

Rotary District 7600

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District News



A Message from District Governor Rudy,

Hello Rotarians, and Happy New Year! 2024 is going to be a great Rotary Year! We have six months left to continue to Create Hope in the World. I am happy to report that at the halfway point of Rotary Year 2023-2024, District 7600 is in great shape! We have shown consistent and reasonable growth in Membership since July 1st. As of December 25th, we are plus a net of 57 members in the District! Way to go to all the clubs and the District Membership Committee for putting such a positive focus

on increasing our Impact through Expanding our Membership Roles!

Service is off to a fantastic start. With just 19 clubs using the DACdb Engagement Module, we have already documented 300 members who contributed almost 6,000 total volunteer hours for an economic impact of over \$140,000 in our communities! Imagine if all 62 clubs were documenting their good works. I suspect that number would be significantly higher! If your club is not using the engagement module, then I encourage you to do so! The Engagement Module captures significant data that enhances our ability to tell our story, so our communities know what we are doing.

On the Foundation side of the District, I am so happy to report that our Rotarians have already contributed \$118,000 in Annual Fund Contributions, \$178,000 in Polio Plus Giving! Way to go Rotarians! Keep up the good work and generosity!

Catherine and I truly enjoyed our club visits. We finished up with Churchland on December 12th. Lots of great times, some wonderful fellowship and just a greater clarity on just how much each of you do in your communities. I am humbled by your commitment to Creating Hope in the World.

As we round the corner into the second half of Rotary Year 2023-2024, we have a number of things coming up. PrePETS, Presidential Retreat, District Team Training Seminar, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, District Training Assembly, and of course, Chesapeake Presidents Elect Training in Chantilly! In addition, this spring three of our cubs will be celebrating their 100th Anniversary: Hopewell on March 15th, Franklin on April 16th and Cape Charles on May 15th! Stay tuned for more information, but I encourage you to attend these wonderfully significant celebrations.

Have a marvelous start to 2024. Continue your selfless service to Create Hope in the World, and I hope to see you soon! Rudy

Human Trafficking Symposium

There will be a Human Trafficking Symposium held on Feb 10, 2024 from 9:00am -1:00pm at the Theater inside Trailblazer Hall, Brightpoint Community College, Midlothian Campus - 800 Charter Colony Parkway, Midlothian, Va 23114. There is no cost and plenty of parking. For more information and / or to register, contact Carl Duffey (804) 744-4481.

Tutudesk Update:

On 20 Dec. James City County Rotary Club heard from District 7600 Treasurer Bill Mulvihill about the Tutudesk Campaign.



The Rotary Districts of Southern Africa are collaborating with the Tutudesk Campaign to bring writing desks to disadvantaged children in schools lacking proper infrastructure. The Desmond Tutu Tutudesk Campaign is personally led by Archbishop Desmond Tutu, who died in 2021, with the key mission to provision 20 million Tutudesks to African school children by 2025. An estimated 95%



children by 2025. An estimated 95+ million children in sub-Saharan Africa are affected by classroom desk shortages, which has a direct, ongoing and extremely negative impact on the

development of the child's literacy and academic performance. A Tutodesk provides children in need with a mobile, steady and stable desk enabling an immediate, lasting and positive impact on the beneficiary child's literacy development and overall academic performance.

Based on the District 7600 conference, each Rotary club is requested to join this campaign. Click on the links or copy the URL to your browser. [Tutodesk Campaign | District International Service Committee \(rotary5160.org\)](#). Then click on: [Tutodesk Campaign | District International Service Committee](#) for more information. The District has over 12 Rotary clubs who have participated, and they are short \$1,000.00. We will get our District name on the desk as well as in the advertisement. For more info contact Bill Mulvihill at bmulvihill2@gmail.com Shown are club president Ron Howard, Bill Mulvihill and Rotarian Gary Chenault.

