



## Program

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Concord, NC 28025  
Time: Tuesday at 06:00 PM

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## Concord Afton Sunset Rotary Club Makes it into the Independent Tribune

Monday, August 8, 2022



The Concord-Afton Sunset Rotary Club is in its fifth year working with WSOC's 9SchoolTools where they collect thousands of supplies to support students and teachers in every school in Cabarrus County and Kannapolis City Schools. Their work found its way into the Independent Tribune. [Click here](#) to read the full article.

## Concord Afton Sunset Rotary Club 22/23

Friday, July 15, 2022

Meet the Concord-Afton Sunset Rotary Club of 2022/2023, a group of diverse individuals who are from all walks of life coming together for the purpose of serving the Concord Community. This year's Rotary Theme is Imagine Rotary, which the club has embraced fully, says Joslyn Blackburn, the club's President for the 2022/2023 fiscal year. Blackburn says that the club has plans to look to the future post Covid using creativity, imagination and action to catapult their club to continued success.

The club's signature service project, 9SchoolTools, collects school supplies for Cabarrus County and Kannapolis City Schools. This year is the club's 5th year participating in 9SchoolTools. The club also has served our communities' elder population by supplying them with personal items at Christmas time, feeding the hungry, partnered with Cabarrus Health Alliance to help with vaccination clinics and more. The club has also done a host of international projects in previous years.

If you are looking for a place to fellowship with friends and serve your community, Concord-Afton Sunset may be your avenue to doing just that. All are welcome to visit the club on every Tuesday at 6:00pm at Luck Factory at 80 McGill Avenue NW in Concord.



## What Is Rotary?



Rotary is an organization of business and professional leaders united worldwide, who provide **humanitarian service**, encourage **high ethical standards** in all vocations, and help to build **goodwill and peace** in the world. Rotary today is some 1.2 million service minded men and women belonging to some 34,000 Rotary Clubs in 200 countries. Our local club has a stable membership of around 27 men and women. [Read More](#)

## Weekly Agenda

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## Upcoming Program/Meetings

September 20, 2022  
[DG Kam Chandan](#)



# IMAGINE ROTARY

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## Club Officers



[Joslyn E. Blackburn](#)  
President



[Pramod Joglekar](#)  
President-Elect  
Membership Chair



[Sue McCoy Cunningham](#)  
Secretary  
Club Executive Secretary



[Heather Richter](#)  
Treasurer



[Kayla Seigler Stafford](#)  
Public Image Chair  
Public Relations Chair  
Webmaster



[Karen Ann Shore](#)  
Rotary Foundation Chair



[Cynthia S. Fertenbaugh](#)  
Club Service Chair



[Amy Shantell La'Nae Steele](#)  
iPast President

## Rotary International President Jennifer Jones

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

**Jennifer Jones, Rotary International's first female president, is the perfect leader to spread the word about the good Rotary does in the world, and inspire its members to keep going.**

By **Diana Schoberg** Photography by **Monika Lozinska**



At a training seminar for Rotary club presidents-elect at a Dallas-area hotel in February, sergeants-at-arms wearing yellow vests and Stetsons lead participants, grouped by Rotary district, into a small room for a photo op with 2022-23 Rotary International President Jennifer Jones. As the groups enter, the club leaders mob Jones — the room a flurry of handshakes, fist bumps, hugs, and the occasional squeal. For each photo, the Stetson-clad Rotarians (nicknamed "Rangers") give instructions on who should stand where, then Jones, who is seated front-row center, stands up, turns around, and warms up the crowd. "Is this the best district?" she asks one. She challenges a district to dance, busting a groove on the tan and gray patterned hotel carpet. Another, she teases, is the best looking. And then there's the "party" district, whose members give a raucous cheer.

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## Rotary Leadership Institute

### Rotary Leadership Institute



*The purpose of the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is to strengthen your club and strengthen your life through sharing experiences and ideas with other Rotarians throughout the region.*

*Every incoming President should complete RLI before taking office. That will make his or her year the best it can be.*

Click on the following for more information:

<http://www.rli33.org/>

What is RLI?

