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AUGUST: Membership and Extension Month
SEPTEMBER: Basic Education and Literacy Month



The Easley Rotary Club used a District Grant to expand its connections with low-scoring students in a summer literacy program. Rotarians read to the children and each child received a book to take home.

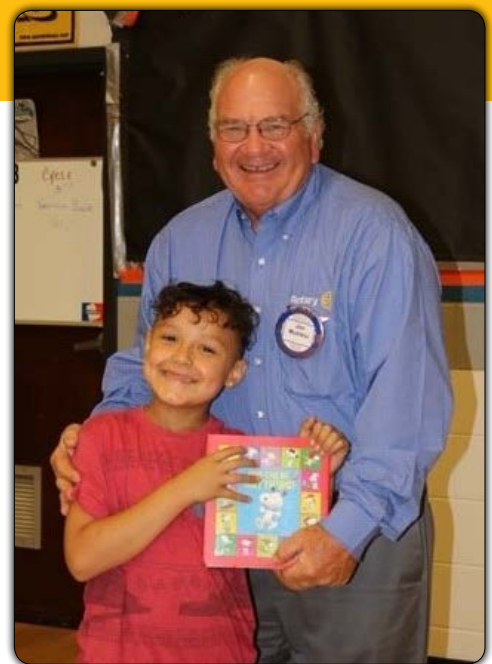
Easley Rotarians connect in several ways at 2019 Camp iRock

For four years, the Easley Rotary Club has financially supported a popular and effective summer literacy program in Pickens County that is helping struggling elementary students in Grades K-3. With the help of a District 7750 grant, the club this summer engaged with the campers in an even deeper and more meaningful way.

Camp iRock, named for the catchy phrase: iRead, iRise, iRock, is a free,



Special thanks to District 7750 for partnering with the Easley Rotary Club on the purchase of books and nameplates for this project. We could not have done it without the matching literacy grant. This was our club's first literacy effort to our community in more than 15 years. It was very satisfying seeing children with their own book and hopefully they will take to heart the message that they can be whatever they want in their lifetime, as long as they stay in school and work hard.—*Easley president Jim Mullikin, pictured here presenting a book to one of the students.*



← Easley iRock project—

8-week remedial reading and summer camp experience for students who scored below national standards in reading in the 14-public elementary schools in Pickens County. Transportation is provided for students to one of three Camp iRock locations in Pickens County. Students arrive at 8 am, are served breakfast, receive four hours of remedial reading instruction, receive lunch, and then participate in three hours of a summer camp experience conducted by the YMCA, before getting on buses to head home at 4 pm.



Camp iRock is in its fifth summer, and is a partnership with United Way of Pickens County, the School District of Pickens County, the Pickens County YMCA and the Call Me Mister Program at Clemson University. According to SC Secretary of Education Molly Spearman, "Camp iRock is the model summer literacy program that every county in South Carolina should replicate."

Last summer, members of the Easley Rotary Club visited Camp iRock three afternoons a week throughout the summer to read to a classroom of students. Rotarians used the opportunity to share about themselves and their profession. "It was a great time to share about our jobs and to encourage students about the importance of reading," said Club President Jim Mullikin. "I had children hug me afterwards, and

thank me for coming to visit them. It was an unbelievable experience and I enjoyed it more than the students did."

