

Rotary

District 7630



District Leadership



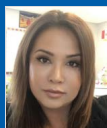
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DG-Nominee
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District Membership
Chair



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Hayden
DYS - District Youth
Services Chair



APRIL 14, 2025 MESSAGE FROM THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Greetings Rotarians,

The new presidential and other leaders of District 7630 have been selected to represent their clubs, and the District, in the coming fiscal Rotarian year. Each club president-elect has been trained, and will begin their year of service to promote Rotary, to strengthen their clubs, and to help influence the district business.

In the manor that each club manages his/her responsibilities. A reminder that this is about to take place in only three short months. The new Rotarian fiscal year will begin on July 1st, 2025.

As my tenure slowly comes to an end, there will be new challenges and obstacles for the new leadership of Rotary District 7630. I can only wish and pray for a successful year with the new leadership throughout the District of 7630.

I wish that I had more time to continue to assist with the good work that the various clubs in the district have done and hopefully will continue to do, for the good of Rotary.

I would have liked to have surveyed the clubs to see where the most important work is needed in our district, to ask questions of the future presidents of the 37 clubs, and to have them respond to a survey about what is working, what areas of the district that need to be tweaked and the various processes of the district that potentially could be streamline, standardized and simplify.

It is important to revisit processes periodically to ensure that things are working, tweak the functionalities of the operation and to know where to improve on processes, especially within our clubs. The revisiting keeps things on track and the processes ensure that the objectives of the clubs and Rotary are continually on target.

How Does Rotary Define Youth

May is Rotary Youth Exchange Month, and in this month, Rotary focuses a significant emphasis on Youth.

Rotary continues to view and to focus on the Youth as one of the significant factors of the future. Rotary has several Youth Organizations within Rotary to encourage the Youth to join Rotary.

The Rotary Youth Exchange Program is a student exchange program for students ages 15-19, sponsored by Rotary Clubs in over 100 countries. Participants have the opportunity to discover another culture, learn a new language, and hopefully become a global citizen.

Even with this Youth Exchange, there are other spectacular Youth Exchange Programs within the Rotary organization.

RYLA is another major Youth Exchange, along with Interact, and Rotaract.



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Chair



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Innovative Club
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Edward J. Gossett Jr.
AG Area 20



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AG Area 30



Bradley Lundberg
AG Area 50



Michael A. Friedberg
AG Area 51



Molly Lynn Hilligoss
AG Area 60

Events

April 15th

DG Chain call

April 25th

53rd Annual District 7630

Rotary is committed to developing young men and women. Such an example is:

Rotaract

Originally, it began as a Rotary International youth program in 1968 at the Charlotte North Rotary Club in Charlotte, North Carolina, and has grown into a major organization of ~9,000 clubs and nearly 120,000 members in 189 countries and geographic areas.

It is a service, leadership, professional, and community service organization (often miscommunicated as a Social Service Club) for young adults aged 18 and over.

Rotaract focuses on young adults' development as leaders in their communities and workplaces. Clubs also take part in international service projects, in a global effort to bring peace and international understanding to the world.

"Rotaract" stands for "**Rotary in Action**", although the name originally comes from a combination of "Rotary" and "Interact" (International + Action), the high-school level program Rotary International created in 1962.

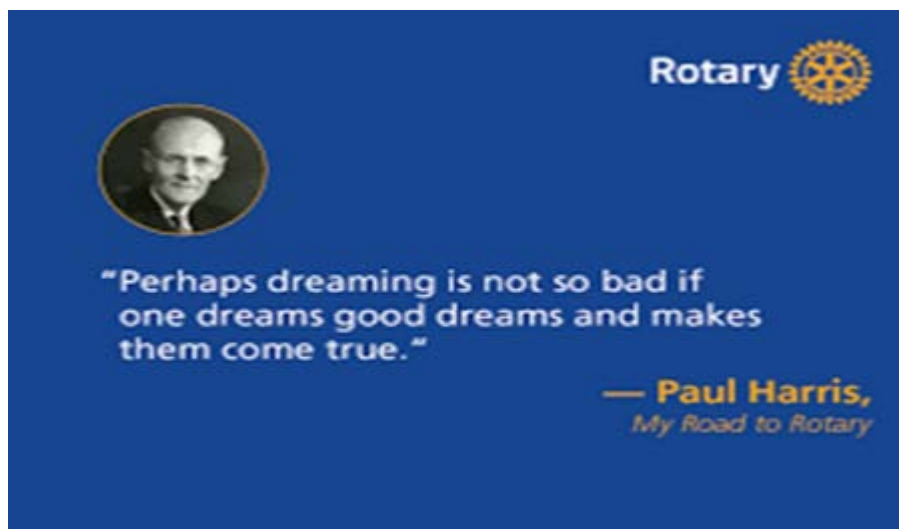
Interact Clubs

They bring together young people ages 12-18 to develop leadership skills while discovering the power of Service Above Self. Find out how serious leadership can be seriously fun.

