

Rotary



Club of Hendersonville-Four Seasons

Sunday, September 29, 2019

George Lewis

By Robert Engstrom on Sunday, September 29, 2019



DG Tiffany Ervin filled in for President Melissa Johnson and introduced our speaker for the Sept. 23 meeting. George Lewis is a retired stock broker and known in Rotary as ♦The Water Man.♦ He was born in New York City and grew up in New Jersey. George was an All-State, All-American and All-Army baseball player who played professional baseball for several years in the Boston Red Sox organization.

While on a Rotary project to Guatemala where he helped put in stoves, he saw the critical need for water. Since then, it has been his passion to get Rotary clubs all over the country to work on water projects. He says ♦get out of the box♦ and take action on what you want to do. George took an art class several years ago and since then has sold his paintings in 17 countries to Rotarians who want to do good in the world. He will do a painting (mostly pets these days) for \$100 and give the money and Paul Harris credit back to the club to use for water projects. He also encouraged our club to join other clubs to work on global grants.

George is a member of the Rotary Club of Lakewood Ranch (FL), a major donor level 2 to The Rotary Foundation, and a member of the Paul Harris Society.

To contact George: waterman6960@yahoo.com.

Tour d'Apple Results

By Richard E. Miley on Sunday, September 29, 2019

More than 625 cyclists and fifty volunteers joined in making the 2019 Tour d'Apple cycling event on Labor Day a successful event for our Club. Many thanks to all who helped or cycled one of the Tour's challenging routes.



Cyclists came from eleven states. In addition to cyclists♦ paying registration fees of more than \$38,000, thirty-five cyclists donated an extra \$695 which we have contributed to Interfaith Assistance Ministry for the purchase of shoes, mostly for back-to-school needy children. This allowed us to be the first club in our district to complete a #RotaryCinderellaProject in honor of DG Tiffany.

Although we are still awaiting approximately \$1000 in additional contributions and maybe \$200 in yet-to-be-invoiced expenses, the Tour has produced net proceeds totaling \$20,929 as of the end of September. Our sponsors contributed \$10,250 in cash and approximately \$5000 in-kind contributions.

The net proceeds of \$20,929 do not include the \$695 given to IAM or \$600 contributed to the Sheriff's Volunteers in Partnership group and \$50 to Mud Creek Missionary Baptist Church, a rest-stop host.

Special Needs Sports Fall Picnic

By Tiffany Ervin on Sunday, September 29, 2019



Not even a short thunder/lightning storm and a few inches of rain could dampen the 2019 fall picnic for Special Needs baseball. More than 100 players, families and friends showed up to enjoy the 170 pounds of smoked Boston Butts, side dishes and drinks. There was even cake! (DG Tiffany also brought back the leftover drinks and fruit from the morning's district training, so there were a few healthy options too!)

The participants in the martial arts class

Club Meeting

Hendersonville-Four Seasons Meets at Hendersonville Community Co-op
60 S Charleston Ln
Hendersonville, NC 28792
Time: Monday at 05:30 PM

Club Leaders



Melissa D. Johnson
President



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District Leaders



Tiffany Ervin
District Governor



George David Waechter
DG-Elect



Kenneth A. Shull
DG-Nominee



did demonstrations, there was live music from "Keeping Up With The Jones" (no relation to Donnie) from Tennessee, and Lion Drive also made an appearance. Don't forget the next games will be "under the lights" due to Farm City Day at Jackson Park on Sat, Oct 5. All teams will play at 6:30 p.m. on Fields 8/9 so

don't miss this special evening!

September Meeting Schedule

By Melissa D. Johnson on Monday, September 2, 2019

September is Basic Education & Literacy Month

Meetings at Hendersonville Community Co-Op, 5:30-6:30pm

Monday, Sept. 9 - Katherine Morosani (Rotary District 7670 PolioPlus Chair)

Monday, Sept 16 - Polly Angelakis (Carl Sandburg National Historic Site)

Monday, Sept 23 - George Lewis from Florida "The Water Man"

Monday, Sept 30 (5th Monday) - SERVICE PROJECT at Interfaith Assistance Ministry (IAM), 310 Freeman Street, Hendersonville: bring canned foods to go with a holiday meal or gently used (but not stained or torn) clothing

Passport Meetings at Wild Wing Cafe (Long Shoals Rd), 5:30pm

Tuesday, Sept 10

Tuesday, Sept 24

Let's Build A Trap Shooting team

By George Liell Mager on Sunday, September 15, 2019

I'm looking for team members for our Inaugural Trap Shoot. I'm in, and I think Corey Prince is also. We are looking for teams of five, so we need at least three more of you from Four Seasons Rotary.