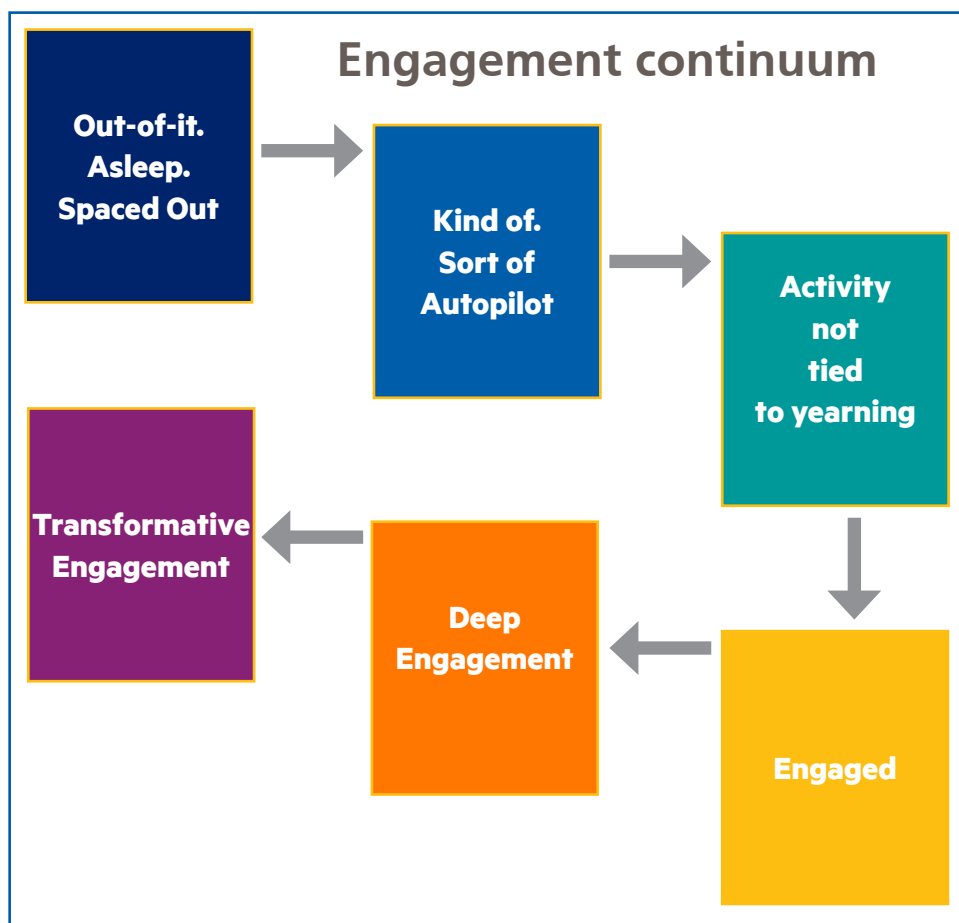
This summer, Easley Club members volunteered to visit a classroom of Camp iRock children to share about themselves and to read to them. The club expanded its involvement by providing all 150 children in the Easley Camp iRock with the book titled: *You Can Be Anything* by Charles Schulz. "We wanted to stress to children that they can be anything they set their mind on, now that they're growing in their reading skills," said Jim. The club provided each Easley Camp iRock student a copy of the book with a personalized nameplate inside.

"We had a ceremony one afternoon with all the children in the Easley Camp iRock," said Jim.

"We called each student forward to receive their personal copy of the book, and we shook their hands. We encouraged the students to keep this book beside their bed and to read it often. The children were so proud to receive their own book."

Easley Rotarian Vicki Fletcher took a photo of each student receiving their book and gave them a print. "That little extra touch of having their picture taken when they received their book meant so much to them," Jim said.





Membership summit coming up

August 9: Greenwood County Library, 600 Main Street, Greenwood. Starts at 8:30 a.m., cost is \$15.00 <https://www.dacdb.com/index.cfm?EventID=77442735>

August 10: Ernest G. Brown Medical Center, Conference Room, 1140 Saluda Street, Rock Hill, Starts at 8:30 a.m., cost is \$15.00 <https://www.dacdb.com/index.cfm?EventID=77442736>

Please pick a date or place convenient to you and attend one of these events. Any Rotarian who is interested in learning more about Rotary Membership is welcomed to attend. See you there!

Member engagement is a key to strong, successful clubs

BY PDG ED IRICK

Rotary Club of Greenville Evening
D7750 Membership Chair

The District's focus remains on keeping membership at the forefront. We do this by strengthening our clubs. As our clubs become stronger they begin to attract the interest of others in our community. A strong healthy club identifies these interested people and uses intentional strategies to bring these new people into Rotary.

One of the key aspects of a strong healthy club is the engagement of its members.

Not coincidentally, engagement of the workforce is a key aspect in the success of many businesses, other service organizations, and even churches.

According to **Forbes Magazine**, **employee engagement** is "the emotional commitment

the employee has to the organization and its goals." It is when the employees truly care about what they do, the team they work for, and overall mission/vision of the company.

In the above definition, replace employee with Rotarian and you have the definition of engaged Rotarians. When a club's members are involved in and committed to their club and its mission, they are engaged. When they care about what and why they serve, they are engaged. When they care about their fellow members, they are engaged.

A 2016 Gallup study concluded that engaged teams have lower turnover, greater profitability, higher productivity, and higher customer ratings than disengaged teams. It naturally follows that this holds true for Rotary Clubs whose

members are engaged.

Is your club engaging its members? One of the best ways to determine this is to ask the members. There are a number of assessment tools that can be used to focus on the input of the club members. Take the time to interview each member. Focus on their ideas, suggestions, concerns, and then develop a plan to increase engagement. One particularly good assessment tool is the [Rotary Club Health Checklist](#).

Realize that this may not be a quick fix plan. Some required changes may be initiated immediately and result in increased engagement. Others may take several years to fully implement. The important thing to remember is that continued focus on engagement is necessary to strengthen your club and grow Rotary.

