

# Rotary Carolinas' PETS



March 15-16, 2024

District 7670

**Rotary**  
District 7670



Connie Molland  
7670 District Governor 2024-2025

Stephanie Urchick  
Rotary International President 2024-2025



## **SESSIONS FOR DISTRICT 7670 AGENDA**

### **SESSION #1: Friday, March 15, 9:00 to 11:15**

- 9:00 to 9:35 – District Governor Sean Welcome and District Governor-Elect (DGE) Connie Leadership Team Introductions
- 9:35 to 9:45 – District Governor Nominee-Designate Paige to present the 2024-25 District Budget and request vote to approve
- 9:45 to 10:10 – DGE Connie review the materials in the manual
- 10:10 to 10:15 – District Governor-Elect Alpo to help everyone understand the flow of Carolinas' PETS
- 10:15 to 10:30 – SHORT BREAK
- 10:30 to 11:10 – Past District Governor Larry Gardner to lead a panel discussion
- 11:10 to 11:15 – Group photos

### **SESSION #2: Friday, March 15, 1:30 to 2:30**

- 1:30 to 2:30 – Past District Governor Beth Padgett on Effective Leadership

### **SESSION #3: Saturday, March 16, 8:45 to 9:45**

- Calgary International Convention
- Peace Pole Project / Peace & Conflict Resolution Toolkit
- Rotary Club of Excellence Awards & Presidential Trailblazers Toolkit
- Wrap up the Session

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The 2024-2025 theme is **The Magic of Rotary**. *“We are not going to end polio or bring peace to the world by waving a wand or saying funny words. It's up to you. You create the magic with every project completed, every dollar donated, and every new member,”* President-elect Stephanie Urchick said regarding the 2024-2025 presidential theme.



Dear Club President:

It is a true honor and privilege to serve as the District 7670 Governor for 2024-25 and I hope that you feel the same about serving as your Club President! We are fortunate to be serving at a time when Rotary International recognizes the changing world that we are living in and encourages us to think outside the box on ways to grow our Clubs to better serve our communities.

As part of our commitment to being an inclusive organization, we need to continue to look at our member demographics to make sure that they match the makeup of our communities. And in that same vein, we need to intentionally look for ways to ensure that our District and Clubs are offering leadership roles to members that also represent that makeup.

The four pillars of the Rotary Action Plan are to increase our impact, expand our reach, enhance participant engagement, and to increase our ability to adapt. Rotary is a membership organization whose product is service to our communities. For us to continue to accomplish great things, we will need to grow and expand our membership. You've all heard the phrase "many hands make light work," so it's the right thing for us to constantly be looking to bring more people into our Clubs to meet the growing needs in the world. We also need to pay attention to what our Club members want out of their Rotary experience. If it's been a while since your Club conducted an assessment, you may want to consider doing one soon so you know what is important to your members.

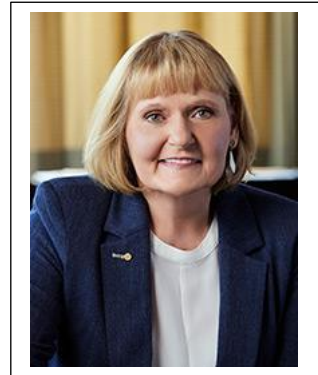
RI President Stephanie Urchick has set two goals related to membership for every District: to have a net increase of 100 members by June 30, 2025, and to add four new Clubs of any type (traditional, service, companion, impact, e-club, etc). And past RI President Mark Maloney has challenged all of us in leadership roles to lead by example with making our own gifts to The Rotary Foundation by the end of August, to increase the number of Rotary Direct donors by 10%, and to markedly increase the number of Paul Harris Society and PolioPlus Society members. These are bold, yet certainly achievable, goals. For some Clubs, the goals will be easy to attain, but for others this may be a challenge. Please utilize the resources that are available to you: the District Leadership Team and your Assistant Governor are here to help and support you.

Let's find joy in the journey and have a lot of fun while serving our Clubs for 2024-2025!

Connie Molland, District Governor 2024-2025

## **Stephanie A. Urchick**

Rotary International President 2024-2025  
Rotary Club of McMurray, PA



Stephanie Urchick is a member of the Rotary Club of McMurray, Pennsylvania, USA. She will serve RI as president in 2024-25. She has been an RI director and Rotary Foundation trustee. She has served RI in numerous capacities, including as training leader, regional Rotary Foundation coordinator, and RI president's representative. In addition, Stephanie was a representative and member-at-large to three sessions of the Council on Legislation.

Stephanie has also served as chair of the Rotary Strategic Planning Committee and The Rotary Foundation's Centennial Celebration Committee, as well as a member of various Rotary committees, including the Election Review Committee and Operational Review Committee.