This looks as if it is going to be a fun event, and very different from other District 7670 fundraisers. Certainly it's a lot more exciting than dropping plastic ducks or selling spaghetti. Doesn't matter if you've never done it before. Doesn't matter your gender or age. You can't be blind, must be able to pick up, point, and pull the trigger on a shotgun. I think a shotgun weighs less than 7 pounds.

You can do it. I'm pretty sure I can, although I'll admit I haven't pulled the trigger on a shotgun in more than 40 years. But, I'm game; are you?

The event will require you to donate \$125 to the club, but the winning purse will be \$1000. That's \$200 per team member. And, as the Club is the sponsor for the event, we owe it to our Club to WIN and SET THE STANDARD FOR THE OTHER CLUBS OF DISTRICT 7670 (and make DG Tiffany proud).

Please contact me by e-mail at lee.mager@gmail.com.

World Polio Day-Thurs, Oct 24

By Tiffany Ervin on Monday, September 23, 2019

World Polio Day will be celebrated around the globe on Thursday, Oct. 24, and even in Henderson County! The Four Seasons Rotary Club will once again sponsor "Light Up Henderson County" in an effort to increase public awareness of the disease. "PolioPlus" is Rotary International's signature project, having reduced polio cases by more than 99.9% in the past 30 years. Yet two countries, Pakistan and Afghanistan, are still endemic.

In honor of World Polio Day, the Four Seasons Rotary Club will "light up" the Henderson County Historic Courthouse in a ceremony on Main Street. Special activities and guests are being planned, so watch for more details, but save the date and plan to attend this activity that was enjoyed by so many last year.

Guidon Brewing has also agreed to support World Polio Day through "Pints for Polio" by donating \$1 per pint of a selected beer during the month of October!



Birthdays



Bart Coates
October 4th



Sharon Conoley
October 19th



Martin E. Geyer
October 25th

Wedding Anniversaries



Lisa T Holland
October 1st



Christopher Albert
Johnson
October 1st



Steven Ray
Studebaker
October 12th



Pauline C Angelakis
October 22nd

Years of Service



Richard E. Miley
10-12-1978
41 Years



Barry Macdonald
10-25-2011
8 Years



The Pelaton

By Tiffany Ervin on Thursday, September 26, 2019



A post from one of the participants in this year's Tour D'Apple fundraiser sponsored by Four Seasons Rotary:

By Travis & Amy Johnson

Google defines a pelaton as a group of riders in a cycling race. That is a simple definition, but it means so much more. A pelaton enables a rider to go further, go faster, and lean into the efforts of those around them.

I was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer over 6 years ago. Sometimes when you are fighting something so terrifying for so long, you have to do something crazy to prove you still have life. You have to do something that a stage 4 cancer survivor should not be able to do. So this year I chose to do the 100 mile Tour De Apple Incredible Gala Century. When I told my friends, they first said I was crazy. They then said that they were in. On Monday, we completed the 100 miler. Granted we rolled in after the crowd had left, but we finished!

My friends rolled with me the entire way. We kept our pack together on the long flats, prodding each other forward. We joked and kept it light hearted to keep our minds off our sore muscles. When we climbed the mountains, my friends would circle back and ride with me to the top. When I hit the wall on the back side of Pinnacle Mountain, they patiently encouraged me to keep going. I learned to trust their patience, ride my race, and concentrate only on the hill I was on. As we approached the finish line, my friends pushed me to the front of the pelaton and allowed me to cross the finish line first with the proud faces of our families cheering us on and tears of joy flowing down our faces.

When one fights cancer for 6 and a half years, you often get scary news. Each time God has showed us new mercies, we have leaned into each other and our friends and we take each mountain by concentrating on the hill we are on. Today I am so thankful, for my rock solid loving wife and kids and for my friends and family who have been my faithful pelaton for this entire race. Love you guys.

[Click here for an update on Travis' treatment...](#)