

Rotary



Club of Sylva

Birthdays

Heather Baker
September 21st

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Joyce M Pope
October 8th

Jenna Mary Kranz
October 10th

Larry Hinton
October 15th

Christina H Paxton
October 16th

Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding Anniversaries
Found

Speakers

September 21, 2023

[Allyson Coan, Jackson
County Public Library](#)
Jackson County Public
Library

October 05, 2023

[Sean Gibson](#)
DG Official Visit

October 12, 2023

[Rotary Social Event at East
LaPorte Picnic Pavillion](#)
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Club Leaders



[Matt Saenger](#)
President



[Holly Guyer](#)
President

[Nancy G McConnell](#)
Secretary

News for September 21, 2023

Dear Rotary Friends,

It's beginning to feel like Fall and, like all seasons, it is a great time to be a member of the Greatest Rotary Club in the World.

We hope you will join us on Thursday when Allyson Coan of the Jackson County Public Library presents about our great local library. We will be meeting at noon at First Baptist Church in Sylva. Looking forward to it.

Food is available from Mad Batter to be ordered and delivered. Orders can be made at <https://www.madbatterkitchen.net/>. Delivery is possible if ordered by Thursday at noon using the process below:

- Tap Checkout
- Scroll to the bottom of the screen.
- In the box at the bottom where it says: "Add a note for the seller," type in "Thursday Rotary."

The club will provide bottled water. It is not necessary to order food to join us.

Please save dates for our District Governor Sean Gibson visit on October 5th and the Rotary Social Event on Oct. 12 at East LaPorte Picnic Pavillion.

We are thinking about member Ron Rhodes and his wife Pat. Pat is home recovering from surgery and we are keeping them both in our thoughts and prayers during this time.

Have a great week everyone! Thanks for keeping "The Greatest Rotary Club in the World" spirit going!

Yours In Rotary Service,
Matt & Holly

Past Club President makes gift to SCC

Very proud of Past President Mike Wade! He has created a \$500,000 scholarship endowment - the single-largest cash commitment in the SCC Foundation's 50-year history.



Ann M. Pearre
Treasurer



Micah Carter
Rotary Foundation
Chair



Jay Pavey Jr.
Sergeant-at-Arms



James M. Spiro
RYLA Point of
Contact
Membership Chair



Roy Warren
Burnette
Club Public Image
Chair



Todd Vinyard
iPast President



Michael G. Wade
iPast President



William Swift
Assistant Governor



Meagan Crews, Jackson County Public Schools Director of Behavioral Health, speaks to club

Thank you very much to Meagan Crews, [Jackson County Public Schools, NC](#) Director of Behavioral Health, for the update on Mental Health efforts for our students and families. Jackson County Schools is the first school system located in the Mountain region to be selected for Project AWARE. North Carolina's Project AWARE (Advancing Wellness and Resiliency in Education) also locally known as NC Project ACTIVATE (Advancing Coordinated and Timely InterVentions, Awareness, Training, and Education) addresses the three tiers of mental health (promotion, prevention, and intervention) through a continuum of education, universal screening, and appropriate services and supports for all students in grades PK-12 in response to varying levels of needs identified within the classroom and at school. The federally funded program was created by the [NC Public Schools](#) and the NC Department of Health and Human Services to promote student well-being, healthy behaviors, and interventions to address mental health problems before they occur. Thank you to our school system and Superintendent Dr. Dana Ayers for this effort to provide this needed support to students and families in our region. [#PeopleOfAction](#) indeed. Appreciate guest JCPS Student Support Services Department Director Kelly Doppke and NC DPI Western Regional Director Dr. Jeremy Gibbs being with us. Thank you!



Coach Bell speaks to club! Go Cats!

By Todd Vinyard on Monday, September 4, 2023

[Western Carolina Catamounts](#) football is here! We are ready! Especially after the super motivational talk by WCU Football Coach Kerwin Bell. And Past President Eddie Wells leading us in the WCU Fight Song. Coach Bell is pictured below with Co-President Matt. If you haven't already, get tickets and get ready for football more at <https://catamountsports.com/> Big game coming up Saturday in Cullowhee against Samford.

Consider supporting the great work of the Catamount Club to support our student-athletes - <https://www.wcu.edu/catamount-club/>
Go Cats!



Fantastic Chamber/Rotary STIR Event at Innovation Station

By Todd Vinyard on Tuesday, August 29, 2023

We had the best time hosting Jackson County Chamber of Commerce STIR Business After Hours event at Innovation Station in Dillsboro. The [Rotary Club of Sylva](#) provided the beverages and Rotarians Julie and Kelly Donaldson provided sandwiches for the networking opportunity. Rotary Club of Sylva members Holly Guyer, Jay Spiro, Karen McCracken, and Chris Stuckey spoke about the benefits of becoming a Rotarian in one of its two clubs- the noon traditional club or the spinoff Satellite Club. Chamber Executive Director Julie Donaldson and Assistant Director Kelly Donaldson also shared with those in attendance information about their 100th anniversary paver project and Patron membership promotion. Everyone enjoyed networking with chamber members and Rotary members, as well as entering for a chance to win several wonderful door prizes. Thanks to everyone for attending!



Club Assembly meeting

By Todd Vinyard on Tuesday, August 22, 2023

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our club assembly great to hear about the exciting plans for this year! The meeting of all club members, including officers, directors, and committee chairs, was an opportunity to discuss our club's programs and activities for this year. Looking forward to a great year ahead.

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Thank you Jay for taking the apron!

By Todd Vinyard on Tuesday, August 22, 2023

The Rotary apron was bequeathed from Vance Davidson, our great friend who is moving to Florida, to Jay Spiro for Pancake Breakfast honors at today's Club Assembly. We know Jay will wear it well and, most importantly, get the job done by making great pancakes at our pancake breakfast this year. Thanks for taking the apron, Jay!



Thank you to Rotary Island cleaning crew!

By Todd Vinyard on Tuesday, August 15, 2023

Thank you to Carr, Jay, and Roy for their [#ServiceAboveSelf](#) to keep the Rotary Island and entrance to Sylva looking good. We appreciate the efforts of these great [#PeopleofAction](#).



Jackson County Back To School Event a Success!

By Todd Vinyard on Tuesday, August 8, 2023

Thank you to [Jackson County Public Schools, NC](#), our wonderful community, and the Rotary Club of Sylva [#PeopleofAction](#) for making the outstanding Back-To-School Bash. We are so proud of club member and Jackson County School Superintendent Dr. Dana Ayers for this outstanding community event. Love seeing the community support for our students, teachers, school staff, and families. Wishing everyone a great school year! Thank you to all who worked so hard to make this event happen.



United Christian Ministries presents about work at meeting

By Todd Vinyard on Tuesday, August 8, 2023

Thank you to club member Joyce Pope, Director of Outreach [United Christian Ministries of Jackson County](http://www.ucmhelp.com/), for a wonderful presentation on all UCM does in our community. UCM provides a food pantry, personal items, and financial assistance for essential bills to residents of Jackson County. Joyce is pictured with Co-President Holly. Thank you, Joyce and UCM for all you do for more on how you can help them visit - <http://www.ucmhelp.com/>



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By Scott Baker on Thursday, November 18, 2021

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