



**IMAGINE  
ROTARY**

**JANUARY: Vocational Service  
Month**

**FEBRUARY: Peace and Conflict  
Prevention/Resolution Month**

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# 7750

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL**



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## **Clover Interact Club helps with city festival**

The Interact Club at Clover High School helped with Clover's first Holiday on Main Festival in December.

Club members set up the tents and booths for the vendors, kept the streets clean during the festival and supervised and assisted with the holiday related activities and events.

Interactors had a great time helping and were officially in the holiday spirit by the time their shift ended.

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Clover, this Interact club is the largest in D7750.

Jimmy Roach is the Rotarian sponsor

# Governor's Message for the new year

**Not yet?  
No problem.  
Today's the day.**

**BY DG JOYCE MORIN**

Ever hear the saying, "...The best time to start a diet is tomorrow?" It's so easy to put something off until later—to figure we have all the time in the world to plan—and that we have scads of time to bring those plans to life.

Truth is, when our Rotary year started in July, we were given 525,600 minutes to achieve our dreams. Our clubs have accomplished so much good in the world since then.

At the half-way point, New Year is the natural time for us to review our goals, reflect on our current situations, and revise action plans so that we end the year with stronger clubs, greater visibility, and maximum impact in our communities.

Haven't figured out how to solve a particular issue? No problem. One of my favorite words is "yet." You just haven't come up with the right plan "yet." Today's the day. Your district leadership team is ready to help. Just tell your Assistant Governor your "what," and we will help with the "how."

Remember that this is the year of Imagine Rotary and don't be afraid to think a little differently. There are many pathways to service and many ways to keep your club fresh and viable. *Don't drift.* Use the New Year to reassess and refresh. If we stay engaged, enjoy the fun and fellowship, work our best plans, and move toward the future with flair we will know on June 30 that we left nothing on the table. We used our 525,600 minutes well.

Thank you for your commitment.

**I CHALLENGE** each club to survey its members for feedback about:

- what they like best
- what they wish they could do more often
- where their opportunities and trouble spots might be

...then bring that information back to the general membership for discussion.

Develop a practical plan for both recruiting and retaining members.

**I CHALLENGE** each member

- to engage by bringing ideas and thoughtful advice to club leadership.
- to help with the planning of and to work on various projects and fundraisers.
- to stay in touch with longtime Rotary friends and to welcome new members.

**I CHALLENGE** you to recognize and show appreciation for each member's contribution and to create/continue a club atmosphere where each member knows they are valued.





Carolyn Batchler, PTO president  
Kristen Sarratt, and Blacksburg  
club president Felicia Cavallini



PTO president Kristen Sarratt  
and Principal Michael Bender.

## Blacksburg Rotary helps PTO add to Book Vending Machine

The Rotary Club of Blacksburg gave the Blacksburg Primary School PTO \$2,000 to purchase books for the school's Book Vending Machine. Children at the school earn tokens to "buy" a book from the machine. Blacksburg has 16 members.

## We are **BLACKSBURG** **ROTARY** members

These 16 people and others  
before them have made a  
significant impact on their  
town of 2,000.

Megan Anderson  
Carolyn Batchler  
Felicia Cavallini  
James Elliott  
Scott Gordon  
Miranda Grigg  
Hal Howington  
Chad Hudson  
George Kirby.  
Kendall Kirby  
Kathy Parker  
Chris Phenicie  
Dalton Pierce  
David Roark  
Virginia Scates  
Frannie Stockwell

## Christmas is over but you can give THE GIFT OF ROTARY

Christmas is in our rearview mirror, and the thoughts of gift-giving is put out of our minds for another year. I ask you to reconsider.

You see Rotary is a gift that someone gave you when they invited you to join.

During this month of January, I want you to think of someone who already exemplifies the character of a Rotarian.

Determine whether to invite them to join you for a service project, a club social or a club meeting.

Tell them your story of Rotary and how much it means to you...why you joined Rotary and why you stay.

Tell them about the wonderful Rotarians you enjoy serving and socializing with in Rotary.

Ask them about their desire to serve, and if it doesn't match what your club is currently doing, tell them it is possible to start a new project.

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If the time your club meets doesn't fit their schedule, don't give up. That may be exactly what your club needs to start an alternative or satellite club.

The flexibility of Rotary allows us to share this great gift more freely.

I challenge you to share the Gift of Rotary. You'll love the feeling of sponsoring a new member!!



