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Rotary Club of
Greater Greer

Celebrating the close of an incredible Rotary year

BY DG TOM FAULKNER

Just my luck to follow the first District Governor in a decade who with the help of her leadership team has apparently achieved a significant net increase in membership in our Rotary District. Congratulations to DG Lorraine, her AGs, DGE Terry Weaver, DGN Lance Young and all the committee chairs for an outstanding performance. Our District Administrator, Pam Weaver, is the best in the Southeast!

Foundation giving possibly also will be the most ever raised by the District in a Rotary year. Steve Black's leadership with CART has again set new records even after achieving major increases in the previous Rotary year. The Josh the Otter literacy program was a resounding success and I hope we can continue the momentum that has been achieved. What in the world can this District do for an encore? I believe we can continue the Rotary spirit that DG Lorraine and her team have created by engaging Rotarians and changing lives.

What ultimately is the basis of that spirit? Many of you know that I have adopted "Celebration" by Kool and the Gang as a theme song for the coming year. Celebrate good times, come on! There's a party going on right here that will last for the rest of the year. Everyone around the world come on! Rotary starts with having fun and enjoying the fellowship of our Rotarian friends. Like Rotary's founder, Paul Harris, we want to network with our fellow business leaders, share our personal lives and our business experiences. Let's keep growing our clubs inviting spouses, significant

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Tom completed the Miracle Hill Metric Century Cycling Challenge on June 7 to raise money for a special project. See page 11.



RYLA 2014
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Winnsboro Rotarians Frances O'Neal and J.R. Green reading Josh the Otter at Geiger Elementary School. More from Winnsboro on pages 6-7.



Lorraine pins Tom as District Governor at the Installation and Awards Night Banquet.

2013-14 GOALS

MEMBERSHIP +100

CURRENT: +65

FOUNDATION

\$306,811 | ANNUAL FUND-SHARE
\$315,925 | **ACHIEVED (103.21%)**

\$50,318 | POLIOPUS
\$59,979.11 | **ACHIEVED (119.2%)**

6 | MAJOR GIFTS
4 | **ACHIEVED (66.7%)**

15 | BEQUEST SOCIETY
16 | **ACHIEVED (106.67%)**

75 | BENEFACTORS
30 | **ACHIEVED**

Ask a RYLA delegate to speak to your club

BY JENNIFER ERWIN

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Erwin

As RYLA chair for 2014-15, I will be working closely with Mark Peeler of Erskine to ensure better attendance from our district clubs, help make sure other areas of opportunity within Rotary are talked about with the delegates (Interact/Rotaract clubs, Exchange program), and better help our district clubs understand what a HUGE impact RYLA has on some future leaders in our communities!

At the RYLA event in June, the Rotary Club of Abbeville met with the delegates for lunch on Thursday and some of the counselors and delegates spoke about what a life-changing week this was for them. I saw people who earlier in the week told me they'd NEVER get up to speak in front of a group and on Thursday they stood up in front of all of us and the rest of the delegates to tell what an amazing time they'd had!

Thank you again to each club who sponsored someone. You may never know how much that person was impacted by that experience—but make sure you ASK them to come join you at a meeting to share their experiences.

Mark Peeler directs our RYLA week each year.



From DG Tom Faulkner— continued from page 1

others and friends to join us. We hold to the concise and insightful principles of Rotary's Four Way Test as a basis for success in our business practices. We shall continue to grow Rotary Club membership by mirroring the diversity of the business community around us. Ultimately, we shall continue to learn together that practice of our motto, Service Above Self, makes a difference in both our communities and the world around us.

Let's increase our giving to the Rotary Foundation by 5% more than this past year. Let's wipe polio off the face of the earth by 2018 by giving \$1,000 a club to the cause. In the coming year, let us live out our new theme: Light Up Rotary!

Get PDG Lorraine (our District Public Image Chair) and PDG Sue Poss (Zone 33 Rotary Public Image Coordinator) to help you learn how to raise the visibility of your club and

hold a Rotary Day around one of your club's main events or fundraisers. Remember as Confucius once said 5,000 years ago: It is better to light a candle than to sit and curse the darkness! Let us light up the world around us by using the talents we have been afforded to make a positive difference in our families, our businesses, our communities, and the world. Light Up Rotary.

Youth Exchange OUTBOUND 2014-15



MORGEN CVETKO

*Long term to Italy
departing mid August
Sponsored by Laurens*



ANNE ELROD

*Short term to Spain
departing July 17th
Sponsored by
Pleasantburg*



LIZZIE HAGEN

*Long term to Belgium
departing Aug 5th
Sponsored by
Westminster*



JOEL WELCH

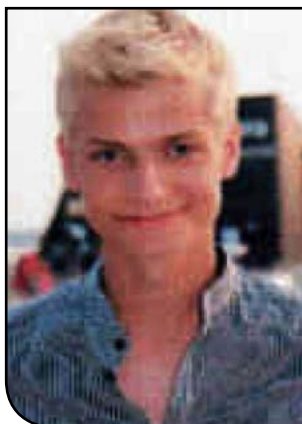
*Short term to Germany
departing July 2nd
Sponsored by
Pleasantburg*