Area 6 hosts event for DG Rob

The Rotary clubs in Area 6 hosted a well-attended dinner in Rock Hill for District Governor Robert Hanley, prior to his official visit to the Rotary Club of Rock Hill. Eight Rotary Clubs were represented. Seven club presidents attended: Tracy Little - Indian Land Lunch (newest District 7750 club); Sabrina Gast - Fort Mill; Amy Strong - Lake Wylie; Suneel

Jaitly - Rock Hill; Archie Walker - Indian Land; John Lovsin - Clover; and Nancy Forlaw - Chester. Three assistant governors were there: Lindsay Walker, Area 6, Rock Hill; Babette Sabia, Area 5, Indian Land Lunch; and Joyce Morin, Area 7, Lancaster. It was a wonderful occasion for Rotarians to meet Rotarians in other clubs to foster camaraderie and teamwork towards our common goal. The evening included cocktails, a delicious dinner, and stimulating conversations, highlighted by an inspiring message from our District Governor. The clubs in Area 6 are Fort Mill, Indian Land, Indian Land Lunch, Lake Wylie, and Rock Hill.



CONNECTIONS

Be the inspiration. Connect the world.

BY DG ROB HANLEY

Rotary Club of Greenville City Center

August, the dog days of summer. One reference to “dog” days is the appearance of Sirius, the dog star, in the eastern sky. Sirius is the brightest star in the night sky and a fitting metaphor for Rotarians around the world who are superstars by “Doing good in the World.”

The Club Plans prepared by presidents for this Rotary show that this District is also full of Rotary stars. I have been awed by the variety and number of service projects that clubs in District 7750 plan to undertake this year. Many are long-standing, community-based projects. Others are in support of our District’s actions to provide clean water to Central American communities.

Some clubs have planned ambitious new projects, such as RC Rock Hill which intends to fill a 53’ container with books to distribute to children of all ages and then to convert the container into a computer lab. Look for a newsletter article on that on this spring.

Healthy Rotary clubs are growing Rotary clubs.

August is Membership and Extension Month. This month share your Rotary story with a colleague, friend, or business associate. Tell them why you are a Rotarian and how Rotary has touched your life, and then invite them to a club meeting. Sponsor a new member and you will have completed one requirement for joining the Governor’s Leadership Circle.

As you read last month, during this Rotary year, I am emphasizing Polio Plus. Last year Rotarians donated over \$US 50 million to Polio Plus, exceeding the goal. This year may be the year that Africa is certified as being polio-free, leaving Pakistan and Afghanistan as the only nations where wild-type polio virus is being transmitted. District Polio Plus Chair Mary Sieck is organizing an event that can be held District-wide on World Polio Day (October 24). Look for details later this month or early in September.

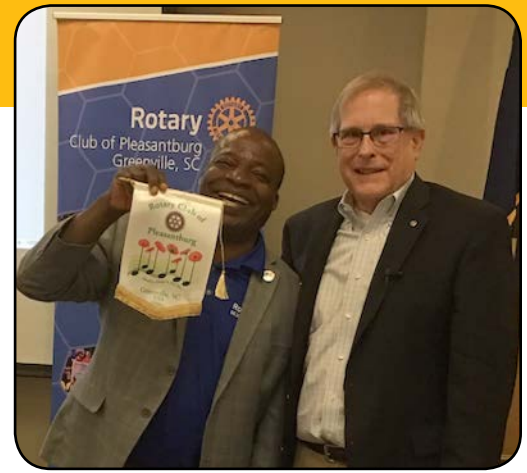
Finally, my official club visits will begin in earnest in August. I chose to begin my visits toward the end of July to allow clubs to gear up for the new Rotary year. I look forward to these club visits to hear the stories of how District 7750’s Rotary stars are inspiring and connecting the world.

Rotary Club of Pleasantburg Connects the World

The Rotary Club of Pleasantburg connected the world at its first meeting of the new Rotary Year. Daniela Bennett, last year's outgoing Youth Exchange, presented the club with banners from two Rotary clubs in Belgium. One banner was from Daniela's host club, the Rotary Club of Gembloux, and the other was from Rotary Namur Val Mosan, the host club of one of her Youth Exchange friends. Daniela lived in three cities: Gembloux, Rhisnes, and Namur, all of which are in the province of Namur. She attended school at College Saint-Guibert.



