

News & Notes

Rotary

E-Club of the Carolinas



HAPPY NEW YEAR



Julia Larson

President's Message

Welcome 2025! We have so many exciting things to look forward to in the second half of this Rotary year. January is Vocational Service Month. Vocational service is a fundamental part of Rotary, and it encourages Rotarians to use their skills and expertise to help their communities. The beauty of Rotary and a diverse membership is that we get to interact with people at all phases of their professional careers. Early in my career, my husband and I moved to a new community. We had a very small circle of friends that were all part of the veterinary profession. I was looking for ways to get involved with our community, be of service and to meet other like-minded people who were NOT in the veterinary profession. I joined Rotary and instantly I was in contact with Rotarians who became my dentist, chiropractor, accountant, financial advisor, auto repair service, insurance agent and so much more. Through Rotary, I was connected with members of the Chamber of Commerce and leaders in my community. Many of these new friends had pets that became my clients. Later when I launched my massage business, it was through help of Rotarians in my club that I established my business and started building a clientele. As a young professional, joining Rotary was lifechanging and vocational service was a big part of how I got involved in my community. Now in my retirement years, I am enjoying using my veterinary talents to help our local Humane Society. I often help friends and neighbors with medical advice for their pets and I mentor students and encourage them to seek careers in agriculture. Vocational service can help create more sustainable, prosperous, and responsible communities. It can also help disadvantaged youth succeed and reach people in underprivileged communities. We all have a part to play and different skills we bring to the table.

January Trivia

Who just became
our president
nominee?

Club Calendar

2025



Meetings - 12:00 Noon on Tuesdays

Jan 7 - Weekly Meeting
Program: Next Generation of Engineers

Jan 9 - Club Board Meeting

Jan 14 - Weekly Meeting
Program: SC Agritourism

Jan 21 - Weekly Meeting
Program: Update on Cancer Therapies

Jan 22 - Happy Birthday Carol!

Jan 28 - Weekly Meeting
Program: Fellowship & Updates

Feb 1 - CASINO Night

Feb 3 - Happy Birthday Lance!

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

Feb 7 - Happy Birthday Diana!

Feb 10 - Happy Birthday Franca!

Feb 11 - Happy Birthday Sue!

Feb 11 - Weekly Meeting
Program: Reflections of Normandy

Feb 15 - RLI in Anderson

Feb 18 - Weekly Meeting
Program: Furman Univ Shared Equity

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

Looking Onward

May 16-17, 2025 - Rotary District 7750 All Club Conference in Columbia SC

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

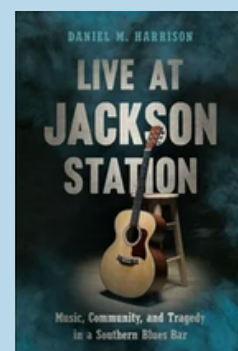
Stay up to date

Rotary District 7750

Rotary E-Club of the Carolinas

March 4 Program

On March 4, our speaker will be local author, Daniel Harrison. He will discuss his book, Live at Jackson Station. If you would like to read this book in preparation for his talk, click HERE to see a list of possible purchasing options.



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



February 1, 2025

Rotary E-Club of the Carolinas and National Economic Security Alliance (NESA) will be your hosts for an evening of fun! Tickets are \$50 per person.

Games will include Blackjack, Craps, Roulette, and Horse Races. Each attendee will get \$5000 in vouchers to exchange for chips to play with. Additional chips can be purchased with cash all evening. If gaming is not your thing, come and enjoy the camaraderie while you support projects in the McCormick area.

There will be a U-Pick raffle with so many great items. Tickets can be purchased with cash on the night of the event. There will also be a Silent Auction with some incredible items. Hors d'oeuvres and desserts will be served throughout the evening. Drinks can be purchased.

All proceeds go to support the community projects of the Rotary E-Club of the Carolinas and NESA. Contact Julia Larson at docjulia99@gmail.com or 530-902-0266 to buy your tickets and get involved. Snacks and desserts are needed, and members are asked to contribute raffle items to Julia by January 18. Contact her today!



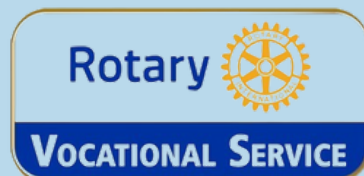
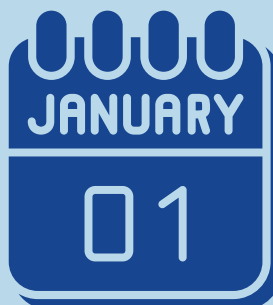
Support our Fundraiser!

SERVICE



**SERVICE
ABOVE SELF**

Individual Service	Remote Service
Group Service	Other Service



Thank You!