Youth Exchange INBOUND 2014-15



**CARMEN ABAIGAR
AOS**

*Short Term from Spain
arrived June 24. Met
in Charlotte by Jack
Newby. Hosted by
Pleasantburg*



JACOB NILIUS

*Short Term from Ger-
many arriving July 17.
Hosted by Pleasant-
burg*



CLARA CANCHAL

*Long term from Spain
arriving early August.
Hosted by Pleasantburg*



JEAN NDAYAMBAJE

*Long term from
Belgium arriving
August 5. Hosted by
the Area Two Rotary
Clubs of Fair Play,
Seneca, Seneca
Golden Corner,
Walhalla, Westminster
(primary).*

**Find out how to
become involved
by contacting
Jack Newby, chair
of the D7750
or any Rotary
Youth Exchange
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2014-15 Rotary Youth Exchange Students

Give a young person the opportunity of a lifetime by participating in the Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) Program. Exposure to new cultures and customs is a powerful way to promote global understanding and peace. According to Jack Newby, the District Chair for the Exchange Program, "it's not just the inbound and outbound students who benefit – your Rotary club, the community, host families and the schools will benefit too"

Many clubs recognized for successes in 2013-14

BY IPDG LORRAINE ANGELINO

Rotary Club of Emerald City

The Awards and Installation dinner was held on Thursday, June 19, in Greer. I am proud that out of 54 clubs, 9 earned the Presidential Citation and 16 earned the Presidential Citation with Distinction. In addition, 2 Rotaract clubs and 6 Interact clubs earned the Presidential Citation. Lindsey Stemmann, President of the Greenville Rotaract club, was at the dinner and was presented with the Presidential Citation for her club. Lindsey had a great year as President and attended Rotary Leadership Institute and several Rotary events during the year.

Other awards that were presented included: Rotary Club Central Award (27 clubs), Membership Development & Extension (16 clubs), Small clubs < 25 to Medium clubs > 25 (6 clubs), Small clubs < 25 increase in Membership (6 clubs), Foundation Awards (5 New Bequest Society Members), Literacy Awards (7 clubs), CART (Top 3 clubs in overall giving and Top 3 clubs in per capita giving), Governor's Bronze Award (7 clubs), Governor's Silver Award (5 clubs), Governor's Gold Award (14 clubs), and Club of the Year award.



Judith Prince, 2013-14 president of the Rotary Club of Greenville, accepted the Club of the Year Award.

When I got to the presentation of the club of the year, I wanted to lead up to the club of the year, but unfortunately, I was not in control of the clicker for the presentation. The announcement of the club of the year award was actually announced prematurely, I had intended to take a minute to congratulate two other clubs, EClub of the Carolinas for 2nd Runner Up and Emerald City for 1st Runner Up. Congratulations to Mike Emily, President of the EClub of the Carolinas and John Harte, President of the Emerald City Rotary club.

The Club of the Year award went to the Greenville club for a second year in a row. Congratulations to Judith Prince, President of the Rotary Club of Greenville, and to all the members. It takes everyone in the club working together to achieve this award.

I want to congratulate all club Presidents for a fantastic year. Each of you in some way left your club in better shape than when the year started. Please celebrate your club's accomplishments from this year and help make next year even better.

Foundation awards for the year will be presented at the Foundation Dinner in November.

PRESIDENTIAL CITATION

<i>Club</i>	<i>13-14 President</i>
Aiken	Shields, Joseph C.
Aiken Sunrise	Richardson, Robert Paul
Fair Play	Layden-North, Peggy
Mauldin	Schoening, Klaus D.
Newberry	Mamele, Dale
Spartan West	Meloncelli, Alberto
Spartanburg	Simpson, Darwin H.
Westminster	Allen, Brian A
York	Dover, Matthew J

PRESIDENTIAL CITATION WITH DISTINCTION

<i>Club</i>	<i>13-14 President</i>
EClub of the Carolinas	Emily, Michael L.
Emerald City	Harte, John Murray
Greater Anderson	Nelson, Amelia M
Greenville	Prince, Judith S.
Greenville Breakfast	Lewis, David
Greenville East	Francis, Edgar
Greenville Evening	Surkin, Candace
Greenwood	Scott, Jonathon C.
Inman	Crandall, Pete
Lake Wylie	Sieck, Mary L.
Laurens	Agnew, Harry
North Greenville	Carson, David H
Pleasantburg	Cleveland, C. Wade
Rock Hill	Melton, Rebecca
Seneca	Macher, Lowell E.
Union	Belue, Beth M.