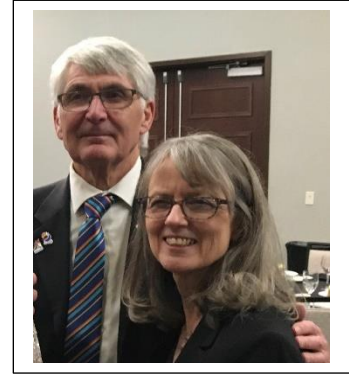
A Rotary member since 1991, Stephanie has participated in a variety of international service projects, including National Immunization Days in India and Nigeria. In Vietnam, she worked with clubs to help build a primary school and traveled to the Dominican Republic to install water filters. A student of several Slavic languages, she has mentored new Rotary members in Ukraine and coordinated a Rotary Foundation grant for a mammography equipment and a biopsy unit for a hospital in Poland. In its commemorative book, the Rotary Club of Krakow, Poland, noted Stephanie as a key figure for helping the re-birth of Rotary in post-Communist Poland.

Currently, Stephanie is helping to partner clubs and districts in the U.S. with Rotary clubs in Albania, Kosovo, and Ukraine for humanitarian and educational services.

Stephanie's professional background is in the higher education, consulting, and entertainment industries. She received her doctorate degree in Leadership Studies from Indiana University of Pennsylvania and has been recognized and awarded by The Rotary Foundation and numerous community and international organizations.

## Connie Molland,

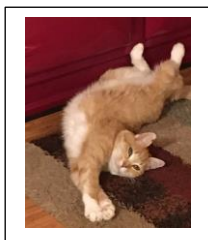
7670 District Governor 2024-2025  
Partner/Chief of Staff, Rick Molland  
Rotary Club of Madison County, NC



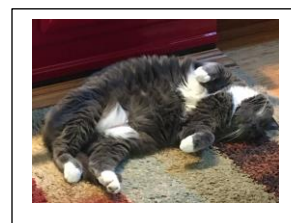
Connie was born and raised outside of Chicago with a father who was involved in politics. She learned at an early age that it is important to be aware of and to be actively involved in the community where you live. After a couple of “gap years,” she moved to Indianapolis and began her first career in banking. Connie moved from banking to spending over a decade in Community Relations for a large health insurance company. During this time, she served on numerous non-profit boards, chaired a variety of charity events, and found her passion in helping get other people involved in the non-profit sector. She received the Speaking of Women’s Health award in 2000 for her work that helped raise hundreds of thousands of dollars for breast cancer awareness and early detection. In 2003, Connie transitioned from the for-profit sector to serving in leadership staff positions (CFO and President) in the non-profit sector.

Connie received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration with an Associate’s Degree in the Science of Banking from the University of Indianapolis. She was selected to participate in the Stanley K Lacy Leadership Series and completed her graduate studies in public relations from Ball State University.

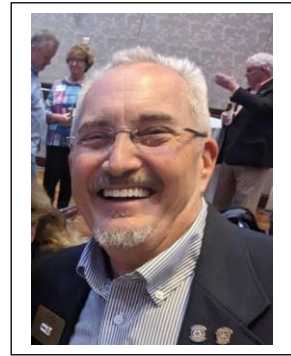
After moving to Western North Carolina in 2008, Connie and her husband Rick joined the Rotary Club of Madison County to get involved in their newly adopted community. She has been very active in the Club’s primary fundraiser, added two new fundraisers, assisted with bylaws changes, worked on the Club’s public image and membership, and served as Club President 2020-21. She is a member of the Paul Harris Society, the Polio Plus Society, and the Roger Ackerman Circle, is a multiple Paul Harris Fellow and received the Coudriet Service Above Self Award in 2015. In 2021, Connie was selected as the District Governor Nominee Designate (District 7670 Governor 2024-25) and immediately jumped into the vacant role of District Learning Facilitator. Connie is a woodworker and part owner of an art gallery, loves to cook, travel and hike in her spare time.



*Rescued fur-babies Gus and Gellie take turns relaxing in front of the warm Aga stove.*



**Alex “Alpo” Portelli**  
District Governor-Elect  
Rotary Club of Marion, NC



Colonel (US Army, Ret) Alex R. "Alpo" Portelli joined the Rotary Club of Marion, NC in 2015 following a thirty-one-year Army career. His official Command and Staff duties and assignments took him to over fifty-one countries in Europe as well as Russia, Israel and Honduras.

He holds Masters Degrees in Western European Studies as well as Strategic Studies from the University of Minnesota and US Army War College respectively.

At the conclusion of his assignment as the US Army Attache, Oslo, Colonel Portelli was Knighted by King Harald V of Norway.

Alpo has served as Club Sergeant at Arms, has received the Service Above Self and Rotarian of the Year awards and served as Marion Club President '20-'21, following which he received the prestigious Rotary 5 Avenues of Rotary Service award. He serves as the D7670 10 Million Meal Challenge Captain, Coordinator for the District's Million Meal March for Ukraine and is the District 7670 District Governor Nominee for 2025-2026. Alpo and his wife Gail are world travelers with over a combined 100 countries visited.

**Paige Scott**  
District Governor-Nominee  
Rotary Club of Burnsville, NC



Paige is a retired financial services professional. She has been a Rotarian since 2001 and has membership and leadership experience in large and small clubs. Her club positions have included President, Public Image Chair, Secretary, and Youth Services Chair. Her District positions include Assistant Governor, Foundation District Simplified Grants Co-Chair, and RYLA coach. She lives in Burnsville, NC with her husband John, and their two rescued rat terriers (Rocco and Rudie). Paige enjoys golf, tennis, fiber arts, travel, and kayaking.