Thank you.
Paul Miyamasu, JCC Rotary

Mental Health Minute
Submitted by Susanna Calvert

The District 7600 Mental Health Task Force recommends that each Rotarian sets aside a Mental Health Minute each month to build resilience and awareness about mental and emotional health and well-being.

Here are some ideas for January's theme of managing others. Share with your club and/or spend a few moments reflecting on your relationship with those around you.

Fact: Did you know that conflict costs the US over \$300 b/year according to a 2008 survey by CPP Global? In 2023 dollars, that's over \$500 b/year.

Fact: Healthy and positive relationships are also central to our ability to flourish. Good thing you took all those courses in building healthy relationships in school and at work. What? Those weren't offered? It's no surprise that creating healthy relationships at work and at home can feel so challenging. However, there are resources available to help us build healthier and more resilient social and emotional lives!

Fact: An important part of leadership development has to do with knowing yourself, and managing yourself and others. After all, what is leadership besides influencing others to create change? This is an important skill for lifelong learning that can benefit every area of life.

District 7600's Mental Health Task Force offers opportunities to support Rotarians' ability to develop resilient relationships and flourish. Check out our [calendar and activities table](#) to learn more and develop your resilience skills with others in your community.

Welcoming New District Executive Secretary:



Many of you have had the pleasure of working with or being around our Executive Secretary, Tracey Thomas. Unfortunately, we recently learned Tracey would need to leave us due to obligations placed on her by her other, primary, employer. She is as devastated as we are.

Priority Staffing worked quickly to review potential candidates and recommended one for an interview. The Executive team and I held a Zoom interview with Tiffany Correll on Monday, December 11th.

After a very impressive interview, we decided to extend an offer to Tiffany under the same hour and wage structure currently approved for Tracey. She accepted the job offer!

The flexibility and professionalism of both of these ladies are worth noting. They agreed to meet at the district office evenings and weekends as needed for training. I would like to share a photo from one of those trainings - Tracey is on the left, Tiffany on the right.

We will continue to work to train Tiffany and introduce her to the needed task she will be responsible for, especially that wonderful DACdb system!! Until then, please give her a warm welcome when you see her. I asked Tiffany to share a little about herself, so you have an opportunity to get to know her. She sent the letter I have included below.

Hello Rotarians!!



Iâ€™m Tiffany and I recently became a new member to the staffing team with Rotary International District 7600. I am extremely excited to be a part of an organization that is committed to â€œService Above Selfâ€. I will be joining the team as the Executive Assistant and take pride in demonstrating the humanitarian spirit of this organization.

I am a mother of 2 energetic and beautiful girls, so Iâ€™m always up for a challenge. I also have experience as a Psychiatric Technician, Registered Behavioral Technician, and Certified Medical Assistant. My previous positions within the medical field have led to my lifelong desire to not only mentor youth who struggle with ethical decision-making, but to help implement the necessary traits and behaviors that are instrumental to personal development. This passion has also led me to pursue a bachelor's degree in human services & social work as well as establish a company that strives to provide accessible programs that will help inspire and encourage positive changes for the youth within the company.

My current goal is to create an ideal environment for the next generation that sustains continual growth by helping individuals identify their strengths, weaknesses, and areas of improvement that will build their character while identifying with their sense of purpose in order to gain the confidence needed to empower them in their problem-solving abilities.

I take pride in working for such a positive organization that strives to create lasting change in the world, and Iâ€™m looking forward to participating with the team.

Club News

James City County Club:

By Paul Miyamasu

Future Rotarians rang the bell for the Salvation Army with The Rotary Satellite Club of James City County and Rotary Club of James City County. We LOVE to share service events where our family members can join in and help our community. We thank all the generous community members who lined the red kettles with some green and coins.



Also, thanks to Rotarians who are ringing the bell again this season and to Rotarians Dylan Malcomb, Brandyn Denico-Baty, and Jihl Lopez Weaver for being amazing role models for your girls and for helping collect money for the underserved in our community.