PRESIDENTIAL CITATION - ROTARACT

<i>Rotaract Club</i>	<i>Rotary Sponsor</i>
Anderson University	Anderson & Greater Anderson
Greenville	Greenville

PRESIDENTIAL CITATION - INTERACT

<i>High School</i>	<i>Rotary Sponsor</i>
Clover	Clover & Lake Wylie
Dorman	Spartan West
Emerald	Emerald City
Greenwood	Greenwood
South Aiken	Aiken Sunrise
West Oak	Fair Play & Westminster

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT & EXTENSION*Most New Members*

Greenville	Prince, Judith S.	+21
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Highest Retention Rate

Greenville East	Francis, Edgar	+10
Westminster	Allen, Brian A	+8

Highest Growth Rate

North Greenville	Carson, David H	+13
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Other recognition

Chester	Atkinson, Stephen D.	+7
Clinton	Holder, Charles	+6
EClub of the Carolinas	Emily, Michael L.	+6
Newberry	Mamele, Dale	+7
Spartanburg	Simpson, Darwin H.	+18
Union	Belue, Beth M.	+7

SMALL CLUB < 25 TO MEDIUM CLUB > 25

Clover	Stine, Vance M.	24 to 26
EClub of the Carolinas	Emily, Michael L.	21 to 27
Greenville East	Francis, Edgar	20 to 30
Lake Wylie	Sieck, Mary L.	24 to 27
North Greenville	Carson, David H	22 to 35
Westminster	Allen, Brian A	23 to 31

SMALL CLUB < 25 – MEMBERSHIP INCREASE*Highest Retention Rate*

Blacksburg	McSwain, Leslie A.	12 to 13
Greenville Breakfast	Lewis, David	20 to 22

Other recognition

Foothills	Webb, Ed	15 to 17
Inman	Crandall, Pete	19 to 20
Spartan West	Meloncelli, Alberto	21 to 23
Woodruff	Tillerson, Stephanie	14 to 16
	Monroe	

CART AWARDS – PER CAPITA GIVING

Aiken-Sunrise	Richardson, Robert Paul	41.70
Twin City	Enlow, Ira Steve	137.45
Fort Mill	Harr, Jeff W	234.67

CART AWARDS – TOTAL GIVING

Greenville	Prince, Judith S.	\$4,511.97
Aiken	Shields, Joseph C.	\$6,207.33
Fort Mill	Harr, Jeff W	\$19,008.44

Total District 7750 Giving 2013-2014 CART Year

\$73,890.92**ROTARY CLUB CENTRAL AWARD**

<i>Club</i>	<i>13-14 President</i>
Abbeville	McCuen, David IV
Aiken	Shields, Joseph C.
Aiken Sunrise	Richardson, Robert Paul
Clemson	McCubbin, Donna Lee
Easley	Boland, Cameron Joseph
EClub of the Carolinas	Emily, Michael L.
Emerald City	Harte, John Murray
Golden Strip Sunrise	Caprell, James E.
Greater Anderson	Nelson, Amelia M
Greenville	Prince, Judith S.
Greenville Breakfast	Lewis, David
Greenville East	Francis, Edgar
Greenville Evening	Surkin, Candace
Greenwood	Scott, Jonathon C.
Indian Land	Lanier, Kevin
Lake Wylie	Sieck, Mary L.
Lancaster Breakfast	Dobson III, Carter C.
McCormick County	Jeffries, William H.
North Greenville	Carson, David H
Pickens	Giddings, Paul Winter
Pleasantburg	Cleveland, C. Wade
Rock Hill	Melton, Rebecca
Seneca	Macher, Lowell E.
Spartan West	Meloncelli, Alberto
Twin City	Enlow, Ira Steve
Westminster	Allen, Brian A
Winnsboro	Kennedy, Vernon Sr.

BEQUEST SOCIETY

Blacksburg	McSwain, Leslie A.
Foothills	Webb, Ed
Greenville Breakfast	Lewis, David
Inman	Crandall, Pete
Spartan West	Meloncelli, Alberto
Woodruff	Tillerson, Stephanie
	Monroe

LITERACY AWARDS

Aiken	Shields, Joseph C.
Anderson	Pittinger, Sherry
Greater Anderson	Nelson, Amelia M
Greenville	Prince, Judith S.
Pleasantburg	Cleveland, C. Wade
Spartan West	Meloncelli, Alberto
York	Dover, Matthew J

President Elect Lori Schaffer with students at Fairfield Magnet School for Math and Science.



Winnsboro Rotary reaches 514 children with Josh the Otter

Winnsboro Rotary Club implemented the Josh The Otter Water Safety Program in several Fairfield County schools during the 2013-14 school and Rotary year.

Through organized assemblies in seven public and private schools, 514 youth in preschool – 2nd grade received the “Josh, The Baby Otter” book and other materials. In addition, 37 free vouchers for four swimming lessons were given away. The swimming lessons took place at the Chester County YMCA during the month of June. Rotarians and spouses participated in the readings during the assemblies. Rotarians and/or their businesses sponsored the swimming lessons.

Schools served were Kelly Miller Elementary School, Fairfield Magnet School for Math and Science, McCrorey-Liston Elementary School, Geiger Elementary School, Fairfield Elementary School, Richard Winn Academy, and Fairfield County First Steps.