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards – RYLA

RYLA is based on a program initiated by Rotary International. The purpose of the program is to identify young people who have demonstrated leadership skills or show the potential to be leaders, and give them an opportunity to explore and develop those skills with others with similar capabilities.

The future of Rotary rests in the hands of the Youth along with their dreams. As Paul Harris quoted below:



Dreams, Wishes And Desires Are The Pathways To The Beginning For The Future.

Randy

24-25 7630 District Governor



Conference

April 26th

COG/PDG Meeting

May 2nd

Easterseals Rotary Work Days

- May 2nd and 3rd!



THANK YOU MEMBERSHIP CHAIRS! NEW DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP CHAIR NEEDED

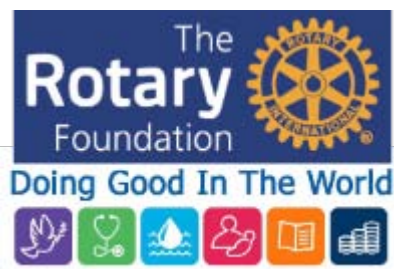
Thanks to the many club membership chairs and the work of the Membership Committee under the direction of Snow Hill Rotarian Gary King, our District has seen consistent membership growth in many of our clubs. However, many of our clubs are not inviting individuals from their communities to join our amazing organization. As Gary prepares to move on from the committee and into working with the Club Assistance Team, it is time to identify another Rotarian who has a passion for membership in our District.



Being the District Membership Chair affords you the opportunity to bring more members to become People of Action. You will be provided with membership support and recruitment training, and work with other Rotarians in our District and Zone who have a passion for bringing more hands and feet into the fold of being an advocate for our 7 Areas of Focus and Polio Eradication efforts, as well as sharing how being a Rotary member can provide life-altering opportunities to serve your clubs, communities and the world.

If you would like to learn more about being the District Membership Chair or serving as a member of the District Membership Committee, please contact District Governor Elect Dale Kerns (dalek7630@gmail.com). She would love to hear from you!

DISTRICT 7630 FOUNDATION FACTS CORNER



New Major Donor Clubs

Dover Capital City
Wicomico County
Wilmington Newark-Morning

New Bequest Society Club

(commitment of future gift of \$10,000 or more)
Kent Island

Last week I had the honor and opportunity to attend a

North East Rotary club and do a

Major Donor presentation to our incoming Governor, Dale Kern. Congratulations Dale and thank you for your support of our Rotary Foundation!

Attached is our [District's club giving report](#) for the year 2024-2025 through March 2025-\$518,511.56

- Annual Fund (88% of goal) – only one club has not contributed this year – Milford
- Polio Fund (170% of goal)– there are numerous clubs that have not contributed so far this year - Cambridge, Chestertown, Denton, Dover Downtown, Georgetown-Millsboro, Harrington-Greenwood-Felton, Nanticoke-Seaford and Southern Sussex. We are ahead of our goal for 2024-2025, but all clubs need to contribute. The fight is not over and Rotary has made a promise to eradicate polio, but we need every club's help.
- Endowment contributions this year have been outstanding! \$241,514.50 (5 clubs) with St Michaels club being the biggest contribution! THANK YOU!

Please make a contribution today to Your Rotary Foundation! Every dollar helps Rotary do service in our communities and around the world.

PDG Bill Ferguson
DRFC 2023-2026



The Foundation Matters Webinars are scheduled for the third Thursday of each month at 6 PM Eastern Daylight Time. (5 PM Central and 7 PM Atlantic). During this webinar we will be discussing key elements for engaging your club with The Rotary Foundation. You will hear actionable ideas from experienced Club Foundation chairs.

The monthly Foundation Matters Webinar Series is designed for club leaders like you. The series will deliver bite-sized informational content about different aspects of The Rotary Foundation. Don't miss this opportunity to hear from experienced leaders who will share proven strategies to engage your club in The Rotary Foundation.

Please click on the link to learn more about the webinars, including links to past webinars!

