

Rotary



Club of Chattanooga

Events

- August 29th
Donde Plowman, UTK
Chancellor
- September 5th
Justin Robertson,
Superintendent Hamilton
County Schools
- September 12th
United Way Kickoff - Lesley
Scarce - Speaker
- September 19th
Mari Fleming - The
Importance of Mentorship

Club Leaders



Douglas S. Thompson
President



Edna E. Varner
President-Elect



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Club Director



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Club Director



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Club Membership
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Club Service Chair



Robert D. Moss
Rotary Foundation
Chair
Club Rotary
Foundation Chair

Doug Thompson



111th Rotary President

Rotary Meeting
August 29, 2024
Chattanooga Convention Center
12 Noon
Ballrooms: H / I / J



David Steele III
Sergeant-at-Arms



J. Tom Glenn
Past President

Club Meeting

Chattanooga
Meets at Chattanooga
Convention and Trade Center
One Carter Plaza
Chattanooga, TN 37402
Time: Thursday at 12:00 PM

SPEAKER:

Donde Plowman - Chancellor UTK



Donde Plowman

has served since 2019 as

Chancellor of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville,
the state's flagship land-grant research university.

In that time, she oversaw a 19% increase in enrollment even as many university enrollments dropped dramatically. The university has also hit records in student retention rates, alumni giving, state support, and research expenditures.

UT has a footprint that spans the entire state, including the main campus in Knoxville, the Space Institute in Tullahoma, and the Institute of Agriculture and its Extension offices in all 95 counties. Plowman oversees a campus budget of \$1.9 billion as well as more than 36,000 students, nearly 7,000 staff, and more than 1,800 full-time faculty. For three years in a row, UT has been named the Best Large Employer by Forbes.

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New Member Introductions and a little more....

Two New Member Introductions:



**Elaine Swafford (Proposer)
& Keri Randolph (New Member)**



**Evann Freeman (New Member)
Todd Womack (Proposer)**

President Doug trying out his camera.....
Which one do you like the best???



**President Doug - Chris Glover, EVP- VW and David Steele
Volkswagen anyone???**



**AND NOW FOR THE REST OF THE STORY.....
Wanda and Erin**



Showing off the newly framed Coca-Cola Poster,
hanging in the Rotary Office.

Sorry to say goodbye to:

Jim Callihan - Relocation

Randall Harrell - Relocation

Sangkoo Yun selected to be 2026-27 Rotary International President

Sangkoo Yun, of the Rotary Club of Sae Hanyang, Seoul, Korea, is the selection of the nominating committee to become Rotary International's president for 2026-27. He will be officially declared the president-nominee on 15 September if no other candidates challenge him.

Yun received his bachelor's and master's degrees from the Syracuse University School of Architecture in the U.S. and an honorary doctoral degree from The University of Edinburgh, Scotland. He is the founder and CEO of Dongsuh Corp., which engineers and markets architectural materials, and the president of Youngan Corp., which operates in real estate and financial investment. He is involved in many civic organizations and has a special interest in the preservation of cultural heritage.

A Rotary member since 1987, when he was a charter member of the Rotary Club of Sae Hanyang, Yun has served Rotary International as a director, trustee, committee member and chair, and RI learning facilitator. He served for eight years as co-chair of the Keep Mongolia Green Project, by Korean members of Rotary. His RI committee roles include the Board Administration Committee (2013-15, vice chair 2014-15), the International Assembly Committee (vice chair, 2020-21), and the End Polio Now Countdown to History Campaign Committee (regional vice chair, 2023-27). He also served on The Rotary Foundation's Executive Committee (2019-22, chair 2020-21) and Programs Committee (2019-22, chair 2020-22). Yun received The Rotary Foundation's Distinguished Service Award in 2021-22. He was appointed an Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire by Queen Elizabeth II, awarded the Friendship Medal by the president of Mongolia, and recognized for distinguished services by the president and prime minister of Korea. He is a veteran of the Republic of Korea Army and an emeritus elder at Andong Presbyterian Church.

Yun and his spouse, Eunsun, are Rotary Foundation Benefactors, Major Donors, and members of the Arch Klumph Society, the Paul Harris Society, and the Bequest Society.

They have two children.