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Angela Dills	Franklin Daybreak	Sylva	Cashiers Valley
Donna Ensley	Asheville Breakfast	Asheville Biltmore	Haywood County/Canton
Len Jones	Madison County	Burnsville	Spruce Pine
Patrick Longano	Hickory	Caldwell County	The Foothills (IMPACT)
Sarah McGuire	Avery County	Lenoir	Boone Sunrise
Tracy Petrosky	Lincolnton Sunrise	Lincolnton	Catawba Valley (Conover)
Laura Phipps	Hendersonville	Hendersonville Four Seasons	Tryon
Lynne Porter	Asheville South	Asheville	Black Mountain
Tim Radford	E-club for Alzheimer's	Murphy	Bryson City
Paige Scott	Blowing Rock	Marion	Valdese
Pat Snyder	Asheville Metro	Waynesville	Waynesville Sunrise
Bill Swift	Franklin	Highlands	Highlands Mountaintop
Andie Taylor	Denver/Lake Norman	Sherrills Ford-Dry Pond	Newton Conover
Joan VanOrman	Pisgah Forest	Arden	Brevard

# ASSISTANT GOVERNOR AREAS 2024-25

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Arden	Joan VanOrman		Hendersonville	Laura Phipps
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Asheville Biltmore	Donna Ensley		Hickory	Patrick Longano
Asheville Breakfast	Donna Ensley		Hickory Sunrise	Chip Cross
Asheville Metro	Pat Snyder		Highlands	Bill Swift
Asheville South	Lynne Porter		Highlands Mountaintop	Bill Swift
Avery County	Sarah McGuire		Lenoir	Sarah McGuire
Black Mountain	Lynne Porter		Lincolnton	Tracy Petrosky
Blowing Rock	Paige Scott		Lincolnton Sunrise	Tracy Petrosky
Boone Sunrise	Sarah McGuire		Madison County	Len Jones
Brevard	Joan VanOrman		Marion	Paige Scott
Bryson City	Tim Radford		Morganton	Chip Cross
Burke Sunrise	Chip Cross		Murphy	Tim Radford
Burnsville	Len Jones		Newton Conover	Andie Taylor
Caldwell County	Patrick Longano		Pisgah Forest	Joan VanOrman
Cashiers Valley	Angela Dills		Sherrills Ford-Dry Pond	Andie Taylor
Catawba Valley (Conover)	Tracy Petrosky		Spruce Pine	Len Jones
Denver/Lake Norman	Andie Taylor		Sylva	Angela Dills
E-club for Alzheimers	Tim Radford		The Foothills (IMPACT)	Patrick Longano
Franklin	Bill Swift		Tryon	Laura Phipps
Franklin Daybreak	Angela Dills		Valdese	Paige Scott
Haywood County/Canton	Donna Ensley		Waynesville	Pat Snyder
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**Rotary District 7670**  
**2024-25-Assistant Governor Bios**

**CHIP CROSS, Rotary Club of Marion**

**Serving: Hickory Sunrise, Morganton, and Burke Sunrise**

Board of Directors Position for 15 Different Organizations; Leadership Training: 250 companies in WNC; John Maxwell Certified Leadership Trainer and Coach; Guest speaker at McDowell Technical Community College.

**ANGELA DILLS, Rotary Club of Franklin Daybreak**

**Serving: Franklin Daybreak, Sylva, and Cashiers Valley**

Angela Dills is the Gimelstob-Landry Distinguished Professor of Regional Economic Development at Western Carolina University. She's served as President, Treasurer, Admin, and Public Image for the Rotary Club of Franklin-Daybreak. Currently, she is Assistant Governor for the Rotary Clubs of Clay County, Franklin, Franklin-Daybreak, and Murphy. She lives in Franklin, NC with her economist-husband and three children.

**DONNA ENSLEY, Rotary Club of Asheville**

**Serving: Asheville Breakfast, Asheville Biltmore, and Haywood County/Canton**

I was born and grew up in Warren, Ohio in a family of six kids. I studied at the College of Wooster and graduated from OSU with a BS and Dental Hygiene degree. In 1979, I moved to Winston Salem and made my way to Asheville in 1987 where I raised my family and had my most satisfying career in non-profit development.

I joined the Rotary Club of Asheville in 2002 and have since valued the many wonderful relationships, volunteer opportunities and leadership training that Rotary provides. Some of my dearest friends are women and men who I would not know if it had not been for Rotary. I was elected as the 101<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> woman President of our club in 2015. This experience taught me that Rotary is a place where leaders do not fail because there is a team behind them every step of the way. Therefore, it is my honor to serve as an AG and be part of that support team. I believe our world needs more leaders who try to live by the 4-way test.

My husband, Curtis and I live on a small farm in Arden. Between us we have 4 grandchildren, 2 horses and a dog. I retired from my position as Chief Development Officer of MANNA Foodbank in 2016. In retirement I have enjoyed dabbling in politics, fixing up properties and running a vacation rental as well as spending precious time with grandchildren. I love to volunteer in our community and at church, garden, ride horses, bike, and hike.