Sponsors of the Josh the Otters books were Winnsboro Rotary Club, 13; Mike Kelly Law Firm, 3; Frances O’Neal, 4; Fairfield Behavioral Health Services, 3; Preferred Mortgage & Tax Service, 2; Palmetto Imaging Technology, 4; Claudia B. Edwards, 1; Mickey and Georgia Gibson, 2; Jim Mullen, 2; Sam Arnette Jr., 2; and Kevin Thomas, 1.



Club president Vernon Kennedy, standing with Rotarian J.R. Green at Fairfield Elementary School.



Frances O’Neal, Virginia Schafer, President Vernon Kennedy Sr. and spouse Mandina Kennedy at Fairfield Magnet School for Math and Science



Rotarian William Frick at Fairfield County First Steps.

Rotarian Claudia Edwards (Organizer), Principal Myra Bramlett & Rotarian Frances O’Neal at Geiger Elementary School.



President Elect Lori Schaffer and Brandi Close (Organizer) at Fairfield Magnet School for Math and Science.



Rotarians J.R. Green & Tonya Green at Fairfield Elementary School



WINNSBORO HOST PEACE RUNNERS

The Rotary Club of Winnsboro was visited by members of the **Sri Chinmoy Oneness-Home Peace Run**. The Peace Run is a global torch relay that symbolizes humanity's universal aspiration for a more peaceful world. Now in its third decade, the Peace Run is humanity's largest and longest grassroots effort for peace. Since its inception the torch has visited more than 140 nations. This year's US run began in New York City, and moved west to the California coast and back to New York. The runners worked their way south, through Charlotte, NC, Rock Hill, SC, and into Winnsboro. Club members were afforded the opportunity to hold the official torch which was very exciting.



TEACHERS OF THE YEAR IN WINNSBORO

Winnsboro Rotary Club honored all of the Teachers of the Year in the Fairfield County School District as part of National Education Month. We gave a hardy Rotary salute to each of these worthy educators! At left is 2013-14 President Vernon Kennedy Sr. and at right is Rotarian J.R. Green, Superintendent.



JOSH IN WINNSBORO

Winnsboro Rotarians took the schools in Fairfield County to teach water safety through the Josh the Otter Program. These children at Fairfield Magnet School for Math and Science were among the recipients of the program. More on the next page.





STUDENTS ENTERTAIN INMAN ROTARIANS

Before the end of the school year, Inman Rotary Club met in the performing arts center of Chapman High School for a barbecue lunch. The principal arranged for the Rotarians to be entertained by the band, chorus, and orchestra.

Spartanburg awards \$26,500 for youth at risk programs

BY STEPHANIE DENCHAK

Ten deserving non-profit organizations were awarded a total of \$26,500 to fund their existing programs. Organizations that were awarded were: Big Brothers Big Sisters, Boys and Girls Clubs, Girl Scouts, Healthy Smiles, Hope Center for Children, The First Tee, The Haven, Urban League of the Upstate, and Boy Scouts. Rotary member and past president Darwin Simpson announced the awards at the June meeting.

"We received many requests for grants and our selection committee was overjoyed to help these outstanding organizations in their mission to help boys and girls in our community," said Simpson.



At the June 24 meeting of the Rotary Club of Spartanburg, Hank Steinberg, left, was installed as president for 2014-15. Hank has been a Rotarian since 1997 and is President of Steinberg and Associates. He is shown with outgoing president Darwin Simpson. Next year, club will celebrate its 100th anniversary.

Golden Strip Sunrise raffling cruise vacation

BY SAM STAMPS, PRESIDENT

The Golden Strip Sunrise Rotary Club is conducting a fund raising project with a raffle for up to an eight night Carnival Cruise in an ocean view stateroom for two guests with all port charges and taxes included*. Only 300 tickets will be offered at a very affordable \$10.00 per ticket. Tickets will be available July 17, 2014 with the drawing on August 28, 2014. Funds generated will be used for local charity projects the club supports like the Generations Group and Rotary Foundation contributions.

To purchase a ticket, please contact Sam Stamps at 864-228-2511(work), 864-346-1383(cell), or cruzcorner@aol.com. Thank you in advance for your help with our club's fund raiser.

*The cruise departure date must be on or before November 30, 2014. The cruise is not valid for Alaska, Europe, or holiday sailings. Transportation to the cruise, personal nature items (gift shop, spa, beauty salon, bar charges, shore excursions), and gratuities are not included. Winners must be 21 years old or older and travel with proof of citizenship.

Greater Anderson: Ending Rotary 2013-14 with F-U-N

The Rotary Club of Greater Anderson followed DG Lorraine's challenge for 2013-14 to not only Engage Rotary – Change Lives but to have FUN.

President Amelia Nelson's three goals were met: become a 100% EREY club; be involved in an international project; and celebrate the club's 30th Anniversary.

Greater Anderson also met the challenge by Governor Lorraine to participate in her district-wide project "Josh the Baby Otter" and RIVP Matthews' Rotary Has Heart project.

Greater Anderson also exceeded its Polio Plus and CART goals and increased its membership to the highest in eight years. And the club carried out its regular projects and annual fundraiser.



