



DISTRICT 7730 NEWSLETTER - MARCH 2021

March is Water and Sanitation Month



Rotary Opens Opportunities

Events

February 5th
[Sign up to be SBI Golf Sponsor](#)

March 9th
[District 7730 ICA Committee Meeting](#)

March 18th
[Carolinas PETS](#)

March 28th
[District 7730 Virtual Rotary Day at Boys & Girls Homes NC](#)

April 9th
[Balsam Range Bluegrass Band in Concert for Alzheimer's Research](#)
Speaker: Balsam Range Bluegrass Band

April 12th
[District Zoom Meeting - Second Monday of Each Month](#)

April 12th
[DG-AG Leadership Zoom Meeting](#)

April 13th
[District 7730 ICA Committee Meeting](#)

May 7th
[Golf Tournament - No Meeting](#)

May 10th
[District Zoom Meeting - Second Monday of Each Month](#)

May 10th
[DG-AG Leadership Zoom Meeting](#)

May 11th
[District 7730 ICA Committee](#)

One year ago.....

By Dawn W. Rochelle



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One year ago, we were watching and listening and wondering what the news of this virus called COVID 19 meant for us all. I had just finished attending President Elect Training Seminar (PETS) in Greensboro and being a part of the Rotary Against Drugs Speech Competition at James Sprunt Community College. Those would be the last in person District events I would participate in person. One year ago, many had hardly used Zoom. One year ago, most of us had not really every worn a mask and we certainly did not have the selection we now do. And we had never been told that we were "muted" so many times in one day.

And those are the easy things about this time. I know that everyone has been impacted and many have suffered immeasurable losses. The majority of us reading this did not have prior experience of living in a time where there was so much fear about a virus. As Rotarians, however, it is not an unfamiliar conversation as Rotarians have all been a part of the ending of the Polio virus since the 1980s. As Rotarians, we have all had to lead in a time of uncertainty, whether in your family, your business, your community. Thank you for all that you are doing to be a positive guide in this journey together.

PETS will be here next week!

By Ellen Deaton

PETS will be here next week March 18th, 19th and 20th, 2021. The training will be from 3-6 pm March 18th & 19th and 9-12 pm on March 20th. The cost is \$125.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR CARLINAS PETS - MARCH 18-20, 2021](#)

All clubs should have a PE in place by now and entered in DACdb. If not please do so quickly. Your club will not be eligible for grant money next year unless you attend. If your club needs to register, please let me know so we can get your enrollment completed.

I look forward to seeing you at PETS.

If you are having any issues entering information, please contact Lin Kelly and she can assist you.

I am excited to have you on my team and know we will have an outstanding year with your help!

Thank you for all you do to support Rotary.

Ellen Deaton
7730 - DGE



It's fun to play with the ICA

By Patrick Eakes

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, we, as Rotarians, have come to the call of our communities during one of the most challenging times in Rotary's history. It has forced us to move outside of our Rotary Box by

Meeting

May 13th

Burgaw Rotary Golf Tournament

May 14th

Presidential Conference Series - Save the Date!

May 22nd

Fore Kids Golf Tournament

Speaker: Fore Kids Golf Tournament

Subject: Fore Kids Golf Tournament

June 8th

District 7730 ICA Committee Meeting

Club Anniversaries

Red Springs

March 4th

Lenoir County

March 9th

Z-University of North

Carolina Wilmington

March 24th

Jacksonville Breakfast

March 28th

Clinton

March 29th

District Leaders



Dawn W. Rochelle
District Governor



Ellen Deaton
DG-Elect



Jeff L. Mount
DG-Nominee



Nancy S. Carr
DG-Nominee Designate

making us truly flex our ability to adapt. I will be the first to admit, that if you had asked me what we would need to do to get Rotarians to engage virtually, I would have said ♦an act of God.♦ Well, I wasn't far off. COVID-19 forced has us to re-examine why we are Rotarians and to dive deep to continue to find ways to connect and get our service ♦fix.♦ But, as usual, Rotarians responded with resilience and outside-of -the-box-thinking.

The Innovative Club Advocate (ICA) Team is asking you to continue this trend, and here is why. Across our communities, we are seeing a lack interest and engagement in Rotary from Generation X, Millennials, and others. But we now have an opportunity, with our newly found flexibility, to offer options to those who are desperately looking for ways to join leaders, to exchange Ideas and most importantly, to TAKE ACTION. This is where you come in! The ICA team is asking clubs to consider how they can get involved with fostering new and innovative clubs this year, using the various new club models (caused-base, e-clubs, satellite, and passport). All organizations must, from time to time, adapt their messaging and their product (the club experience) offerings; and *now* is Rotary♦s time.

