

Joining Rotary in 2007, District Governor Mary Grace Evans is a member of the Rotary Club of Greater Huntsville. Her Rotary journey has included the opportunity to serve in many positions and on many committees at both the Club and District levels. Mary Grace was honored to serve her Club as President during RY 2012-2013. Prior to joining the District Governor line, leadership positions at the District level have included serving as District Secretary (6 years), Assistant Governor, Scholarship Chair, Membership Chair, Visioning Facilitator, Membership Facilitator and more.

Mary Grace is a second-generation Rotarian. Although her father did not live to see her begin her personal Rotary journey, he instilled in her the value of service above self, laying the foundation for her future involvement and love for Rotary. Mary Grace is a member of the Paul Harris Society and a Major Donor of the Rotary International Foundation. For her, support of Rotary has become personal. Although she has never traveled to Uganda (probably never will), through Rotary, she has had the opportunity to help change lives in Uganda! As have others in her Club, she has been able to individually provide a scholarship for a young woman to attend boarding school for the past 8 years. She knows that this small effort, made possible through Rotary, by a woman across the globe in Huntsville, AL, USA, will change the life trajectory for Dorcas (young woman in Uganda, Africa). Locally her favorite service project is building wheelchair ramps. Through this involvement, she now proclaims herself a professional decker and is a proud owner of her own impact drill!

Professionally, Mary Grace is the Senior Assistant Vice President of Community Relations for Redstone Federal Credit (RFCU). Starting her career as a part-time

teller, Mary Grace has been with the organization since 1981. Her responsibilities include oversight of the credit union's community involvement within the 7 counties where the credit union has offices (Alabama and Tennessee). She personally attends and participates in numerous events and activities in the community and oversees a staff of 9 who provide financial education programs for youth and adults, event coordination (internal and external) and management of 8 community rooms. Her current position allows her the opportunity to focus on the philanthropic side of the credit union as it practices the credit union philosophy of "People Helping People".

Active in the community, Mary Grace is a graduate of Leadership Greater Huntsville's Flagship Class 31. She currently serves on the Board of Directors for the WEDC Foundation and is the Chair of the Women's Philanthropy Society with the Community Foundation of Greater Huntsville. She is a graduate of Faulkner University with a degree in Business Administration.

A native of Huntsville, Mary Grace is the youngest of 5 children. Married to Max, they have 2 children, Margie Phillips (son-in-law Todd) and Miles Evans. Mary Grace welcomes the opportunity to serve and is devoted to helping make life better for others locally and across the world.