

News 'n Notes

Rotary E-Club of the Carolinas



Engaged, enthusiastic Rotarians leading the way in building exemplary virtual club experiences

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Candace Wyman

E-Club Innovation

This month, I want to share my excitement about our club's expanding presence in the sphere of innovative Rotary engagement. Our members are well aware of the flexibility we enjoy and access to a wide variety of service and fellowship opportunities. We are taking increasing advantage of opportunities to be a part of the larger Rotary community:

On March 11, we will be participating in the monthly Zone 33/34 Membership Action Plan Webinar, discussing our experience with the MAP Membership Satisfaction Survey.

On March 16, we will be sharing our approach to service and our Acts of Green service campaign. We will participate in the Global E-Club Conference, "E-Embracing Change, Creating Hope", scheduled for 12-4 PM EDT on the 16th. Our members continue to serve

our communities in many ways, having fun and building awareness of Rotarians as a resource.

Our club has been embraced by D7750 as an alternative approach to Rotary engagement, especially for those who find that the traditional club formats no longer work for them.

In June, we will enjoy fellowship, fun and friendly competition in a Rotary Jeopardy Game with the E-Clubs of Global Trekkers and of D6960. And in the fall, we will host a gathering of RV-minded Rotarians at Lake Greenwood State Park.

We are truly a model of no-boundaries Rotary! I am grateful to all of our members who create, develop and support these opportunities!

Candace

Join in our Weekly Meeting via Zoom

6 pm (EST) - 1st, 3rd, & 5th Tuesdays

Noon (EST) - 2nd and 4th Tuesdays

Beginning April 1, 2024, all meetings will be held Tuesdays at 12:00 Noon EST.

LINK: E-Club Meeting Login

Zoom Meeting ID: 876 0367 8273 Passcode: 4waytest

<https://rotaryclubofthecarolinas.com>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/EclubCarolinasClubhouse>

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Minute for Rotary



MARCH IS WATER, SANITATION, AND HYGIENE MONTH

Clean water, sanitation, and hygiene education are basic necessities for a healthy environment and a productive life.

When people have access to clean water and sanitation, waterborne diseases decrease, children stay healthier and attend school more regularly, and mothers can spend less time carrying water and more time helping their families.

Read about RI's WASH programs and how we mobilize resources, partner, and invest in infrastructure and training. <https://www.rotary.org/en/our-causes/providing-clean-water>

CLUBS AT THE END OF THE WORLD

Have you seen this Feature Story on the RI website? There are Rotary clubs in more than 200 countries, including some of the world's most remote locations. In this article, you can read about six out-of-the-way clubs and learn what they do. Who wants to plan a trip to do a makeup in Newfoundland? How about Fairbanks, AK this time of year? Do you know where Helgoland is? The Rotary Club of Tarawa is 2,230 km from their nearest Rotary club. Read about these Rotarians. <https://www.rotary.org/en/clubs-end-world>



Rotary E-Club of the Carolinas is proud of its status as #PeopleofAction. Our service catalog includes IRGS—Individual, Remote, Group, and Special Projects. Members can choose to serve in their own chosen way as Individual Service. Remote and Group Service opportunities are organized by the Club. And Special Projects include our dedication to supporting Little Free Libraries and literacy.

Rotary E-Club of the Carolinas' Priorities for 2023-24

- ⇒ Service: Focus on Literacy, the Environment and Mental Health
- ⇒ Giving and fundraising: Ensure EREY and increase the number of Sustainers and Paul Harris Society members and Benefactors. Raise at least \$5000 to be eligible for grant matches.
- ⇒ Relationships: Care for each member, expand our network to other E-Clubs and Rotary fellowships, help nearby terra clubs with service projects.
- ⇒ Member experience: Irresistible, fun meetings. Rewarding service engagement. In-person fellowship opportunities. Use of Learning Center tools to enhance personal/professional/Rotary development.