**LEN JONES, Rotary Club of Madison County**

**Serving: Madison County, Burnsville, and Spruce Pine**

Len was a Charter Member of the Rotary Club of Madison County (founded in 2004) and served as Club President in 2019-2020. A graduate of Western Carolina, Len spent much of his career in public accounting but recently transitioned to working in the non-profit sector with a current role as CFO of Hot Springs Health Program. He and his wife Phyllis, live in Mars Hill and have three children, six grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

**PATRICK LONGANO, Rotary Club of the Foothills IMPACT**

**Serving: Hickory, Caldwell County, and Foothills IMPACT**

Patrick Longano created IMPACT, the first-ever “companion club,” a type of Rotary satellite club built to stay connected to the sponsor club without splitting off. IMPACT is a service-only type of companion club that encourages diversity and focuses on local communities. With his innovative four-step process, Patrick has helped create, grow, and inspire hundreds of clubs in six countries. This is a remarkable achievement that was showcased at the 2022, 2023, and upcoming 2024 RI Convention, where he has shared his expertise in membership growth and Rotary’s mission.

**LYNNE PORTER, Rotary Club of Asheville South**

**Serving: Asheville South, Asheville, and Black Mountain**

A lifelong learner and educator, I have taught ESL, Spanish, and STEM to kids K-8. Born in England, raised my two boys in Spain then moved to the US 12 years ago. I've been a Rotarian for the past eight years and love how it makes me energized to help others.

**SARAH MCGUIRE, Rotary Club of Avery County**

**Serving: Avery County, Lenoir, and Boone Sunrise**

I am a graduate of Lees-McRae College and have degrees in Religious Studies and History with a concentration in European History. I am a certified Human Resources Professional and work at Linville Golf Club in Linville, NC. I live with my husband, Dave, our dog, Axl, and our two cats, Niamh and Yggdrasil. I am a singer/songwriter in my spare time as well as a published author. I love to travel and trying new fun places to eat. Chocolate is the way to my heart, fair-trade is the way to chocolate. I cannot keep a plant alive to save my life, but my rock garden is thriving!

**TRACY PETROSKY, Rotary Club of Sherrills Ford Dry Pond**

**Serving: Lincolnton, Lincolnton Sunrises, and Catawba Valley (Conover)**

Passionate about family, lifelong learning, and helping make a difference in someone's life. Owner of LaVida Massage + Skincare South Charlotte, as well as a busy Realtor®, I always find time to spend with friends & family.

**LAURA PHIPPS, Rotary Club of Hendersonville**

**Serving: Hendersonville, Hendersonville Four Seasons, and Tryon**

Laura J Phipps is a physician assistant with a special focus in child abuse pediatrics. She began her Rotary journey in 1992 as the 1st female member of the Rotary Club of Altamonte Springs, FL (District 6980), serving as President in 2001-02 and 2012-13. Additional roles in District 6980 include Assistant Governor 2002-05, and District Rotary Youth Protection Officer. Laura joined the Rotary Club of Hendersonville after moving to Henderson County in 2018. She served as President in 2022-23, and looks forward to serving District 7670 as Assistant Governor. Laura resides in Henderson County with her husband, Stan.

**TIM RADFORD, Satellite E-Club of Four Seasons for Alzheimer's Research**

**Serving: Murphy, Bryson City, and E-Club for Alzheimer's Research**

Tim Radford blends his roles as a radio station owner, community volunteer, and Mayor. A 1991 graduate of Murphy High School, he furthered his education in Radio/TV/Motion Pictures at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, while working full time at Capitol Broadcasting Company in Raleigh.

In 1995, Tim took over WKRK, a local radio station he worked at during high school, using it as a medium to uplift the community. His commitment to public service extends beyond radio. He has been actively involved with the Rotary Club of Murphy, serving as its past president and as the Public Image Chair for Rotary District 7670. He is one of the founding members of a new Alzheimer's Research-based Rotary e-club. Tim's contributions to community development have been recognized with the Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce's "Citizen of the Year" award in 2019.

Elected Mayor of Murphy in 2021, Tim focuses on community service, business attraction, and educational initiatives. He was appointed by NC Governor Roy Cooper to serve as a Commissioner with the North Carolina Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service (VolunteerNC). Tim also serves on the Board of Directors with The CART Fund, advocating for Alzheimer's research.

**PAIGE SCOTT, Rotary Club of Burnsville**

**Serving: Blowing Rock, Marion, and Valdese**

Paige is a retired financial services professional. She has been a Rotarian since 2001 and has membership and leadership experience in large and small clubs. Her club positions have included President, Public Image Chair, Secretary, and Youth Services Chair. Her District positions include Assistant Governor, Foundation District Simplified Grants Co-Chair, and RYLA coach. She lives in Burnsville, NC with her husband John, and their two rescued rat terriers (Rocco and Rudie). Paige enjoys golf, tennis, fiber arts, travel, and kayaking.