We have an organization with the infrastructure and resources to make real, meaningful, and lasting change in the communities that we serve. But, as time marches on, our numbers dwindle. Yet, the demographics that we fawn over are asking for our help to become engaged in service. So, let♦s give them that opportunity. The ICA team is asking current clubs to help mentor new clubs, to serve as guides to new leaders as new clubs form, and to even fiscally assist with membership and organizational costs as new clubs develop in their infancy year(s). The list of ways you can assist is only limited by your imagination.

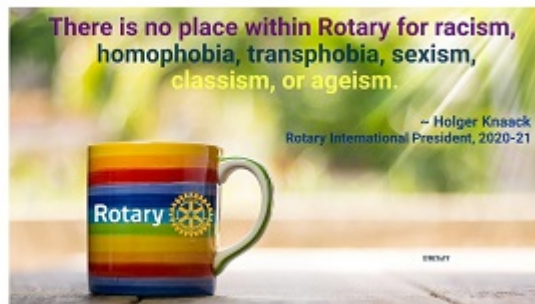
We all have a responsibility to pass the gift of Rotary on, so let♦s build a bigger and brighter Rotary in District 7730 together. For more information contact ICA team members Mary Berge at drberge@hotmail.com or Joe Piszczor at jpiszc37@gmail.com



DEI Live Webinar

By Vince Juric

Rotary International has many tools to learn about DEI. District 6970 is hosting an Infinite Possibilities series sponsored by Zone 33/34. The next DEI Live Webinar is on March 26 at 1 PM. The guest speaker is Xavier Ramsey, a Rotarian from the Chicago area that was featured in the Rotary magazine a few months ago, a very dynamic and captivating speaker. Log on through DAC db, go to District Calendar and look for Multi- District Events.



Rotary Presidential Conference Series

By Nancy Barbee

We are SO excited to extend a formal invitation to sign up for & attend the Rotary Presidential Conference Series USA!

These conferences provide the incredible opportunity for 3 host sites around the world to plan and create a conference alongside Rotary International President Holger Knaack. This year, President Holger♦s focus is on authentically building partnerships between Rotaractors and Rotarians. With that, we are thrilled to announce that Ascension Rotaract Network was selected to host 1 of the 3 conferences.

The conference will be conducted via Zoom on May 14-16, 2021, and the theme is Collaboration Through Relationship Building. The event will feature a creative approach to collaborative, real-time problem solving, deep-dive networking and conversations, and a FUN, can♦t-miss virtual fundraiser called RotarActs of Kindness benefiting The Rotary Foundation Disaster Response Fund.




ROTARY PRESIDENTIAL CONFERENCE SERIES

COLLABORATION THROUGH RELATIONSHIP BUILDING

*Hosted by Ascension Rotaract Network MDIO
and Rotary Zone 33
May 14-16, 2021*

Event Highlights
Elevator Pitch Competition & Awards
Interactive Project Sessions
Virtual Service RotarActs of Kindness

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION:
ASCENSIONROTARACT.COM/PRESIDENTIALCONFERENCE







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Virtual Rotary Day at Boys & Girls Homes NC



Virtual Rotary Day at Boys & Girls Homes NC

Our annual Rotary Day with the Boys & Girls Homes of North Carolina in Lake Waccamaw will be virtual this spring on Sunday, March 28, 2021, 2 p.m.

The event is free and will be hosted online via the Zoom virtual platform. Register now and you will be emailed login credentials and more details in March.

Sponsored by Rotary Districts 7710 and 7730 (Eastern NC) the online event will feature:

- Virtual tour of the Rotary Cottage, Thomas Academy, Lake House and Leamon Rogers Memorial Chapter
- Praise Team performance
- Meet new B&GH President/CEO Ricky Creech
- Recognition of your club's annual Rotary Day contribution
- Opportunity to help the Rotary cottage residents by purchasing needed items from an Amazon "Come to the Table" gift registry (more info to follow by email)

Founded in 1954, B&GH has helped more than 5,000 abused and neglected children through residential and community-based services. Since 1966, Rotarians have raised nearly \$2 million for the organization.

[CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP](#)

Once you register here you will receive the zoom registration - you will have to sign up again to receive a zoom link. Yes you have to register in two places but we would like to know how many folks from 7730 are attending.

Here we Grow Again - New Members

New Members from February 1 to February 28, 2021

Member Name	Start Date	Club
Adams, Daniel	2/6/2021	The Friendship Knot
Campbell, Earlene	2/3/2021	Southport
Collado Gutierrez, Hathalie	2/3/2021	Clinton Sampson
Flake, Donna	2/1/2021	Wilmington East
Hall, Joshua	2/1/2021	The Friendship Knot
Horne, Meredith	2/22/2021	Clinton Sampson
Husek, Margaret	2/18/2021	Morehead City
Lehar, Philipp	2/3/2021	The Friendship Knot
Malloy, Karen	2/18/2021	Burgaw
McCallum, Lauren	2/2/2021	WilmingtonCentral
Schoolfield, Robin	2/16/2021	Wilmington
Simmons, Virginia	2/11/2021	Wilmington West

Membership Report for March - Wait. What? Area 9?

By John R. Scibal



How to grow Rotary? Create new and innovative clubs! Area 9 consists of two clubs that are largely virtual, but whose members are involved with service projects of their local clubs. These clubs are International! Congratulations to **Pat Curley** and the newly formed Rotary Club of the Friendship Knot which is made up from those from the Scouting World. It has grown to 45 members!

Where does your club stand? Here's our latest membership reports broken down by clubs and areas.



Don't like what you see with your club? Give me, Dawn, Doug, or your AG and let's make a plan!



Sincerely,
John Scibal
District 7730 Membership Chair
252-349-4051

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District Grants Deadline March 31

By Steve Joseph Hellersperk



DISTRICT GRANTS



Counting Down!

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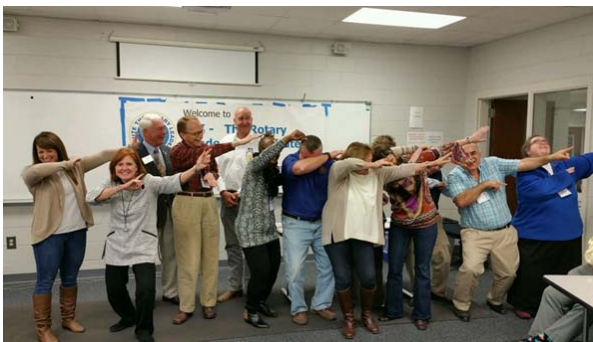
RLI is back!

By Steve Joseph Hellersperk



RLI Is Back

Rotary Leadership - Learning Institute
Part III Graduates showing you the way



RLI Graduates from Part III celebrate during the Graduation ceremony. Our District Governors support our events. Are you in there?

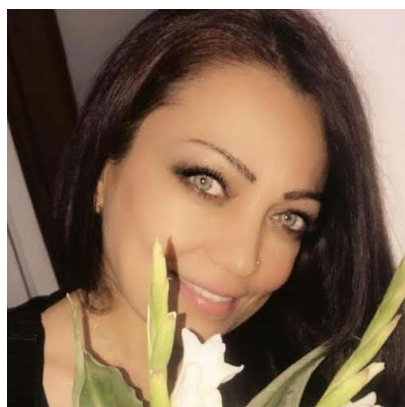
What does RLI do??

[Read More](#)

Meet Our Rotary Peace Fellowship Candidate!

By John Bryant Sollis on Friday, March 5, 2021

District 7730 will endorse the application of Susan Omar to compete for a Rotary Peace Fellowship for the 2022-24 cohort. The story briefly introduces Susan Omar to the district.



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Jacksonville Breakfast Rotary Reverse Raffle

By Christian B. Felden

Jacksonville Breakfast Rotary will be having its annual reverse raffle fundraiser on March 25, 2021 at the Angry Ginger Restaurant located at 1202 Gum Branch Rd., Jacksonville, NC 28540. The grand prize will be \$3,500.00. You do not have to be present to win. Tickets are \$50.00 per person and include a buffet dinner and beer and wine. Meal only tickets can also be purchased for \$15.00.

Tickets may be purchased from any club member or by calling 919-699-7911, or by email to cbfelden@feldenandfelden.com.