The first speaker of the year at the Rotary Club of Pleasantburg was Isaac Owolabi, immediate Past District Governor of western North Carolina District 7670. PDG Isaac provided an energetic and motivational message focusing on increased membership, engagement, and doing good things not only in Greenville, but around the world, too. Isaac related the story of his joining Rotary in 1990. He said the sole reason he joined was simply because somebody asked. That encounter led to his involvement in the planning for a new morning Rotary club in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. Isaac's enthusiasm for Rotary has steadily increased ever since that initial invitation. He stressed that inviting someone to attend a Rotary meeting is the best way to expand membership. Membership is the key to strengthening fellowship that will result in a vibrant club that does good service in the community and contributes to the growth of the Rotary Foundation and CART.



PDG Isaac Owolabi of District 7670 (left) displaying Pleasantburg club banner presented by President Larry Lee (right).



President Larry Lee receiving Belgian club banners from Youth Exchange student, Daniela Bennett.

E-Club of the Carolinas expanding its reach

Sponsors McCormick Satellite Club

BY ROSEMARY MCDOWELL

President Mike Reid's goal for the upcoming Rotary year is expand our membership in and outside District 7750. We are the perfect vehicle to support the Rotary International theme: Rotary connects the World.

Benefits offered by the E-Club of the Carolinas include:

- Expanding our personal and professional horizons
- Face-to-face fellowship twice a week on zoom
- Establishing new fellowships

A major challenge is raising funds for community service. This past Rotary year we tried an online

raffle. There was a lot of enthusiasm for the raffle; however, not enough participation. We are working for new ideas how to raise funds including on-line auctions through member donations such as artwork, autographed books, and speciality items. All proceeds will go directly into fundraising.

We established and sponsored the McCormick Satellite Club thanks to the efforts of our Past President, Anne Barron. Perhaps we can accomplish this again this upcoming Rotary year along with sponsoring an Interact Club. We have much to offer — so spread the word about us.





DG Rob's first official visit

These are some photos from Rob's first official visit to the Rotary Club of Rock Hill on July 25. Rob related his personal Rotary moment and how Rotary impacts so many lives around the world. The focus for his year of leadership is continued zeal in wiping out polio which is now contained except for two countries - Pakistan and Afghanistan. A point well made was that it only takes one plane ride for deadly crippling polio to reignite - much like the measles outbreak in NYC recently.—AG Lindsay Walker, Area 6

Three new fellowships approved by RI

BY PDG BARBARA SHAYEB-HELOU

D7750 Chair for RAGS and Fellowships
bsh6890@aol.com Bravo Rotary!

Three new Fellowships have been approved by RI.

1. Metal Head Fellowship of Rotarians: for people who support authenticity, honesty and solidarity in metal music.

2. Whiskey Dram Fellowship of Rotarians: this is for Whiskey drinkers. People who control consumption and distinguish unique flavors.

3. LGBTQ Rotary Fellowship: for Rotarians and their families who are in solidarity with people who identify and support these groups.

I knew it wasn't my Grandfa-

ther's Rotary any more! Rotary is for everyone! They just proved it.

Rotary sees that we miss out on potential members with incredible talents by excluding them. Rotary decided we need dedicated & creative members. People who do not necessarily see things as everyone else, but can identify solutions and methods to achieve solutions.

Bravo Rotary!

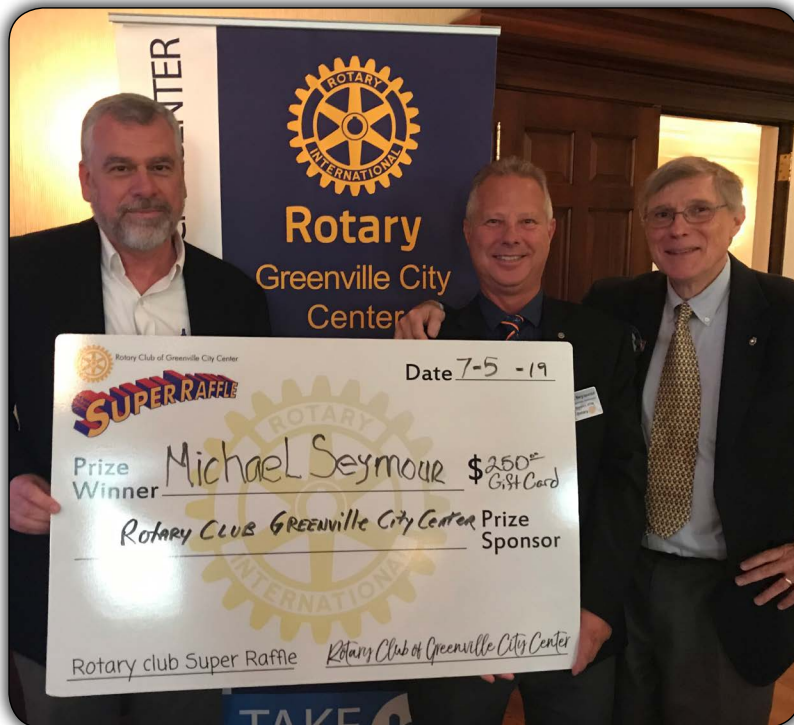
So with the innovation of the Whiskey Fellowship, Rotary now supports Fellowships for Wine, Beer and Rum drinkers. And along with the new Metal head fellowship we have a Jazz Fellowship. Rotary has Fellowships for Italian culture, Latin culture and Russian culture.

