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Pleasantburg Rotarians have lunch at school

Jerry Lieberg was one of the Pleasantburg Rotarians who spent a lunch period with kids at Cherrydale Elementary School in Greenville to give the teachers a break. See what the kids asked them on [page 8](#).

Our Rotary Foundation IS personal



DG Joyce reminds us during Foundation month that our gifts are personal. The adaptive bikes that Lancaster Breakfast has bought to give wheel-chair bound people a chance to ride is just one example. [Page 5](#) for the bikes; [Page 18](#) for Joyce's column.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS!!!

BY DG JOYCE MORIN

Is your club's Membership Program a **HIGH PRIORITY** with every club member? Recruiting members to our Rotary Club is not something we do once a year to achieve a quota...Rotary members must be thinking about inviting fellow business and community associates all year long.

"It is from members all good things flow...with varied backgrounds, skillsets, viewpoints, circles of influence and interests, we combine to be our best selves and yield the greatest impact in our communities and beyond.

We are living in a wonderful time of flexibility and innovation. I encourage each club to ask its membership what satisfies and excites them. Look at what you do and how you do it, and decide together what's working just great and where you can use a little refresh.

Think outside the box and try new things. This doesn't just relate to projects or fundraisers. New membership types are being created, new club types are being developed, new ways are being discovered

to identify individuals with hearts for service who would love to bring their dreams for helping others to life through membership in the most effective volunteer service organization in the world—us!

There is room for everyone—all ages, various capacities for engagement, you name it. Whether you can dig the gardens and flip the hamburgers or are at a point where you can mostly share memories and give sage advice, engage. And during the start of this holiday season, reach out and give the gift of Rotary to more dreamers. Invite those who you know will be an asset to your clubs to participate in projects, enjoy the fellowship

and information gleaned from speakers, and who wouldn't mind a bit making life-long friendships. Invite them to check out Rotary.

We have 525,600 minutes this Rotary year to do good in the world. Let's bring in more folks who will help us expand our reach.

Go forth and multiply!

We are living in a wonderful time of flexibility and innovation. I encourage each club to ask its membership what satisfies and excites them.



DG JOYCE VISITS PLEASANTBURG

The Rotary Club Of Pleasantburg welcomed District Governor Joyce Morin on Oct. 27. She led a conversation with their board to share ideas and send a message of empowerment to leadership to continue to evaluate and make innovative changes to their club. She spent time with club members during their regular meeting motivating them all to get involved and stay engaged. She shared many ideas and success stories of other clubs and complimented Pleasantburg Club on many of their successful projects planned already this term. It was a treat to all who attended.



GILLAINE WARNE

Spark behind our Haiti work leaves huge void

BY PDG BETH PADGETT

7750 Foundation Chair

The motto of The Rotary Foundation is “Doing Good in the World.”

It’s hard to find someone who did more good in the world than Gillaine Warne, who died October 8. Through her work in Haiti, Gillaine changed the lives of generations of people who once knew only destitution and despair.

With her husband Charles at her side, she was the driving force behind efforts to transform life in the Central Plateau region in Haiti by addressing immediate issues of hunger and malnutrition and laying the groundwork for lasting change.

Rotary also was a partner in these efforts. Through their gifts to The Rotary Foundation, Rotarians in District 7750 have supported the Warnes’ work in Haiti and played a key role in everything from helping address malnutrition, to teaching vocational skills, to creating generational wealth through a goat-breeding farm.

Gillaine was an Honorary Member of the Rotary Club of Greenville (where her husband Charles is a member and past president). She has spoken at District Conferences and numerous Rotary Clubs in our area. Gillaine was recognized in 2016 by Rotary International for decades of personal humanitarian service. She received the Rotary Spouse/Partner Service Award, presented by DG Terry Weaver at the Awards and Installation Banquet. At the time, it was said that Gillaine had never waited on anyone to ask her to help. She simply saw a problem and did what Rotarians do—Join Leaders, Exchange Ideas, Take Action.

She was hired to teach English in Haiti, but she quickly recognized the extensive malnutrition among children. She went on to establish programs to: (1) Teach farming to Haitians of the Central Plateau (2) Grow and process peanuts into a highly caloric and high-protein food product for children (3) Build and staff a vocational school, teaching construction, carpentry, and computer skills.