On 2 -3 December, James City County Rotary and Satellite Club members rang the bells for Salvation Army's Red Kettles near the Shopping Centers. We want to thank our generous community for their donations. Also, we want to thank Rotarians who gave their time this season, especially to Melinda Snow who organized the sign-up schedule.

Shown is Rotarian Dylan Malcomb, who also is attending the Joint Advanced Warfighting School in Norfolk, with his daughters, Viera, ringing the bell, and Emilia, playing her harp.



Shown left is potential Rotary member Ms. Stephanie Montgomery.



Shown right are Melinda Snow, Bill Wallis, Jerry Fields, Not shown is Paul Miyamasu.



Other clubs across the district also supported the Salvation Army with Bell Ringing. Here's a sampling...

Ashland Club...



Hanover County Club:



The Historic Triangle Club:



Bon Air Club: (left)

The Newport News Club (right)

James City County Club:



James City County Club.



Rotarians Helping Virginia Peninsula Community College Students Through Scholarships

Charles Glazener (Virginia Peninsula Community College)

At a recent Virginia Peninsula Community College's annual donor recognition event, Charles Clazener, a member of the Rotary Club of James City County explained why the club donates to the college. He said, "Education is the key to the kingdom." and he explained how he had personal family experience to testify to that statement.

Past Club President, Nancy Carter said the club felt that donating to these \$1,000 - \$2,000 scholarships befitting the students more than giving to a student going to a traditional four-year college.

To read the whole article that appeared in the *Williamsburg Yorktown Daily* on December 11, go [HERE](#).

Newport News Club:

From Facebook



Beyond the Meeting: Coats for Children and Support for Families.

The Rotary Club's spirit of service was fully displayed after the meeting. The club delivered coats to Saunders Elementary School, ensuring warmth for children in need during winter.

The day concluded with setting up the Salvation Army warehouse for the Angel Tree program preparing over 600 bags for families in our area. These acts of kindness encapsulate the club's dedication to making a tangible difference in the community.

Hanover County Club:

From Facebook

Members of the Club gather around our leaning tower of underwear! The Club collected 483 pairs to support the children of Lott-Carey Christian School in Liberia!

The Rotary Club of Hanover is delighted to partner with Atlee Station Family YMCA on several projects. The Club provided blankets, slippers, umbrellas and fleece-lined jackets for the Angel Tree project.



Additional donations of clothing, bedding, and food were provided for the Christian Village Project, a local senior independent living community.

Pictured with the Rotary donations are Club President Janice Henicheck with Holly Austin, Executive Director, and Allison Johnson, Associate Director of Atlee Station Family YMCA.

South Hill Club:

By Lisa Clary



The South Hill Rotary Club recently received a \$4500 District 7600 Grant and teamed up with Volunteers for Christ to help build and install a ramp for an elderly lady, who not only has her own disabilities, but cares for her daughter and granddaughter, who also have disabilities. The Rotary Club purchased the ramp with funds they received for the 2023-2024 Rotary year and club members along with Volunteers for Christ members installed the ramp last week as part of the "œboots on the ground" grant

requirements and was on hand to see the recipient test it out. It was an uplifting moment for all involved as this would make her life much easier.

They will help with another one later in the Rotary year. It was a great time of fellowship to help a family in need. This is the 14th Rotary Grant that South Hill has received and have been involved in including purchasing Turn Out gear for Southside Rescue, The Rotary Clock in downtown South Hill (the first project), community garden, park benches, the all-Inclusive Playground and help with the bridge at Centennial Park, The Colonial Center Workshop space, WINGS project, bridge and tables at Parker Park and more.

Richmond Rotary Club:
From Facebook

Past District Governor Kenny Jane was recently honored at his home Rotary Club's (Richmond) meeting by Past Lieutenant Governor Tonda Arthur with a Memory Book celebrating his 2022- 2023 term. Tonda, a member of the James City Rotary Club, sent out "secret" requests to all District 7600 Club Presidents and Assistant Governors to provide photos and antidotes of Kenny's year in office. The result is a beautiful Memory Album celebrating Kenny's motto "LIVE YOUR DASH!"



