

Rotary



Club of Hendersonville-Four Seasons

Sunday, January 29, 2023

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

By Tiffany Ervin

January - Vocational Service Month - Program Chair: Wade Saunders

Monday, Jan 9: Grow Our Own Educators of Color (Larry Winecoff and Melinda Lowrance)

Tuesday, Jan 16: Wheelchair Project-Philippines (PDG Bill Biddle)

Monday, Jan 23: Blue Ridge Community College Education Foundation (Lisa Adkins)

Monday, Jan 30: "Welcome To Rotary" party/new member induction - Bring A Guest!

Tuesday, Jan 31: BOARD MEETING, 5pm Gene's office or via ZOOM

February - World Understanding Month - Program Chair: John Linkous

Monday, Feb 6: TBA

Monday, Feb 13: TBA

Monday, Feb 20: TBA

Monday, Feb 27: TBA

BRCC Education Foundation

By Tiffany Ervin on Sunday, January 29, 2023

We were thrilled to have Lisa Adkins join us for an update on the many activities at Blue Ridge Community College. We are proud to continue our support for BRCC with a gift of \$3,000 for our two endowed scholarships and the Emergency Student Fund.

Lisa shared that BRCC is the only community college in NC that has grown by more than 20% the last four years. They are also among the top 10 in endowed scholarships in community colleges in our state. They partnered with Kenmore Country Club to provide the volunteers needed to successfully implement the COVID vaccine clinic for five months, and have recently implemented a teacher pathways program and a civil engineering program.



BRCC continues to address the workforce challenges in our community, and thanks to an anonymous donation of \$2 million, the Brighter Student Scholarships have been made possible through summer of 2023. They have added 50 additional nursing students spots thanks to both Pardee and Mission providing additional faculty members.

Newsletter Help Please

By Tiffany Ervin on Sunday, January 29, 2023

I will be traveling the next few weeks and will not be at another weekly meeting until Feb. 27. We need someone to take photos of our speakers and other special presentations, then submit as an EZ story for the website,

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

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bulletin and social media. If you will just email me the story and photos, I will be happy to enter them online until more folks can be trained.

After serving as our club's Public Image Chair for more than 13 years, it is time to hand off these duties to someone else. If you're interested in serving in this role, please let me know! Responsibilities would include social media, newsletter, branding, press releases, photography/video and helping Wade with the website. We could really use a member in each role! Training will be provided on April 21 for this and other club positions! SAVE THE DATE!

"Grow Our Own" Educators of Color

By Michele A Garashi-Ellick



Four Seasons Rotary Club welcomed Melinda Lowrance and Larry Winecuff for an informative presentation on a program entitled "Grow Our Own" Teachers of Color in Henderson County. They provided us with educational history and data and opportunities to support this initiative.

The focus of the program is to expand the diversity of Henderson County's Public Education workforce. They provide scholarships and mentors to promising local students of color who would like to become teachers and who would commit to teaching in Henderson County for at least three years after they graduate and become certified teachers.

They are part of an informal coalition of community groups and citizens coming together to raise awareness of the needs of the Black, Indigenous and People of Color students in Henderson County. The group includes the Henderson County NAACP, El Center-Latin Advocacy Center, local churches and private citizens working in cooperation with the Henderson County Public Schools and the Henderson County Education Foundation.

Wheelchairs To Philippines

Sunday, January 22, 2023

We enjoyed hearing from PDG Bill Biddle & Joanne last week about their trips to the Philippines on behalf of The Wheelchair Foundation.



February is Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution



Birthdays



Janice Bullard Mager
February 7th

Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding Anniversaries
Found

Years of Service



Henry G Hoffmeyer
02-01-2012
11 Years



George Liell Mager
02-10-2015
8 Years

Month

By Tim Radford on Sunday, January 29, 2023

The month of February is very special in the Rotary Calendar because it includes the anniversary of the first meeting of Rotary held on February 23, 1905. Paul Harris' original concept was to give professionals with diverse backgrounds the opportunity to exchange ideas and form meaningful, lifelong friendships.

Over time, Rotary's reach and vision has extended to humanitarian service. As Rotarians, we refuse to accept conflict as a way of life. As a humanitarian organization, peace is a cornerstone of our mission. We believe when people work to create peace in their communities, that change can have a local and global effect. In addition, we no longer only look to those that are professionals, but are inclusive of all that want to serve to improve the lives of others, as well as form meaningful and lifelong friendships.

So, to celebrate **Rotary's 118th birthday**, let's use this as a time for our district and clubs to promote what we are doing to take action to address the underlying causes of conflict, including poverty, inequality, ethnic tension, lack of education and unequal distribution of resources.

In addition, let's commit to using this month as a starting point to invite others of all backgrounds to join and help us to make our world better for all.