**I wish I had done this sooner.**

**I learned so much about Rotary that I did not know.**

**I learned about what other clubs are doing and will take these new ideas back to my club.**

**I have made new friends in other clubs, and we will stay in touch.**

**Rotary is so much more than what goes on in our clubs.**

*—Recent participants in Rotary Leadership Institute*

Looking forward to seeing you soon and helping you to FIND YOUR PASSION IN ROTARY at a Rotary Leadership Institute event.

**BY DGE RENEE STUBBS**

7750 Rotary Leadership Institute Chair  
[dg2023@rotary7750.org](mailto:dg2023@rotary7750.org)

## RLI: Find Your Passion in Rotary

**March 4<sup>th</sup> in Anderson – In-Person RLI**

Each time I have coordinated a Rotary Leadership Institute in our District or taught RLI workshops, I see the faces of about 60 Rotarians light up! They share comments like those at the left.

I can only imagine the conversations with their fellow members in the car on the ride home about all the new ideas now in their minds about how to implement their learning into their own clubs.

Our RLI data shows the impact RLI is having. 76% of Rotarians who have taken ONLY one part of RLI stay in Rotary. **RLI is a great retention strategy for your club.** 568 Rotarians in our district cannot

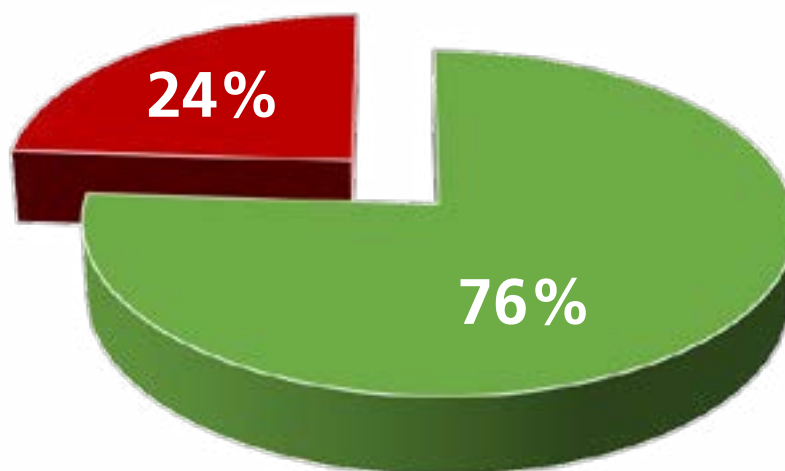
be wrong. That's how many of our members in D7750 have attended at least one part of RLI! Many have moved on to become RLI Faculty.

You do not have to be in the leadership line for your club to participate in RLI—although, the knowledge and passion you take back to your club will be very useful if you choose to become Rotary leader.

At RLI you will participate in interactive workshops on topics that include: The History of Rotary, Ethics, Our Foundation, Growing Membership Strategies, Planning Projects and more. The emphasis is on networking and sharing from other members about these topics.

Our next in-person RLI event in D-7750 will be **MARCH 4** in Anderson. Many clubs pay for their members to attend. In addition, when a club sends three members, the fourth member attends for free.

You are welcome to attend RLI in another district too.



**YOU MIGHT NOT KEEP THE WHOLE PIE BUT YOU SHOULD FARE WELL WITH RETENTION IF YOU SEND YOUR MEMBERS TO RLI. 76 PERCENT OF THOSE WHO ATTEND JUST ONE RLI SESSION WILL STAY WITH YOUR CLUB. THIS ONE STAT SHOWS HOW IMPORTANT UNDERSTANDING ROTARY IS TO YOUR CLUB'S RETENTION.**

Look at the list of meetings on the RLI website [www.rli33.org](http://www.rli33.org). Or, for a more complete list, look on the District Calendar in DACdb. [www.DACdb.com](http://www.DACdb.com)

**EVEN IN WAR, OR MAYBE BECAUSE OF IT**

# ROTARY CLUBS IN UKRAINE ARE GROWING

► Read why and what our own 7750 clubs can learn about making Rotary relevant in the local community.



**Your club members might not have to become literal firefighters to put out fires caused by bombing and shelling. But they can still fight other kinds of fires smouldering or raging in your community. People are drawn to the opportunity to find meaning and purpose when they see real positive change taking place.**

## JANUARY IS VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH



During January, Rotarians are encouraged to focus on this important avenue of Rotary service. Discussions on vocational service can lead to projects that not only develop the ethical consciousness and vocational skills of Rotarians but also the talents within their communities.