Tonda's thoughts are "The last page I think sums it up best. May you continue to live your DASH with the integrity, kindness, compassion, and heart you exhibited during your term as District Governor. THANK YOU!"



From all District 7600 Rotarians "thank you Kenny and all District Governor's " Past, Present and Future " for all you do for the District, State and Rotary International.

AND submitted by Laurie Shipley:



At the club's final meeting for 2023, the club held its annual holiday luncheon where members, along with their family, were treated to a wonderful holiday program, created, and hosted by Past President Mary Ann Wilson. Among the performers were grandchildren from current/past members and local accomplished musicians providing orchestral holiday favorites. One of the most highly anticipated moments was the Salvation Army's Area Command Leader, Major Samuel Kim (also a recent member of the Richmond Rotary Club) playing the saw and his wife Christine accompanying him on vocals. Yes, Major Kim played the SAW. Concluding the program was Club President, John White, highlighting the club's 2023 accomplishments.

Prince George County Club:
Submitted by Jan Rowley

Could you ask for jollier elves to show up at Middle Road Elementary School? Katie Harlow led a team of Rotary Club of Prince George County to deliver dictionaries to the 3rd grade students, an initiative to support the county's public school system.



The staff, teachers, and students made us welcome!

Goochland Club:

Facebook and from Club newsletter

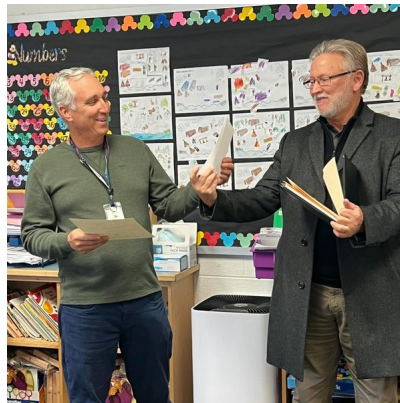
Several Club members answered the call to ring the bell for the Salvation Army Red Kettle campaign at the Centerville Food Lion. Thanks to Heather Lennon, Phil Gaeser, Billy Rawles, Frank Huber, Adeeb Hamzey, Wayne Dementi, John Aaron, Jim White, and Stephen Churchill for stepping up on short notice.



In honor of Veterans Day, our Club delivered supplies to Liberation Veteran Services (LVS). LVS is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that is dedicated to providing a safe haven exclusively for veterans in crisis. Fletcher Johnson, Director of Donor and Community Engagement at LVS, let us know that he will not have to go shopping all winter with this load!

Norfolk & Hampton Roads Clubs:

From Facebook



Congratulations are in order for Mr. Frank Lawler, Gifted Resource Teacher at Coleman Place Elementary School, who received Outstanding Educator of the Year by the Rotary Club of Hampton Roads and Norfolk Public Schools! Mr. Lawler has an unwavering belief in the potential of every child and consistently goes above and beyond in his commitment to shaping his students' young minds.

Powhatan Club:

From Facebook

Recently the Rotary Club of Powhatan volunteered to pack meals for Backpacks of Love, Inc. We had a big turnout and had a lot of fun. These food bags will be delivered this week to schools in Powhatan and surrounding areas. It is important to know that the food bags will be distributed to children who otherwise might not have a wholesome meal over the weekend.



Historic Triangle Club:

From Facebook

Another primary beneficiary of the club's



upcoming Charity Golf Tournament is The Salvation Army Williamsburg VA. With monetary grants and volunteer hours, the club has long supported the Corps' efforts to help those most in need.

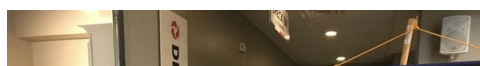
Members rang bells and filled up a Red Kettle with donations from generous shoppers at the Belk store, volunteered at monthly distribution events, helping over 100 families receive shopping

carts filled with food and assisted with Salvation Army annual Angel Tree events.