Gillaine was born September 18, 1938, and lived in



Sydney, Paris, New York, and Greenville. At one time she spent roughly 50% of her year in Haiti, managing several hundred acres of agricultural operations, as well as a vocational school for post-high school students.

These words from her obituary appropriately describe her life and her legacy:

“Her vision saved tens of thousands of children from malnutrition and provided many more thousands of families with the training and tools they needed to farm productively and feed their families. The vocational school that she created for agricultural education, the Centre de Formation Fritz Lafontant (CFFL), has educated hundreds of young Haitians.

“Her legacy will live on through many generations of Haitians whose lives have been made better through her deep love for the country and its people, and the hard work that she loved so much.”

In this month set aside to recognize The Rotary Foundation, it is humbling and inspiring to realize the good Rotarians have been able to accomplish through their donations that helped power the work of Gillaine Warne.



PINTS FOR POLIO IN CHESTER

Val Taylor, Brenda Raines and Walt Whitman staff the ticket booth at Pints for Polio. Member Lee Pruitt played hangman as he tried to guess the exact amount raised to combat polio.

Chester divides — and succeeds

The Chester Rotary Club had to divide to conquer when two of its events ended up being on the same night because of Hurricane Ian.

The club had organized its first Pints for Polio event at Wild Bees Bottle Shop on Gadsden Street in Chester on a Thursday night.

The next night, the club was going to assist—as it always does—the Chester Senior High Athletic program by taking up tickets at the football game.

Then came Ian and the game was moved ahead to Thursday night. So Service Above Self challenged the club to split the membership between the two events, and both were successful.

The club raised \$2,074 for Pints for Polio and helped take up tickets at the game.

Cyrus Corbett is president.



Chester President Cyrus Corbett, left, taking up tickets at the football game.

Wayne Raines is a past president and has taken up tickets on the visitors' side of the field for most of the games this year.



Lancaster Breakfast President Chad Catledge is shown with the club's first adaptive bike that was ready to roll. A district grant helped the club buy these bikes.

Adaptive bikes through project called Pedals Possible

Lancaster Breakfast is ready to give special needs students the rides of their lives

BY APRIL WILLIAMS

Rotary Club of Lancaster Breakfast

Lancaster Breakfast Rotary is giving special needs students in Lancaster County the chance to ride a bike—a task that would have previously been impossible.

Through a project called Pedals Possible, special needs kids in our area will now experience the childhood joy of riding a bike.

Lancaster Breakfast Rotary President Chad Catledge spearheaded the new project. Chad had seen children ride a Tandem Adaptive Bicycle donated to Lancaster County Parks and Recreation through a partnership with MUSC and Heather's Ride, a nonprofit group based in Simpsonville.

This adaptive bicycle provides

a safe opportunity for children with mobility constraints to ride a bicycle with their caregiver's assistance.

An adaptive bicycle has been engineered with a specialized seat that allows for proper harnessing and full back support, pedals with secured connections, and dual rear wheels to create the stability needed to remain upright.

The caregiver or teacher can control the pedaling, steering, and braking.

Watching a child ride a bike for the first time left an impression and sparked an idea. "As I looked up the trail to see this first child riding the bike and the smile across his face, I knew this was

something that needed to be replicated," Chad said.

What began as a simple desire to reproduce smiles developed into quite an endeavor.

"I thought to myself, this is fantastic that our community has this adaptive bicycle available for the families that have a child with mobility constraints, but we only have one," Chad said. "Where can we have the maximum impact on generating the smiles that I saw that day on the Greenway? Our Schools!"

Lancaster County School District enrolls 118 students with mobility constraints. The need is great. A relentless pursuit began

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Lancaster Breakfast \$15,000 short to meet adaptive bike needs—

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with forming a partnership between the Lancaster County School District and the Lancaster Breakfast Rotary Club to provide 14 adaptive bicycles across our school district.

Children with mobility constraints frequently have lower levels of physical activity and fitness, producing profound effects on physical, mental, and emotional health.

Other groups joined to help the club's cause. Heather's Ride is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to offer an avenue allowing those with special needs the ability to participate in the thrill of riding a bike.