These are some of the Rotarians honored at the changeover of the Rotary Club of Greater Anderson. Justin Shore and Michael Shirley were recognized as new Paul Harris Fellows and Danny Bufkin, Tom Roose and Perry Voisin as Multiple Paul Harris Fellows. Sponsors of new members were presented with a lapel pin from 2013-14 RI president Ron Burton.



Wanda Richey was named Greater Anderson's Rotarian of the Year.



2014-15 president Shawn McGee found the JOKER to win the pot with over \$600. What a way to start his year as president!

2013-14 president Amelia Nelson not only received a plaque of appreciation of her leadership but was also crowned Queen – for a day?



RIVP SPEAKS IN GREENVILLE

Rotary International Vice President (2013-14) Anne Matthews of Columbia spoke on June 24 at the Rotary Club of Greenville. Pictured here are AG Beth Padgett, 2013-14 DG Lorraine Angelino, Anne, and Judith Prince, 2013-14 president of the Rotary Club of Greenville.



District Grants awarded for 2014-15. The list of clubs that received grants was in last month's newsletter.

Keep up with your projects!

BY GARY GOFORTH, DISTRICT FOUNDATION CHAIR

Bill Harley, Chair of the District Foundation Grants Subcommittee, did an excellent job compiling district grant applications for the 2014-15 year. The committee met on May 21 to review the applications and allocate our \$76,220 from District Designated Funds. Applications were submitted for 31 projects with requests for \$95,275.

District Grants can be used for both local and international humanitarian projects that can be easily completed during the 2014-15 Rotary year (by April 2015). The Rotary Foundation will not send the funds for the 2014-15 District Grant unless all grant reports from the 2013-14 year are submitted and accepted. Clubs must clearly demonstrate that the funds were used according to the Terms and Conditions and that Rotarians had significant involvement in the project (not just writing a check). In addition to the one page final report, clubs should submit receipts for all items purchased with the grant and matching club funds. Bill Harley is now compiling these reports and will submit in early July 2014. We expect to receive our funds this year by August 2014.

As our new Rotary year starts, please encourage those club members responsible for managing these humanitarian grants to carefully manage their projects and submit all reports and receipts in a timely manner. Let's use these grants to **Do Good in the World** starting in your communities!

Preliminary 2013-14 Foundation Contributions (@ 6-25-14)

Annual Program Fund Goal	\$306,111
APF YTD	\$314,230
	(102.65% goal)
Restricted YTD	\$ 59,679
Endowment YTD	<u>\$ 28,543</u>
Total	\$402,452

Top Five Giving Clubs - Total:

Greenville	\$55,145
Aiken Sunrise	\$38,282
Aiken	\$30,097
Emerald City	\$23,279
Fort Mill	\$22,115

Top Five APF Per Capita Clubs:

Greenville Evening	\$ 466.39
Emerald City	\$ 416.45
Fort Mill	\$ 272.59
Clover	\$ 270.63
E-Club Carolinas	\$ 262.98



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From outgoing Foundation Trustee chair

I end my year proud of what we have accomplished

BY D.K. LEE

Some of you know the words of actor Christopher Reeve: "So many of our dreams at first seem impossible, then they seem improbable, and then, when we summon the will, they become inevitable."

I began my year as Rotary Foundation trustee chair with four goals: to eradicate polio, build ownership and pride in our Foundation, launch our new grant model, and engage in innovative partnerships and projects. It has been an exciting year of change, growth, and new achievements, and as I end my term, I am inexpressibly

proud of the work I have seen Rotarians do.

Perhaps one of the most important milestones we have seen this year was the World Health Organization's certification of Southeast Asia as polio-free. This was a long-awaited declaration. Just five years ago, India represented nearly half of all polio cases worldwide. The 11 countries in the region – Bangladesh,



Bhutan, the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste, India, Indonesia, Maldives, Myanmar, Nepal, North Korea, Sri Lanka, and Thailand – are home to 1.8 billion people and represent the fourth of six regions worldwide to be officially certified polio-free. This landmark didn't happen on its own; it embodies a lot of hard work by many dedicated volunteers.

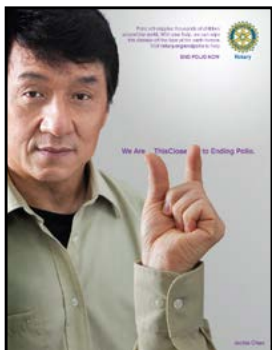
I'm grateful for the opportunity to know so many of you hard-working and devoted Rotarians, and I'm grateful for all your help in making the four goals I set out with become a reality.

Light Up Rotary— Blackout Polio

BY AMELIA NELSON

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D7750 PolioPlus Chair



Rotary has seen extraordinary and great successes since our fight began in 1987 to eradicate polio. With our Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) Partners and Sponsors we have almost eradicated polio worldwide. When we started, there were 185 countries with endemic polio; now there are only three countries,

but these countries are torn apart by violent conflicts that are, in essence, beyond our control and are hindering our vaccination programs, even claiming the lives of Rotary volunteers and/or their security guards.

