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Rotary District 7680

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STAYING CONNECTED

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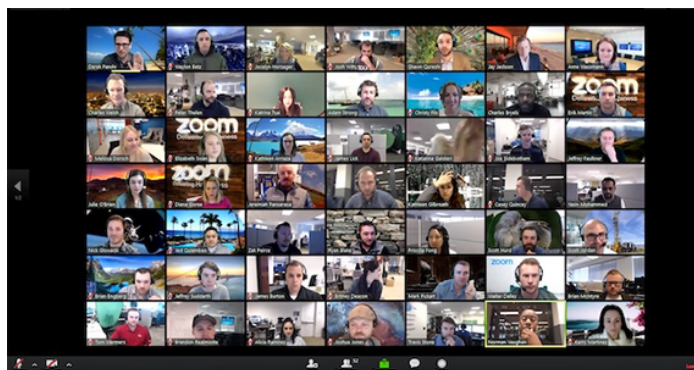*Serving North Carolina and the World*

- **We're in unprecedented times that test our ability to stay connected. They require an unusual amount of creativity from both clubs and Rotarians. Here are some ways to engage members during these extraordinary times.**

- **Remember - nothing beats the personal touch of a phone call (see THE PERSONAL TOUCH below).**

- **Toward the bottom of this page, please see a list of great ideas for staying connected, from our own RI Directors David Stovall and Stephanie Urchick. They are a starting point to get your creative juices flowing.**

- **Below that, at the bottom, we have Zoom setup and participant instructions.**

VIRTUAL MEETINGS

- **Most clubs should start holding virtual meetings. The District and many clubs use Zoom to do this, but there are many such services. Any club can afford a Zoom account. Meetings under 40 minutes with less than 100 participants are free: https://zoom.us/pricing (https://zoom.us/pricing)**

- **You can also get a discount on more expansive Zoom services with Rotary Global Rewards: http://rotary.perkhub.com/offers/9832-zoom-video-conferencing/click (http://rotary.perkhub.com/offers/9832-zoom-video-conferencing/click)**

- **You can invite speakers to participate the same as if they were attending a regular meeting.**

- **Zoom allows PowerPoint and videos. Plus, a club member can even operate the PowerPoint slides for the speaker!**

- **Some clubs are inviting guests to their Zoom meetings. Be sure to follow up!**

- **HERE'S AN IDEA: INVITE SOME TERMINATED MEMBERS (SEE YOUR DACDB MEMBER LIST) TO JOIN THE ZOOM CALLS. YOU MAY ACTUALLY GROW MEMBERSHIP!**

** PLEASE SEE ZOOM INSTRUCTIONS AT THE BOTTOM **

There is some great information from Rotary on virtual meetings here (https://blog.rotary.org/2020/03/23/embracing-virtual-meetings-for-your-club/), including this:

- **View a one-minute video (https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-Joining-a-Meeting) on how to join a Zoom meeting.**
- **Learn how other districts are keeping members engaged during the pandemic (https://blog.rotary.org/2020/03/19/how-to-engage-members-during-the-coronavirus-pandemic/)**

SOME ROTARY RESOURCES

Rotary Zones 33 and 34 that we are part of, covering 31 Districts from western Pennsylvania through Florida and the Caribbean, has a Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/groups/rotaryinternationalzones33.34/) with great information regularly being added by Rotarians and Districts. https://www.facebook.com/groups/rotaryinternationalzones33.34/ (https://www.facebook.com/groups/rotaryinternationalzones33.34/)

And here is the main Zone website: https://www.rizones33-34.org/ (https://www.rizones33-34.org/)

The 'Rotary Club Members: Public Image, Graphics & Ideas Hub (https://www.facebook.com/groups/1595163847383932/)' Facebook page is gathering some great ideas as well. Join, learn, and share ideas. https://www.facebook.com/groups/1595163847383932/ (https://www.facebook.com/groups/1595163847383932/)

PROVIDING SERVICE REMOTELY

Look for opportunities to provide service remotely. Our new questionnaire asking for needs will begin connecting needs with clubs very soon. https://bit.ly/rotary7680helps (https://bit.ly/rotary7680helps)

A VIRTUAL PARTY?

Some clubs are also having virtual social events. This takes more creativity. But Rotarians have plenty of that!

THE PERSONAL TOUCH

Club officers can call each member individually, perhaps every two weeks. Tell members personally about virtual meetings and other opportunities to connect.

IDEAS FROM OUR OWN ZONE 33/34 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DIRECTORS DAVID STOVALL AND STEPHANIE URCHICK

Presented on the March 23rd Zone Zoom call:

HERE ARE SOME BASIC IDEAS TO BEGIN YOUR OWN BRAINSTORMING
OF WAYS "YOUR" #ROTARYCONNECTSTHEWORLD

• Virtual meetings with Zoom, Kudo, Skype, GoToMeeting, etc. Try to 'meet' weekly.