In addition, MUSC's Research Group in Charleston will be conducting a structured research project, utilizing these adaptive bicycles and our Lancaster County students. This research will result in data that can be applied on a global level.

"The enthusiasm and passion for this project were palpable and make us excited to be involved!" said Cynthia Dodds, Medical University of South Carolina.

"As this project began to take shape and with MUSC's interest to conduct the research on the positive outcomes of using adaptive bicycles in schools, it became apparent that this idea needs to be pushed outside of just the borders of Lancaster County," Chad said. "We branded the project 'Pedals Possible' and hope that once the research component is complete, we will have the data to show the positive outcomes a program like this can have."

Chad said the Rotary platform is a perfect avenue to push this program across the nation, producing the joy that he saw on the children's faces that November day along the Lindsay Pettus Greenway. "While I am excited at the thought of pushing the Pedals Possible program across the nation, I am most excited that it started here in our own Lancaster County School

District."

The Pedals Possible project is no small task. A budget of \$70,000 funds the 14 needed adaptive bicycles and components necessary to capture research data.

"It is amazing what a conversation will do," Chad said. "In the early stages of this project, I spoke with Bruce Brumfield, CEO of Founders Federal Credit Union, sharing my excitement about the possibilities."

Bruce grasped the vision and joined the project.

Another \$15,000 is needed to reach the goal. To help meet the need, Seth's Giving Tree has adopted Pedals Possible for the annual Give Local Lancaster Campaign.



CONTRIBUTORS TO PEDALS POSSIBLE

MUSC
Comporium
Perception Builders
Franklin Sparkman, CPA
Wilson's Gas and Oil
Lancaster Breakfast Rotary
District 7750
Marsha Patterson State Farm
USC Lancaster
Sheriff Barry Faile

Because of these donors, Pedals Possible has acquired funding to provide 11 of the 14 adaptive bicycles needed to outfit fully the Lancaster County School District. Lancaster Breakfast is working to raise another \$15,000 to buy three more bikes.



Oyster roast helps Lancaster Breakfast raise funds for bikes

The Lancaster Breakfast Club Oyster Roast helped raise the money to buy the adaptive bikes (previous pages). Among those helping were President Chad Catledge at the fire; president-elect Ramey Fesperman pouring oysters and Chris Smith, getting ready to serve them up.



More money, more bikes

If Lancaster Breakfast raises enough money, the club would like to buy one extra bike (for a total of 15) to have available for schools not currently on the plan for distribution. If even more funds are raised, club president Chad Catledge said the money could be donated to another nearby club as an incentive to start their own Pedals Possible program.



The band Flipside rocks the house at the Roast.



The club's Youth Exchange student from Romania, Dan Balint, attended to see first hand what an elementary school looks like. The students absolutely loved him and hugged all over him when he had to leave.

Pleasantburg members give teachers a lunch break; Kids test them on their math skills

The Rotary Club of Pleasantburg gave the first grade teachers at Cherrydale Elementary School in Greenville a treat. Rotarians sat with their classes during their lunch period to give the teachers a much needed collaborative lunch.

It turned out the treat was really the club members. They were met with smiles, love and lots of questions from the students. Some

even showed off their math skills asking members if they knew what $2 + 2$ equals (Most club members answered correctly!).

The children made heart shapes with their hands, gave hugs freely and were such a pleasant reminder of the love and core goodness in children.

All the members are looking forward to returning again soon.



Rotarians assemble literacy kits for K-4 classes in Lancaster County

Lancaster Breakfast club members assembled literacy kits for each class and then delivered them over a three-week period. The photo at right is storytime at one of the K-4 classes. Pictured from left to right: Holly Furr, Bridgett Plexico, April Williams.



Lancaster Breakfast is Falling in Love with Stories!

Lancaster Breakfast Rotarians visited fourteen K-4 classes in Lancaster County in celebration of Literacy Month.

Each class received a storytime kit, which contained a large nursery rhyme flip chart, finger puppets, masks, craft items, and story cubes to help children

fall in love with hearing stories or even creating their own. Rotarians read stories to each class and presented them with a kit.

The club assembled the kits on September 28 and began a three-week tour, visiting each class and presenting the kits.

