

Rotary



Club of Sylva

Years of Service

F. Patrick McGuire
06-01-1993
32 Years

Birthdays

Lemuel Carr Tyndall III
June 7th

Wedding Anniversaries

Eddie Wells
June 6th

Todd Vinyard
June 12th

David Rhett Baker
June 29th

Nancy G McConnell
June 30th

Club Leaders



Matt Saenger
President



Holly Guyer
President



Joyce M Pope
President-Elect



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

News for June 20, 2024

Dear Rotary Friends,

This **Thursday**, we will have the installation of our new co-presidents, Joyce Pope and Mike Wade. **The Installation Dinner will be at the WCU Ramsey Center. Social time begins at 5:30 p.m.**, with dinner following at 6 p.m. We look forward to being with all who have signed up to wish Joyce and Mike a great year ahead.

A special thank you goes out to our fantastic Service Chair, Eddie Wells, and all those who worked last Friday and Saturday to **Refresh Poteet Park**. Great job, everyone!

As we move forward, let's keep the spirit of Rotary alive by embracing new challenges and opportunities with enthusiasm and determination. Let's continue supporting each other, sharing ideas, and inspiring action. Remember, every small act of kindness and every service project we undertake makes a difference.

Thank you for your dedication, hard work, and unwavering support. Together, we are stronger and will continue to create lasting change in our community and the world as the "Greatest Rotary Club in the World."

Yours in Rotary Service,

Holly & Matt

Thank you to all who helped with Refresh Poteet Park

The Rotary Club of Sylva recently had a service project of Refresh Poteet Park in downtown Sylva. Members and friends of Rotary worked Friday and Saturday in the heat to stain and repair the park. This equipment was installed by the Rotary Club of Sylva in 1999, and the club partnered with Hands on Jackson to keep it looking nice for our children. Thank you to all who worked so hard to keep this incredible gift to our community children looking good.





Michael G. Wade
Past 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

NC Hwy 107 R-5600 project in Sylva presentation

We appreciate Jeanette White, NCDOT Highway Division 14, Project Development Team Lead, presenting to our club recently about the NC Hwy 107 R-5600 project in Sylva. Thank you to all who joined us.



Sylva Rotary Club awards 13 grants to local groups

Today was one of the best days of the Sylva Rotary Club year! We were excited to hand out funds we raised in grants to local non-profits; among those receiving funds to further their mission who attended were [United Christian Ministries of Jackson County](#), [Full Spectrum Farms](#), [Vecinos, Inc.](#), [Circles of Jackson County, Inc.](#), [Rolling Start NC](#), and [Hands on Jackson](#). Many thanks to these organizations for making life better in our community. We appreciate these [#PeopleOfAction](#). 13 organizations received a total of \$8,890. Thank you to all who supported our fundraisers this year. And thank you to these organizations for all they do to improve our community with these funds.

Co-President Matt Saenger presented the checks on behalf of the club. Matt is pictured with Joyce Pope of United Christian Ministries of Jackson County, who is also our club's incoming Co-President.



Thank you community for successful Flags for Heroes event

Thank you to all who made the Flags for Heroes event possible Memorial Day weekend in downtown Sylva. We are proud to be able to help honor and remember those who sacrificed so much for our country. Anyone who would like to be part of this event for the July 4th and Veterans Day event may email Michael@michaelgwade.com for information. The cost of both events is \$50. Flags can be purchased to honor a service member or any hero in the community, such as a first responders or teacher or others. All proceeds go to support local non-profits in Jackson County.



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!

