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**THE MAGIC  
OF ROTARY**



## July 17 Meeting Preview

### Dale Phillips—City of Kingsport Chief of Police



Chief Dale Phipps has been a dedicated member of the police department since September 1988.

Throughout his career, he has served in various operational and administrative roles, including Uniform Patrol, SWAT, Vice/Narcotics, and Professional Standards. Chief Phipps played a crucial role in the department's adoption of Tasers as a less lethal option, conducting the necessary research and drafting the policy for their

use. He is a graduate of the FBI National Academy (Session 228) in Quantico, VA, and holds both Associate and Bachelor degrees from East Tennessee State University. In March 2021, he was appointed as the 15th Chief of Police of the Kingsport Police Department.

Chief Phipps is known for his collaborative and inclusive leadership style. He values the input of his team and believes in working alongside them to achieve common goals. His approach emphasizes integrity, transparency, and community engagement, fostering a supportive and professional environment within the department. Under his leadership, the Kingsport Police Department has continued to uphold its commitment to serving and protecting the community with courage and justice.

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# July 12, 2024 Meeting Summary

Attendance was 54.5%



Paul Gray opened the meeting and introduced Paul Montgomery, who led the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Al Crymble provided an update on Sunshine for the new Rotary year. The committee will alternate between providing classic Sunshine contributions and a new program of Mystery Member moments, where hints about a mystery club member will allow the audience to guess who is being profiled. As the club's new president for the 2024–2025 Rotary year, Paul took this opportunity to talk about his personal and law enforcement background, and how he found his way into this club during Russ Adkin's presidential year. He then outlined his plan to continue the club's commitment to children again this year, and to expand the support that the club has been able to provide to youth-focused organizations in Kingsport.

Paul explained that he has a special interest in assisting at-risk children, and Girls, Inc. of Kingsport is one of these groups providing critical services to girls from low-income or single-parent households to help them grow up healthy, educated and independent. The club's directors are excited to have support from the club this year, especially on projects requiring hands-on service assistance. As the first project with Girls, Inc. the Power of One Hour meeting on July 31 will be focused on collecting school supplies for the students.

Paul also briefly reviewed this year's primary service project that Jennifer Salyer reviewed at the last meeting—the renovation of Washington Elementary's outdoor classroom complex—as well as a continuation of support for the Kennedy Elementary Early Act Club; and spoke about another possible plan for installing and stocking a food "blessing box" somewhere in the city.

Paul closed the meeting with a recitation of the Four-Way Test.



By Rajeev Bhalla, Rotary Club of Ranipur, Uttar Pradesh, India

I have an amazing story to tell of hope, healing, and the power of coming together to make a difference. Many of us have stories like this in Rotary. Here's mine.

I joined the Rotary Club of Ranipur in 1987 with a simple idea in mind: to do something meaningful for our community of Haridwar. Little did I know that my simple idea would blossom into something truly life-changing.



Surgeons work on a burn patient.

In our community, several individuals have scars from accidents they survived, such as burns or acid injuries. Many of them are not just scarred physically but also carry deep emotional wounds. I thought, "What if we could do something to help them?"

Teaming up with a group of skilled German medical experts, my club set out to create a clinic that would also be a haven: a place where people could get medical help and find a new sense of hope.

We called our initiative "Changing Faces to Change Lives." Each year, more than 150 survivors find solace through our project. They aren't just patients. They are fighters, battling stigma as well as physical pain.


We think out every step carefully. From the moment someone registers, we want them to feel cared for and respected. The screening process ensures that everyone gets the right attention, personalized just for them.

The project's success is due to teamwork. Alongside Sagar Manchanda (our immediate past president), Project Chair Sanjeev Mehta, and Dr. Vinay, our amazing Rotarians work tirelessly. The surgeries we arrange fix physical scars, and we offer emotional support and counseling to the patients and their families. We provide that support through every step of recovery.

Our project is not a one-time effort. It's a continued commitment – a promise we have made to change lives. Year after year, we will remain committed to restoring people's hope and dignity.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## JULY 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	1	2	3 No Meeting, Independence Day Holiday	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Paul Gray—Plans for 2024-2025 Rotary Year	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 Dale Phillips—City of Kingsport Chief of Police	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Bobby Russell—Sullivan County Clerk of the Court	25	26 Tax Free Weekend for School Supplies	27
28	29	30	31  School Supplies for Girls Inc.			

### MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Edna Potts—July 4  
Shannon Morelock—July 9  
Jerry Miller—July 11  
Bruce Sites—July 14  
Kenneth Calvert—July 19  
Rebecca Beck—July 22

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

July 01—Bill Bard—63 Years  
July 06—Judy Fischer—51 Years  
July 08—Wirt Taylor—17 Years  
July 10—Rebecca Beck—20 Years

### MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

July 01—John Porter—44 Years  
July 01—Wirt Taylor—57 Years  
July 01—Buddy Scott—41 Years  
July 01—Dennis Phillips—35 Years  
July 09—Pam Rehart—16 Years  
July 15—Todd Jones—02 Years  
July 22—Jerry Miller—26 Years  
July 25—Bill Adams—43 Years

## Upcoming Events

August 24—District 7570 Membership Summit—The Heartwood Center, Abingdon, VA  
September 14—Rotary Leadership Institute—Part 1—Colonial Heights Presbyterian Church, Kingsport, TN

### HOW TO FIND US

#### Rotary Club of Kingsport

District 7570 | Area 13 | Club 5739

Meets every Wednesday at Noon  
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### THE FOUR-WAY TEST

OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY, OR DO

- 1 | Is it the **TRUTH**?
- 2 | Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- 3 | Will it build **GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- 4 | Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

## Local Clubs for Make-ups

#### MONDAY

Noon | Tri-Cities—Northeast State  
Community College, Pierce Admin Bldg.,  
Room P309, Blountville, TN

6:00 PM | Johnson City Evening—Howard  
Hunt's Edward Jones Office, 4018 Roan St.  
Johnson City, TN

#### TUESDAY

7:15 AM | Scott County—Scott Co. Park &  
Golf Course Clubhouse, 247 Fore Drive, Gate  
City, VA

7:30 AM | Bristol Morning VA-TN—  
The Summit Co-Work Space (Expedition  
Meeting Room) 1227 Volunteer Pkwy, Bristol,  
TN

Noon | Bristol VA-TN—Bristol Train

Station ,101 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd  
Bristol, VA

Noon | Johnson City—Johnson City  
Country Club 1901 E Unaka Ave , Johnson  
City, TN

Noon | Greeneville—Tusculum University,  
Niswonger Commons Pioneer Café ,60 Shiloh  
Road Greeneville, TN

#### WEDNESDAY

7:00 AM | Greeneville-Morning—Laughlin  
Memorial Hospital Cafeteria Conference  
Room, Greeneville, TN

7:30 AM | Kingsport-Sunrise—Food City  
Press Room , Suite 300, 200 Clinchfield St.,  
Kingsport, TN

Noon | Unicoi County—Town Hall, 211

N.Main St., Erwin, TN

Noon | Elizabethton—First Christian Church  
of Elizabethton, Fellowship Hall, 513 Hattie  
Ave, Elizabethton, TN

#### THURSDAY

7:15 AM | Johnson City Morning—Food  
City Community Room, 920 N. State of  
Franklin Rd., Johnson City, TN

Noon | Kingsport-Downtown—Food City  
Crown Center, 1205 N Eastman Road,  
Kingsport, TN

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