• Invite yourself and your members to the Zone 33/34 Facebook group. It is there as a source for information which can be used by clubs and individuals. There are regular postings of current information and items to share, to help you engage members and stay connected.

• If virtual meetings aren't feasible, practical, consider going to the Rotary.org Learning Center and copy a video, paste it into an email to your members, and do that once a week.

• Post a TED Talk each week from a member of your own club, maybe a club officer or director

•Record local leaders and speakers in your area and email it out once a week

•Go to the RI Zones 33/34 Facebook group and clip and copy or repost items to your own club's Facebook group.

• Invite members to address cards to "Resident" and send them to local senior care facilities with a personal note.

• Zone 33 & 34 Coordinators, in all areas, may be found at this link: https://www.rizones33-34.org/zone-coordinators/

• If you have kids at home, perhaps think about having them color pictures and/or write messages to folks in nursing homes, and then mail these treasures to those who are isolated from their families due to the Coronavirus.

• Go to Rotary.org and sign up for some of the weekly emails sent out by staff. We make an effort to post them to the Facebook feed every week, but you can have them come directly to you and share with your members.

• Rotary.org lists over 280 e-Clubs around the world. Visit some of them at their online meetings. You might bring new ideas back to your club

• Happy Bucks, CART FUND, and other cash donations can be done electronically via PayPal/Cash App/or even through the chat function of Zoom, members can text in their contributions and the club treasurer can add them to their club account.

• RI Directors David & Stephanie will be hosting this meeting on Friday mornings and Monday Noon each week. Invite your members to attend.

• Buddy system. Have club board designate a chain for folks to CALL each other weekly (or more often.) A way to keep members who don't use social media in the loop.

• Collect paperback books members have read, and place them in a 'little library' for others.

• Organize a "virtual tip jar" (get someone with IT expertise to do this...) Urge local wait staff at your meeting place or other to sign up and folks can 'donate' to their favorite servers...

• CONSIDER THE VIRTUAL TIP JAR FOR YOUR LOCAL FOOD BANK, and credit it toward our #10MillionMealChallenge. Make sure you report the meal equivalency on Rotary Club Central.

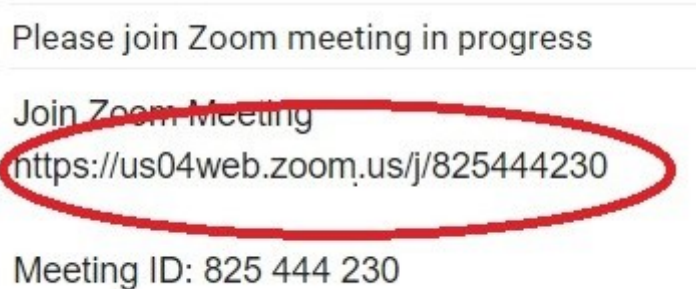NOTE – colors are alternated only to make this easier to read.

1. GETTING STARTED WITH ZOOM

2. ZOOM PARTICIPANT TIPS

1. Getting Started with Zoom

You can download the app beforehand, <u>but it will also automatically install itself the first time you follow a zoom link to join a call</u>. Just try the link for your first call about five minutes early, to let that happen.

The meeting organizer will email you an invite that will look something like this:

Please join Zoom meeting in progress

Join Zoom Meeting
https://us04web.zoom.us/j/825444230

Meeting ID: 825 444 230

Just click the link in the email (circled here in red) and Zoom will check whether the program is already on your computer, and if not, it will prompt you to download. It should be easy and pretty much run itself with a little encouragement from you in the way of OKs and "Yes" answers to prompts.

For instance, if it's a new install, when you click on the link your window should show this:

When prompted, select Run.

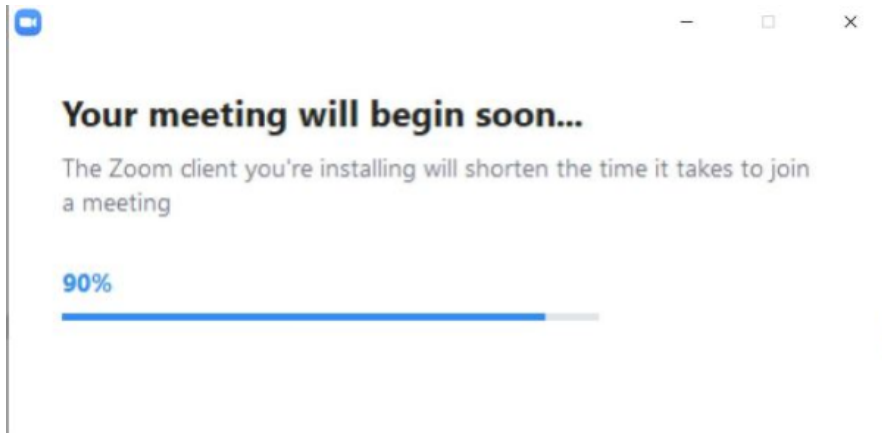A download should start automatically in a few seconds. If not, download here.