What culture would you like to see represented? We can start a new fellowship.

Rotary Action Groups and Fellowships continue to grow and address the tastes and needs of the membership.

The Rotary Action Group Against Slavery has identified a need in Lebanon for migrant workers who have been abused by employers and not allowed to return to their home countries. We must continue to keep our eyes on this issue.

Join an Action Group or join a Fellowship and let new worlds open before you.



SEYMOUR WINS SUPER RAFFLE AT GREENVILLE CITY CENTER

Michael Seymour, center, won the \$250 Visa Gift Card Super Raffle at the Rotary Club of Greenville City Center. Presenting the card to him are president Mark Peters (left) and District Governor Rob Hanley, a member of the club.

Learn more about Rotary at RLI in Duncan, Aug. 17

BY RENEE STUBBS

Rotary Club of Newberry
District RLI Chair

This is an invitation to all Rotarians to attend the Rotary Leadership Institute on August 17, in Duncan.

Whether you are a club president or a new member, RLI will help you grow your passion for Rotary. At RLI workshops, participants are guided by experienced facilitators to learn and share experiences on topics ranging from the history of Rotary, Rotary and ethics, and, club projects, to growing membership and public relations. For a complete overview you should visit the RLI website www.rli33.org.

To register go to www.rli33.org and select the Duncan location. Registration will close on August 10.

For questions contact Renee Stubbs, District RLI Chair, rcstubbs@att.net



SENECA GOLDEN CORNER CELEBRATES START OF NEW YEAR WITH FELLOWSHIP

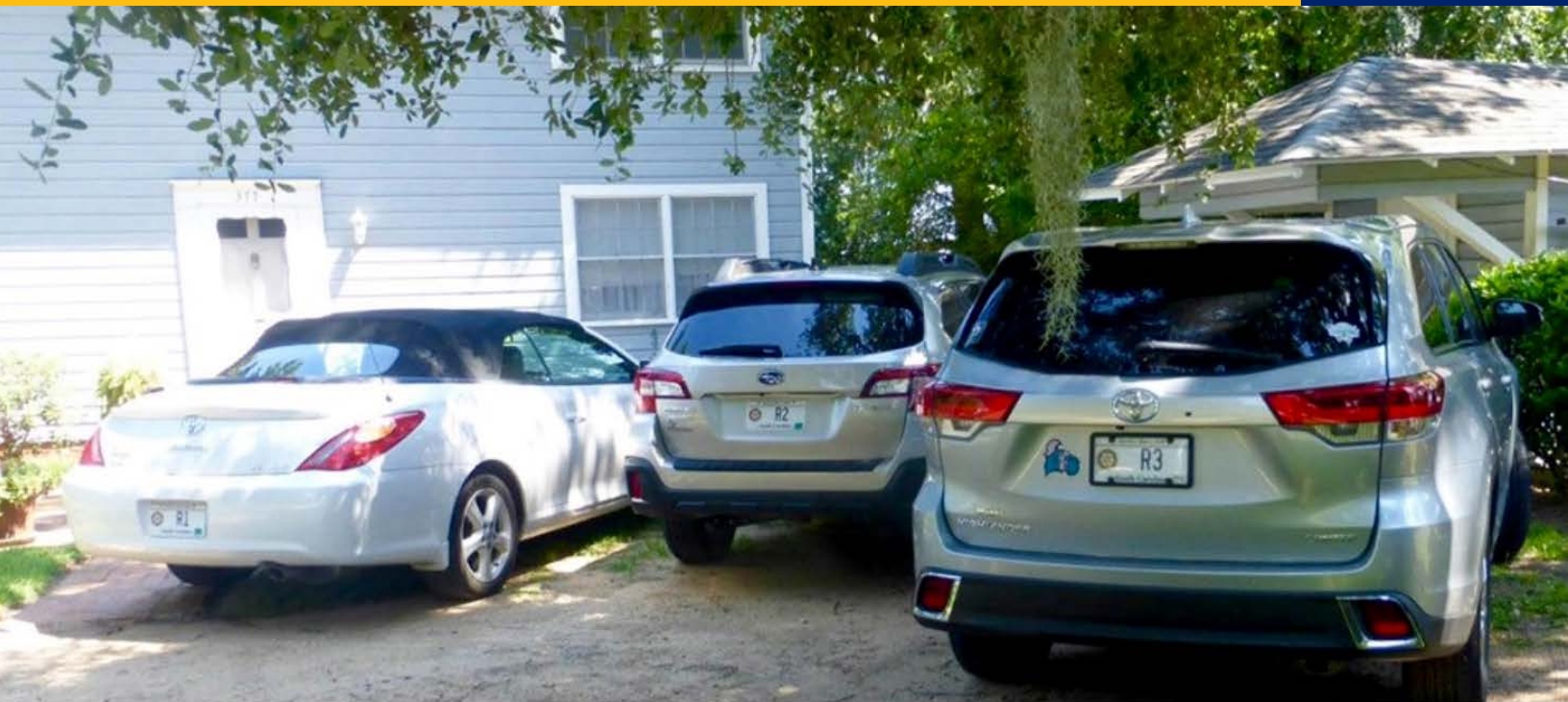
Golden Corner Rotarians and their spouses recently gathered at the home of new club president Cammie Kaiser on Lake Keowee. Pictured from left are Cindy Adams, Pam Dowd, Jon Adams, Ernestine Williams, Gene Williams, Sandy Pierce, Kelly Holleman, Louie Holleman, Cammie Kaiser, Rob Kaiser, Steve Rushton, Stephanie Blake, Janet Estep, Don Estep, Jenny Perry and Eddie Perry. Fellowship is an important part of the culture at Golden Corner.