Carter, a blind student at Heath Springs Elementary School in Lancaster County, gets to ride a bicycle for the first time, thanks to an adaptive bike Lancaster Breakfast purchased for the school through its Pedals Possible project. [Click to watch Carter as he rides for the first time.](#)

The Pedals Possible project of the Lancaster Breakfast Rotary Club is one example of a “fire” that local Rotarians are putting out (reference to the previous page on Ukraine) by providing adaptive bikes for handicapped children. And it shows how important it is for clubs to keep members involved. Lancaster Breakfast has 63 members, six of whom have joined this year. Only one member has dropped out.

## **Seth’s Giving Tree donates \$19,000 to Lancaster Breakfast’s Pedals Possible project**

The Pedals Possible project of the Lancaster Breakfast Rotary Club has really taken off.

A couple of months ago, the club was trying to raise enough money to buy 15 adaptive bikes for elementary schools to have available for handicapped children to enjoy—which it did.

Now, in December, the club received \$19,000 for this project from Seth’s Giving Tree, a Foundation set up to benefit children and youth in Lancaster County.

That foundation is named for Seth Muennich, who died at age 14. His mother, Lisa Muennich, Chair of Seth’s Giving Tree, presented Lancaster Breakfast Club with the check that will be used to buy even more adaptive bikes through the Pedals Possible Project.



**[LINK TO PEDALS POSSIBLE](#)** (where you can contribute)  
**[LINK TO SETH’S GIVING TREE](#)**

Lisa Muennich, Chair of Seth's Giving Tree, presented Lancaster Breakfast president Chad Catledge with a check for for \$19,000 to buy more adaptive bikes for the club’s Pedals Possible Project.

## North Spartanburg gives \$3,000 IMAGINE Award Grant to Wofford College Homework Club Program

*Club members honor the program's positive impact on the lives of local students*

North Spartanburg Rotary Club presented Spartanburg Housing and Wofford College with a special IMAGINE Award Grant of \$3,000 in honor of their after-school program's 2022-23 focus, "Imagine."

And, the After-School Program does just that —it supports students in the Highland and Southside neighborhoods with after-school homework help and with enrichment programming, like drama club and field days.

Wofford College sustainability students, guided by Alysa M. Handelsman, Assistant Professor of Anthropology, contributed to the growth of last year's programming; in particular, with the addition of arts-based curriculum.

Cierra Kelly from Spartanburg Housing has served as Wofford students' community partner since the initial phases of this program in January 2020.

This after-school programming provides one-on-one homework



### NORTH SPARTANBURG DONATION TO AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

Stacey Henderson—Director of Residential Services, Spartanburg Housing

Sarah Buckmaster—Wofford Student

Don Worley—Foundation Chair, North Spartanburg Rotary

Shaunte Evans—CEO, Spartanburg Housing

Alysa Handelsman—Wofford Assistant Professor

Ray Switzer—President, North Spartanburg Rotary Club

help and other after-school activities for elementary and middle school students living at the Prince Hall and Camp Croft housing developments, and "it's a transformative experience for all of our students – from the second graders to the Wofford College sophomores. They are learning and growing together," said Handelsman.

"Our Rotary Club is honored

to help provide this grant to help ensure that the amazing Homework Club Program can continue to positively impact the lives of so many young students," said Club President Ray Switzer.

**CLICK TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE WOFFORD COLLEGE HOMEWORK CLUB.**

## 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](http://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.



## PILLARS OF CONSISTENT CLUB GROWTH

By PDG Terry Weaver, Z33 Rotary Coordinator

### PROSPECT IDENTIFICATION

Identifying people who would likely make great Rotary members

### ATTRACTING MEMBERS

Effectively presenting Rotary to qualified potential members

### ONBOARDING NEW MEMBERS

Orientation and engaging new members in the club's activities

### RETAINING MEMBERS

Meeting or exceeding member expectations, including meaningful, Rotary-branded service projects

## Membership: Ask us anything

The Membership Action Plan team did an "Ask us Anything" Webinar in December, and all the questions asked fell into one of the key performance categories on the pillars above. In fact, most questions related to getting the basics right.

I've learned that there's no rocket science or silver bullet that makes membership success happen in a club. Success is generally granted to a club that pays attention to the basics and gets them right.

