



Julia Larson

## President's Message

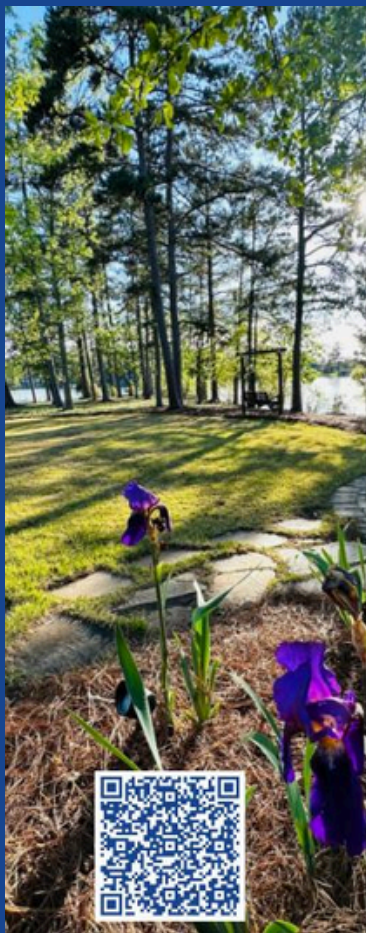
It's May and we are getting ready for some fun springtime activities! Our District Conference is coming up and I am looking forward to seeing many of our members in person for this fun social and engaging event. Being part of an E-Club means that I am always looking for opportunities to interact in person with our members and with those of other clubs. The photo for this month is from the Reedy River Club's Annual Duck Derby in downtown Greenville. If you have never attended, it is quite a sight to see all those ducks dive down the falls and share the Rotary spirit with the community of Greenville. I also enjoyed participating in the Lake Wylie Rotary Club's Paddle for the Cure to support CART recently. Helping with service projects and fundraisers for other clubs is a fun way to share the joy of being a Rotarian.

May is Youth Services month for Rotary International. 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. Interact, Rotaract, RYLA and Youth Exchange are all programs that focus on our youth.

We are looking forward to sending two McCormick High School students to RYLA – Rotary Youth Leadership Awards camp in June. Millie and I are continuing to work with the McCormick Middle and Elementary School Pollinator Project as we help the students plant the gardens and wait for the butterflies to emerge. For those who attended RLI in Anderson, we enjoyed having some of the Anderson Rotaract student join us for the day. The incoming and outgoing youth exchange students are often a key feature of our district conferences. Some of our district Interact students will be helping with the Fountain Inn Haitian Book Center project. As we engage with these students, it is fun to hear about their experiences and know we are supporting these amazing future leaders.

When we connect with youth through Rotary, we are ensuring that the next generation understands how much we as Rotarians support their leadership development and their goals. This month, think of ways you can make a difference in the lives of young people in your community.





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# Sunday Social

May 18, 2025

12:00 Noon

at the home of Lance & Lenna Young  
1721 Taylor Drive  
Gilbert SC

If you plan to attend, complete this online form by  
scanning the QR code or use  
<https://forms.gle/Xg54RH7S2Ld2Ppx99>



To register for the  
*Sunday Social*,  
thanks to Lenna and  
Lance Young, complete  
this Google Form.  
at  
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## ROTARY DISTRICT 7750 CONFERENCE

## Service Projects

The Service Projects for this year's District 7750 Conference will showcase People of Action! That's **YOU!**

Join us to serve on projects benefiting the Levine Cancer Institute on 5/16 or the Haitian Children's Book Center on 5/17.



FRI, MAY 16, 2025

One hour sessions

1:00PM

2:00PM

3:00PM

Haitian  
Children's  
Book Center

SAT, MAY 17, 2025

One hour session

1:00PM



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DETAILS &  
REGISTER

<https://givebutter.com/7750Serves>

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**Join us for the  
Rotary District  
7750 Conference,  
our club-organized  
service,  
and our  
Sunday Social.**

To register for the  
*Service Projects*, visit  
[https://givebutter.com/  
7750Serves](https://givebutter.com/7750Serves)





# Connections

Join our Weekly Meeting via Zoom  
Tuesdays 12:00 Noon (South Carolina USA Time)

LINK: [E-Club Meeting Hyperlink](#)