**PAT SNYDER, Rotary Club of Asheville**

**Serving: Asheville Metro, Waynesville, and Waynesville Sunrise**

Pat is the 23-24 Club President of the Rotary Club of Asheville and will be an Assistant District Governor in District 7670 starting this July. Pat is a land broker specializing in large acreage tract sales in Western NC for Conservation, Timber, Recreation, Homestead, and Estate property uses. He's a retired USAF Officer and also is volunteers on the EcoForester board of directors which promotes sustainable forestry in southern Appalachia. Pat lives in Fairview and is married to Michelle and they have a six year-old son, Barrett.

**BILL SWIFT, Rotary Club of Franklin**

**Serving: Franklin, Highlands, and Highlands Mountaintop**

Bill was born and raised in Franklin NC. Graduate of Davidson College class of 85, BS in Physics. He served six and a 1/2 years in Naval Submarine Service. Currently owns two businesses with his wife Susan of 36 years: Franklin Glass Service and Mountain Provisions. Bill and Susan reside in Franklin NC with their two dogs Kolbe and Windsor (names come from window/door manufacturers). Their daughter Olivia lives in Waynesville.

**ANDIE TAYLOR, Rotary Club of Denver/Lake Norman**

**Serving: Denver/Lake Norman, Sherrills Ford Dry Pond, and Newton Conover**

Andie Taylor is the owner of Fit Realty and Fit Properties serving clients from Charlotte to Hickory. She is the current President and DEI Chair of the Denver/Lake Norman Club and has served as PI Chair, Club-Admin Co-Chair, and has held positions on the club foundation board. She has also served on various committees in her 10+ years as a Rotarian plus many other boards and clubs whose missions are to have deep impact on the community.

Andie lives on her farm in Maiden with her husband, Jason (attorney), and has two grown children - Jack and Katie. Things you'll often hear Andie say "Rotary is my church and my family. It is the place where I feel safe and comforted to be among other service minded people."



**JOAN VANORMAN, Rotary Club of Pisgah Forest**

**Serving: Pisgah Forest, Arden, and Brevard**

Joan has been a Rotarian since March 2007. As a member of Rotary Club of Pisgah Forest, she has served on the Board as Community Service Chair, Treasurer, Public Image Chair, and President. She served as Rotary District 7670 Public Image Co-Chair and Chair for four years. Joan is honored to have been Co-Rotarian of the Year for her club in 2009 and Rotarian of the Year for Rotary District 7670 in 2018-19. Her personal mantra continues to be "have fun, continue to learn, and give back."

Joan's passion for marketing began after taking her first advertising course. She went on to receive her B.A. and M.A. in Advertising from the College of Communication Arts and Sciences at Michigan State University. She is fortunate to still work in her chosen field, earlier in telecommunications and now in the arts. For several years, she co-owned a photography gallery in downtown Brevard, NC. She now works as an arts advocate focusing on marketing, development, and the business of art. In addition to her business, Rotary and other community work, Joan enjoys travel, learning photography and videography, the paper arts, and living her mantra.

She and her husband Bruce Siulinski - a photographer and avid fly fisherman and windsurfer, live near downtown Brevard. They enjoy trips to the Outer Banks of North Carolina and back to their home state of Maine.

## **ASSISTANT GOVERNOR (AG) ROLE:**

Assistant Governors are an asset and resource to our Clubs. AGs serve as a liaison and connection between the Clubs and District Leadership. AGs have experience as Club Presidents and are adept at expanding Club knowledge about Rotary and help Clubs become more effective. Their role includes:



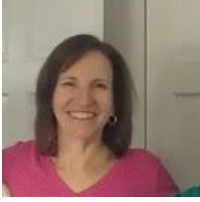




- Supporting Clubs;
- Providing a Communication Bridge;
- Assisting with Learning and Development;
- Helping with Membership Growth and Retention;
- Ensuring timely responses to questions.

## **Official Visits by your Assistant Governor:**


Your Assistant Governor will be joining your club/board meetings in person at least quarterly:

- Please welcome your AG to any meetings or events they may attend at your club. They are there to support and get to know your club;
- Please introduce your AG as a guest at your meetings when he/she is present;
- It is not appropriate to expect the AG to pay for any meals during your club meetings, although some AGs prefer to pay for their meals;
- Include your AG on your weekly bulletins and invite them to club projects, fundraisers, and socials;
- AGs will attempt to make quarterly visits, however, please feel free to contact your AG if questions arise in the meantime.

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## 2024-2025 CLUB PRESIDENT KEY DEADLINES AND EVENTS

### Leading into your year

**Now until June 30, 2024**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>ACTIVITY/EVENT</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
Carolina's PETS	March 14-16	Greensboro, NC
March 27, 2024	How To Enter Goals	Via Zoom
March 30, 2024	How To Enter Goals	Via Zoom
April 19-20, 2024	District Conference	Greenville, SC
May 4, 2024	District Training Assembly	Mars Hill University, Mars Hill, NC
May 15, 2024	Goals entered into Rotary Club Central	
May 15, 2024	District Grant Application Deadline	Goals must have been entered by May 15 to be eligible
May 27-31, 2024	Rotary International Convention	Singapore
June 22, 2024	District Leadership Installation and <i>Brunch</i>	Marshall High Studios Marshall, NC