Some questions answered in this webinar included:

- Should you invite a prospective member to a Rotary meeting as his/her first introduction to Rotary?
- What prospect tracking tools are available for clubs to use?
- How often should clubs hold Rotary

Information Hours (Discover Rotary)? Plus several follow-on questions about Rotary Information Hours

- What can we do to get members fully engaged in the club?
- How successful have alternate membership types been? Any problems?
- What can I do to overcome resistance to change in my club?
- How to we motivate Rotarians to "make the ask" to invite potential members?

In case you missed it, the December Membership Action Plan (MAP) Webinar was full of blocking and tackling tactics that have worked for other clubs. Watch it again at: "[Ask us Anything](#)" Webinar.

January's MAP Webinar topic is  
**Become an Irresistible Club**  
**January 16 at 6 pm.**

Don't miss it.  
**REGISTER HERE.**



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





Rotarian Doug Marion gave each child a dictionary and talked about how to use it in Karen Gardner's third grade class at the Academy of Teaching and Learning in Chester.



## **Chester gives dictionaries to third graders**

The Chester Rotary Club—as part of its literacy project—sponsors Rotary Dictionary Day. Each third (3rd) grader in Chester County is given their own dictionary. Club members personally deliver the dictionaries to each school and student. They also tell the students why a dictionary is important. These photos were taken when club members delivered dictionaries to the Academy of Teaching and Learning (ATL).





## Golden Strip Sunrise and Fountain Inn High School Interactors help with carriage rides; visit Kids Enrichment Center



Golden Strip Sunrise Rotary Club members and Fountain Inn High School Interactors participated in the Fountain Inn Christmas Carriage rides event, selling hot chocolate and hot apple cider. Pictured are Rotarians Randy Gordon, Mike McCourry, and Steve Epps with an Interact student.



Golden Strip Sunrise joined Santa Claus at the Fountain Inn Kids Enrichment Center. The kids enjoyed pizza, cupcakes and candy canes after visiting with Santa! Santa even let Rotarians Melinda Gilreath and Dee Vaughan give him their Christmas lists!







## GREENVILLE CLUB MEMBERS STEP UP DONOR LEVELS

D7750 Foundation Chair Beth Padgett and Greenville president Wade Kolb recognized Rotary Foundation Major Donors in the Greenville club who moved up another level.

**Pam Weaver**  
**PDG Terry Weaver**  
**Surendra Jain**  
**PDG George Fletcher**

The Rotarians are members of the Paul Harris Society, are supporting club projects in Honduras, environmental sustainability, work on behalf of peace & conflict resolution and PolioPlus..

Beth, Wade, Pam, Terry, Surrendra, George.

## Lancaster Breakfast spreads Christmas cheer to nursing home residents

Lancaster Breakfast Rotary spread Christmas cheer by collecting items for White Oak Manor, a nursing home in Lancaster.

Volunteers sorted and packaged hundreds of donations. Gifts included hygiene items, books, clothing, mugs, and more. This will be the only gift some of the nursing home residents receive this year. Rotarians Bridgett Plexico, Denise Gordon, & Tyson Blanton delivered Christmas gifts to the residents of White Oak Manor on December 9.



Annette Melton & Howard Williams sorting and bagging the gifts.



Tyson Blanton packaging gifts.



Bridgett Plexico & Denise Gordon.



Denise Gordon, Tyson Blanton, & Bridgett Plexico.





### TRI-COUNTY STUDENT SUPPORT

Mark Dougherty, center, Dean of Students-Student Development, updated the Golden Corner Rotary Club on student support services at Tri-County Technical College. Mark said students who help are encouraged to meet with his team members that have an accessibility resource center, wellness programs and a childcare program. Pictured from left are club president Steve Moore, Mark and Rotarian Hugh Pearson.

### COMPUTER AND AI SECURITY

Tony Laiewski, right, senior partner with Meriplex, updated the Golden Corner Rotary Club about computer and AI security. Tony said one of the most effective steps for individuals is to freeze their credit until they have to make a major purchase such as a house or car. Pictured with Tony are club president Steve Moore and Rotarian Sandy Pierce.



### GOLDEN CORNER TRIVIA

Golden Corner Rotarian Beth Brown compiled a list of trivia on club members and as a program had members attempt to identify who the information was about including one member who has been in 48 states and one who has hiked a thousand miles of the Appalachian Trail.



### THEME BANNER ON DISPLAY

The Golden Corner Rotary Club received its Rotary International banner for 2022-2023 from International President Jennifer Jones. Golden Corner Rotary Club president Steve Moore, left and past president Gene Williams hold the banner.