Club and Member News

3rd Quarter Challenges to Gain Yards

- Submit individual service project report - 15 yards each
- Submit the Vocational Avenue of Service in a new way - 10 yards
- Commit to a role in one of our fundraising efforts - 15 yards



Member with the most points at the end of each quarter gets a special surprise!
 Report your actions and yards to [Candace](#).



CELEBRATE OUR MEMBERS

Congratulations, Barbara Ellis, for achieving Major Donor status with the Rotary Foundation! Barbara is our newest member and a long-time Rotarian. Well done, Barbara! Thank you for all you do!



Safe travels and joy to Franca & Alberto Meloncelli as they serve Rotary in Honduras!

Thanks to Julia Larson for helping a terra club with their service project to help feed people in the community!



Congratulations to Julia Larson who completed her RLI faculty training and will serve as the District 7750 RLI chair for 2024-25!

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Vision

Lead the way for Rotary in building effective virtual Rotary club experiences.

Mission

A Rotary Club of engaged, enthusiastic, service-driven Rotarians with a spirit of fun and fellowship who enjoy working together as they seek opportunities to serve their local and global communities, and who grow Rotary membership as they lead the way in being the role model for Rotary E-Clubs.

Membership Update

A ROLE FOR EVERYONE

By Lenna Young

When we think about our role in membership, this quote from Arch Klumph reminds us that what we do today will determine the strength of our membership tomorrow.

“No one can tell us what Rotary will be tomorrow, but one thing is certain: What Rotary will be tomorrow depends upon what Rotarians do today.”

- Arch Klumph

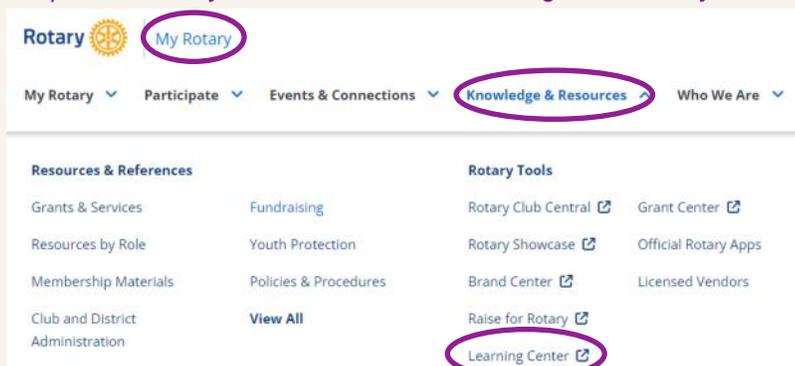
Kudos to President Candace for her outreach to those within the district who have left Rotary. Her work has generated several responses. Those responses are not only encouraging, but they are also indicative of the potential for reaching out to these former Rotarians.

What can all of us do? Here are just a few thoughts that we can do today that could help shape our club’s tomorrows.



- * Look ahead at programs and think about those you know who would be interested and invite them to attend.
- * Who do you know that loves service? Strike up a conversation about the service we do and invite them to participate in our next service project.
- * Keep your E-Club brochures handy and share.
- * Do you know someone who left Rotary? Contact them and tell about our E-Club and invite them to a meeting.

Our club is not only strengthened by new members, but also through club development. Have you checked out the Learning Center lately?



Four Approaches

- ▶ Generate prospects
- ▶ Develop a deep pool of potential members
- ▶ Welcome & orient new members
- ▶ Retain members through strong member engagement

OUR MEMBERSHIP

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Rotary Zones 33/34 #RotaryShares #RotaryZones3334 #ElevateRotary

E-CLUB OUTREACH

Lenna gives us 4 easy ways to build our club’s tomorrow, all centered on Outreach. Invite someone. Reach out to someone. Tell someone. Will everyone say yes? Or say yes right away? Keep trying.

Be ready to articulate the benefits of Rotary Membership for your prospects. Our E-Club brochure is on DACdb at Home > PR-PI > E-Club Brochure 2023.

Check out RI’s Membership page. <https://www.rotary.org/en/about-rotary/membership>

Who will you invite today? How will you build our E-Club’s tomorrow?