Zoom Meeting ID: 876 0367 8273 Passcode: 4waytest

<https://rotaryclubofthecarolinas.com>

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

Instagram @rotaryclubofthecarolinas

YouTube @rotarye-clubofthecarolinas



Rotary  **PROJECT**  
Zones 33/34

District 7750 applied for a Rotary Zone 33/34 Disaster Relief Grant to support food banks that suffered hardships because of Hurricane Helene. Many clubs engaged to serve several food banks in our district. Clubs were also asked hold a food drive to supplement the project. We partnered with several groups to support Christ Central Ministries-Saluda Food Bank. Our club and members came together to donate freezers and many needed food items. That food bank does incredible work in their community, serving 350-450 people every month. **Thank you, Julia, for her leadership, and to all who engaged in this meaningful project!**  
#PeopleofAction



# Club Calendar

## **Meetings - 12:00 Noon on Tuesdays**

### **May 6** - Weekly Meeting

Program: Reflections of Normandy, Lance Young

### **May 13** - Weekly Meeting

Program: Fellowship

### **May 16** - Blood Drive in McCormick

### **May 16-17** - Rotary District 7750

All Club Conference in Columbia SC

### **May 18** - Club Social at the Youngs

### **May 20** - Weekly Meeting

Program: Children's Trust of SC

### **May 25** - Happy Birthday Candace!

### **May 27** - Weekly Meeting

Program: SC Governor's School for Agriculture

### **June 2** - Joint E-Club Meeting (Monday Evening)

### **June 3** - No regular E-Club Meeting

### **June 10** - Weekly Meeting

Program: U.S. Peace Corps

### **June 12** - Happy Birthday Iuliana!

### **June 17** - Weekly Meeting

Program: Club Assembly/Installation

### **June 24** - No Meeting

### **July 1** - Kicking of a new Rotary Year!

*A list of upcoming activities, and much more, can be found on our website.*



## **Looking Onward**

June 21-25 - Rotary International Conference in Calgary

July 18 - District 7750 Installation and Awards Banquet in Greenville

Sept 11-14 Zone 33/34 Summit in Jacksonville FL

Sept 13 - Golf Tournament Fundraiser in McCormick

Sept 19 - Blood Drive in McCormick

### **Stay up to date**

[Rotary District 7750](#)

[Rotary E-Club of the Carolinas](#)



A portion of our May Happy Bucks will support Cuts for Confidence. This is a volunteer driven nonprofit that provides free haircuts for those who need them. They partner with homeless shelters, children's homes, and more to instill dignity and humanity wherever they go. Donations can be made via Paypal or by sending check to our club's address.



# SERVICE



**SERVICE  
ABOVE SELF**

Individual Service	Remote Service
Group Service	Other Service

*Thank You!*

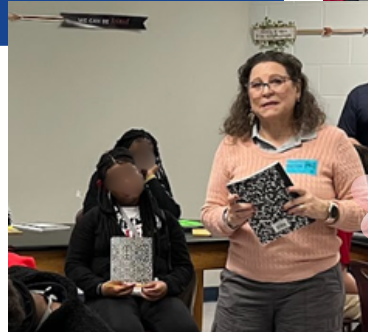
THANK YOU to all those who committed Acts of Green, inspired by our annual remote service project. We received many pictures and know there was even more work behind the scenes. We saw many tips and successes of how Rotarians are supporting the environment. For our 4<sup>th</sup> year of this project, we seem to have another E-Club Tradition! Thank you, Candace, our service chair, for organizing, and to all for participating!





# SERVICE

Thank You!



Through a Rotary District 7750 grant, the E-Club was able to continue investing in the McCormick schools. Sensory and Pollinator Gardens were built at McCormick Middle and Elementary Schools. Rotarians, students, and community members helped with construction and plantings. Composition notebooks (278) were given to the science teachers to be used in lessons about our ecosystem, emphasizing the importance of pollinators, maintaining their habit, and protecting their environments. Classrooms were also provided with books about pollinators and about the humane treatment of animals to be used in reading lessons. Butterfly pavilions and butterfly larva were also supplied to the school so that the students could observe the lifecycle of pollinators and release them into their gardens. Thank you to the District for these funds, to our members who gave, and to Julia and Millie for all of their hard work! #PeopleofAction

## APRIL is Environment Month

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# GIVING

## SO CLOSE!



### We are so close!

You have crushed two of our Giving goals already this year.

### Congratulations and THANK YOU!

You have given back in so many ways this year, and I know we continue to ask. You have given to the Foundation, to End Polio Now, to fundraisers and service projects, to freezers and Little Free Libraries, and more. You are amazing.

But here goes. If you have not already made an annual gift to Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust, **will you consider it?**

Just click on this dart to help us hit the bullseye and crush our final goal.



