28-2017  
5 Years



(Advent Health) were our guests recently to share local and global statistics in advance of World Human Trafficking Awareness Week.

Susan explained that human trafficking is a multi-billion dollar industry that involves **the use of force, fraud, or coercion to obtain some type of labor or commercial sex act.** It is "stealing freedom for profit."

North Carolina ranks 9th in the US with the highest number of reported human trafficking cases in 2020. Western North Carolina in particular is at-risk due to the number of major interstates, the large tourism industry, the farming and rural areas nearby, and the high rates of alcohol and drug abuse.

[Safelight](#) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit agency that provides support for survivors of interpersonal violence, sexual assault and child abuse.



## Welcome Michele!

By Tiffany Ervin on Wednesday, July 27, 2022



We are pleased to induct Michele Garashi-Ellick as the newest member of Four Seasons Rotary! As you know, she has visited our club often and participated in most all of our service projects and fundraisers. She recently retired from fundraising in Jackson County, and was a former member of the Rotary Club of Sylva. Her husband Art joined us for the induction, and we are thrilled to have them both as part of our Rotary family.

Michele serves as the District 7670 CART Chair and is on the committee for the upcoming district awards celebration and the 2023 District Conference. She was sponsored by Tiffany Ervin and Cristina Hull, and we are honored she chose us as her new Rotary home!

## Future Meetings

By Tiffany Ervin

UPCOMING DATES:

- Mon, Aug 1: Hope Coalition - Julie Huneycutt & Michelle Geiser
- Mon, Aug 8: Healing Waters - Paul Garner (RC of Franklin)
- Mon, Aug 15: DG Tammy Mosteller "Official Visit"
- Mon, Aug 22: Courtney Stepp Lowery "Use Your Story"
- Mon, Aug 29: PREP NIGHT for Tour D'Apple - Pizza Party at Oklawaha Brewing
- Mon, Sept 5: Tour D'Apple at BRCC (no evening meeting)

If you would like to be program chair for September, October or November, or if you have suggestions for speakers/topics you'd like to have, please let President Gene know!

## Rescue Mission Servers Needed

By Tiffany Ervin on Wednesday, July 27, 2022

Did you know Four Season Rotary has been serving lunch at the Hendersonville Rescue Mission on the 4th Saturday of each month since 2000?

That's right - 22 YEARS of being #PeopleOfAction right here in our community.

It's that time of year again to sign up for your opportunity to participate in this long-standing and worthwhile project! Bob Engstrom has graciously agreed to chair this project for us again this year, so please contact him at [bnksb@morris.net](mailto:bnksb@morris.net) to help!

This is a great project to invite your partner or children to help - or even a friend from the neighborhood. It's easy and takes less than one hour of your time. We need two people for each date, so please check your calendar NOW and sign up for at least one of the following dates:

- Aug 27
- Sept 27
- Oct 22
- Nov 26
- Dec 24
- Jan 28
- Feb 25
- March 25
- April 22
- May 27
- June 24



## Human Trafficking Awareness Day in Hendersonville

By Tiffany Ervin on Sunday, July 24, 2022



Human Trafficking Awareness Week is recognized in the United States from July 24-30, and Four Seasons and Hendersonville Rotary Clubs worked together to make sure the issue didn't "slip through the cracks."

District Governor Tammy Mosteller (Rotary Club of Lincolnton Sunrise) spoke at the event and helped pour the first sand alongside Hendersonville Mayor Barbara Volk. The event included presentations from area non-profits and the Henderson County Sheriff.

[You can see additional photos from the event here.](#)

[Read More](#)



## Awards and Appreciation Reception August 16th

By Kenneth A. Shull

**You are invited to join us on Tues, Aug 16, at Point Lookout Vineyards, 4:30-6:30pm - DISTRICT AWARDS NIGHT**

The Governor's Club of Excellence and Distinguished Club Citation (Pink Pages awards) will be presented, as well as some other awards to celebrate membership, public image and a record year of giving to The CART Fund.

We will return to the venue that kicked off the year with the installation last summer. There will be no charge to attend the event. It will include time to mingle, a short awards and appreciation ceremony, and then more time to mingle. There will be a cash bar serving the vineyard's wines and meads, as well as beer and soft drinks. Light appetizers will be provided, so be sure to register so we can plan appropriately.

The setting is a covered outdoor area, so please come casual - no jackets, ties or fancy dresses. Shorts and Rotary golf shirts will be perfect!

Register today in the DACDB Calendar, then come help us celebrate a great Rotary year!