## 2024-2025 CLUB PRESIDENT KEY DEADLINES AND EVENTS

### *During your year as Club President*

**July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
August 10, 2024	Membership & Foundation Summit	Location TBD
October, 2024	Foundation Banquet	Location TBD
October 24, 2024	World Polio Day	
December 31, 2024	Deadline for early registration for RYLA	
February 23, 2025	120 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Rotary International	
February, 2025	President Elect Orientation	Lake Junaluska, NC
March 1, 2025	Grants Management Seminar	Christmount Christian Assembly Conference Center Black Mountain, NC
March, 2025	Carolina's PETS	Greensboro, NC
April, 2025	RYLA	Black Mountain, NC
May 17-18, 2025	2025 District Conference	Asheville, NC (venue TBD)
June 21-25, 2025	Rotary International Convention District goal of 50!	Calgary, Canada



## REGISTER TODAY!

for the 2024 "All-Star Weekend" for Rotary District 7670!

**\$199 per person**

Special hotel rate of \$169 per night

Make plans now to join us at the Hyatt Regency in #YeahTHATGreenville (SC) as we celebrate a winning Rotary year under the leadership of DG Sean Gibson! There will be informative speakers, amazing food, great entertainment, activities around downtown Greenville, and lots of opportunities to network and share with old and new friends!

Full Conference Registration Package is \$199 which includes Friday Dinner, Saturday Lunch & Saturday Dinner, as well as all conference programming and activities!



# **DISTRICT CONFERENCE**

# **!! 2025 !!**

**TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR:  
Friday, May 16 and Saturday, May 17**

**LOCATION is planned for the  
Asheville area**

Plan to join us as we

**Celebrate Rotary District 7670**

In addition to great meals, inspiring speakers, and an opportunity to learn more about Rotary, the District Conference Committee is planning several wrap-around events. And to recognize our changing demographics, we are including fun, family-friendly activities.

Ever thought about going to a Rotary International Convention?  
This is YOUR CHANCE for an AMAZING experience right here in  
North America.

Calgary Canada is excited to host next year's  
Rotary International Convention

**June 21 to June 25, 2025.**

This will be a fabulous way to celebrate your year as Club  
President!



## SCAN THE QR CODE FOR DETAILS

### 2025 Rotary International Convention Calgary, Alberta, Canada June 21 – 25, 2025

Nestled in the foothills of the majestic Canadian Rocky Mountains, Calgary's stunning landscapes, skylines, and diverse experiences beckon travellers. From our vibrant downtown to our character-filled neighbourhoods, Calgary is full of surprises and stories. Perfectly positioned for exploration, it's a basecamp to Canada's preserved treasures and five UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

For over 70 years, the White Hat has been a symbol of our warm and welcoming hospitality. Recognized as the 'world's friendliest city', Calgary is ready to knock your socks off, offering unforgettable white hat moments and creating memories that will last a lifetime. Because in Calgary, you arrive as a visitor, but leave as a friend.

See you in Calgary in 2025!



# GOVERNOR VISITS

**Once a year the District Governor makes an official visit to each club in our District.**

**The purpose of the visit:** Overall, an official Rotary district governor visit plays a vital role in strengthening the Rotary network, promoting Rotary's values and objectives, and supporting the ongoing efforts of Rotary clubs to make a positive difference in their communities and beyond.

1. **Leadership Engagement:** The district governor serves as the official representative of Rotary International within their district. Their visit provides an opportunity for them to engage with local club leaders, members, and community stakeholders to understand the ongoing activities, challenges, and achievements of Rotary clubs within the district.
2. **Support and Guidance:** District governors offer support to Rotary clubs in their district. During their visit, they can provide insights, advice, and resources to help clubs enhance their service projects, membership growth, fundraising efforts, and overall effectiveness.
3. **Inspiration and Motivation:** District governors often deliver speeches and presentations during their visits to inspire and motivate Rotarians. They share stories of successful projects, highlight Rotary's impact locally and globally, and emphasize the importance of Rotary's mission of service above self.
4. **Communication and Networking:** Visits by the district governor facilitate communication and networking among Rotary clubs, Rotarians, and community leaders. They provide a platform for sharing best practices, building partnerships, and fostering collaboration among clubs to maximize their collective impact.
5. **Recognition and Celebration:** District governors recognize and celebrate the achievements and contributions of Rotary clubs and individual Rotarians during their visits. This recognition serves to acknowledge the dedication and commitment of members and incentivize continued engagement and participation in Rotary activities.

Speaker gifts to the District Governor are discouraged. Instead, it is preferred that the club use club funds toward one of their projects, or make a contribution to PolioPlus or The Rotary Foundation in recognition of the Governor's visit.