Thanks to all Rotarians who contributed to our Happy Bucks fundraiser in November. Julia Larson visited The Hope Pantry at Piedmont Technical College in Greenwood to deliver our \$308 raised!

People of Action - Individual Service

Our members found many ways to spread cheer and love during the holiday season, donating more than 45 hours of their time to a wide array of projects! Some members shared their photos on our Facebook page throughout the month. Check out the photos [here](#). Remember, as a part of our four categories of service, we ask members to engage in two acts of individual service in the name of Rotary during the year. Record your individual service on our [Google Form](#). You can share a picture there as well. Thank you all!



GIVING

Thank You

With Julia's organization and Millie's help the Blood Drive with The Blood Connection at Savannah Lakes Rec Center on 12/19 saw 33 donors and raised \$350 for the club!

2025



How to Give

The Rotary Foundation
(Select Annual Fund-SHARE)

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

Polio Plus Fund
(Select PolioPlus Fund)

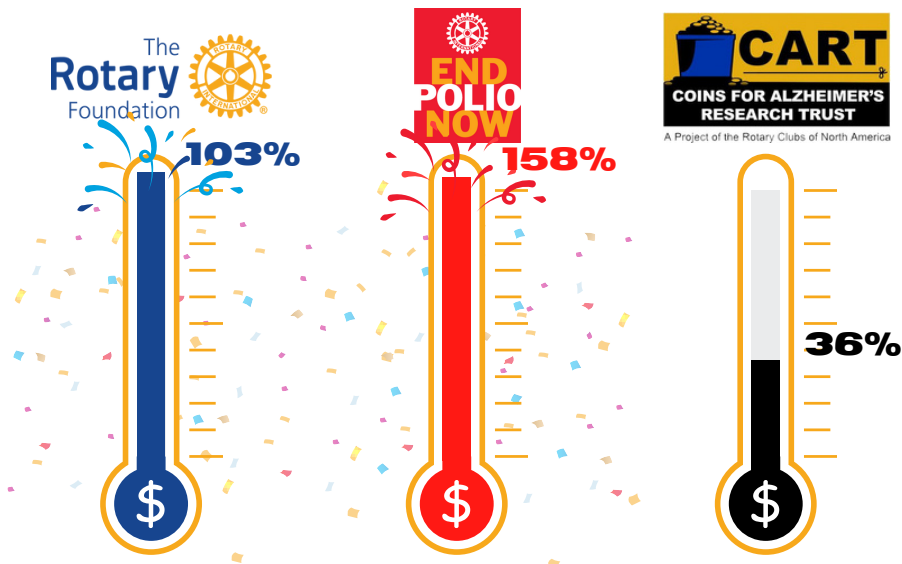
<https://my.rotary.org/en/donate>

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 12/31/2024



MEMBERSHIP



Our Progress!

Members as of 6/30/24 – 23

Members as of 12/31/24 – 26

13% growth & 4% attrition so far

Goal for Rotary Year 2024/25

+2 members or 5% growth

Welcome & Goodbye

In December, we said goodbye to member, **Rebecca Evans**. Rebecca joined our club after several years in a Greenville SC club. She moved to Virginia to be nearer to family. After some months, she has decided to take a break from Rotary. She sends our club her very best wishes.

We also welcomed our newest member, **Millie Roux**. Millie is committed to community service in her area of McCormick and beyond, and looks forward to learning how to serve through Rotary. She was sponsored by Julia Larson. Mille, we are so happy to have you in our club.

Adding Corporate Membership to our Club

With our December e-vote, our bylaws will be amended to add a corporate membership type. With 16 votes to accept the addition, we will follow Model A in the RI information on this subject. Model A is based on :

- A company pays or subsidizes the dues for a primary member. Dues are not charged for alternate members. This type can add up to 1 primary and 2 alternate members per company.
- Only the primary member is charged RI or other dues. The primary person is the one reported as the active member on our roster in DACdb. Alternates aren't charged RI or other dues and are not listed in DACdb.
- The primary member will proceed through the club's prospective member process as normal.
- If an alternate wants to become a full active member, they would also proceed through the process as any member would be.

We will present information on this at our January Fellowship meeting, including ideas for recruiting and making our club even more inclusive. Thank You!

Vote Note: 18 unique votes total-16yay, 1nay, 1abstention



**Attendance
December
2024**

**62% with
3 meetings**

Taking the Time

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Thanks to the many people in our club who give their time. Our members show up for Rotary and our E-Club in many ways. You are all appreciated. So as someone gives, makes, does, supports, donates, and more, that makes a difference. Thank you.

What are the things that you can't see that are important? I would say justice, truth, humility, service, compassion, love. They're the guiding lights of a life.

JIMMY CARTER

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

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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YouTube

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

2024-25 Officers/Directors

Julia Larson, President - docjulia99@gmail.com

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

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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