

Rotary



Club of Sylva

Years of Service

Roy Warren Burnette
05-03-2012
12 Years
Eddie Wells
05-02-2013
11 Years
Melissa Canady Wargo
05-11-2017
7 Years
Hollie A Johnson
05-23-2019
5 Years
Chace A Spillman
05-04-2023
1 Year

Birthdays

Phil Haire
May 1st
Joe Rigdon
May 6th
Scott Baker
May 17th
John Phillips Jr.
May 26th

Wedding Anniversaries

Gail Debnam
May 4th
James Montsinger
May 7th
Dana L Ayers
May 10th
Melissa Canady Wargo
May 11th
Christina H Paxton
May 19th
Lynette Dickson Lazar
Darby
May 23rd
Phil Haire
May 28th

Club Leaders



Matt Saenger
President



Holly Guyer
President



Joyce M Pope
President-Elect

News for May 23, 2024

Dear Rotary Club Members,

It is hard to believe the Rotary year is winding down, but our club keeps pushing on with service. Thank you! **There is no noon meeting this week.** Please make plans to join us next week on May 30th when we will give out checks to local non-profits from our fundraising efforts. We appreciate all who worked so hard to give this money back to so many worthy causes in our community.

We have rescheduled the staining of Poteet Park event to the rain dates of June 14th & 15th. We will start on Friday, June 14th at 1 p.m. and then come back the next day if needed at 10am. The flyer has been updated. If you would like to sign up to volunteer, that can still be done on the same website: volunteersignup.org/HEMEB. We hope that you will join us in our efforts to refresh Poteet Park on June 14th.

It is also most Flags for Heroes time. Thank you very much to the great American Mike Wade. Thank you, Mike, for leading this effort. Please reach out to Mike if you have any Flags for Heroes questions.

Looking ahead, here's a quick rundown of our meeting schedule for the remainder of the Rotary year:

- May 30th: Grant \$\$ Day - Distributing funds to local non-profits based on our fundraising efforts this year!
- June 6th & 20th

Thank you all for your unwavering commitment to service. Together, we continue to uphold our legacy as "The Greatest Rotary Club in the World" in our community.

Yours In Rotary Service,
Matt & Holly



Nancy G McConnell
Secretary



Ann M Pearre
Treasurer



Jay Pavey Jr.
Sergeant-at-Arms



James M. Spiro
RYLA Point of
Contact
Membership Chair



Eddie Wells
Club Service Chair



Roy Warren
Burnette
Club Public Image
Chair



Todd Vinyard
iPast President



Michael G. Wade
iPast President

Club Meeting

Sylva
Meets at First Baptist
Church of Sylva Fellowship
Hall
669 West Main Street
Sylva, NC 28779
Time: Thursday at 12:00 PM

Smoky Mountain High School Athletic Director/Boys Basketball Coach Tom Young speaks

The Rotary Club of Sylva appreciates [Smoky Mountain High School](#) Athletic Director and Boys Basketball Coach Tom Young speaking to us. We enjoyed hearing his plans to work with local youth programs and develop junior varsity programs. Appreciate this effort to increase youth participation and provide more opportunities. Thank you, Coach Young and others at SMHS [Jackson County Public Schools, NC](#), for all you do. We were also glad to donate our Happy Dollars to Smoky Mountain High School athletics. Proud to support these coaches and athletes who represent our community.
Go Mustangs!



Change in Dates for Poteet Park work

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It is time to refresh Poteet Park again in Downtown Sylva and volunteers are needed to complete. This equipment was installed by the Rotary Club of Sylva in 1999, and they are partnering with Hands on Jackson and the Town of Sylva to stain all the equipment to keep it looking nice for our children. All materials will be provided. The date will be June 14th & we will come back on the morning of the 15th if not finished. For more information email Eddie Wells at eddiewells@jacksonnc.org

June 14th 1pm - until

&

June 15th 10am - until
(if needed)

Signup to volunteer at :
volunteersignup.org/HEMEB



Welcome Brianne Hudak!

We have a new member in our IMPACT Club! Welcome to Brianne Hudak who was initiated on April 30th and is sponsored by Holly Guyer. She is pictured with Chris Stuckey from the Sylva Rotary IMPACT Club. Thanks for joining our #PeopleofAction.



Happy visit by Michele A Garashi-Ellick about The CART Fund

Many thanks to our good friend and former club member Michele A Garashi-Ellick for the visit and for speaking about [The CART Fund](#). Very grateful for the work Michele and others do to help push back against Alzheimer's. For more on this work, visit <https://www.cartfund.org/>