RLI is a three-Part non-consecutive basic course in both Rotary knowledge and leadership skills. In addition to specific Rotary knowledge and skills, most of the RLI sessions have a leadership component. Each Part lasts from roughly 8:30 to 4:00. To become an RLI graduate, you must complete all three Parts on three different days.

RLI is a grassroots coalition of Rotary districts implementing a leadership development program for "potential" leaders of Rotary Clubs. Established in 1992, RLI has become a worldwide organization with divisions in every Continent of the world. Most Rotarians have not been exposed to the great scope of Rotary around the world and have not considered what leadership skills are necessary to move Rotary forward. Rotary Club leaders must know the evolution of Rotary, its current status and activities in the world, and have a vision for what Rotary can be in the future. RLI is designed to help provide this.

The expectation of RLI is to have clubs identify those with the potential for future club leadership and send them to RLI courses at club expense. All member clubs may send any club Rotarian to RLI courses and any Rotarian may attend any course at his/her own initiative.

**Curriculum** (subject to change)

<b>PART I</b>	<b>PART II</b>	<b>PART III</b>
The Roots of Rotary	Strategic Planning	Public Image & Public Relations
My Club and beyond	Team Building	Effective Leadership Strategies
Engaging Members	Rotary and Ethics	International Service
Our Foundation	Targeted Service	Club Communications
Creating Service Projects	Attracting Members	Vocational Service & Expectations

You can review the course materials for each Part by going to the bottom of [this page](#) and clicking on the Part you wish to see.

#### **RLI CONTACT**

**Contact RLI Coordinator Georgia Oakes at [georgiaoakes@gmail.com](mailto:georgiaoakes@gmail.com) or 704.701.0135. Help retain new members by budgeting them to attend Part 1 of RLI.**

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## **Paul Harris Fellow**

### **PAUL HARRIS FELLOW HISTORY**

The Paul Harris Fellow recognition was established in 1957 to show appreciation for and encourage substantial contributions to what was then the Foundation's only program, Rotary Foundation Fellowships for Advanced Study, the precursor to Ambassadorial Scholarships.

The first Paul Harris Fellows include 1937-38 RI Director Allison G. Brush and longtime RI Treasurer Rufus F. Chapin, both for donations made in 1946. Mrs. Adan Vargas was the first woman to receive the recognition, for a gift made in 1953. Mrs. Harry L. Jones was the second, and one of only five people recognized for contributions made in 1957.

Early Paul Harris Fellows received a certificate of recognition. In 1969, the Foundation unveiled the first Paul Harris Fellow medallion at the RI Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii, USA. Japanese metal artist Fiju Tsuda created the piece under the direction of then-past Foundation Trustee Kyozo Yuasa. Today, Paul Harris Fellows receive a certificate and pin. They are also eligible to purchase a Paul Harris Fellow medallion.

Rotarians have a tradition of supporting the Foundation by honoring others. Ida LeTulle Taylor became a Paul Harris Fellow in 1978 when her husband, then-District Governor Vann Taylor, made a donation in her name in honor of their 34th wedding anniversary. The gift also made her the 25,000th Paul Harris Fellow.

At the International Assembly in 1979, then-RI President-elect James Bomar challenged each Rotary club to make one non-Rotarian a Paul Harris Fellow. The Rotary Club of Pikesville, Maryland, USA, responded by making a donation in the name of Mother Teresa in 1980. The entertainer Pearl Bailey also became a Paul Harris Fellow through a joint effort of the Rotary clubs in Cape Cod, Massachusetts.

Many other notable figures have been named as Paul Harris Fellows, including U.S. President Jimmy Carter, Russian President Boris Yeltsin, U.S. astronaut James Lovell, UN Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, and Jonas Salk.



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## **Birthdays**

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