Because of the recent outbreaks of polio in these war-torn areas, one report states: “Polio this week as of 18 June 2014: First, at an International Ulema Conference on Polio Eradication organized by the Islamic Development Bank, leading Islamic scholars called for the entire Muslim world to unite in eradicating polio, and declared the polio vaccination as a

parental and community responsibility. The scholars were convened from Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Afghanistan and Nigeria. Second, the Global Polio Partners Group (PPG) met on Monday 16 June in Geneva to review the development and implementation of short-term and long-term polio eradication strategic plans and emergency action plans.”

And with the World Cup news coverage in Brazil, many folks are concerned over the wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) that was detected in a sewage sample collected in March 2014 near São Paulo. “The detection of poliovirus in sewage from Brazil underscores what Rotary and its partners have long known: in today’s global society, if polio exists anywhere, children everywhere are at risk,” says Rotary’s International Polio Plus Committee Chair Dr. Robert Scott. “However, Rotary emphasizes that there is no case of acute polio in Brazil at this time and going forward is monitoring the situation very closely.”

Nevertheless, Rotary is still hopeful that in 2017, in Atlanta, 30 years after the start of our fight against polio and 100 years since our first TRF activities, we must & can celebrate the eradication of polio.



DG Tom’s goal for Polio Plus in 2014-15 is to raise \$54,000 for polio eradication. Plans are being considered for a district-wide project for polio similar to last year’s Rotary Has Heart project. Our committee has several ideas for this project, and we welcome any ideas you may have as well. Contact me at amelianelson007@gmail.com if you would like to serve on the Polio Plus district committee.—
Amelia

Foundation giving

7750 Presidents and Assistant Governors for 2014-15 join “Best Class”

When the President of Rotary International, Gary Huang, met with his District Governors in San Diego last January, he challenged them to raise more than \$1,000,000 for the Rotary Foundation. He also challenged every single Governor to participate. By the end of the week, not only were both goals achieved, but also over \$1.6 million was raised!

Now here in Rotary District 7750, all of the 2014-15 Assistant Governors and Presidents have made a contribution to the Rotary Foundation during DG Lorraine’s 2013-14 year. As a result, they have been formally

accepted into President Gary Huang’s “Best Class” in the history of giving to the Rotary Foundation! Congratulations to all of you and may we carry this spirit of giving into the new Rotary year!

Thanks to all Rotarians who contributed to DG Tom’s fundraising goal of \$7,500 to the Rotary Foundation in support of the construction of a sanitary system for the high school in Mirebalais, Haiti. Over \$3,200 has already been raised for the cause and it is hoped that donations will continue to come in throughout the summer months.

Tom will be asking clubs to become an international partner with lead clubs doing Global Grants as well as contributing something to eliminate homelessness from Upstate South Carolina. Tom has fulfilled his side of the bargain by completing by the hardest the Miracle Hill Metric Century Cycling Challenge on June 7, just two days after he returned from the Rotary International Convention in Sydney, Australia. Let’s get together and all chip in to use the Rotary Foundation to help improve our communities and the world around us.

Congratulations to MODEL PRESIDENTS-ELECT

In August of 2013, DG Tom challenged his Presidents-Elect to complete specific goals as they prepared themselves and their Rotary clubs for the 2014-15 Rotary year.

Congratulations to Wayne Bell, President of Greenwood Rotary, for obtaining almost a perfect score! Superior Presidents include Eric Baker, Pleasantburg; Roger Chamberlin, Anderson; Candice Surkin, Greenville Evening; and Ann Edenfield, Fort Mill.

Engaged President awardees include Shawn McGee, Greater Anderson; Ueli Schmid, North Spartanburg; Brian Harlan, Laurens; Frank Robards, Rock Hill; Renee Staggs, Aiken Sunrise; Russell Stall, Greenville; Donnie Bryant, Spartan West; Barbara Morgan, Aiken; Brian Brewer, Emerald City; Patrick Stewart, EClub of the Carolinas; Hank Steinberg, Spartanburg; and Stephen Jacobi, Greenville East.

Congratulations to our Model PEs who now are new Club Presidents!

Thanks to all District Rotary Clubs for electing a great group of 2014-15 Presidents! DGE Terry Weaver now needs for all clubs to send him the names of their 2014-15 President-Elects.



These are some of Tom's presidents.

WHAT THEY HAD TO DO

This is what Tom had laid out for the 2013-14 presidents-elect to complete before June 15.