Now is the time to think about enlisting RYLA students for 2023

BY DAVID BRENNER

*Rotary Club of Greenville Breakfast
7750 RYLA Chair*

Our district held a very successful Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) program last June.

Forty-six young people spent a week at Erskine College developing leadership skills, team building skills, learning the benefits of service, and having fun.

We were fortunate to be able to bring a RYLA program back to District 7750 after a two-year hiatus due to the Covid pandemic.

With all the great news about RYLA 2022, the disappointing news is that the number of delegates was substantially below our historic participation.

ONLY 21 CLUBS IN OUR DISTRICT SENT AT LEAST ONE DELEGATE TO RYLA IN 2022.

Maybe that was to be expected after not holding RYLA for two years, but there are a lot of rising high school juniors and seniors who missed out on this tremendous opportunity.

I encourage all of our clubs to work to sponsor at least one young person as a delegate to RYLA in 2023. I know many of our clubs will sponsor several delegates.



This is the RYLA Class of 2022. The numbers were significantly lower than we have traditionally had. Let's do better in 2023.

THE 2023 RYLA WILL BE HELD AT ERSKINE COLLEGE ON JUNE 4-10, 2023. ERSKINE HAS AGREED TO HOLD THE COST TO THE SAME AS 2022 AT \$385 PER DELEGATE FOR THE 2023 PROGRAM.

We need to start informing the students about RYLA now. We need to make sure our Interact Clubs and school administrators are aware of this hidden gem that our district provides for young men and women.

Some of the delegates are members of an Interact club, but many are not. It is not a requirement to be an Interactor to attend RYLA.

Take time in the next few weeks to meet with school administrators and Interact clubs to inform them about RYLA.

And again, thank you to all Rotarians in D7750 for your support of the youth programs in our Rotary District.

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JUST WHAT HAPPENS AT

RYLA

RECRUIT NOW
FOR 2023
SUMMER
PROGRAM

?

↑Click on the graphic to hear Mark Peeler, RYLA coordinator, explain what RYLA is. Mark is the VP of Athletics at Erskine College and has directed the RYLA program in our district for 22 years.

Here's the link info: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/ibvzuz24ung5omm/Ryla%20Mark%20Peeler%20Video.mov?dl=0>.
Feel free to copy and share.

▶ This 9 minute video shows RYLA in action with comments about the program from several of the delegates.

2022 RYLA Week Video

<https://vimeo.com/724521757>

Want a speaker??

IPDG Frank Cox is the District Chair for Youth Services. Both he and David are available to speak at your club meeting, your club's Interact meeting, or with school administrators.

Frank Cox: fcx63@yahoo.com

David Brenner: david.brenner00@gmail.com,



Three of the 2022 students.



REEDY RIVER ROTARIANS AT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL KNIGHTING CEREMONY

Reedy River Rotarians Laurie Rappl and Ann Golden participated in EarlyAct FirstKnight knighting ceremonies at Robert E. Cashion Elementary School on September 28. Laurie is shown speaking to the audience about why Rotary sponsors this character education program and about what Rotary is.

Give to the virtual CART Bucket on-line

Our clubs in D-7750 have been big supporters of The CART Fund (Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust) for many years. You can throw your change (or bills) in the blue buckets at your meeting or donate online.

To give to CART online:

1. Go to www.mycartfund.org.
2. Enter your DACdb User Name & Password
3. Click on the dark blue sign-in button
4. You'll create an ID in the CART On-line Contribution Portal that's tagged to your club and our District.



The first step in member retention

ONBOARDING

BY PDG TERRY WEAVER

Zone 33 Rotary Coordinator

The number one principle in exceeding customer expectations is managing them in the first place. Promise less than you can deliver, and don't promise more than you can deliver.

The same is true in Rotary. **Make sure the club experience you're offering lives up to the hype.**

≈**STEP 1** in that process is an onboarding/orientation experience that sets a new member up for the member experience that your club is prepared to deliver. Have a look at the October Membership Action Plan Webinar, "Meaningful Onboarding," that is available at <https://www.rizones33-34.org/membership-action-plan>.