## PROPOSED DISTRICT GOVERNOR OFFICIAL CLUB VISITS 2024-2025

Club Name	Proposed Governor Visit	Meeting Day	Meeting Time
Arden	29-Jul	Mon	7:00 AM
Asheville	1-Aug	Thurs	12:30 PM
Asheville Breakfast	31-Jul	Wed	7:30 AM
Asheville-Biltmore	5-Aug	Mon	7:30 AM
Asheville-Metro	1-Aug	Thurs	5:30 PM
Asheville-South	28-Aug	Wed	7:15 AM
Avery County	26-Sep	Thurs	12:00 PM
Black Mountain	6-Aug	Tues	5:15 PM
Blowing Rock	16-Sep	Mon	12:00 PM
Boone Sunrise	17-Sep	Tues	7:30 AM
Brevard	27-Aug	Tues	12:00 PM
Bryson City	12-Sep	Thurs	12:00 PM
Burke-Sunrise	26-Sep	Thurs	7:00 AM
Burnsville	29-Aug	Thurs	12:00 PM
Caldwell County	24-Sep	Tues	6:44 AM
Cashiers Valley	11-Sep	Wed	12:00 PM
Catawba Valley (Conover)	8-Aug	Thurs	7:00 AM
Denver/Lake Norman	21-Aug	Wed	7:30 AM
Franklin	28-Aug	Wed	12:00 PM
Franklin Daybreak	10-Sep	Tues	7:30 AM
Haywood County (Canton)	19-Sep	Thurs	12:30 PM
Hendersonville	13-Aug	Tues	12:00 PM
Hendersonville-4 Seasons	29-Jul	Mon	5:30 PM

## PROPOSED DISTRICT GOVERNOR OFFICIAL CLUB VISITS 2024-2025

Club Name	Proposed Governor Visit	Meeting Day	Meeting Time
Hickory	7-Aug	Wed	12:00 PM
Hickory Sunrise	7-Aug	Wed	7:00 AM
Highlands	10-Sep	Tues	12:00 PM
Highlands-Mountaintop	9-Sep	Mon	5:30 PM
Lenoir	26-Jul	Fri	12:15 PM
Lincolnton	5-Aug	Mon	12:00 PM
Lincolnton-Sunrise	22-Aug	Thurs	7:30 AM
Madison County	18-Jul	Thurs	7:30 AM
Marion	8-Aug	Thurs	12:00 PM
Morganton	25-Sep	Wed	12:00 PM
Murphy	29-Jul	Mon	12:00 PM
Newton-Conover	24-Sep	Tues	12:00 PM
Pisgah Forest	14-Aug	Wed	8:00 AM
Sherrills Ford-Dry Pond	21-Aug	Wed	12:00 PM
Spruce Pine	15-Aug	Thurs	12:15 PM
Sylva	18-Jul	Thurs	12:00 PM
Tryon	5-Sep	Thurs	12:00 PM
Valdese	17-Sep	Tues	12:00 PM
Waynesville	2-Aug	Fri	12:30 PM
Waynesville-Sunrise	27-Aug	Tues	7:00 AM
The Foothills (IMPACT)	NEED TO SCHEDULE	Sun	IMPACT

# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL VISION STATEMENT

**Together**, we see a world where **people** unite and take action to **create** lasting **change** — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

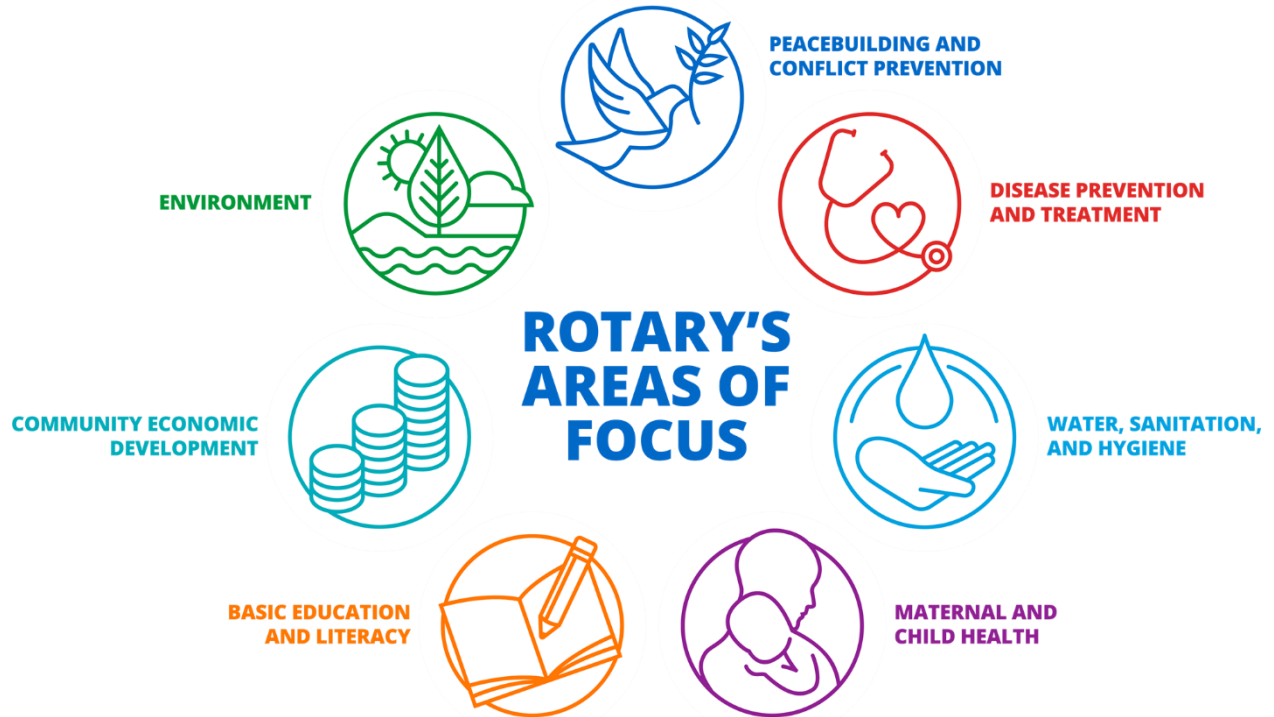
As People of Action, we understand that fulfilling that vision requires a plan.