<https://www.rizones33-34.org/foundation-matters/>

Here are the upcoming webinar topics:

April 17, 2025 | Goal Setting

May 15, 2025 | Finishing the Year Strong

June 19, 2025 | Year End Recap

DISTRICTS POLIOPLUS CHAIR JOHN NANNI GIVES CONGRESSIONAL TESTIMONY

According to the District's PolioPlus Chair, John Nanni (MOT Club), "It was an honor to represent Rotary's PolioPlus by giving testimony to the Congressional House Appropriations Subcommittee this morning on polio eradication." [Read More](#)



GOLD LEVEL DISTRICT CONFERENCE SPONSOR!



We couldn't do it without you, District Conference Chair,
Richard Miller
of the Rehoboth Beach Sunrise Club!

Your leadership along with your In-Kind Donations are instrumental factors in the success of the District Conference. Rotary District 7630 thanks you!

THANK YOU TO OUR DISTRICT CONFERENCE BRONZE SPONSORS!

The District Conference Committee would like to thank all of our clubs who have stepped up as Bronze Level Sponsors!

[Richard C. Graves CPA](#)
(PDG Rich Graves of the Centreville Club)
[Rehoboth Beach Dental](#)
[Newark Star Rotary Club](#)
Chris White (Rehoboth Beach Sunrise) [State Farm](#)
Sandra Early (Kent Island)
Harry Keswani (Rehoboth Beach Sunrise)
[Harry K Atlantic Jewelry](#)
25-26 District Governor Randy Smith



THANK YOU TO OUR DISTRICT CONFERENCE SHINING STAR SPONSORS!

The District Conference Committee would like to thank everyone who has stepped up as Silver Level Sponsors!

Carol Dowling - Friend of the DG!
[Southern Sussex Rotary Club](#)
[Camden Wyoming Rotary Club](#)



[Janet R Maher with Edward Jones](#)
Kevin Yencer - [Yencer Builders](#)

(Kevin was instrumental in creating our new District Bell that will be at the District Conference for all to see!)

CLUB PHRED TO BE FRIDAY ENTERTAINMENT AT THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The 25 DISCON Committee would like to thank [Club Phred](#) for being our Platinum Sponsor and for agreeing to help us dance the night away on Friday, April 25th at the Sand's Hotel in Rehoboth Beach Delaware! Make sure to [sign up for the conference now](#) and bring your dancing shoes!



MILFORD OFFERS FLAGS FOR HEROES SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



Milford Rotary Club is having its annual Flags for Heroes Memorial Day 2025 and is offering [Corporate](#) and [Individual](#) Sponsorships!

Each American-made flag will be displayed in Milford's Bicentennial Park between May 17-June 7, 2025, with a plaque identifying the donor and the Hero. The public will be invited to view the flags and pay

respect to those honored.

NORTH EAST FLAGS FOR VETERANS FUNDRAISER LOOKING FOR SPONSORS

The North East Club is holding their Annual Flags for Veterans Fundraiser this July 3rd. Attached are the fliers for [corporate](#) and [individual](#) sponsorships. Payments can be made through the QR code on the flier, through the links on the club's website or by mailing a check to:

Rotary Club of North East
PO Box 367
North East MD 21901
(Please write "Flags for Veterans" in the memo line!)



SMYRNA CLAYTON THANKS RYLA PARTICIPANTS

Thank you to everyone that attended our March 27th meeting to hear from our RYLA Conference participants. I thought they did a great job and were very appreciative of the opportunity to attend the Ocean City



conference in February.

SNOW HILL INTERACT CLUB HONORED

The Snow Hill High School Interact Club was honored at a meeting of the Snow Hill, Md., Town Council on April 8. Mayor Janet Simpson announced that the club had been chosen for the "Citizens Spotlight" recognition for April 2025. [Read More](#)



SMYRNA CLAYTON THANKS INTERACT AMBASSADORS FOR CAREER FAIR ASSISTANCE



Thanks to those that were able to attend the Smyrna HS College & Career Fair. Our Interact Ambassadors did a fine job assisting our exhibitors and guests. Click "Read More" for a couple of snapshots that captured the day!

[Read More](#)

CAMDEN WYOMING RECEIVES PROCLAMATION FROM TOWN COUNCIL

We are thrilled to announce that our President Elect, Anne Mathisen, received a proclamation at the Camden town council meeting recognizing the 80th anniversary of the Camden-Wyoming Rotary Club! [Read More](#)



EASTERSEALS ROTARY WORK DAYS - MAY 2ND & 3RD...PROJECT AND CAMP WISH LISTS POSTED!