Once a person is committed to joining Rotary, it's essential to help that new member engage with the club, its committees and projects. That's how we retain members—getting them involved in meaningful service projects that increase our impact and expand our reach in our communities.

We'll explore offering members something different than the "Rotary Club Model A" membership experience—a weekly meeting with a meal and a speaker.

Please promote this and future MAP Webinars in your club.



This session builds upon the lessons of:

- › Session 1, "Create a Membership Pipeline," which focused on the #1 failure mode of club growth—insufficient identification of new member prospects. From there,

- › Session 2 presented the #1 highest ROI strategy for attracting new members, a Rotary Information Hour.

- › Session 3 is this one, Onboarding.

- › Session 4, "Creating clubs for today" will be on Nov. 14.

THERE'S A COMPLETE ONBOARDING/ ORIENTATION TOOLBOX WITH EVERYTHING YOU NEED ON THE [RIZONES33-34.ORG](https://www.rizones33-34.org) WEBSITE. AND YOU CAN ALSO REGISTER FOR SESSION 4, "CREATING CLUBS FOR TODAY" ON NOVEMBER 14, AT THE SAME PAGE.

<https://www.rizones33-34.org/membership-action-plan>



PLEASANTBURG COMBINES FUNDRAISING WITH SOCIAL

BY REGINA COULOMB

Rotary Club of Pleasantburg

The Rotary Club of Pleasantburg had a successful social/fundraising evening at Shuckin' Shack on Pelham Road in Greenville.

Club members and friends enjoyed great food, fellowship and the 10% profit share so graciously given by Shuckin' Shack goes to the club's Dress A Child Program.

These combination social/

fundraisers are an easy way to invite friends to join us for some food and drink to support a great cause with the added benefit of getting to know our club from a social and service standpoint.

We have several repeat attendees we hope can become club members in the near future. So much fun was had by all.





Sylvia McLeod, John Wilson, Susan Anderson, Leo Smith, Edward Mattison, April Cameron, Ovid Culler, and Pam Smith together in "South Main" serving kitchen.

ROTARY CLUB OF GREATER ANDERSON MEMBERS SERVE "SOUTH MAIN"

Members of the Rotary Club of Greater Anderson prepared and served lunch to guests at South Main Chapel and Mercy Center on Thursday, October 20. "South Main" is an inclusive church reaching out to all races and including people from any economic or religious background. The Mercy Center provides those in need with community meals, a health ministry, vocational rehab counselors, and life-skills classes.



Pam Lee plating food for lunch guests.



Ovid Culler serving lunch.

VETERANS

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

Veterans Day is November 11. I'd like to extend sincere thanks on behalf of our entire membership for your service. We are grateful for your patriotism, courage, and commitment to our wonderful country. You are respected and appreciated every day. —DG Joyce

There's
a new
weapon
against
polio. Read.



CAREER CENTER PROGRAMS

Danielle Ivey, center, assistant director Hamilton Career and Technology Center, updated the Golden Corner Rotary Club about career center programs for the School District of Oconee County and ties to Tri-County Technical College. Also pictured are club president Steve Moore, left and Rotarian Louis Holleman.



APPALACHIAN TRAIL HIKE

Heyward Douglass, center, retired Clemson University pilot and a board member of the Foothills Trail, presented a program about his five-day hike with long-time friend John Cely through the Maroon Bells and Crater Lake, Colorado. Heyward has also completed the Appalachian Trail. Pictured at left is Golden Corner Rotary Club president Steve Moore and right is Rotarian Vic Holley.



KEEP OCONEE BEAUTIFUL

Jim Fireovid and Susan Mason updated the club about the operations of Keep Oconee Beautiful Association (KOB) which coordinates with area clubs and organizations to keep Oconee County beautiful. Mason is KOB's new executive director. Pictured from left are club president Steve Moore, Mason, Fireovid, and Rotarian Mikayla Kreuzberger.

Historic Newry Mill development update

Mark Peters, right, with the M. Peters Group and Jennifer Gosnell updated the Golden Corner Club about the \$60 million Newry development project that includes the historic Newry Mill and a new 197-unit apartment complex on the Little River. Newry Mill was established in 1894 as the first textile village in Oconee County and the entire village was placed on the National Register in 1982. The includes the revitalized mill, post office and a new grocery store and cafe. Pictured from left are president Steve Moore, Rotarian and Realtor Lorraine Harding, Jennifer and Mark.