Ashley Williams, left, director of Christ Central Ministries Oconee, recently updated the Golden Corner Rotary Club about the ministries' programs including the Grace Thrift Store in Walhalla and the Ash Tree men's recovery program. Christ Central has also helped more than 150 individuals to receive their GED with tutoring and free testing to qualified students.



Members of the Golden Corner Rotary Club were recognized by Past District Governor Carol Burdette for their work. From left, past president Steve Rushton, Pam Dowd and Wayne Frady helped the club earn the Overachieving Club Award for packing meals for Rise Against Hunger. The Golden Corner Rotary Club has also worked with the Seneca Soup Kitchen having purchased a new gas stove and grill plus two food preparation tables.



PROMOTING ROTARY WHILE ON THE ROAD

This photo was taken in Murrells Inlet, where PDG Bob Squatriglia, Rotary Club of Fort Mill, and his wife Betty were visiting past RI director David Michaux and his wife Sarah. The RI plates were introduced in South Carolina in 2002 when David was director, so he got the R1 and R2 plates. Bob has the R3 plate. Bob said it is the first time the cars bearing these plates have been together and in order. In 2002, Bob chaired the statewide effort to get the plates approved. In 7750, PDG Bruce Baker was license plate chair.



HOW TO GET A ROTARY PLATE

The cost of a Rotary license plate is \$50 plus the registration fee for your vehicle. About \$40 is returned to your club and you may apply all or part of the net donated dollars to your Sustaining Member account at the Rotary Foundation, and/or to district/club programs/projects.

Go to <https://rotary7750.org/document/rotary-license-plates/> for more specific information.

Deadline for September newsletter is **Aug. 25**

Send items to newsletter editor Sue Poss, editor@rotary7750.org.

Articles received after Aug. 25 will be used in October.

2018-19 District 7750 Rotary Foundation Giving

THROUGH 6/30/19

100% OF YEAR COMPLETED

Annual Fund Goal	\$ 459,092 (50 of 50 – 100%)
Annual Fund Total	\$ 500,188 (109% goal)
Annual Fund Per Capita	\$ 188.47 (2654)
Endowment Fund	\$ 32,257
PolioPlus Goal	\$ 138,542 (50 of 50 – 100%)
PolioPlus	\$ 119,820 (86.5% goal)
Total Giving	\$ 652,265
\$0 AF Clubs	0 (50 of 50 – 100%)
\$0 Polio Clubs	0 (50 of 50 – 100%)
DDF Transfer – Polio	\$ 42,000
Major Gifts	9
Major Donors	20
Paul Harris Fellows	396
Bequest Society	6
Benefactors	20
EREY	1977 (2654 members – 78%)
Sustaining Members	1377 (2654 – 51.8%)
Paul Harris Society Eligible	104 (113 members – 92%)
Paul Harris Society Members	113
Rotary Direct	71

