

News & Notes

Rotary

E-Club of the Carolinas



President's Message

Wow! It is hard to believe we are at the end of 2024. December is a great time to look back on the year and think of all that has been accomplished and all the special memories. I love December and decorating my house for the holiday season. But what I love even more, is the focus on Giving to Others. As the year comes to an end, I enjoy spending time making gifts and baking cookies. I feel like I am putting a little of myself into these gifts I give to my friends and family. The photo this month is one of my favorite holiday traditions – bedazzling my fall pumpkins. Seeing my neighbors smile when they see them on my doorstep is a gift in itself.

December is Disease Prevention and Treatment month for Rotary. Rotary works to reduce the causes and effects of diseases and educates and equips communities to stop the spread of life-threatening diseases like polio, HIV/AIDS, malaria, tuberculosis and other major diseases. As Rotarians, we work to improve the capacity of local health care professionals and improve and expand access to low-cost and free health care in developing areas. We set up temporary clinics, blood donation centers, and training facilities. Rotarians design and build infrastructure that allows doctors, patients, and governments to work together to treat and prevent disease. We support research related to disease prevention and treatment.

As we celebrate the holidays, let's remember how fortunate we are to live in a country where Disease Prevention and Treatment are more readily available to many of us. As we focus on Giving to Others this holiday season, think of ways we can help with Rotary's mission to improve medical care around the world.

December Trivia

What year was the first

Rotary motto?

Club Calendar

Meetings - 12:00 Noon on Tuesdays

Dec 8 - Happy Bday Matt!

Dec 9 - Joint Meeting with E-Clubs
(in lieu of 12/10 meeting)

Dec 17 - Weekly Meeting
Program: Fellowship

Dec 19 - Charity Blood Drive in
McCormick

Dec 20 - Happy Bday Dann!

Dec 24 & 31 - No weekly meetings

Dec 27 - Happy Bday Chuck!

Dec 29 - Happy Bday Alberto!

Jan 7 - Weekly Meeting
Program: Next Generation of Engineers

Jan 14 - Weekly Meeting
Program: SC Agritourism

Jan 21 - Weekly Meeting
Program: Update on Cancer Therapies

Jan 22 - Happy Bday Carol!

Jan 28 - Weekly Meeting
Program: Fellowship

Feb 1 - CASINO Night in McCormick

Feb 4 - DG Rysheeka Bush visits Rotary
E-Club of the Carolinas!

*A list of upcoming activities can be
found on our website.*



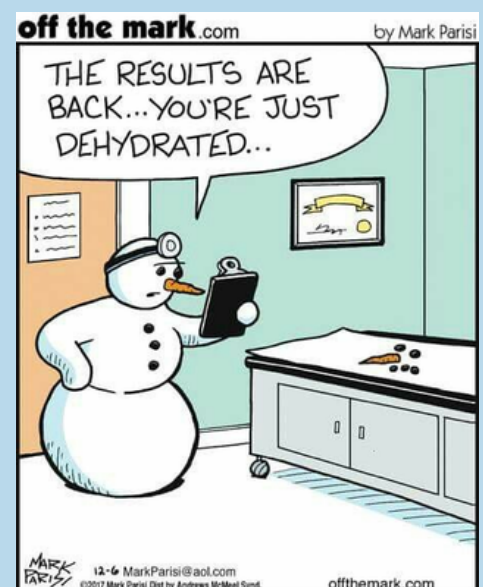
Looking Outward

May 17-18, 2025 - Rotary District
7750 All Club Conference

Stay up to date

Rotary District 7750

Rotary E-Club of the Carolinas



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

December



**DISEASE PREVENTION
AND TREATMENT**

Rotary



Rotary believes good health care is everyone's right. Our members combat diseases like malaria, HIV/AIDS, Alzheimer's, multiple sclerosis, diabetes, and polio. Prevention is important, which is why we also focus on health education and bringing people routine hearing, vision, and dental care.