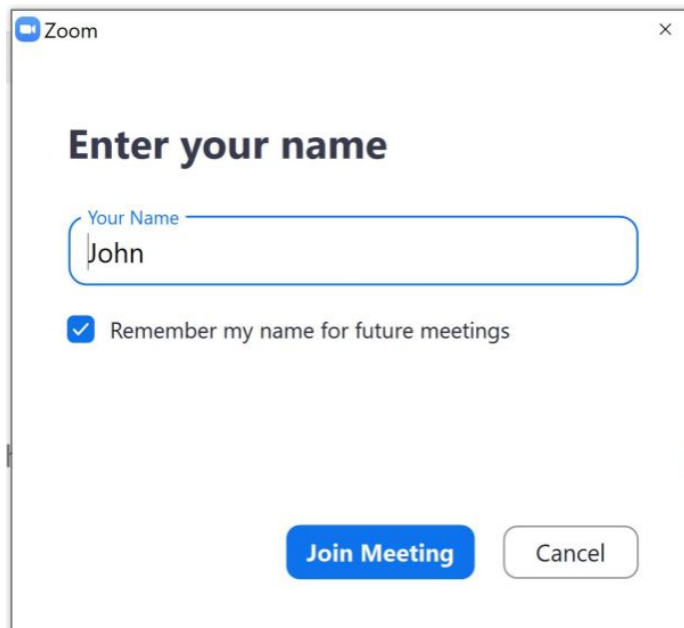**And then along the bottom of the window, you should see something like this:**

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Choose "Run."

At this point, your computer will most likely ask whether it's OK to let Zoom make changes. Say yes.

Then you should see a window like this, with a progress bar:

When that finishes, you should be prompted to enter the name you want displayed to others in the call, then click "Join Meeting."

The meeting will open in a small window which you can enlarge to full screen to see everyone better.

2. <u>Zoom Participant Tips</u>

· Turn on as many lights as possible in the room, so you'll show up clearly.

· Don't sit in front of a lamp or a sunny window, or you'll be back-lit and hard to see.

· A lot of people find a plain wall to use as a background. That's up to you, but just be aware what people will see behind you in the shot.

· Unless you want to speak, it's a good idea to keep your microphone muted, especially if your dog is barking or you have other unpredictable noise sources around you.

· Unless asked by the moderator, it's considered polite to keep your camera on, since seeing others' faces is the reason for using Zoom instead of a conference call.
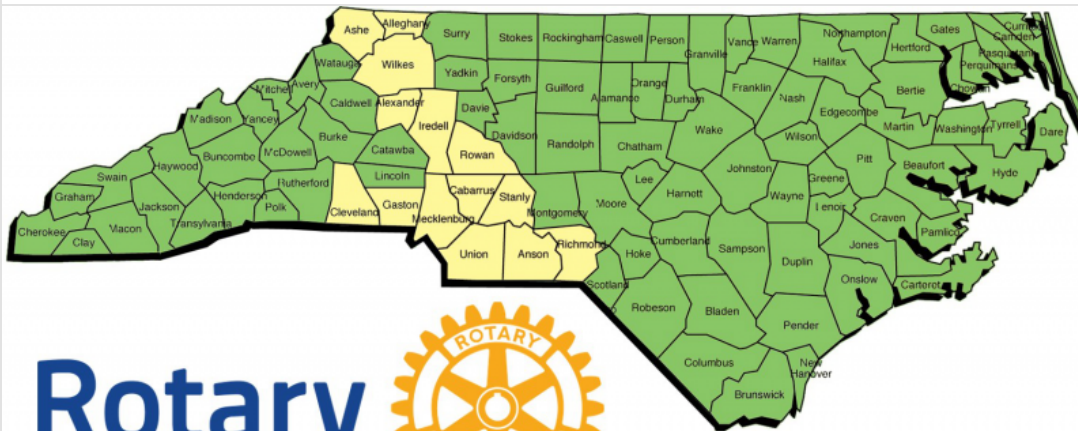

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DISTRICT EVENTS

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Apr 24th - Apr 27th
   District Conference 2020 - Cruise
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May 30th
   Tentative date for AG Training
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June 27th
   Governor Mike Walker Installation Banquet
   (https://ismyrotaryclub.com/wp_api/R_Event.cfm?
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Apr 22nd - Apr 25th
   District Conference 2021 (https://ismyrotaryclub.com/wp_api/R_Event.cfm?
   EventID=77456321&fixImages=0&fixTables=0)

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