You're Invited to Celebrate
Our Rotary Foundation
November 18, 2022

Registration is NOW OPEN!

at



45 W. Orchard Park Drive
Greenville, SC 29615

Keynote presentation by Larry Lunsford
Rotary Foundation Trustee 2021-25 and
Rotary Foundation Vice Chair 2022-23

\$50.00 per person

Register on the District Calendar in DACdb
or the link provided in the pmail.

Schedule:

5:30 Meet and Greet in with Larry Lunsford

6:30 Reception with a cash bar

7:00 Dinner with club foundation awards, recognitions and keynote address by Larry Lunsford

NOTE THAT THIS IS A CHANGE OF DATE FROM WHAT WAS PUBLISHED EARLIER THIS YEAR.

Our opportunity to reach out and help

BY DG JOYCE MORIN

November is Foundation Month. As we prepare to count our blessings with our families this Thanksgiving, let's remember to appreciate the opportunities Rotary gives us to look beyond ourselves, reach out, and help others.

Sometimes the projects we support both locally and abroad, like meal packing events, offer engagement but we don't see the results firsthand. We are careful in our planning to be sure the meals, the coats, the medical supplies get to where they are meant to go, but we must rely on distribution reports to track success.

The important thing to remember is that behind each statistic is a human being we have touched. Our impact as Rotarians is not to be found on some report measuring units... our impact is personal.

The impact to the recipients is personal. So is the impact to each of us. Through the generosity of donations to The Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund-Share, we are each of us connected to the people we seek to help. Thank you for your generosity of both time and treasure. Please give to The Rotary Foundation.

Happy Thanksgiving to all!



Our impact is PERSONAL

Consider the people whose lives have been made better by some of our district-supported grants:

- Families lifted out of poverty through our agricultural project in Haiti
- One million souls who will not feel hunger when our multi-district disaster relief project sends that many meals to war-torn Ukraine
- Thousands of school children who benefit from reading programs, book distribution, before-and-after school support as we battle our literacy crisis and help develop confident, capable citizens
- The homeless who have not just received essential supplies but who also were offered kindness, respect, and hope
- The communities which come together in celebration for community singing, dancing, baseball, enjoying Rotary built parks and trails
- The wheelchair bound and special needs children who will benefit from the adaptive bikes provided by Rotarians to their school district
- The list goes on and on.



WHERE AND WHEN: The training and celebration will be at the Hilton Greenville
45 W. Orchard Park Drive
Greenville, SC 29615.

REGISTRATION:
Registration begins at 2:30 pm, and the Rotary Foundation and Grants Workshop will be from 3 – 5:15 pm.

MEET AND GREET: After the training, there will be a Meet and Greet with RI Foundation Vice Chair and Trustee Larry Lunsford from 5:30 – 6:30 pm.

MEAL: The dinner follows at 7 pm with club and individual Foundation awards and Larry's keynote speech.

Celebrate **YOUR** Rotary Foundation: Nov. 18

Join your fellow District 7750 Rotarians on Friday, November 18, for an evening to celebrate the good work that is being done through The Rotary Foundation.

The Foundation Celebration and Dinner will be at the Hilton Greenville on Orchard Park Road. Registration for the dinner ends Monday, November 14.

Rotary Foundation Trustee and Vice Chair Larry Lunsford will be the keynote speaker. From the Rotary Club of Kansas City-Plaza, Missouri, Larry is an outstanding speaker who will be inspirational and educational.

There will be a Meet and Greet with Larry from 5:30 to 6:30 pm at the Hilton Greenville, followed at 6:30 by a reception with a cash bar.

The Foundation Celebration and Dinner will be from 7 pm to 9 pm. Many Rotary clubs and individuals will be recognized during the event for their accomplishments. The cost for the reception and dinner is \$50, and registration is through DACdb. Watch for emails if you have not already registered.

Required Grants Workshop in afternoon

On the afternoon of November 18, District Governor-Elect Renee Stubbs and District Foundation Chair Beth Padgett will host the annual Foundation and Grants Workshop.