Easterseals values the longstanding relationship with Rotary District 7630, and we are looking forward to another amazing Rotary Work Days event on May 2nd and 3rd in 2025!

Mark your calendar and "Read More" for the Project and Camp Wish Lists!

[Read More](#)

UPCOMING CLUB FUNDRAISERS!

Challenge Your Brain at Trivia Night!

Date: Monday, May 7, 2025

Time: 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM

Location: 4 Dogs Brewing Co. & Pub (219 Marlboro Ave #52B, Easton, MD)

Put your knowledge to the test at Trivia Night, where teams will compete for prizes and bragging rights. This evening of lighthearted rivalry is perfect for friends, colleagues, and trivia lovers looking to support an important community resource.



Sponsorship Opportunities Available

Local businesses and organizations are encouraged to sponsor one or both events:

- \$600 per event
- \$1,000 for both events

Sponsorships include entry for four participants per event, offering an excellent way to engage with the community while supporting Talbot Hospice's essential mission.

For sponsorship details or to register your team, visit www.tidewaterrotary.org/

fundraisers

2025

Smyrna-Clayton Rotary Club Car Show



Saturday, May 10th • 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. (rain or shine)

Smyrna High School Parking Lot

500 Duck Creek Parkway • Smyrna, Delaware

ADMISSION FREE TO PUBLIC • PROMOTE YOUR BUSINESS!

Registration time - 8:30 am to 11:00 am. \$15 per vehicle

❖ Preregistration by May 1 - \$10 per vehicle

- Prizes will be awarded in various categories, including trophies and a \$50 gift card for Best in Show.
 - For more information, please contact Marie Fontaine St Pierre at (302) 373-9012.
 - You can also find details on the Smyrna-Clayton Rotary Facebook page at www.SmyrnaClaytonRotaryClub.com/car-show, or you can scan the QR code to access the site directly.



Send payments payable to Smyrna-Clayton Rotary Club, P.O. Box 263, Smyrna, DE 19977

Name: _____

Full Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Vehicle: _____

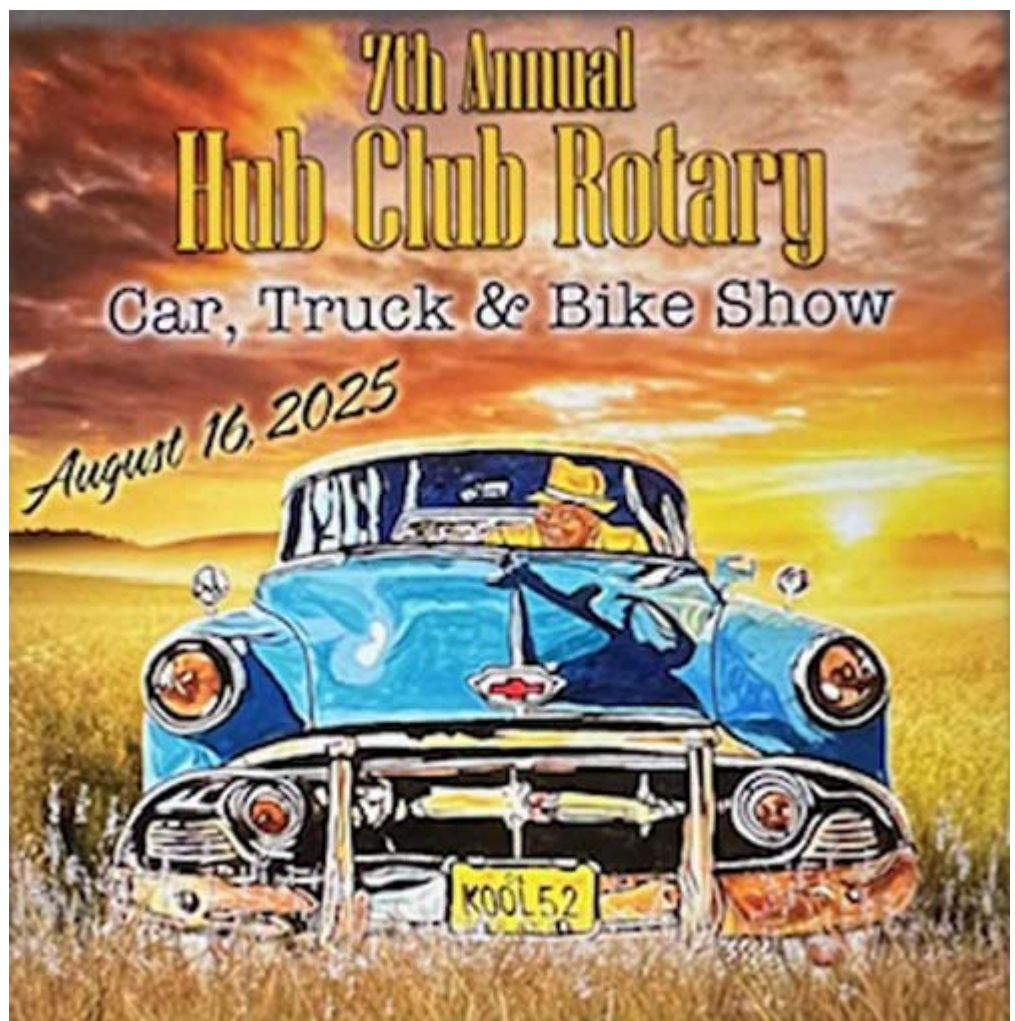
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Payment Enclosed for: ☐ Car Show ☐ Sponsor

