**PAST DISTRICT LEADERSHIP**

At the 1915 Rotary Convention, it was decided to reclassify the nineteen regional Divisions then in existence as Districts and change the title of the officer in charge from Vice-President to District Governor. Coincidentally, this was also the year the first club in Western North Carolina was chartered, and marks the beginning of what has now become District 7670. The following is a list of District Governors who have served this region since 1915, including several who later went on to serve Rotary International.

**District 4**

1915-16 David P. Siles Roanoke, VA

1916-17 Thomas B. McAdams Richmond, VA

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**District 7-(North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia)**

1918-19 Howard E. Rondthaler Winston- Salem

1919-20 Roger W. Davis Charlotte

1920-21 Lewis W. Perrin Spartanburg, SC

1921-22 Joseph A. Turner Roanoke, VA

**District 38-(Western North Carolina and South Carolina)**

1922-23 Carroll H. Jones Columbia, SC

1923-24 Paul W. Schenck Greensboro, NC

1924-25 G. H. Mahon, Jr. Greeenville, SC

1925-26 Fred Kent Asheville

**District 58-(Western North Carolina and South Carolina)**

1926-27 Zaccheus F. Wright Newberry, SC

1927-28 David Clark\* Charlotte

1928-29 William Way Charleston, SC

1929-30 Ernest L. Whithers Waynesville

1930-31 Jefferson Boon Aiken Florence, SC

1931-32 H. Brent Schaeffer Hickory

1932-33 Roy Z.Thomas Rock Hill, SC

1933-34 Robert F. Phillips\* Asheville

1934-35 John W. Arrington, Jr. Greenville

1935-36 George M. Ivey Charlotte

1936-37 Samuel B. Earle Anderson, SC

**District 190-(Fourteen Clubs in Western North Carolina and South Carolina)**

1937-38 Guy L. Houk Franklin

1938-39 T. Wilbur Thornhill Charleston, SC

1939-40 J. R. Sandifer\* Hendersonville

1940-41 Hiram T. Hunter Sylva

1942-43 C. Sylvester Green Hartsville, SC

1943-44 Charles G. Tennent \*\*\* Asheville

1945-46 Stanley W. Black Bryson City

1944-45 William H. Shaw Sumter, SC

1945-46 Stanley W. Black Bryson City, NC

**District 194-(Western North Carolina, January 1, 1946 )**

1946-47 Holt McPherson Shelby

1947-48 Macon Williams Lenoir

1948-49 Everett Bierman Charlotte

**District 280**

**(Western North Carolina)**

1949-50 Jason Dayton Spruce Pine

1950-51 Walter Nau Hickory

1951-52 Chandler W. Gordon\* Asheville

1951-52 Malcolm Williamson Waynesville

1952-53 John Paul Lucas Charlotte

1953-54 Tom Lambeth\* Statesville

1954-55 Ernest W. Ross Marion

1955-56 Kelly Bennett Bryson City

1956-57 Stanley A. Harris, Sr. Boone

**District 767**

1957-58 Clarence M. Abernethy Lenoir

1958-59 Gordon L. Butler Andrews

1959-60 C.W. (Pat) Gilchrist Charlotte

1960-61 Russell Hanson Statesville

1961-62 Holland McSwain Murphy

1962-63 Jones Y. Pharr, Jr. Dilworth

1963-64 Archie W. Shuford Hickory

1964-65 O. Ted Kirby Charlotte-North

1965-66 Charles W. Porter Lenoir

1966-67 James B. Garland Gastonia

1967-68 Nicholas Semashko, Jr. Hendersonville

1968-69 Charles A. Hunter Charlotte

1969-70 Jesse P. Chapman, Jr. Asheville

1970-71 Charles M. Grier Charlotte-North

1971-72 David R. LaFar, III Gastonia

1972-73 Joseph W. Wells Tryon

1973-74 Ernest S. Stevens Highlands

1974-75 C.S. Brown, Jr. Franklin

1975-76 Zane M. Moore Charlotte

1976-77 E. Conley Bost Marion

1977-78 William H. Haggard Asheville

1978-79 John F. Sinnett Newton-Conover

1979-80 Peter H. Gerns Charlotte-North

1980-81 John K. Abernathy Black Mountain

1981-82 Guy V. Bailey Granite Falls

1982-83 S. Aaron Hyatt\*\* Sylva

1983-84 Donald Mackay Charlotte-North

1984-85 Paul Helms Monroe

1985-86 S.C. (Mark) Markanda Charlotte-East

1986-87 Joe D. Moore Charlotte

1987-88 Paul Haberland Sylva

1988-89 Fred H. Niehoff, Jr. Hendersonville

1989-90 Ray Garrison (Gary) Corne Newton-Conover

1990-91 Richard D. Howe Boone

**District 7670**

**1**991-92 Fred Barnes Lenoir

1992-93 Arthur K. Brintnall Black Mountain

1993-94 J.R. Mabe Marion

1994-95 W.H. (Hamp) Shuford, III Catawba Valley (Conover)

1995-96 W.R. (Tony) Baker Asheville-West

1996-97 Richard D. Howe Boone

1997-98 C.G. (Jerry) Chambers Highlands

1998-99 George W. (Bill) Armfield Lenoir

1999-00 Dean Kanipe Marion

2000-01 Harry Brogden Lincolnton

2001-02 Dennis Sanders Franklin

2002-03 David Burrell Haywood County

2003-04 Chuck Reiley Asheville

2004-05 Jim Efland Asheville

2005-06 Chuck Troutman Lenoir

2006-07 James Aydelotte Valdese

2007-08 William Shillito Catawba Valley

2008-09 David Sink, Jr. Hendersonville

2009-10 Carol L. King Asheville

2010-11 Ed Walcoff Asheville-West

2011-12 Bill Parker Blowing Rock

2012-13 Frank Dean Marion

2013-14 Ronnie Thompson Valdese

2014-15 Gray Bray Franklin

2015-16 Billi Black Franklin-Daybreak

2016-17 Gary Dills Franklin

2017-18 Bill Biddle Asheville Breakfast

2018-19 Isaac Owolabi Asheville Biltmore

2019-20 Tiffany Ervin Hendersonville Four Seasons

2020-21 David Waechter Lenoir

2021-22 Ken Shull Tryon

2022-23 Tammy Mosteller Lincolnton Sunrise

2023-24 Sean Gibson Franklin

2024-25 Connie Molland Madison County

2025-26 Alex “Alpo” Portelli Marion

2026-27 Paige Scott Burnsville

\* Served as Director of Rotary International

\*\* Served as General Secretary, RI and

Director, RI

\*\*\* Served as President of Rotary International 1957-58