New Members Inducted 3/4/2021 - Leland Rotary Club

By Candy Adams



The Leland Area Rotary Club welcomed two new members--Jamie May and Scott Smith-- on Thursday 3/4/2021. Jamie May, CPA, is a Belville resident and is a Tax Manager at the firm Thomas, Judy & Tucker. Scott Smith is a Leland resident and a Realtor with Caldwell Banker Sea Coast Advantage, Leland. We are excited to have them join us!

Morehead City - Balsam Range Concert - April 9, 2021

By Stephen M. Smith

Rotary Club of Morehead City Sponsors Concert
In person and Live Stream

Proceeds go to
CART

COINS FOR ALZHEIMER'S RESEARCH TRUST

Glad Tidings Church
4621 Country Club Rd
Morehead City, NC
COVID-19 Precautions Apply

Balsam Range
• AMERICAN ACOUSTIC MUSIC •

April 9, 2021

Purchase \$30.00 tickets at: <https://rotarymhc.weebly.com>

Morehead City Noon Rotary donates to 5 Non-Profits!

By Diane Carolyn Warrender

The Service Projects Committee made donations to 5 non-profits who operate in our city. This is the information that went with the picture we submitted to our local newspaper The Carteret News Times.



* Chairperson of the Service Projects Committee of the Morehead City Noon Rotary Club, Diane Warrender, right, addresses club membership to introduce Shannon Williams, center, Chairperson of the Crystal Coast Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and Glenda Riggs, left, Director of the Carteret County Domestic Violence, to present them with donations from the club. The Noon Rotary Club recently presented five donations of \$1000 each to Family Promise Agency, West Carteret High School Athletic Association, Broad Street Clinic, Carteret County Domestic Violence and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. (Published February 6, 2021)

Southport Rotary Helps Tornado Victims

By Shawn Braswell



An F3 tornado ripped through the Ocean Isle area, leaving devastation in its wake. Several families were uprooted from their homes or suffered significant damage. Southport Rotarian Karen Bailey diligently worked to bring together various businesses and volunteer organizations to help.

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Southport Rotary Steps Up For SBHS

By Shawn Braswell

Pictured: Bryce Miller, McKenzie Lee, Charlotte Bland, Ms. Hines, Leslie Walsten

South Brunswick High School's blood drive was in danger of being cancelled so Ms. Michelle Hines from the school reached out for help. [Read More](#)



Boys & Girls Home Quick Fact Sheet - January 2021



MISSION STATEMENT:

Boys and Girls Homes of North Carolina, Inc., is dedicated to providing a comprehensive array of residential and community-based services to meet the needs of vulnerable children by addressing their physical, emotional, social, educational and spiritual development.

QUICK STATS

CAMPUS LIFE	
• Civitan, Kiwanis, Rotary, Optimist, Lions and Jaycees Cottages & Solomon Center	17
FOSTER CARE	
• Family Foster Care	107
• Therapeutic Foster Care	36
THE JANET MITCHELL WINSTEAD LAKE HOUSE I & II	10
TOTAL	170
THOMAS ACADEMY (Includes residential and community students)	100
Adoptions in 2021	4

Sponsorships provide special Christmas for foster families

Each year the Boys & Girls Homes of North Carolina foster care program seeks out sponsors to help provide a special Christmas for children in care.

This year, Foster Care Consultant Abbigail Roberts decided to explore new opportunities. She specifically reached out to Olympic gold medal winning gymnast Shawn Johnson through Instagram.

<https://www.boysandgirlshomes.org/News/Christmas-Sponsorships>



Olympic Gold Medalist Shawn Johnson East, right, former NFL player Andrew East and their daughter Drew provided Christmas gifts for six of foster children this year.

IN THE NEWS

Leinwand's continues more than 40-year tradition



For more than 40 years, Leinwand's of Elizabethtown has provided a Christmas shopping spree for the residents of the Kiwanis Cottage at Boys & Girls Homes of North Carolina. This year, due to COVID-19, the children provided their sizes and owner Ricky Leinwand did the shopping for them personally.

<https://www.boysandgirlshomes.org/News/Leinwands-Christmas-Tradition>

Christmas made possible for campus

The Christmas season at B&GH would not be possible without the support received from civic organizations. Among the highlights are the annual sponsorships and stockings for each child on campus provided by Civitan District East. Key Clubs provide support through the Christmas for Children Program. NC Jaycees provided gifts this year in place of the annual Christmas party. The St. James Service Club delivered gifts from the Cindy's Angel Tree Project, named in honor of past chairman Cindy Kirwan. Rotary Cottage received a new tree and decorations thanks to contributions from Rotary Clubs. Carolinas District Kiwanis even provided a "Drive-by-Parade" for the campus led by President/CEO Ricky Creech. "We could not provide such amazing Christmas experiences for the children and families we serve without this kind of support from the community," said Creech.