Model PE Score 215 | Superior PE Score 190 | Good PE Score 140

GOALS	Eligible Points
Be elected as PE of your Rotary Club by 11/1/13.	10
Complete RLI Part I.	10
Complete RLI Part II.	10
Complete RLI Part III.	10
\$100 Contribution to Foundation 2013-2014.	10
Sponsor a new member 2013-2014.	20
Submit to District at least one qualified Foundation Club Rep by 11/1/13.	10
Attend District Foundation Seminar 11/9/13.	10
Ensure Rotary Club elects President, PE, and PN by 1/1/14.	10
Sign up for Carolina PETS by January 15, 2014.	10
Using 2013-14 District Template, submit 2014-15 Club Plan by 5/1/14.	50
Attend Carolina PETS March 6-7, 2014.	20
Attend District Conference in Dillard, Ga. April 25-27, 2014.	20
Attend 2014-2015 District Governor Installation in Greer, SC 6/19/14.	15



Greenville East Changeover

In above photo, outgoing president Edgar Francis, right, passes the gavel to 2014-15 president Stephen Yacobi. Right photo: Stephen Samard was named Rotarian of the Year for his work as Sergeant-at-Arms. He just completed his first year as a member of the club.



All Rotary Clubs in District 7750 in keeping with the recommended Rotary Club Bylaws should have already selected a President, President-Elect, and President-Nominee at their December meeting prior to the start of this Rotary year. If your Rotary Club has not already acted on this requirement, please take action immediately. At least a year of planning by a Rotary Club's leadership team is needed to have a successful Rotary year.

District 7750 Conference 2015

GREENVILLE | MAY 1-3, 2015

Mark your calendars for for the District Conference. Plans are underway for a fantastic Rotary Experience at the Embassy Suites Resort in Greenville. Yes, I did say *Resort!* Once you enter the hotel, you will see what I mean. The hotel boasts both indoor and outdoor swimming pools, its own 18 hole golf course and state-of-the-art tennis facilities. Embassy Suites hotels are known for their free afternoon Happy Hours for guests and their fabulous breakfast buffets also free to guests. Come and plan to enjoy an in-town resort like no other. Along with the fantastic food and entertainment will be a fantastic opportunity to hear outstanding speakers. For those of you who have never attended a Rotary District 7750 conference, this is your time to meet fellow Rotarians, to have fun and to go away with a renewed spirit. See you in May 2015!—PDG Becky Faulkner, Conference Chair

Rotary International Convention 2015

SAO PAULO, BRAZIL

Bom dia! It is time, now, to begin making your plans to attend the 2015 Rotary International Convention in Sao Paulo, Brazil. The dates are June 7-10, 2015. It is essential that you register **early** because **you will need a visa in order to enter Brazil**. Sao Paulo, one of the world's largest cities, is a great place to visit. Enjoy the culture, the language, the food and the people of this city. You won't be disappointed. As always, the convention will be outstanding with world class speakers and world class entertainment. Join fellow Rotarians from around the world and Light Up Rotary! Go to www.riconvention.org and register today. If you have any questions, please contact Becky Faulkner at drgenesis@charter.net. Obrigada!

Volunteers needed to assist with public image

BY LORRAINE ANGELINO
7750 PUBLIC IMAGE CHAIR

Do you have a knack for planning activities, reporting the news, creating websites, posting to Facebook, Tweeting, or taking pictures? Would you like to assist in promoting Rotary in your community? I am putting together the new Public Image Committee for the District. The committee would provide guidance for clubs in developing a Public Image plan, creating club brochures, promoting their events, using Social Media, and showing clubs how Public Image can attract new members. The committee is also looking to put together a contacts list for area newspapers, cable or satellite TV, Money Pages or local direct mail, radio station, or other venues for promoting Rotary such as baseball fields.

Please contact me at dg2013@rotary7750.org if you would like to be a member of the Public Image Committee. If you do not have time to be on the committee, but are interested in providing support to the committee, please contact me as well. If you have contacts that we can add to our list, please provide that information as well.



Lorraine Angelino
Public Image Chair
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RAGs and Fellowships don't want your money!

BY PDG BARBARA SHAYEB-HELOU
7750 RAGS AND FELLOWSHIPS CHAIR
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Keep your millions, join a Rotary Action Group or Fellowship. Follow your passion for doing good in the world or for your hobbies. I could even help you select one that will fit your personality. Once you join one of these groups, your Rotary membership will take on new meaning.

Some of these Groups may ask for from \$5. to \$20. P.Y. for membership and some will ask for nothing. The result is that you will become engaged

and better informed on the topic of your choice. In fact, you may become a sought out expert. And, you have not made a life altering financial commitment.

Recently at the RI Convention in Sydney, I attended a meeting and dinner for the PDG Fellowship, a breakfast for the RGHF (history fellowship), and a dinner for ROTI (Rotarians on the Internet) at a fantastic Indian Restaurant. To cap it all off, I attend-

ed a dinner for RWAF (Rotary Wine Appreciation Fellowship) of which I am a life time member. It was held at a lovely private Club where we enjoyed a sumptuous buffet with an assortment of Australian wine. There is no better opportunity for Rotary fellowship and relationship building.

All that, and I know that I only scratched the surface. Google Rotary Fellowships and RAGS, you will see what I mean.