Last year, donations from our club and two other area Rotary clubs, plus a grant from Rotary District 7600, paid for a Computer Lab at the Corps' Ironbound Rd. headquarters. The lab will be a resource to assist people in breaking the cycle of generational poverty and to build lives of purpose.

James River Club:

From Facebook





The Rotary Club of James River is proud to support SOAR365 (formerly ARC) in their efforts to assist those in need with disabilities. Their programs, including Camp Baker, are top-notch.

Franklin Club:
From Facebook

What a time our Rotary members and guests had last night! We began at The Village at Woods Edge with our monthly Happy Hour Social. Then, we moved into 3 areas of the Village in order to carol with residents.

We were grateful to sing in Assisted Living, Asa's Neighborhood (memory care) and in the lobby of Independent Living. Thanks goes to Rotarian Billie Turner, executive director at The Village. Thanks to Carolyn Beale for her piano wizardry and to Bill Billings for his photos!



Oyster Point Club:
From Facebook



Recently, club members divided, conquered, and created hope through two service projects in Newport News.

Members kicked off our Bikes for Tikes project by putting together 29 bicycles for holiday gifts for local children, and helped stock the new Thrive pantry as part of our multi-club "Connections that Thrive" grant.

From Facebook



On November 11, Bon Air Rotary continued its long-time tradition of collecting trash along Old Bon Air Road.

Participants included Sue Barrie, John Barrie, Ben Blevins, Bob Cochran, Mickey Dowdy, Rich Hays, Tommy Healy, Dennis McDermott, Lee Harris and Coleman Wells. The Club does this twice each year--once in the Spring once during Fall.

We are proud to be part of

Chesterfield County's "Adopt a Road" effort.

AND... The Club has a long history of staffing a Meals on Wheels route each week. This has been a hallmark of the Club for over 20 years.

On December 20th, Club members went behind the scenes and helped package meals for delivery. Over 1,200 meals were to be delivered the next day by FeedMore volunteers.



Foundation News

Embracing the Warmth of Hope in the Winter of Possibility

By John D. Padgett, District Rotary Foundation Chair

As winter blankets the world in a serene hush, the crackling of fireplaces and the pristine beauty of snow-covered landscapes evoke a sense of comfort and nostalgia. In these moments, Rotarians are drawn to the warmth of hope, a beacon that lights the path to a promising new year. As the calendar year turns, the flickering flames in our hearths symbolize the resilience within District 7600, reminding us that even in the coldest of times, there exists a source of enduring warmth.



In the quiet solitude of a winter's night, one can't help but be reminded of lyrics in Joni Mitchell's Both Sides

Now:
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*Rows and flows of angel hair  
 And ice cream castles in the air  
 And feather canyons everywhere  
 I looked at clouds that way  
 But now they only block the sun  
 They rain and they snow on everyone  
 So many things I would have done  
 But clouds got in my way*

At times, hope crashes against the challenges that hope presents. District 7600 has embraced hope. Yet, as we start the New Year, we recognize the scope of the challenges that confront our neighbors, our communities, and our world. It would be easy to focus on the challenges and forget the hope, to let the pain and suffering block the sun and prevent us from doing so many good things, to let clouds get in our way.

I draw strength from Rotarians that I meet every day. Rotary is a beacon of hope and positive change. It inspires me to look towards the new year with optimism. We have individuals that know hope is a renewable option: If you run out of it at the end of the day, you get to start over in the morning. This mantra encourages our Foundation team to approach each day as a chance to kindle hope anew, recognizing that our collective actions can create a ripple effect of positivity. Our volunteers make one more call, attend one more Zoom meeting, encourage one more gift to the Rotary Foundation because they know that we have and can continue to make a difference in this world.

As the holiday season fades into memories, I encourage you to allow its joy to linger and to allow the warmth of hope to melt away despair. As District 7600 steps into the new year, let us carry the lessons of the past, the joy of cherished memories, and the flame of hope that burns eternally, lighting our path toward a brighter and more promising future. I know with your help, Rotary will never allow the clouds to block the sun and our resilient hope for a better world.