## GOLDENCORNER ROTARY CLUB





## Celebrating Women in Rotary

The Rotary Club of Anderson held an event in December recognizing the first 35 years of women in Rotary.

**PAM DEAL**, Clemson Sunrise, and **PEGGY DEANE**, Anderson, were singled out for their early involvement and leadership in their clubs.

PDG **SUE POSS** was recognized in abstentia for being the first female governor in D7750 in 1999-2000. Sue was a member of Greenville East Rotary at the time and is now a member of E-Club of the Carolinas.



### **PAM DEAL: FIRST FEMALE MEMBER IN SOUTH CAROLINA**

Pam Deal, center, a member of Clemson Sunrise, was recognized for being the first female Rotarian in South Carolina, joining in 1987; and the first female president of a club in D7750 in 1993-94. With her are DG Joyce Morin, PDG Frank Cox, PDG Carol Burdette, Pam and her husband Charles, Clemson Sunrise members Anne Kogut and Crossie Cox.



These are some of the Rotarians who celebrated the role women have played in Rotary in the past 35 years.



Peggy Deane was recognized as being the first female member of Anderson, the host club.



## MORE FROM WOMEN IN ROTARY CELEBRATION



Kylie Herbert, Anderson, Franca and Alberto Meloncelli from E-Club



Toasting 35 years.



Carol Burdette, Chair of Women in Rotary 35 Years event.



DGN Rysheeka Bush, Aiken Sunrise.



DG Joyce and Pam.



Some of the Anderson club members who hosted the event.



DG Joyce



## Why make public image a priority?

When your club makes public image a priority, be prepared to see engagement rise. Showcasing how your projects make an impact in the community and touch people's lives gives the public an understanding of what Rotary does. Even better, it inspires people to get involved.

The more the public sees our brand out there in the community, in the media, and

on social media, the more opportunities we have for the public to connect with us. The rest – fellowship, professional development, connections – will grow from there.

Having a Public Image Chair is a great way to prioritize your club's image. They can coordinate club messages and provide a consistent Rotary voice in communications.

And the Brand Center is where they can find tools such as templates, images, and videos to create compelling ads, flyers, social media posts, and press releases. Learn more about making public image a priority in this [Rotary Voices blog post](#).

## LANCASTER BREAKFAST RECOGNIZES COMMUNITY HERO

### DEPUTY TRAVIS FLOYD

Lancaster Breakfast Rotary Club honored Community Hero, Deputy Travis Floyd, for his commitment to the community and selfless service to Lancaster County.

The club honors community heroes each month with a gift card to recognize the sacrifice law enforcement make to keep citizens safe.

Sheriff Barry Faile nominates each recipient for their excellent service and diligence in making Lancaster a safe place to work & live.

The club is committed to making our community stronger through partnerships, volunteer work, and recognition of those who serve us to create a better, safer world.



Lancaster Breakfast President Chad Catledge, Deputy Floyd and Sheriff Barry Faile.

## Deadline for February newsletter is Jan. 25.

Send items to newsletter editor Sue Poss, [editor@rotary7750.org](mailto:editor@rotary7750.org).

Articles received after Jan. 25 will be used in March.





Kringle Village in the Greenville Holiday Parade..



Children at Kringle's Village had fun chasing enormous bubbles and enjoying some of the many children's activities

Penny Robbins and Elizabeth Rasor enjoy some refreshments.



## Kringle Village raises \$20,000 for Greenville Club projects

The Rotary Club of Greenville's Kringle Holiday Village raised approximately \$20,000.

The funds will support the club's various projects including multiple activities with Alexander Elementary School, Career Day, Service Above Self Scholarships, and more.

Thank you to the many volunteers who made it happen.

- 46 Vendors
- 41 Sponsors
- Over \$1,600 in Kringle Kash purchased
- 125+ Trolley Rides with Rotary Club info shared with riders
- Gallons of Gluwhein sold & enjoyed
- 20+ Entertainers performed
- 600+ Volunteer Hours
- Biergarten Records made for holding 32 oz. steins filled with beer
- 46 Silent Auction items sold





Club president Wade Kolb at the ice sculpture.



Jane Dyer, Amy Wood and Jeni Townsend.



Pam Weaver, Santa, Rusty Infinger.

**MORE PHOTOS FROM  
GREENVILLE'S KRINGLE  
VILLAGE.**



The Grinch, Jane Dyer, Greenville Mayor Knox White, Roger Heitzeg, Jeff and Craig Brown from the Greenville Drive.