Club Service News

Remote Service

ACTS OF GREEN

April 2024



PROJECT: 3rd annual Acts of Green Remote Service Project

- Members commit acts of green in their own communities. Tips and Successes will be shared on Facebook.
- Through club funds and a matching grant, we will expand Acts of Green in 2024 to include activities with the Anderson Career & Technology Center, Wren High School, and McCormick Elementary School. THANKS to the Mark Makuliski Donor Advised Fund for approving our matching grant to expand this year! And THANKS to our club and District 7750 for making it possible.
 - Anderson Career & Technology Center—Culinary Garden Enhancement
 - Their culinary students will enhance a campus culinary garden to include herbs and vegetables which will then be used to create delicious meals in their classes.
 - McCormick Elementary School—Garden Pond Installation & Corner Garden Upgrade
 - They will be installing a pre-formed pond in their corner garden, completing a corner garden for students and staff to enjoy.
 - Wren High School—Pollinator Paradise Project
 - They are planning a multi-phase approach in soil prep,



Individual Service

- **For 2023-24**, each member is asked to commit to an individual service project 2 times during this Rotary year, beyond our club-sponsored projects. IDEAS — Join a terra club or district project. Help in your community. Get inspired by one of our speakers. Plan ahead and ask others to join.
- Submit your Individual Service via this Google Form so we can track our time and promote our passions! Takes 2 minutes.
 - <https://forms.gle/6aXEVDtNfUUR1wRu6> (Click, or copy and paste in your browser)
- Find this at DACdb > My Club > Club FILES > Service Projects > Record Your Individual Service.docx
- If you have difficulty submitting through the Google Form link above, reach out to Julie (jctovey@aol.com). #PeopleofAction

MORE Club Service News



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ACTS OF GREEN

3rd annual Remote Service Project by Rotary E-Club of the Carolinas
aligned with Earth Day 2024

APRIL 1-22, 2024

We will commit Acts of Green wherever we are
to invest in our planet and in service to others.

REMOTE SERVICE IDEAS

- Commit to using a refillable water bottle or beverage holder
- Change paper bills to online billing
- Request removal from catalog mail lists
- Use reef-safe sunscreen
- Turn off electronics when not in use
- Plant a tree or perennial plants, pollinator plants, & reduce pesticides
- Recycle aluminum, cardboard, & more
- Use reusable bags at stores
- Carry reusable utensils with you – eating utensils and multi-use straws
- Use cold water for laundry
- Cut up non-recyclable or unusable plastic items to reduce danger to animals.
- Install a rain barrel to use runoff water
- What's your idea for an Act of Green?**

Act Now for

ACTS OF GREEN

1. Join #PeopleofAction to Commit Acts of Green and invest in our planet in April 2024 and beyond!
2. Share your Act with a photo, description, and your club name and location. Share to our club Facebook page or email Julie Tovey—jctovey@aol.com.
3. Spread the Word!

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Mark Your Calendars!



2023-24 Club Giving

as of 1/31/2024

COMMITMENT & PASSION

Many would say that Service & Foundation Giving are two of the reasons many Rotarians remain engaged throughout their lives. Rotary E-Club of the Carolinas nurtures an strong environment for both. As of January 31, we have achieved great things in our Giving, and there is still time for everyone to be involved.



ANNUAL FUND - We are at 86% of our goal, with per capita giving at \$334.40. To make your annual gift to The Rotary Foundation, visit the following website: <https://my.rotary.org/en/donate>. And when you choose Annual Fund-SHARE as your designation, a portion of those funds come back to our Rotary District and benefit clubs like ours through many wonderful grants.



POLIO PLUS - We have achieved 101.2% of our giving to Polio Plus. To read about Rotary International's commitment to ending polio, visit this website: <https://www.endpolio.org/>. As of 3/3/2024, there have been 0 cases of reported wild polio cases in Afghanistan and Pakistan. Rotary members have contributed more than USD\$2.6 billion dollars and countless volunteer hours to the fight to #EndPolio.