Boys & Girls Homes earns coveted 4-star rating from Charity Navigator

Boys & Girls Homes of North Carolina's strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency have earned it a 4-star rating from Charity Navigator, America's largest independent charity evaluator.

<https://www.boysandgirlshomes.org/News/4-star-rating>

Local Police Officers Recognized For Outstanding Service

By Shawn Braswell



Since 2005, the Southport Rotary Club has awarded Officer of the Year to the Southport Police Department, the Boiling Springs Lake Police Department, and the Oak Island Police Department. Each of these police departments select their Officer of the Year recipients.

Southport Rotary Club is currently making presentations to the 2019 award winners, which should have been presented in March 2020 at a Rotary luncheon with family and fellow officers. The celebration luncheons were postponed multiple times due to the Covid-19 restrictions so the decision was made to move forward and recognize these fine officers at their respective Police Departments. [Read More](#)

Burgaw Golf Tournament May 13th

By Ruth A. Glaser on Sunday, February 14, 2021



DUPLIN
COUNTRY CLUB

148 DUPLIN COUNTRY CLUB RD.
KENANSVILLE, NC 28349

THURSDAY

May 13, 2021

9:00am

Shotgun Start
BBQ Pork Lunch & Awards

1:00PM

Corporate Sponsor \$2500.00 (up to four teams of 4, signage, advertising)

Gold level sponsor \$1000 (up to two teams of 4, signage, advertising)

Silver level sponsor \$500 (one team of 4, signage, advertising)

Bronze level sponsor \$300 (one team of 4)

Beverage cart sponsor \$250 (signage, advertising)

Hole sponsor \$200 (signage, advertising)

Main contact name, phone number & email address:

Player 1 name & email address:

Player 2 name & email address:

Player 3 name & email address:

Player 4 name & email address:

Please complete the entry form and submit by Feb. 28, 2021

Make checks payable to: The Burgaw Rotary Community Fund
Send to: The Burgaw Rotary Club, P.O. Box 323, Burgaw, NC, 28425
Contact: William Rivenbark Phone: 910 602-2173
Email: wgrivenbark@hotmail.com

Blood Drive Details by Dan Parks

By Daniel W. Parks

Wilmington East Rotary

We are sponsoring our 6th blood drive since April of 2020 in a joint effort with The Masonic Lodge on 3/18/2021. The event takes place at Masonic Lodge # 319 on 2910 S College Rd in Wilmington from 9-3. The cold winter conditions across the nation have created a country wide blood shortage.

Your help is needed so please: SIGN UP, SHOW UP AND ROLL YOUR SLEEVE UP!

To schedule an appointment please go to www.redcrossblood.org and search by sponsor code: East Rotary.

Dan Parks

Wilmington East Rotary

FOREKIDS! Golf Tournament - Sponsors and Golfers

By Kathleen MacDonald on Wednesday, February 17, 2021

ForeKids! Golf Tournament call for sponsors is officially open.

Click Link to a printable [Golf Cover Letter](#)

Click Link to a printable [Golf Outing Sponsor Form](#)

Click Link to a printable [Golf Outing Sponsorship Levels](#)

Click Link to a printable [Golf Team Entry Form](#)

Click Link to a printable [COVID 19 Waiver](#)

2021 FORE! KIDS Golf Tournament
Saturday, May 22, 2021 ♦ Tee Times Begin at

8:00 AM (#1 & #10)

The South Brunswick Islands Rotary Club and our 2021 golf committee would like to thank you for your participation in our annual **FORE! KIDS Golf Tournament** at Tiger's Eye Golf Course in Ocean Ridge Plantation. Our 60+ members are dedicated to raising funds which will benefit the children of our community.

COVID-19 Information: For the safety of the players, volunteers, and staff, the outing format has changed from a shotgun start to individual tee times for each foursome, beginning at 8:00 AM. Grab-And-Go breakfast as well as boxed lunch are included in lieu of meals served in the restaurant. Due to the above changes, green fees have been reduced to \$100.00 per player or \$400.00 per foursome. Players will be asked to sign a COVID waiver at registration.