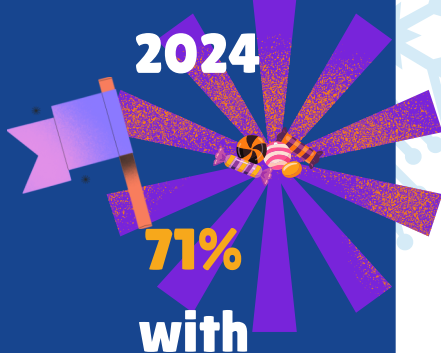
We set up temporary clinics, blood donation centers, and training facilities in underserved communities struggling with outbreaks and health care access. We design and build infrastructure that allows doctors, patients, and governments to work together.

Rotary makes amazing things happen, like:

- Providing more than 80 percent of Ghana's people with clean water to fight Guinea worm disease.
- Helping Liberian women get tested for HIV early in their pregnancies, reducing new HIV infections in children by 95 percent over two years.
- Rotary's efforts have not only ended polio in 122 countries but also created a system for tackling myriad other health priorities, such as Ebola.

For more information on Rotary's work in Fighting Disease, visit <https://www.rotary.org/en/our-causes/fighting-disease>.

**Attendance
November
2024**



4 meetings

CONGRATULATIONS

and

THANK YOU

**Congratulations and Thank You
to our newly elected officers!**

Chuck Harrison will be our President Nominee and will serve as President Elect under Alberto next year. Iuliana Watson will serve as Treasurer for her 2nd year, and Candace Wyman will serve as Secretary for her 2nd year. Thanks to all our leaders for making our club great!

SERVICE



Group Service -

Music Therapy Donations

Thanks to Candace Wyman for organizing this special Group Service Project to collect donations for Piedmont Music Therapy. Thank you to all club members who came together to support their work and their clients.

So far this year, we have completed several amazing projects, including Happy Bucks to support Zone Hurricane Relief (July, Other Service), Donations to HOPE inspired by the Lancaster Club (October, Other Service), Rotary Cares for Veterans (November, Remote Service), Musical Instrument Donations (November, Group Service), AND Happy Bucks to support The Hope Pantry (November, Other Service). Plus our Little Free Library donations happen every month! THANK YOU for your incredible contributions in many different ways. Don't forget about our request for each member to complete the Individual Service Component piece too. Do something on your own in the name of Rotary.

Individual Service	Remote Service
Group Service	Other Service



Thank you

SUBMIT

Individual Service

Remember that we ask all E-Clubbers to perform two acts of individual service in the name of Rotary during the year. *Giving blood? Wear your Rotary shirt. Help out another club. We simply ask that you do something in the name of Rotary.* Submit your service via this [GoogleForm](#). Reach out to Candace if you have questions. See the next page for more info!



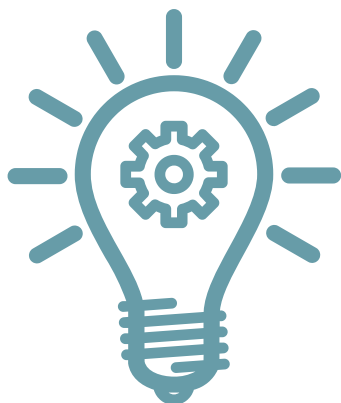


Happy Holidays!

Make someone else's holiday happy too!

In December, we will focus on Individual Service.
Serve in whatever way is meaningful to you!

Ideas



- Operation Shoebox
- USO's Campaign to Connect
- American Red Cross - Holiday Mail for Heroes
- Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign
- New Foundations Home for Children (or jctovey@aol.com)
- Angel Tree in your local community/faith community
- Food Pantry: Help sort or distribute food
- Hospital Support: Make knitted hats and blankets for a local cancer hospital
- Helping Seniors: Visit retirement homes and help organize activities or spend time with residents. Help with home repairs or modifications, or deliver cookies, or ...
- Commit a random act of kindness each day....Make this into a personal Advent Calendar!
- Come up with your own wonderful idea!

PLEASE REPORT YOUR INDIVIDUAL SERVICE CONTRIBUTION HERE!

Individual Service Report

If donating items or doing something in person, how about wearing your Rotary bling or tucking in a donation card or our club business card. Find them at the links below. Both are set up in Avery template 5371, and you can always print them on regular paper and cut them out.

Donation Card or E-Club Business Card

We ask members to commit to acts of individual service in the name of Rotary every year.
If you have questions, contact Candace at candacewyman@gmail.com.