More than a century ago, we pioneered a new model of service leadership grounded in person-to-person connections. Today, those connections are a network that spans the globe—bridging cultural, linguistic, generational, and geographic barriers—and shares the vision of a better world. As People of Action, we understand that fulfilling that vision requires a plan.

Rotary’s Action Plan is simple and straightforward. It should guide us in all that we do. Throughout the Rotary network of Clubs and Districts, our plan is to:



# ROTARY'S SEVEN AREAS OF FOCUS





# DISTRICT GOALS FOR 2024-2025

## **Increase our Impact:**

- Increase membership in District 7670 by 100 net new members (starting number in RI from July 1, 2024)
- Install 50 Peace Poles throughout the District
- CART fund- \$40 per capita with 10 additional Roger Ackerman Circle Members
- At least fifty percent of clubs will achieve the Club Award of Excellence (formerly known as the Rotary Presidential Citation)

## **Expand our Reach:**

- Charter four new Rotary Clubs of *any* type or model
- Donations to The Rotary Foundation reaches \$125 per capita
- Increase the number of Paul Harris Society Members by 20%
- One club in the district will become 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club
- Polio Plus giving of \$45 per capita
- Increase the number of Polio Plus Society Members by 20

## **Enhance Participant Engagement:**

- Each Club participates in Peace & Conflict Resolution conversations
- Establish a District RLI Committee and create a strategic plan for this committee
- Collaborate with other clubs and/or organizations to conduct a community cleanup or environment-focused project
- Increase the number of Rotary Direct users by 15%
- Club goals entered in Rotary Club Central by May 15, 2024 (a requirement to be eligible to receive a 24-25 district grant)
- Fifty attendees from District 7670 to attend the International Convention in Calgary, Canada (dates are June 21-25, 2025)

## **Increase our Ability to Adapt:**

- All Clubs will conduct a Club Health Assessment in 24-25 or have plans to in the 25-26 Rotary year
- Establish a Rotaract Committee and charter or re-establish at least two Rotaract Clubs in the District
- Ensure that five more Clubs compare their Club demographics to their community and set a plan in motion to address gaps

## Useful Websites and Resources

- District 7670 website [www.rotary7670.org](http://www.rotary7670.org)
- District and Club Database DACdb [www.dacdb.com](http://www.dacdb.com)
- Rotary Leadership Institute [www.rli33.org](http://www.rli33.org)
- Zone33 Website <https://www.rizones33-34.org/>
- CART (Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust) <https://www.cartfund.org/>
- My Rotary – A member's log in to the private sections of the Rotary International Website. Check your personal Foundation donations, Review Club Goals, & more. <https://my.rotary.org/>
- Rotary International Brand Center – Resources to help tell the Rotary Story. Make sure that your club is using the correct Rotary symbols and branding for your club projects, apparel, banners, etc. <https://brandcenter.rotary.org/en-GB>
- Rotary Club Central - Set and Track your club's goals <https://rcc.rotary.org/#/dashboard>
- Rotary International Citation (Citation Brochure) <https://my.rotary.org/en/news-media/office-president/rotary-citation>
- Rotary International Learning Center – online courses <https://learn.rotary.org/members/learn/catalog>
- Rotary International Membership Resources <https://my.rotary.org/en/learning-reference/learn-topic/membership>
- Rotary International Showcase – Location to add your great projects! [https://map.rotary.org/en/project/pages/project\\_showcase.aspx](https://map.rotary.org/en/project/pages/project_showcase.aspx)
- Rotary Governance Documents – Manual of Procedure, RI Constitution, and RI Bylaws. <https://my.rotary.org/en/learning-reference/about-rotary/governance-documents>
- Youth Protection Resources – Resources for clubs that participate in youth programs <https://my.rotary.org/en/learning-reference/learn-topic/youth-protection>
- End Polio Now <https://www.endpolio.org/resource-center>

## WE CONNECT PEOPLE



### **Rotary unites more than a million people**

Through Rotary clubs, people from all continents and cultures come together to exchange ideas, and form friendships and professional connections while making a difference in their backyards and around the world.

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## WE TRANSFORM COMMUNITIES



### **We take action locally & globally**

Each day, our members pour their passion, integrity, and intelligence into completing projects that have a lasting impact. We persevere until we deliver real, lasting solutions.

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## WE SOLVE PROBLEMS



### **No challenge is too big for us**

For more than 119 years, we've bridged cultures and connected continents to champion peace, fight illiteracy and poverty, promote clean water and sanitation, and fight disease.