Strengthening  
Positive Peace to  
Create Hope in  
the World

February 24, 2024

A Day to Learn, Reflect &  
Exchange Ideas

Stevenson Ridge  
6901 Meeting Street  
Fredericksburg, VA

Registration Opens  
December 1, 2023, on  
DACdb

### January is Vocational Service Month

January is  
**Rotary**  
 Vocational Service  
 Month

The Recognition of  
 the Worthiness of  
 all useful  
 Occupations

High Ethical Standards  
 in Business  
 and Professions

The Dignifying of  
 each Rotarian's  
 Occupation as an  
 Opportunity to  
 Serve Society

There is perhaps no more personal way of being of service in Rotary than to be an example of ethical, caring and professional leadership. We all recite the 4-Way Test at every meeting, but when was the last time we considered the Object of Rotary.

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

+ First, The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

+ Second, High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

+ Third, The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

+ Fourth, The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

The Object of Rotary is a philosophical statement of Rotary's purpose and the responsibilities of Rotarians. The concept of vocational service is rooted in the second object, which calls on Rotarians to encourage and foster:

- â€¢ High ethical standards in business and professions
  - â€¢ The recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations
  - â€¢ The dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society
- As a Rotarian, how can you put these ideals into action? Consider these suggestions:
- â€¢ Talk about your profession in your club and take time to learn about fellow members' occupations.
  - â€¢ Use your skills and expertise to serve a community.
  - â€¢ Practice your profession with integrity, and inspire others to behave ethically through your words and actions.
  - â€¢ Help young people achieve their career goals.
  - â€¢ Guide and encourage others in their professional development.

By undertaking these activities, you bring vocational service to life. Vocational service is the essence of Rotary and serves as the foundation from which we serve our communities around the world. TAKE ACTION Find inspiring examples of ways to take action through vocational service. Consider doing some of the described activities.

Source: [www.myrotary.org](http://www.myrotary.org)  
Graphic by Debbie Vance

### The Rotary Foundation Cadre of Technical Advisers

The Rotary Foundation Cadre of Technical Advisers is a group of volunteer Rotary members who possess technical and professional expertise in one or more of Rotary's seven areas of focus or financial auditing and have familiarity with Rotary grants. Cadre members assist Rotary members planning and implementing projects and conduct evaluations of grants to ensure that TRF funds are being used in accordance with the terms and conditions for Rotary grants and that stewardship guidelines are followed.



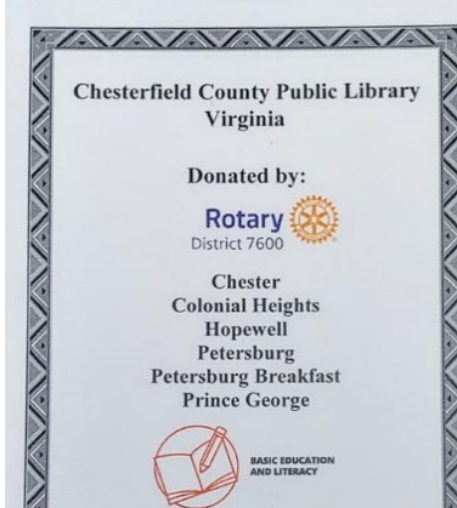
If you have financial or project planning training or experience and feel the call to become a member of the Rotary Cadre of Technical Advisers, check out the qualifications and duties [HERE](#).

### Elves on the Shelves: A Multi-club Grant Project

During the week of December 11<sup>th</sup> volunteers from five of the six Rotary clubs engaged in a \$29,000 district grant project along with staff members from the Chesterfield Library. This district grant was the largest in project value in the 2022-2023 Rotary grant year. The elves were at work, but jolly, on this third workday of the project, including Assistant Governor Jan Rowley, who took the photos.



