



Greenway Clean-Up

On Saturday, May 2nd, a small but mighty group gathered to clean up the Greenway Walking Trail. Present were Kenadie Legg (our community interact club president), Gail Hartman, Kahle Magalis, and Michael Williams. They collected four full bags of trash, a grocery cart and some pillows. On Saturday, May 30th, the Community Interact Club will clean up Kendrick Lane; all are welcome to join! (Photos by Michael Williams.)





Ride with Rotary

Gorgeous weather and well-executed publicity resulted in a strong turnout for this year's Ride with Rotary, which was held on Saturday, April 18, 2026.



Education Endowment Provides Opportunities

During our May 6th meeting, our scholarship recipients introduced themselves and thanked the club for the scholarship opportunity (MacKenzie - going to VT, Milo - to VT, Simon - to Laurel Ridge and then VT).

We were then treated to a presentation by a few of the board members of the Education Endowment: Nancy Lee, Phillip Vaught, and Jennifer Avery. They shared the history Warren County, including the fact that John Marlow gave the seed money for the endowment. It was created because although the schools use their county-allotted funds wisely, new initiatives often need extra money. Schools also need to give extra support to gifted/ talented students as well as those needing extra help. An example of one of the programs the Endowment has helped to fund is Truax's Troops - special needs students who prepare and sell treats and coffee to teachers at WCHS.

The endowment fund currently stands at \$902,000. The anticipated awards for 2026 will total about \$80,000, and 2027's awards are anticipated to be around \$91,000 for 2027. Their goal has been to reach \$100,000 each year, and they are steadily approaching that. They held their first appreciation dinner in 2025; the next is October 29, 2026, at Reitano.

Barbara presented the book "Will the Pigeon Graduate," which will be donated to the Therese C. Nethers Little Angels Daycare in recognition of their presentation.



Special thanks to Dave Hardy for taking photos and for Sally Kilpatrick for contributing to the write-up!

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Sunshine for Shred Day

We had a fairly successful shred day on May 7th! We shredded 2728 lbs. The donation to Front Royal Volunteer Fire Department was \$905.00.



We had the following helping out:
Barbara Ecton,
Debbie Grove,
Gayle Hartman,
Carol and David Hardy, Glenn Wood, Mark and Michelle Smeltzer, and Nicole Johns.

District Area Governor Installation

District Governor Elect Charlotte G. Whitted invites everyone to the District 7570 Governor and Area Governor Installation luncheon to be held on Saturday, June 6th, 2026 at 12:00 noon at the Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center in Abingdon, Virginia. The luncheon is open to Rotarians and guests with a delicious lunch catered by The Pakalachian. The cost is \$40 per person. Visit <https://www.rotary7570.org/calendar/> and locate the event on the calendar for more information. Registration deadline is June 2nd!

JOIN US FOR

INSTALLATION LUNCHEON

Inducting our incoming District & Area Governors

SATURDAY JUNE AT 12:00 PM
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Thank you to Michelle Smeltzer, Carol Hardy, and Dave Hardy for submitting information and photos.

May Birthdays & Anniversaries

Member Birthdays	Birthday
Mathews, Sara Beth (SARA KENNEY)	19 May
Patton, Sydney (SYDNEY)	23 May

Partner Birthdays	Member Name	Birthday
Brooks, Kevin	Brooks, Celeste	07 May
Mathews, Larry	Mathews, Sara Beth	17 May
Bowie, Josh	Pence, Kristen Jean	03 May
Slate, Amanda	Slate, Amanda	19 May

Member Anniversaries	Start Date	Years	Years(P)	Total
Brooks, Patrick(PATRICK)	05/07/25	1	0	1
Hupman, Robert Byron(ROBERT)	05/08/19	7	0	7
Patton, Sydney(SYDNEY)	05/07/25	1	0	1
Plauger, Norma Jean(JEAN)	05/18/05	21	0	21
Rinehart, Herbert M.(HERB)	05/31/20	6	15	21
Rinehart, June S.(JUNE)	05/05/05	21	15	36

Wedding Anniversaries	Partner's Name	Anniversary	Years
Barbour, Brian Christopher(BRIAN)	Lori	05/14	10
Cline, Crystal M(CRYSTAL)	George	05/01	16
Hamel, Melanie Hovanec(MEL)	James (JIM)	05/05	53
Hartman, Gail C(GAIL)	Robert (BOB)	05/30	41
Mathews, Sara Beth(SARA KENNEY)	Larry	05/18	2
Napier, Katherine P.(KATHY)	Ronald (RON)	05/27	47
Sholar, William Alan Jr.(BILL)	Susan (SUE)	05/08	55

June Birthdays & Anniversaries

Member Birthdays	Birthday
Beahm, Krista N (KRISTA)	23 June
Ecton, Barbara D. (BARBARA)	02 June
Fischetti, Deborah (DEBI FISCHETTI)	08 June
Meade, Katrina (KATRINA)	01 June
Plauger, Norma Jean (JEAN)	04 June
Smeltzer, Michelle L. (MICHELLE)	30 June

Partner Birthdays	Member Name	Birthday
Stoots, Andrew (ANDREW)	Beahm, Krista N	16 June
Ecton, Barbara	Ecton, Henry G.	02 June
Smeltzer, Mark	Smeltzer, Michelle L.	02 June

Member Club Anniversaries	Start Date	Years	Years(P)	Total
Gingrich, Kristen (KRISTEN)	06/26/24	2	0	2
Napier, Ronald Lewis (RON)	06/30/10	16	0	16
Williams, Michael Sean (MICHAEL)	06/01/09	17	0	17

Wedding Anniversaries	Partner's Name	Anniversary	Years
Ecton, Barbara D. (BARBARA)	Henry (HANK)	06/20	61
Ecton, Henry G. (HANK)	Barbara	06/20	61
Plauger, Norma Jean (JEAN)	Joel C. (JOEL C.)	06/11	43

2025-26 Officers

President: Kahle Magalis

Immediate Past President:

Ellen Aders

President Elect: Katie Tennant

Vice President: Debbie Grove

Treasurer: Katrina Meade

Secretary: Sally Kilpatrick

2025-26 Chairs

Foundation: Kathy Napier

Service: Carol Hardy

Fundraising: Jean Plauger

Grants: George Karnes

Social: Hope Petty

Membership: Sally Kilpatrick

Program: Debbie Grove

Public Image: Jen Avery

Bulletin: Celeste Brooks

Administrative: Dave Hardy

Youth Services: Michael Williams



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Upcoming Service and Events

June 3

Regular Meeting

Speaker: Steve Forman, Warren

Community Works

Service Committee Meeting immediately thereafter

June 10

Regular Meeting

Speaker: Kahle Magalis, Year in Review

June 17

Regular Meeting

Club Assembly

June 30th

Feed Our Neighbors

Rotary Club of Warren County

PO Box 702

Front Royal, VA 22630

warrencountyrotary.org

dacdb.com/Login

Meetings:

Wednesdays at 7am

First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

14 W 1st St., Front Royal

(Virtual option available)





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Our Club has a storage shed! If you need to pick up or drop off something, contact Kahle Magalis.

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