News 'n Notes



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Candace Wuman

I have been reflecting on the power and comfort of Rotary fellowship lately; within our club and our district, among our guests and potential members, and with our global network. We are a caring bunch, and express it in so many ways,

It has been heartening to see the response to the Acts of Green Remote Service Project. Lenna has, in the midst of taking on other major responsibilities, moved our membership Julia haˈs focus forward in exciting ways. cultivated a strong relationship with many of our district-level partners, boding well for a strong 2024-25 Rotary year. Alberto has inspired us to meet our giving goals generously, long before the end of the year. Franca and Iuliana have strengthened our administrative processes to establish better ways of doing business going forward. Shirley has had the patience to make sense of our

wide-ranging Board meeting conversations as she prepares the minutes. Ken has added a strong strategic focus to our program planning. Barbara reminds us to help other clubs with their service projects. With his carefully-prepared Rotary Minute, Lance reminds us of important Rotary fundamentals. Our social media is full of exciting posts about the many ways our members connect with others in fellowship and service. Our global network is expanding across the US, and on to Honduras and Africa.

All these relationships only make us stronger and more resilient as we and Rotary evolve. I have never been more excited about the future of our See you in 3-D at the All-Club D7750 Conference, May 17-19 AND our club picnic and group service project on May 19!

Candace

Join in our Weekly Meeting via Zoom

12:00 Noon (South Carolina Time)

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://rotaryeclubofthecarolinas.com

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

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Membership Update



FINISH STRONG!

Some of our E-Club members have put in a lot of work to try and help us grow. Ask yourself, what is my role in membership? The first step is to *invite* someone to experience one of our e-club meetings or activities.

How did you become a Rotarian? Did someone invite you to attend a meeting? We are a small and mighty club with a lot of great speakers. We are active on social media channels, embrace service in our communities and beyond, and we give back as an investment in our world. Who wouldn't want to come to one of our meetings and see what we're about?!

As we enter into the last two months of the year, here is your challenge. Invite a prospective Rotarian to log on some Tuesday. This newsletters provides a list of future speakers and other programs, so try to match up their interests with what we have going on. Do you think they'd enjoy our picnic or the Act for Youth Club Service Project? *Invite* them and sign them up for a lunch. People of Action bring people of action.

Four Approaches

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





10 Reasons to Join A Rotary Club



- The Opportunity to Serve
- Leadership Development
- Citizenship in the World
- Business Development
- Continuing Education
- Personal Growth
- Entertainment
- Community
- Friendship
- Fun



Club Priorities & Planning



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.



The Magic of Rotary

Rotary International President-elect Stephanie Urchick announced that the 2024-25 presidential theme is The Magic of Rotary and called on members to recognize and amplify the organization's power to save lives.

A YouTube video of her theme presentation can be found here: $\underline{\text{https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ssYfYjF67OU}}$

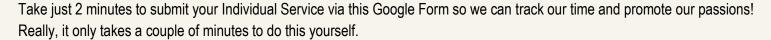
Did you know this will be the last presidential theme for RI? The Board of Trustees wants to focus on the brand of Rotary itself. We all know what is special about our Rotary experiences, and we have a chance to show that every day.

Individual Service

Back in July, the club Board approved an individual service recommendation 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. Thank you for considering this, and thanks to the 7 current members who have submitted their individual service completion reports via our Google Form.

It's Not Too Late! Consider how you have served outside of our club-sponsored projects since July. Have you performed service in your community or with another

Rotary club? Have you contributed to a community fundraiser or helped a student group reach their goals? We would love to showcase our club's overall commitment to service in this category, so please share.



https://forms.gle/6aXEVDtNfUUR1wRu6 (Click, or copy and paste in your browser)

You can find a document about this at DACdb > My Club > Club FILES > Service Projects > Record Your Individual Service.docx.

If you have questions about this individual service component or difficulty submitting through the Google Form link above, reach out to Julie (jctovey@aol.com). *Thank you, People of Action!*



Rotary Minute





2024 Vistrict Conference

May 17 - 19

Hyatt Regency

Downtown Greenville, SC

Service, Fellowship, Learning, and Most Importantly FUM!



Rotary District 7750 will host the annual District Conference in May in Greenville SC. Join for all or part of the fellowship and learning, if you can. You can register for the Friday-Saturday-Sunday events, or pick and choose from the registration menu. Celebrate Rotary!

Also, please be sure to read the emails coming from District 7750. We are doing great things in the name of Rotary, and it is wonderful that they are shared with us. #PeopleofAction



Do you know about Rotary Showcase? Rotary members and program participants are improving lives in communities around the world every day through thousands of service projects. Explore the

good work that we're doing locally and globally, and share these projects through social media. Thanks to Franca and Julie for maintaining our E-Club's Rotary Showcase records! To check out all of our entries, visit the Showcase link <u>HERE</u>.





May is Youth Services Month



Rotary believes in developing the next generation of leaders. Our programs help younger leaders build leadership skills, expand education and learn the value of service. Rotary E-Club of the Carolinas heard about New Foundations Home for Children and will hear from the Anderson Career & Technology Center as part of our promotion of this important theme. To learn more about what Rotary is doing for youth, visit https://www.rotary.org/en/our-programs/youth-programs.