Liability waiver: I, the undersigned, hereby release THE SMYRNA-CLAYTON ROTARY CLUB, THE TOWN OF SMYRNA AND THE SMYRNA SCHOOL DISTRICT from liabilities, injuries, accidents, damages or theft which may occur to myself, my guests or to my vehicle(s) while attending the May 10, 2025, Car Show.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Click on the picture above to download the registration form!



**Save the Date!!! Calling All Cars!
SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2025.**

2025 HUB Club Student Scholarship Car Show Fundraiser

HUB Club Rotary 7th Annual Car, Truck & Bike Show!

August 16th, 2025. 9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Registration begins @ 8:30 a.m.

Lake Forest N. Elementary School Parking Lot, 319 E. Main St., Felton, DE.

Proceeds benefit Student Scholarships!

\$15 registration per vehicle.

Sponsor our Students (\$250). Donors - \$100.

Any & all donations appreciated!

Trophies & Dash Plaques Awarded. Door Prizes & Games all day.

Delicious food by Kirby & Holloway. Music by A.c.e. Entertainment.

Custom limited t-shirts are \$20. Free admission to the public!

Vendors are welcome. \$25 per space. Pre-registration recommended!

Contact Tee Bell, HUB Club Events. Bttbell@comcast.net (302)249.0140

2025 2026 DISTRICT BLOOD DRIVE

If your club is interested in hosting a blood drive or combining forces with another club to host a drive, please feel free to fill out



the Host a Drive link found on the [attached flier](#). If you need a liaison to connect you with another club, please reach out. I will be happy to help!

Again, I thank you for your time and consideration of your club participating in this year's drive. I understand and appreciate how busy our clubs are doing great things in our community. I hope that your club will participate. If you would like me or a representative from the Blood Bank to speak at a future meeting or have any questions about the Blood Bank please feel free to email me at

sheryeh@gmail.com. I look forward to being a Hero in the community with my fellow Rotarians.

REGISTER FOR THE GATHERING IN CALGARY!



It is with great pleasure to announce the opening of registration for Zones 33/34 Reception, **The Gathering**, during the 2025 RI Convention in Calgary. This traditional event, appropriately renamed from the previous moniker Southland, will provide a memorable opportunity for attendees from our two incredible zones to come together for a relaxing, intimate evening of fellowship, food, and celebratory words from special guests that will not fail to inspire.



The Gathering will be held on Sunday, June 22, 2025, from 5 pm to 8 pm at Hotel Arts in the Spectrum Ballroom. The incredible space hosts 850 attendees. Tickets for this limited-capacity event are available now for \$75 per person. Director Patrick, Event Chair Lloyd, and others have worked to provide an extraordinary event in a stunning venue for a reasonable price for our Rotary family.

[Click here to sign up for the 2025 RI Convention in Calgary!](#)

(You can't attend The Gathering if you don't attend the Convention!)

[Click here to register for the Gathering now!](#)

Rotary International is an organization that acknowledges the differences of backgrounds, education, professional expertise, socio-economics and its differences of its members. Rotary serves the community, accepts and values a variety of individuals from an array of different lifestyles. These core values are a priority for Rotary, which encompass Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI). Rotary District 7630 will ascertain that all current and future Rotarians are aligned with the concepts of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. The Club's leadership and Club members will ensure that training, education and implementation of DEI are strategically planned. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion will be in alignment with Rotary International's standards of practice.



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