What has not changed is South Brunswick Island Rotary's commitment to our community with the funds raised through this tournament, and our commitment to you and our sponsors of a fun day of golf. What we include for the golfers in our outing:

- Greens fees and cart fees for 4 at Tiger's Eye, one of the area's premier courses
- 3 Flights with prizes to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams in each flight
- Tee Times begin at 8:00 AM, double tee-d, last tee time no later than 10:30 AM.
- Grab and Go Breakfast and Boxed Lunch
- Complimentary Driving Range balls
- Prizes for numerous on-the-course skills challenges
- Complimentary 2021 **FORE! KIDS Golf Tournament** souvenir

The South Brunswick Islands Rotary Club donates 100% of the net proceeds from ALL fund-raising activities to our local area and international programs. In 2019, the South Brunswick Islands Rotary Foundation was formed to become the charitable arm of the Rotary Club of South Brunswick Islands. As a 501(c)(3) non-profit, with tax ID 82-5054684, donors can take advantage of the tax-deductible portions of their donations. Since our first golf tournament, YOUR sponsorship of more than **\$298,000** has been leveraged with club and other funds for reinvestment in our communities, both local and global.

The focus of our Club's fund raising continues to be the youth of our community, our state, and the world. Some of local projects we support:

- Dictionary Program every third-grade student in Brunswick County receives his or her own Dictionary.
- WBHS Interact Club for students to improve their leadership & interpersonal skills.
- Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) for high school juniors to attend a weekend Leadership Conference.
- Leadership Conference in Atlanta, Georgia for high school students to learn from our Nation's Leaders.
- Brunswick Community College scholarship endowment fund
- WBHS students by annually awarding several academic and one band scholarship.
- Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts projects through work parties and contributions.
- Local programs such as the Brunswick Literacy Council - New Hope Clinic - CART Program
- Josh the Otter program for elementary school children

On a District Level, SBI partners with other Rotary Clubs to support the Boys' Rotary Cottage at the North Carolina Boys' and Girls' Home at Lake Waccamaw.

Internationally, SBI continues to support the effort to eradicate Polio worldwide. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation has joined Rotary International in this effort. We thank you for your continued support in these efforts.

Golf Committee Members

Golf Committee Chair

T.J. Spivey



Golf Committee Co-Chair
President 2020-21
President Elect
President Nominee
Public Image Chair
Data Management

Kathleen MacDonald
Clint Berry
Kathleen MacDonald
Tim Daniels
Amber Malave
Lin Kelly

Wilmington Central Rotary 2021 Blood Drive

By Sue Rachunok

Wilmington Central Rotary is hosting an upcoming blood drive.
Please join our lifesaving mission and schedule an appointment today!
[Read More](#)

Wilmington Central Rotary's Flamingos for a Cause

By Sue Rachunok on Wednesday, March 3, 2021

Wilmington Central Rotary pink flamingos project benefits She ROCKS and The Miracle League.
[Read More](#)

Youth Services



Click on the chair name to email them.

Interact Chair: [Jennifer Hardee Vanasse](#)

- For more information: interact@rotary.org

Rotaract Chair: [Magda Baggett](#)

- For more information: Rotaract@rotary.org

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) Chair: [Phil Panzarella](#)

Youth Exchange Chair: [Jean Hall](#)

Interested in getting involved?

- You can find our clubs in Bladen, Brunswick, Carteret, Columbus, Cumberland, Duplin, Jones, Lenoir, New Hanover, Onslow, Pender, Robeson, Sampson and Scotland Counties!
 - In the meantime, you can view the following links:
 - Rotary International link provides information about the program at <https://www.rotary.org/en/youth-exchanges>
 - The Club Finder gives students and schools a way to find nearby Rotary clubs that might consider sponsoring them. <https://www.rotary.org/en/search/club-finder>
 - Essex (EasternStates Student Exchange) is the Rotary Group that our district does all our exchanges. Click [Here](#)
 - Club Short Application <http://www.directory-online.com/Rotary/Accounts/7730/Pages/PDF%20Documents//Club%20Short%20App2.pdf>
 - Our Student Protection Officer - Looking for someone to volunteer for this positions
 - [Student Protection Policy](#)
 - [Student Protection Policy Brochure](#)
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Rotary International Calendar

Calendar

Visit this calendar throughout the year.

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