ALL-TIME FOR DISTRICT

Paul Harris Fellows	5215
Benefactors	804
Bequest Society	97
Major Donors	90

2019-20 District 7750 Rotary Foundation Giving

THROUGH 7/28/19

7.6% OF YEAR COMPLETED

**Final membership numbers are not available. Below percentages are based on 7/1/18 starting members of 2654.

Annual Fund Goal	\$ 154,274 (18 of 50 – 36%)
Annual Fund Total	\$ 15,149 (9.8% goal)
Annual Fund Per Capita	\$ 5.71 (2654)
Endowment Fund	\$ 0
PolioPlus Goal	\$ 40,564 (17 of 50 – 34%)
PolioPlus	\$ 4,453 (8.5% goal)
Total Giving	\$ 18,602
\$0 AF Clubs	24 (24 of 50 – 48%)
\$0 Polio Clubs	39 (39 of 50 – 78%)
DDF Transfer – Polio	\$ 42,000
Major Gifts	0
Major Donors	0
Paul Harris Fellows	47
Bequest Society	0
Benefactors	0
EREY	54 (2654 members – 2%)
Sustaining Members	27 (2654 – 1%)
Paul Harris Society Eligible	9 (113 members – 8%)
Paul Harris Society Members	113
Rotary Direct	71

ALL-TIME FOR DISTRICT

Paul Harris Fellows	5237
Benefactors	804
Bequest Society	97
Major Donors	90

Membership Champions (60 new members and their sponsors in June)

Member	Type	Club	Sponsor
Alexander-Powell, Pam (PAM)	Active-Family-Assoc.	Greenville	Scott Powell/Jane B. Dyer
Alston, Euleta (EULETA)	Active-Corporate-Assoc	Greenville	Fatima Ghzala/Jane B. Dyer
Austin, Omekula (OMEKULA)	Active-Corporate-Assoc	Greenville	Jane B. Dyer/Scott Powell
Ayers, Lorrie (LORRIE)	Active	Indian Land Lunch	Geri Rucker
Babb, Shontel (SHONTEL)	Active-Corporate-Assoc	Greenville	Fatima Ghzala/Jane B. Dyer
Baden, Michael (MIKE)	Active	Indian Land Lunch	Eric Bowers
Blackwell, David R. (DAVID)	Active	Indian Land Lunch	
Boyd, William E. (BILL)	Honorary	E-Club of the Carolinas	Isaac F. Shaffer
Carpenter, Kelly Keadle (KELLY)	Active	Indian Land Lunch	
Church, Malissa P. (MALISSA)	Active-LOA	Rock Hill	Lindsay W Walker
Clement, Devin L (DEVIN)	Active	Greenville	Jane B. Dyer/Ron Demonet
Cobosco, Jaclyn (JACI)	Active	Greenville	Lisa Mangione
Cooper, Adam H. (ADAM)	Active	Indian Land Lunch	
Cunnigham, Beckie (BECKIE)	Active	Indian Land Lunch	
Daye, Maureen (MAUREEN)	Active	Greenville	Jane B. Dyer/Scott Powell
Decicco, Gregory (GREG)	Active	Indian Land Lunch	Candace Wyman
Faulkner, Thomas G. III (TOM)	Active-R85	Greenville Breakfast	Harvey Clinch
Figueroa, Angelica (ANGELICA)	Active	Indian Land Lunch	
Gantt, Zebadiah (ZEB)	Active-LOA	Emerald City	Joanne Bailey
Gathings, Gisele (GISELE)	Active	Greenville	Jane B. Dyer/Scott Powell
Hagins, S. Richard (RICH)	Active-Corporate	Greenville	Fatima Ghzala/Jane B. Dyer
Harding, Andrew (DREW)	Active	Spartan West	Allison Weir Owens
Hayes, Katherine M (KATHERINE)	Active	Lancaster	April Joplin
Hegneshwar, Naren (NAREN)	Active	Greenville	Surendra Jain/Jane B. Dyer
Heitzeg, Roger (ROGER)	Active	Greenville	Walter C. Kivett/Dee W. Kivett
Helmuth, Stephanie C. (STEPHANIE)	Active	Greenwood	James L. Burton
Hudson, Chris P. (CHRIS)	Active	Greenwood	George H. McKinney II
Hutcheson, Duane Allen (DUANE)	Active	Indian Land Lunch	
Jackson, Kathy (KATHY)	Active-Corporate-Assoc	Greenville	Chris Manley/Ron Demonet
Jackson, Mary Margaret M. (MEURT)	Active	Greenwood	Sam M. Leaman III
Jeffcoat, Haley H. (JEFFCOAT)	Active	Golden Strip Sunrise	Jim Cashion
Jones, Matteel (MATTEEL)	Active-Corporate	Greenville	Lisa Mangione
Karns, Robert (BOB)	Honorary	Aiken Sunrise	
Keenan, Ginger (GINGER)	Active	Aiken Sunrise	Sharon J. Johnson
Knisley, Stephanie M (STEPHANIE)	Active	Greater Anderson	Theresa O. Taylor
Koonce, Donald B. (DON)	Honorary	Greenville	Heyward Clarkson
Lane, Jamie Lou (JAMIE LOU)	Active	Greenville	Lisa Mangione
Latimer, Tanisha (TANISHA)	Active	Greenville	Lisa Mangione
Little, Jessica (JESSICA)	Active	Indian Land Lunch	Keith R. Benton
McCulloch, Laura (LAURA)	Active-Family-Assoc	Greenville	William G. Raines Jr.
McFadden, Clyde (CLYDE)	Active	Indian Land Lunch	Tracy Little
Mulvaney, Pamela W. (PAMELA)	Active	Indian Land Lunch	
Murphy, Marie Wideman (MARIE)	Active-Corporate	Greenville	Jane B. Dyer/udith S. Prince