Club Picnic & Service Project



your bag

Sunday, May 19, 2024

11:00AM - 2:00PM

Westside Park, Shelter

2700 West Blue Ridge Drive Greenville SC 29611

Attendance Plans & Lunch Order:

https://forms.gle/JquGz7vATgR3vGaK6

Act for Youth

GROUP SERVICE PROJECT

In-Kind Donations to benefit New Foundations Home for Children during Rotary's Youth Service Month—May 2024











Duffle Bags-Easy to Carry Small Luggage Hygiene Products Clothing & Undergarments Amazon Wish List Items



Bring your items to our club picnic on May 19. Julie Tovey will collect things to deliver to New Foundations. If you will not attend May 19, Julie can pick up items on the Friday afternoon of District Conference, or arrange to meet you on another day. Or you can have items sent directly to NFHFC. For more information, email Julie at jctovey@aol.com.

Club Service News



Rotary 45

Remote Service

Thank You!

Thank you for participating in E-Club of the Carolinas' 3rd annual Acts of Green Remote Service Project. As one of our board-approved projects for the 2023-24 year, we have been looking ahead to this since July. Many of you commit to environmental awareness and acts of green throughout the year, and that is important. We appreciate your continued efforts. Thank you for being People of Action!





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Club and Member News



4th Quarter Challenges to Gain Yards

- Attend District 7750 Conference—10 points
- Attend E-Club Post-Conference Picnic—10 points
- Commit and Act of Green and Report to Julie T.—5 points
- Sponsor a new member by 6/30/2024—25 points
- Any of the previous quarter actions listed in past newsletters!

As of 4/28, Candace reports, "Franca is still running the ball down the field, only 20 yards from a touchdown, with Alberto not far behind. Note that sponsoring a new member gains you 25 yards. The first member across makes the Rotary Super Club Touchdown!"

From One Club to Another

The Rotary E-Club of the Carolinas congratulates the Nyamyerambiko Primary School in Kabale District, Uganda, on their Golden Jubilee in April.

From 2020-2023, \$5,600 was donated through a combination of Rotary district grants and matching club and personal contributions. These funds have provided essential educational materials for students, aligning



with our club's focus on promoting Literacy. This effort demonstrates Rotary's international commitment to service. The newly-chartered Rotary Club of Lake Bunyonyi and Club President Bagyenyi are continuing this legacy of supporting education.

Check out our club's congratulations video from some of our leaders on our Facebook page at: https://www.facebook.com/groups/

EclubCarolinasClubhouse/

posts/2531049650400890/. We are truly appreciative of People of Action around the world.

2023-24 Club Giving

as of March 31, 2024



Foundation

\$7,818 raised on a 2023-24 goal of \$7,000



\$1,820 raised on a 2023-24 goal of \$1,700



\$1,525 raised on a 2023-24 goal of \$1,296



15 EREY members

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.rotaryeclubofthecarolinas.com/

Mark Your Calendar



Upcoming Club Meetings		
Tuesday, 5/7/2024	Weekly Meeting - 12:00 Noon	Program: Todd Brown, The US=Mexico Produce Industry
Tuesday, 5/14/2024	Weekly Meeting—12:00 Noon	Program: Hollie Harrell, Speaker Anderson Career & Technology Center
Tuesday, 5/21/2024	Weekly Meeting - 12:00 Noon	Program: Amy Cuddy, Your Body Language Explored (TED Talk)
Tuesday, 5/28/2024	Weekly Meeting - 12:00 Noon	Program: Rotary Club of Eziama Sunrise, Rotary District 9142
Tuesday, 6/4/2024	Weekly Meeting—12:00 Noon	Program: Leesa Aiken, Speaker South Carolina State Library
Tuesday, 6/11/2024	Weekly Meeting - 12:00 Noon	Program: David Howard, Cause-Based Rotary, Jamaica School for the Deaf

Other IMPORTANT Dates

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

19 May 2024: Club Picnic, Westside Park, 11AM-2PM

And Group Service Project

25 June 2024: Our E-Club Annual Meeting & Installation

28 June 2024: D7750 Awards & Installation Banquet in Greenville

8-12 June 2024: RI Convention in Singapore

1 July 2024: New Rotary Year begins

<u>6 September 2024</u>: Casino Night Fundraiser for E-Club TBD

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

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Click to see our YouTube Channel

Rotary E-Club of the Carolinas - YouTube

Fall 2024 Event



Rotary RV Rally

Rotary E-Club of the Carolinas

₩ Fellowship

Lake Greenwood State Park * Evening Socials

Ninety Six, SC October 10-13, 2024

※ BBQ

Reservations for Campground #2

https://reserve.southcarolinaparks.com/lakegreenwood/camping/ Wisit with Local Rotarians

★ Service Project

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10 - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2024

E-Club Information

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The 4 Way Test

1 Is it the TRUTH?

ls it FAIR to all concerned?

Will it build
GOODWILL and
BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



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