## How to Give

The Rotary Foundation  
(Select Annual Fund-SHARE)

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

Polio Plus Fund  
(Select PolioPlus Fund)

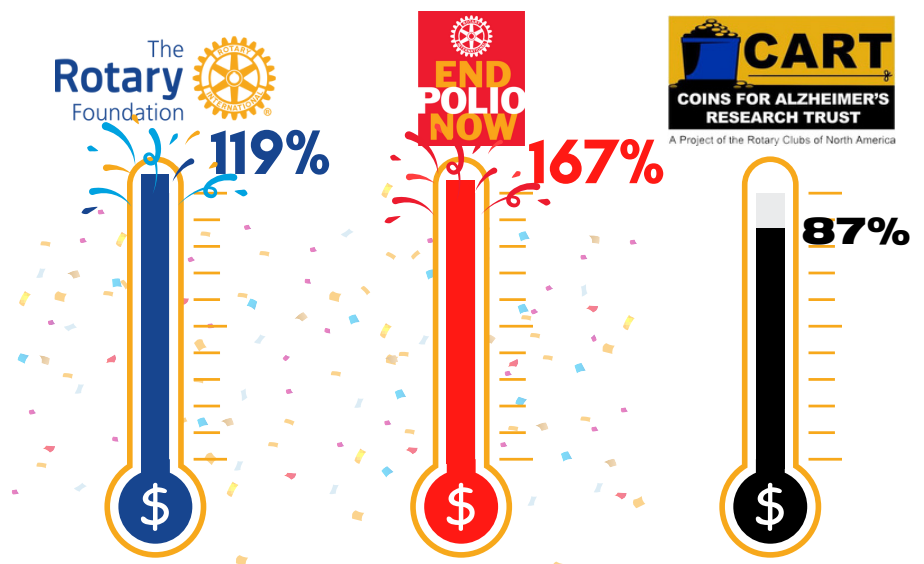
<https://my.rotary.org/en/donate>

Coins for Alzheimer's  
Research Trust  
<https://mycartfund.org/>

[E-Club Website](#)  
Paypal active/Zelle  
or mail a check

## Our Progress!

Percentages of club goals as of 4/30/2025



# MEMBERSHIP



*Our Progress!*

**Members as of 6/30/24 – 23**

**Members as of 3/31/25 – 27**

**17% growth & 4% attrition so far**

**Goal for Rotary Year 2024/25  
+2 members or 5% growth**

## Attendance

**April  
2025**

**58.3% with  
5 meetings**



*Welcome*  
**Joe!**

We are proud to welcome Joseph "Joe" Smithers as our 27<sup>th</sup> member! Joe is a financial professional with New York Life in Charlotte and lives in Indian Land. In the past, he worked at T-Mobile for nearly 25 years before transitioning to finance. He is originally from Myrtle Beach. He is married to Elizabeth and they have two sons. He enjoys fitness, motorcycles, hunting, and being with his family.

We welcome Joe! And we thank Dann Dunn for serving as his sponsor!



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## New E-Club Trading Banners

Our new E-Club Trading Banners are in! As per the email sent to all members through DACdb, each member will receive one free per year, and you are welcome to order more at a cost of \$8.50 each plus postage. If you would like to order additional trading banners, email Julie at [jctovey@aol.com](mailto:jctovey@aol.com) by May 15. They can be mailed to you or brought to the district conference.



## The 4 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** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- 4 Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

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# Rotary



## E-Club of the Carolinas

### Mailing Address

PO Box 294, Duncan, SC 29334 USA

### Website

<https://rotaryclubofthecarolinas.com>

### Meeting Zoom Info

Tuesdays 12:00PM South Carolina Time

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87603678273?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87603678273?pwd=gAZ1bNgQHePW2YPQVQKe5JmbtIMoNy.1)

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Meeting ID: 876 0367 8273

Passcode: 4waytest

### Facebook

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

### Instagram

@rotaryclubofthecarolinas

### YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxLibSZz-alh6VeN6DIvhXg>

## 2024-25 Officers/Directors

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**Chuck Harrison**, President Nominee - chuckha44ison@gmail.com

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**Ken Hirsch**, Board Member - khirsch@kenhirscharchitect.com

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The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is a grassroots coalition of Rotary districts implementing a leadership development program for Rotarians. Join District 7750 for an upcoming session this fall.

**August 9 in Duncan:**  
**Parts 1,2 and 3**

**Fall Virtual Series**  
Part 1 - 10/14 and 10/15  
Part 2 - 11/11 and 11/12  
Part 3 - 12/9 and 12/10

<https://www.midatlanticrli.org/>

Questions? Contact Julia Larson