On this workday book plates were applied to printed material; Rotary volunteers were taught how to catalog the books, and shelve them. Among the



Rotary volunteers were Beverly Coleman and Willis Walter (Petersburg) Jen Hayek, Tracy Uzzell, and Goldie Weaver (Chester), Yulando Wallace (Petersburg Breakfast), Chris Wiegard (Hopewell), Cynthia Walker Mitchell and Jan Rowley (Prince George). The Rotary Elves did a great job. Cynthia and Tracy are in the festive attire. Chris Wiegard, who is the Deputy Librarian at the Appomattox Regional Library Systems noted that the activities on this day reminded him of his day job.

The grant project is entitled "Chesterfield Intersection: a library partnership project for detained youth." The excerpts from the district grant application best describe the project. The Rotary clubs of Area 6 and Area 7 (Chester, Colonial Heights, Hopewell, Petersburg Breakfast, Petersburg and Prince George County) are partnering





with Chesterfield County Public Library (CCPL) and Chesterfield Juvenile Detention Home (CJDH) to provide literacy education to detained Youth.

The Chesterfield Juvenile Detention Home (CJDH) is a 90-bed secure, custody facility and part of Chesterfield County's Department of Juvenile Justice Services, with the purpose to provide a safe, secure and supportive environment for court-involved youth with the goal of promoting individual growth through education and empowerment.

The Chesterfield County Public Library's (CCPL) purpose is to enhance the lives of our citizens by providing tools for a lifetime of learning. Our vision is to deliver world-class library services that informs and inspires our customers and fosters a vibrant and thriving community.

This district grant partnership opportunity expands on the base education that CCPL and CJDH are providing to the detained juveniles. CCPL is nearby the detention facility. The CJDH library will have a culturally relevant collection aimed to provide program participants with opportunities for mental escape, and personal and social transformation and that are appropriate to residents' ages and levels of competency. This is feasible, because detention might be one of the only opportunities youths have the time, inclination, or motivation to read, due to the lack of everyday life distractions and access to technology.

Environmentally, this library will create a young adult space, typically known as "teen zones" in public libraries, that are designed as a space for young adults to engage in activities that support their developmental needs designed following guidelines established by library associations, such as the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) and Ontario Public Library Association (OPLA) but are appropriate for a secure facility.

The library program does not function independently but operates within the larger detention environment. The overarching goals are therefore twofold:

1. To increase knowledge and ease of library use among juveniles who are residents of the CJDH.
2. To increase knowledge among family members and the support network of juveniles in how to cope with unlawful juvenile behaviors, how to support the entire family as they are going through the juvenile criminal justice system, understand the juvenile criminal justice system and how to speak to others when identifying juvenile risk behaviors that can place the community in danger.

The Rotary partnership with CJDH and CCPL will expand education literacy to the affected juveniles to improve their lives in education and literacy as they are detained at CJDH.

**Paul Harris Recognitions:**

The recognition is named after Rotary's founder, the late Paul Harris, a Chicago lawyer, who started Rotary with three business associates in 1905. The honor was established in 1957 to show appreciation to Rotarians for their commitment to Service Above Self to benefit local and international communities.

James City County Club:  
*Submitted by Paul Miyamasu*



On 5 December, the Club presented the Paul Harris Fellow +8 pin to Laura Feltman to recognize her annual contributions to the Rotary International Foundation humanitarian and education programs.

Shown left are club foundation chair Jerry Fields and Laura Feltman.



On 13 December, the Club presented the Paul Harris Fellow +6 pin to Paul Miyamasu. Shown right are club foundation chair Jerry Fields, Paul Miyamasu and club president Ron Howard.

Ashland Club:  
*From Facebook*



Club President, Mary Kay, presented Club Vice President, Mark Baird with the Paul Harris Fellow +2 pin.



**Emporia Grant Project:**  
*From Facebook*

For the club's District Grant project, The Emporia Rotary Club and Evergy's "Green Team" removed old mulch and replaced it with safer rubberized mulch at the SOS PLAYGROUND!



Thanks to Evergy for helping with this community project!!