7750 Membership & Attendance for May

Club	Members 6/30/2014	Current Members	Change	Meetings Held	Attend. %
Abbeville	52	53	1	5	60.00
Aiken	170	175	5	3	77.57
Aiken Sunrise	40	40	0	5	79.56
Anderson	95	85	-10	2	42.86
Batesburg-Leesville	21	19	-2	4	64.47
Blacksburg	12	13	1	3	42.43
Chester	43	50	7	4	64.00
Clemson	98	95	-3	3	74.21
Clemson-Calhoun	28	26	-2	5	84.21
Clinton	26	31	5	2	60.71
Clover	24	27	3	4	70.19
Easley	59	58	-1	4	79.63
EClub of the Carolinas	21	27	6	4	61.50
Emerald City	53	53	0	4	66.18
Fair Play	14	14	0	4	87.50
Fort Mill	81	78	-3	5	44.87
Fountain Inn	40	36	-4	3	70.91
Gaffney	72	65	-7	0	0.00
Golden Strip Sunrise	15	14	-1	5	67.10
Greater Anderson	53	58	5	5	61.94
Greater Greer	18	16	-2	4	43.00
Greenville	258	274	16	2	65.61
Greenville Breakfast	20	22	2	4	78.50
Greenville East	20	31	11	3	48.35
Greenville Evening	27	31	4	2	64.00
Greenwood	103	107	4	2	75.51
Indian Land	33	33	0	4	54.20
Inman	19	22	3	4	80.00
Lake Wylie	24	27	3	4	82.98
Lancaster	69	74	5	5	67.87
Lancaster Breakfast	77	74	-3	4	62.93
Laurens	49	52	3	5	87.98
Mauldin	26	27	1	4	72.16
McCormick County	12	9	-3	4	41.00
Newberry	66	77	11	2	76.00
North Augusta	18	15	-3	5	67.14
North Greenville	22	35	13	5	57.59
North Spartanburg	42	42	0	4	81.25
Pickens	45	45	0	4	74.03
Pleasantburg	39	40	1	5	60.51
Rock Hill	100	103	3	2	67.32
Seneca	39	44	5	5	72.00
Seneca Golden Corner	28	25	-3	4	70.00
Simpsonville	50	45	-5	4	100.00
Spartan West	21	23	2	5	78.85
Spartanburg	164	181	17	4	49.35
The Foothills	15	17	2	2	61.76
Twin City	16	15	-1	4	72.88
Union	40	47	7	0	0.00
Walhalla	36	34	-2	3	69.00
Westminster	23	31	8	4	76.00
Winnsboro	39	40	1	4	78.00
Woodruff	14	12	-2	3	80.00
York	32	33	1	5	75.80
Totals	2621	2720	99		67.01%

53 of 55 clubs reporting

Photos from the Installation and Awards Banquet. Courtesy of Alberto and Franca Meloncelli. Alberto is in the bottom photo.



Membership Champions

(new members and their sponsors in May)

Bellows, Scott H (SCOTT)	Newberry	Robert L. Brown	Government Contracting, Bus. Development, Trade
Bowers, Joseph Connie (CONNIE)	Pickens	John W. McKenzie	Retired from Blue Ridge Electric
Chappell, Sylvia M (SYLVIA)	York	Greg Greiner	
Davis, Gary (GARY)	Clinton	Brandon T Hair	
Davis, Katherine H. (KATHY)	Chester	J. Glenn Anderson	
Fann, Elizabeth Kelley (BETH)	Simpsonville	Hal Gaymon	Newspaper Publishing
Farris, Chris (CHRIS)	Clover		
Gregory, John G. (JOHN)	Chester		
Harris, Justin A (JUSTIN)	Lake Wylie	Mary L. Sieck	
Hollander, Shayna (SHAYNA)	Greater Anderson	Kathryn Smith	Teacher/Recitalist
Kyzer, Allison (ALLISON)	Newberry	Debbie Hartness	doctor
Lockamy, Adam W (ADAM)	North Spartanburg	Ueli K Schmid	
McDonald, Michael (MIKE)	Clover	Vance M. Stine	personal trainer
Pickens, Michael (MICHAEL)	Seneca	Lori T. Kelley	Chiropractic Doctor
Piper, Stephen (STEPHEN)	Greenville East		
Riley, Lawrence Michael (LARRY)	Spartanburg	John F. Perry	Newspaper Publishing
Rohrssen, Sarah (SARAH)	Mauldin	Jonathan P. Whitehead	
Shepherd, Stephen C. (STEPHEN)	Spartanburg	Darwin H. Simpson	Health Care - Consulting
Short, Steven H (STEVEN)	Pleasantburg	Eric J Baker	CGMA, CPA, PA
Shull, Libby (LIBBY)	Emerald City	James M. Manley Jr.	CPA - Tax
Slaughter, John (JOHN)	Spartanburg	James M. Reilly	National Parks - Administration
Taylor, Thomas DuRant Jr. (TOM)	Chester	Valerie M. Taylor	
Volmer, Robin (ROBIN)	Spartanburg	J. Grier Bomar	Commercial Gardens - Administration



Representatives from some of the clubs recognized at the 2014 Governor Installation and Awards Banquet. Many more pictures available online. [Just click here.](#)