GIVING

Celebrating The Rotary Foundation



Recognized by the Foundation

In November, Rotary E-Club of the Carolinas was recognized by District 7750 at the Foundation Dinner. This recognition included being one of the top three per capita giving clubs in 2023-24. Thank you to Alberto Meloncelli, for leading us through this. And thank you to all members for making this happen!

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>

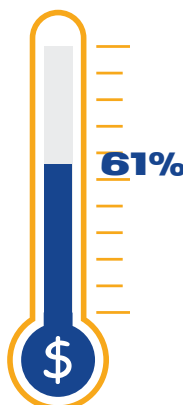
Coins for Alzheimer's
Research Trust
<https://mycartfund.org/>

E-Club Website
Paypal active/Zelle
or mail a check

Our Progress!

Percentages of club goals as of 11/30/2024

The
Rotary
Foundation



END
POLIO
NOW

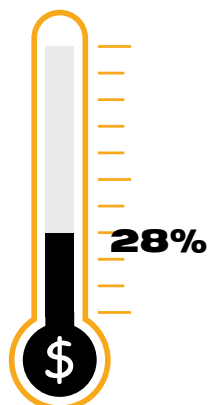
151%

Congrats!



CART
COINS FOR ALZHEIMER'S
RESEARCH TRUST

A Project of the Rotary Clubs of North America



MEMBERSHIP



Our Progress!

Members as of 6/30/24 – 23

Members as of 11/30/24 – 26

13% growth & 0% attrition so far

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



Proposing a New Type of Membership

We are proposing to add a new membership type for our club. President Julia sent an email a week or so ago about adding the Corporate Membership type. This is another way for us to recruit new Rotarians and grow our club. But they won't just magically appear. If this bylaws change passes, we'll roll it out at our Fellowship meeting in January. And then... INVITE!



HELP OUR PROGRESS FOR THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S AWARD

Help us strive for another DG award for this Rotary Year.

- Update DACdb data to include Email, phone number **and** photo for at least 85% of members.
 - E-Clubbers - *Each member is encouraged to update their own DACdb information, including classification. This is an easy one to get and we are so close to 100%.*
- Attract at least two new members of an under-represented demographic group in your club (consider race, gender, age, religion, disability, ethnicity) to increase the diversity of your Club's membership
- Conduct a Program on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
- Submit updated club membership plan to District Membership Chair by Sept 24, 2024 - **DONE!**



Let's Not Forget

Our Membership Challenge is ongoing!

We put a lot of attention on the other club challenges, and our club always responds with commitment and positivity. Thank you! Let's not forget a big challenge that needs to be promoted for the future of our mighty club. The Membership Challenge!!!!!! Invite someone to join us and remind them to show up. We want to continue to grow our membership this year and beyond.

4 Way Test

Keep or Share?

All club members should have received their 4 Way Test coin as a part of Thanksgiving month. This shows our thankfulness for all our members and what you do for Rotary. Shirley said that in a previous Rotary club, they gave a coin like that to any visiting child at a meeting. So, it made me wonder, will you keep the coin or share it? Either way, use it well to share your Rotary story in your heart and in your life.

Best wishes for a beautiful holiday season, one and all!

Rotary Action

What is the Rotary Action Plan?

People of Action know that achieving any vision, big or small, requires a plan. We pioneered a model of service leadership more than a century ago based on person-to-person connections. That model is just as powerful today as ever. Except now, those individual connections span the globe. The priorities of the RAP are:

1. Increase our Impact
2. Expand our Reach
3. Enhance Participant Engagement
4. Increase our Ability to Adapt

For more details on the RAP, visit <https://my.rotary.org/en/who-we-are/about-rotary/action-plan>.

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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Mailing Address

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<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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Instagram

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YouTube

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2024-25 Officers/Directors

Julia Larson, President - docjulia99@gmail.com

Alberto Meloncelli, President Elect & Foundation Chair - alby441@gmail.com

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Iuliana Watson, Treasurer - watsoniuli@gmail.com

Candace Wyman, Immediate Past President, Secretary, Service Chair - candacewyman@gmail.com

Julie Tovey, Membership / PR PI Chair - jctovey@aol.com

Ken Hirsch, Board Member - khirsch@kenhirscharchitect.com

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