

Rotary



Club of Sylva

Years of Service

Charles William Wolfe
12-31-1996
28 Years

Don Tomas
12-31-2013
11 Years

Kelli Brown
12-12-2019
5 Years

Mary Otto Selzer
12-16-2022
2 Years

Jace Franklin Stowe
12-16-2022
2 Years

Birthdays

Stephanie Mathis
November 15th

Don Tomas
November 25th

Wedding Anniversaries

Ann M Pearre
December 22nd

Roy Warren Burnette
December 29th

Club Leaders



Michael G. Wade
Past President
President



James M. Spiro
President-Elect
RYLA Point of
Contact
Past President



Holly Guyer
iPast President

Matt Saenger

News for November 21, 2024

Greetings to the Greatest Rotary Club in the World (and the Center of the Universe)!

I hope everyone is having a fantastic week! A big shout-out to our club for raising over \$400 in happy dollars last week for Equinox Ranch—a wonderful organization supporting our veterans right here in Jackson County. What an amazing example of Service Above Self!

This Thursday at noon, we'll meet at Sylva First Baptist Church for a Club Assembly. It's a great opportunity to hear about upcoming events and initiatives for the remainder of the year. Don't miss it!

A huge thank-you to those helping with Thanksgiving meals for Jackson County Public Schools. Your service makes a real difference, and it's excellent preparation for the food and fellowship coming next week. I'm grateful for all you do!

Important Survey Alert:

Keep an eye out for an upcoming email survey about meals and our club. The Board has been hard at work reviewing options and wants your input to make the best decisions for us all. Please participate when it arrives and feel free to reach out to me with any questions.

Club Meeting Reminder:

Our club meets at noon on the first three Thursdays each month at Sylva First Baptist Church. On the fourth Thursday, we gather for a social at a location to be announced. Check the website for the latest speaker lineup!

Save the Date – Christmas Party:

Mark your calendars! Our Christmas Party is scheduled for December 19. More details are coming soon.

Quote:

Be yourself. Everyone else is already taken.
Oscar Wilde

Looking forward to seeing you all Thursday!

Yours in Rotary,
Mike

Equinox Ranch speaks to club about work

It was our pleasure to have Margo Rita Capparelli, the Founder and President of the Board of Equinox Ranch, speak to us today. Margo has a passion for helping veterans, and we are glad she is here in Cullowhee. Equinox Ranch aims to provide an environment and support for combat veterans who are ready for change and willing to seek help from others. Thank you to this group for all they do for our amazing veterans. We are proud of our members for donating more



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Membership Chair



Jay Pavey Jr.
Sergeant-at-Arms



Todd Vinyard
Club Public Image
Chair
Past President



Eddie Wells
Club Service Chair
Past President



Scott Baker
Past President
Webmaster



Charles William
Wolfe
International
Service Chair
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

than \$400 to this great cause today.

For more about them, visit <https://www.equinoxranch.org/>



Flags for Heroes event - Thank you veterans!

Words can't fully capture our gratitude; we honor our veterans and their unwavering commitment today. Thank you to each veteran for your selfless service. We're also grateful to everyone who helped bring our Flags For Heroes display to downtown Sylva, creating a powerful tribute of appreciation. Thank you!



WCU basketball coach Tim Craft speaks to club

It was our pleasure to have [Western Carolina Catamounts](#) Basketball Coach Tim Craft speak to us about the season. Loved hearing about his commitment to the community and building the Catamount DNA on and off the court. Welcome Coach Craft! Excellent job, as always, by Past President Eddie Wells with the WCU fight song. Go CATS!

For information on basketball tickets, visit <https://catamountsports.com/>



WCU Rotaract club is in action! Great job!

Exciting news from **The Best Rotaract Club in the World** at Western Carolina University! With four officers and 12 members, they're already making a difference. At their first meeting, they wrote letters to seniors living alone through "Love Our Elders." They're now collecting care kits for Hurricane Helene victims and have received a WCU grant to support their efforts, aiming to distribute 250 kits. Check out their Amazon wishlist to donate directly: [Amazon Wishlist](#). More updates about this inspiring group to come!

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CARE KIT COLLECTION

Toiletry Drive for those affected by Hurricane Helene in WNC

We are looking for individually wrapped, travel-sized toiletry items like deodorant, lotion, feminine hygiene products, soap, etc.!

All proceeds will go to local nonprofits.

TO DONATE:

Please visit our Amazon wishlist and purchase what you can
OR
Drop off items in the CCESL office (Belk 273)



Club participates in Hands On Jackson

Proud to have been part of a super day of service in our community with Hands On Jackson. Thanks to all who made it happen and showed a Service Above Self attitude. Great job!



Thank you Nancy McConnell! Paul Harris recognition for supporting Rotary Foundation

Congratulations to our incredible club member and friend, Nancy McConnell, on receiving her Paul Harris Fellow recognition today! Nancy has served as our club President and secretary and has been a driving force for good in many ways. Thank you, Nancy, for your unwavering support of the Rotary Foundation and all you do for our club and community. We truly appreciate you! One of our best [#PeopleofAction!](#)