The training also is at the Hilton Greenville. Registration is at 2:30 pm, followed by the Rotary Foundation and District Grants Workshop from 3 pm – 5:15 pm.

Each Rotary club must have a representative at Grants Training in order to apply for a District Grant in 2023-24.

There is no cost for the workshop.



**D-7750 Foundation Chair
IPDG BETH PADGETT
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The
Rotary
Foundation



EVERY
 ROTARIAN
 EVERY
 YEAR

DISTRICT GRANTS 2022-23

Clubs make a difference in their communities

Because of your generous giving to The Rotary Foundation, the District Grants Committee was able to approve and fully fund all qualified grant applications that were received for 2022-23, a total of \$134,100. The District Grant checks were mailed to clubs in mid-September.

On the next couple of pages are snapshots of some of the grants. The figure for each club is the amount of the grant, not the total amount of the project. Other grants will be featured in coming months.

Thank you for your support of The Rotary Foundation. We are “Doing Good in the World,” and as these District Grants demonstrate, our Rotary Clubs also are doing so much great work in our own communities.

GREENVILLE BREAKFAST

Steps to Success

\$2,000

The Greenville Breakfast Rotary Club will work with Tanglewood Middle school to beautify the campus with four raised flower beds and also provide mentoring support for the students and faculty. There will be approximately 835 beneficiaries.

GREENVILLE CITY CENTER

Mentor/Tutor

\$2,500

The Greenville City Center Rotary Club will partner with Fostering Great Ideas to provide tutoring assistance to children in foster care to help these children improve their scores in math and English. Many of these children fall behind

FEATURED DISTRICT GRANTS 2022-2023

CLUB.....	PROJECT.....	GRANT
Greenville Breakfast	Steps to Success.....	\$2,000.00
Greenville City Center.....	Mentor/Tutor.....	\$2,500.00
Greenwood	Local Food Bank.....	\$4,000.00
Greenwood	Rise Against Hunger	\$3,000.00
Indian Land Lunch	Dictionaries & More.....	\$5,000.00
Lake Wylie	Bocce Ball.....	\$2,500.00
Lancaster Breakfast.....	Adaptive Bikes.....	\$2,500.00
Lancaster	First Responders	\$5,000.00
Laurens	Backpack Program.....	\$2,500.00
Mauldin	Rise Against Hunger	\$4,375.00
Newberry.....	Food Bank Roof.....	\$5,000.00
<i>More district grants will be featured in coming newsletters.</i>		

in achievement levels. Twenty-five students will benefit.

GREENWOOD

Local Food Bank

\$4,000

The Greenwood Rotary Club will work with the local food bank to provide support for roughly 3,800 meals. The Greenwood Rotary Club will donate money and volunteer hours to the Food Bank of Greenwood to address a growing need for food in Greenwood County. Volunteers will receive food, sort it, stock it, and gather it to distribute to families.

GREENWOOD

Rise Against Hunger

\$3,000

The Greenwood Rotary Club will host a meal-packaging event for the benefit of people in developing countries who receive meals from Rise Against Hunger.

Approximately 21,500 meals will be packed.

INDIAN LAND LUNCH

Dictionaries/Blessings Bags

\$5,000

The Indian Land Lunch Rotary Club will provide dictionaries for all 3rd graders in the area (550), provide back door blessings bags to community members which include staple goods and food products, and continue to support the community pollinator garden project completed by the Club several years ago. More than 1,200 people will benefit.

LAKE WYLIE

Bocce Ball

\$2,500

The Lake Wylie Rotary Club will install a bocce ball court at Field Day Park in Lake Wylie. More than 1,000 people will benefit on an annual basis.



Consider joining PolioPlus Society

District 7750 created a PolioPlus Society last year – one year before Rotary International started encouraging Districts to make this option available to Rotarians. It's easy to be a member.

All you have to do is donate at least \$100 to PolioPlus and pledge to do this each year (as long as you are able) until the world has been certified as free of the poliovirus. Send an email to District Rotary Foundation Chair Beth Padgett (bpadgettrotary@outlook.com) that you've made this commitment and that your donation has gone to Rotary International. We ask that this special donation be in addition to your normal Foundation contribution to Annual Fund – SHARE.