We are proud of our members for their dedication to Rotary. In addition to the success noted above, we are at 71.1% of our CART goal (Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust). We are a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club, with 14 EREY members (Every Rotary Every Year), 14 Sustaining Members, 7 Major Donors, and several other cool categories.

Rotary E-Club of the Carolinas is home to dedicated and committed Rotarians who impact lives in lots of ways. We give. We serve. We #Rotary!

How to Give!

The Rotary Foundation
(Select Annual Fund-SHARE)

<https://my.rotary.org/en/donate>

Polio Plus Fund
(Select PolioPlus Fund)

<https://my.rotary.org/en/donate>

Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust

<https://mycartfund.org/>
or through Paypal on our club website

Weekly Meeting Happy Bucks
(Click Donate in the left column)

<https://www.rotaryclubofthecarolinas.com/>

Light a Candle Fundraiser



LIGHT A CANDLE FOR



A Loved one

(First Name)



A Caregiver

(First Name)



Hope for a Cure

Please donate to research that will end the suffering caused by Alzheimer's Disease

Suggested Donation: \$10/candle

Donations may be made here:

<https://www.rotaryclubofthecarolinas.com/>
in the DONATE link in the left column

[CLICK HERE](#)

Note if the donation is made in honor of:

- * A Loved One (First Name)
- * A Caregiver (First Name)
- * In Hope for a Cure

Include your donor name or specify "Anonymous"

Thank you for the *Gift of Hope*
100% of your donation is designated for research

This fundraising campaign will run from Feb 4-Mar 17, so don't wait :)

**THERE'S
STILL
TIME**



To learn more about Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust (CART), listen to/ view our recent program by the Rotary District 7750 Chair, Cara Hamilton.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IVjYibfSRaI>

Check This Out!



Rotary RV Rally

Lake Greenwood State Park

Ninety Six, SC

October 10-13, 2024

Reservations for Campground #2

<https://reserve.southcarolinaparks.com/lake-greenwood/camping/>

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✧ Fellowship

✧ Evening Socials

✧ BBQ

✧ Visit with Local
Rotarians

✧ Service Project

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10 - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2024

The above graphic is hyperlinked to the SCParks website.

Mark Your Calendar

Upcoming Club Meetings

Tuesday, 3/5/2024	Weekly Meeting - 6:00 PM	Program: Water 4.0: Past, Present, and Future TED: David Sedlak
Tuesday, 3/12/2024	Weekly Meeting - 12:00 Noon	Program: Reducing plastics thru bio-based materials James Sternberg, Packaging Science, Clemson
Tuesday, 3/19/2024	Weekly Meeting - 6:00 PM	Program: Update on Monterey Bay Aquarium Taryn Cadena (Past Speaker)
Tuesday, 3/26/2024	Weekly Meeting - 12:00 Noon	Program: Honduras Water Project Franca & Alberto Meloncelli
Tuesday, 4/2/2024	Weekly Meeting - 12:00 Noon	Program: Student Engagement in Sustainability Lizzy Anast, Clemson University
Tuesday, 4/9/2024	Weekly Meeting - 12:00 Noon	Program: SC's River Basin Planning PDG Rob Hanley

Other IMPORTANT Dates

04Feb-17Mar: Light a Candle CART Fundraiser

16Mar: Global E-Clubs Conference

01 April 2024: All E-Club of the Carolinas weekly meetings are at 12:00 Noon (South Carolina time) after this date

1-22 April 2024: E-Club of the Carolinas ACTS of GREEN

11-13 April 2024: Zone 33/34 Institute in Richmond

17-19 May 2024: D7750 All Clubs Conference in Greenville

28 June 2024: D7750 Awards & Installation Banquet in Greenville

8-12 June 2024: RI Convention in Singapore

1 July 2024: New Rotary Year begins

6 September 2024: Casino Night Fundraiser for E-Club

10-13 October 2024: E-Club Rotary RV Rally in Greenwood

[Click for Meeting Log In](#)

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E-Club Information

2023-24 Officers & Directors

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The 4 Way Test

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

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