Member	Type	Club	Sponsor
Parker, Diana M. (DIANA)	Active	E-Club of the Carolinas	
Patterson, Katherine (KATE)	Active-Family-Assoc	Greenville	Grady Patterson/Jane B. Dyer
Radford, Kory (KORY)	Active-Corporate-Assoc	Greenville	Chris Manley
Rovin, Laurie (LAURIE)	Active	Greenville	Linda Brees/Judith S. Prince
Sabia, Babette A. (BABETTE)	Active-R85	Indian Land Lunch	
Schwartz-Hanley, Marnie (MARNIE)	Active-Corporate-Assoc	Greenville	Jane B. Dyer/Judith S. Prince
Smiroldo, Massimo Eros (MASSIMO)	Active	Indian Land Lunch	
Smith, Valisa (VALISA)	Active-Corporate-Assoc	Greenville	Jane B. Dyer/Scott Powell
Snipes, Sharon H. (SHARON)	Active	Indian Land Lunch	
Stoddard, David F. (DAVID)	Active	Anderson	
Tiwari, Ryan (RYAN)	Active	Greenville	Ramona R. Farrell
Walenceus, Randall K. (RANDY)	Active	Greenwood	Richard S. Whiting
Walker-Price, Melissa (MELISSA)	Active	Indian Land Lunch	
Weaver, Laryn (LARYN)	Active	Greenville	Becky Callaham/ Ron Demonet
Willard, Michael Adam (MICHAEL)	Active	Indian Land Lunch	
Wyman, Candace (CANDACE)	Active	Indian Land Lunch	
Young, Amber M (AMBER)	Active	Indian Land	Archie Walker

60 New Members | 104 Terminated Members (2 deceased, 18 joined another club)

More district grant recipients for 2019-20

These are more District Grants that have been approved for clubs in 7750. The figure at the end of each is the amount of the grant, not the total amount of the project.

EMERALD CITY

Build a playground at Connie Maxwell Children's Home. **\$1,570**

Install 4 low-rise bleachers with collapsible tent canopies at the local soccer field. **\$5,886**

FOOTHILLS

Plant shade trees along the Swamp Rabbit Trail in Travelers Rest to add shade and prevent erosion. **\$500**

FORT MILL

Provide a new pair of shoes (ofttimes their first) to severely economically deprived school children as identified by school officials at the onset of the new school year. A team of 15-25 Rotarians will match

up with students and a parent or family member at a local retail shoe store to assist them in sizing, selection and purchase of their new shoes. We want students to feel better about themselves wearing comfortable shoes and thereby foster their self esteem and classroom success in the new school year. **\$3,500**

The Literacy Picnic was created as a way of improving literacy by providing children in Fort Mill's nine elementary schools with books at their reading level and to provide a positive experience by having a cook-out to feed them and any parents or siblings who attend. We also provide books for every child who attends the event. **\$3,200**

GREATER ANDERSON

Buy four AEDs at a per unit cost of \$1,010. Each year the club receives requests for AEDs from

community organizations. Each year the Board then votes on who will receive the units. Most times it is an organization with which one of our members is affiliated. **\$2,020**

Offer three \$1,000 scholarships to members of the Interact Club at TL Hanna High School. Last school year the club packaged 14,000 meals for Rise Against Hunger. **\$1,500**

Recognize most improved reader in our rural literacy project Anderson District 3 (Starr and Iva) is an agricultural area with three elementary schools and 10 total third grade classes. We will expand our dictionary project with these schools by also recognizing one student in each class each half year who is the most improved reader. Winners will get a book and a gift card. **\$1,800**