Rotarians who join the PolioPlus Society will be honored with a special pin and printable certificate noting their contribution and commitment to ending polio. Eradicating Polio has been the top priority for Rotarians since 1985 when Rotary International launched PolioPlus with an initial fundraising goal of \$120 million. Rotary's first involvement with

polio was in 1979 with a project to eliminate polio in the Philippines.

Rotarians have given more than \$2 billion to help free the world of this crippling disease and have volunteered countless hours. Despite a few setbacks in the past 12 months, we still are "this close" to eradicating polio. A goal by the Global Polio Eradication Initiative is to declare a polio-free world by 2027. When we have this historic celebration, you certainly will want to wear your PolioPlus Society pin.

Please remember that the Doug and Sally Kauffmann PolioPlus Challenge Match will continue through November 20. You will receive a few more reminders about this campaign.



← More grants

LANCASTER BREAKFAST

Adaptive Bikes

\$2,500

The Lancaster Breakfast Rotary Club will provide adaptive bikes inside select schools where special needs students are located. These bikes can be used by classroom staff and physical education teams for the special needs students. Sixty students will benefit.

LANCASTER

First Responders

\$5,000

The Lancaster Rotary Club will purchase three infrared cameras and accessories for the local fire department, and 48 wearable

safety lights for each patrol officer for the local Sheriff's Office.

LAURENS

Backpack Program

\$2,500

The Rotary Club of Laurens works with E B Morris Elementary School to ensure that 50 underprivileged children get meals for the weekends during the school year. The club packs backpacks with food once a week and during holidays.

MAULDIN

Rise Against Hunger

\$4,375

The Mauldin Rotary Club will

work with Rise Against Hunger to conduct a food packing event to package over 100,000 meals. Approximately 25,000 individuals will benefit.

NEWBERRY

Food Bank Roof

\$5,000

The Newberry Rotary Club will construct a covered roof space at the Living Hope food bank in Newberry. This will help those being served by the food bank and volunteers to have a safer and better space. Approximately 7,000 people will benefit.

Membership Champions

26 new members and their sponsors in September

ROTARIAN	TYPE	CLUB	SPONSOR
Boula, Rod	Active	Abbeville	Lou Paradis
Bucy, David	Active	Greenville City Center	
Crain, Brad	Active	Aiken	William H. Tucker
Dameron, Amy DeVore	Active	Spartanburg	Stone McLeod
Delgado, Eric	Active	Laurens	John Young
Dixon, Latoya	Active	York	Amy M. Hagner
Eaton, Pamela	Active-Corp-Attn	Greenville	
Emery, Matt	Active	Greenwood	Jessica F. Garcia
Evans, Courtney Leigh	Active	Lancaster Breakfast	Howard Lewis Williams
Garcia, Jose Daniel	Active	Reedy River	Laurie M. Rapp/ Rami Elmarkiz-Sami Michael
Gilreath, Harper	Active	Anderson	Carol E. Burdette
Gregory, Brandon Dion	Active	Newberry	Foster Senn
Hedgpath, Elisa Maria	Active	Chester	Ruth J Whitman
Heinlen, Philip	Active	Greenwood	George H. McKinney II
Johnson, Bailey	Active	Abbeville	Angela S Pruitt
Lee, Linda Susan	Active	Pleasantburg	Laurence G. Lee
McKay, Scott	Active	Aiken	Daniel Heimmermann Dr
Miller, Debrah	Active	Emerald City Evening Sat.	Howard Corley/ Lorraine Angelino
Miller, Rebecca	Active	Golden Strip Sunrise	Dee Vaughan/ James Cashion
Nyblom, Sandra	Active-Associate	Greenville	Penny Robbins
Pressley, Alvin	Active	Newberry	Scott Sandor
Robinson, Louise	Active	Emerald City Evening Sat.	Lorraine Angelino/ Michael L. Emily
Taylor, Christopher	Active	Spartanburg	Bennie L. Harris
Thomas, Ryan J	Active	Greenwood	Jessica F. Garcia
Woodman, Lynn H	Honorary	Reedy River	Laura Lee
Wright, Cody	Active	Anderson	

September: 26 New Members — 23 Terminated Members (2 deceased)

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