## AIKEN SUNRISE CELEBRATES REACHING RICH'S DREAM

The Rotary Club of Aiken Sunrise celebrated becoming a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club at its December 15 club meeting. Present for the celebration were (from left) Jon Fagan, Aiken Sunrise Club Foundation Chair; Lorraine Angelino, Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator; Ginger Keenan, 2022-23 Club President; Denise Broome, 2021-22 Club President; Joyce Morin, District Governor; and Beth Padgett, 7750 Rotary Foundation Chair.

## Aiken Sunrise

# PDG Rich Waugh's dream of 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club realized

**BY PDG BETH PADGETT**

*D7750 Foundation Chair*

Past District Governor Rich Waugh had a powerful desire for his Rotary Club, Aiken Sunrise, to become a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club.

In addition to being a great Rotary leader, Rich served as District Rotary Foundation Chair and was a strong supporter of "Doing Good in the World" through our Rotary Foundation.

Rich would have been so proud of his Rotary Club. He died in late 2021, and his death inspired his club to follow through on his dream.

Aiken Sunrise became a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club at the end of the 2021-22 Rotary Year. The club celebrated this accomplishment on Thursday, December 15 during District Governor Joyce Morin's official visit.

Every Rotarian in a club must be a Paul Harris Fellow at the time that the club is certified as having accomplished this goal. Only about 20% of Rotary clubs in the world achieve this honor.

Congratulations, Aiken Sunrise! PDG Rich Waugh would be so proud of you.



**RICH WAUGH**

7750 District Governor  
2002-03

Building latrines and developing other water-related and hygiene projects have been a major part of the work in Guatemala. This photo is Johnny Walker building a Family Latrine in Paquixic, Guatemala, 2022.



## Driven by Aiken Sunrise, Rotary funding improves life in Guatemala villages

**BY JOHNNY WALKER**

*Rotary Club of Aiken Sunrise*

The Rotary Foundation is working in Guatemala. D7750 has joined those efforts since 2014.

One of the major advantages of TRF is the ability to work with other districts to multiply the good we do there. Our District Designated Funds (DDF) for Global Grants can grow 5 or 6 times with the TRF match, matches from other Districts, club funds and private charitable donations. Global Grants have another great multiplier. They encourage Rotarians to participate in smaller projects as well.

From 2014 through 2024 we have completed, or proposed, 19 projects totaling \$800,000 for work in Guatemala.

Our DDF of \$100,000 has been multiplied eightfold with global grants, district grants, club grants, and individual donations.



Johnny has prepared a detailed report with photos and statistics about the project. [▶LINK TO THIS REPORT](#) to see what a difference a single club working with others can accomplish, especially the changes it can make in the lives of so many people.

Construction of a new stove in Guatemala requires a lot of manual labor. But Aiken Sunrise Rotarian Johnny Walker is up to it. This was in Comalapa in 2020.

The Rotary Club of Aiken Sunrise, led by Johnny Walker, and D7750 have done and is continuing to do amazing work in Guatemala. The chart on the next page shows the grants and projects the club has done or will do during the 10-year period 2014-2024. The club has used District Designated Funds (DDF); Global Grants; club donations; individual and other private funds to make these projects possible.

# Guatemala Projects 2014-2024

| Year         | Project  | Type/Sponsors  | Amount           | DDF             |
|--------------|--|--|------------------|-----------------|
| 2014         | 1000 Ecological stoves for households in Lake Atitlán, San Lucas de Tolimán  | Global Grant - GG1421762, No 7750 financial participation, Guatemala del Este Club; Julio Grazioso, Vista Hermosa Club (Rich Waugh, Mike Pereyo) | \$122,400        | \$0             |
| 2014-15      | ONIL Stoves for Guatemala Village, Tzununa - Pilot Project. 50 stoves installed  | District Grant. Sponsored by Aiken Club and other Area 8 Clubs   | \$9,990          | \$4,000         |
| 2015         | Eco Stoves for Tzununa, Lake Atitlan, Guatemala. (450 stoves installed)  | Global Grant - GG1525047; Rich Waugh and Julio Grazioso  | \$75,861         | \$15,000        |
| 2015-17      | Physical Therapist, Alotenango Handicapped School  | Aiken Sunrise Club Grant   | \$3,000          | \$0             |
| 2017         | Libre Infancia School Projects   | Individual Donation  | \$250            |                 |
| 2018         | Libre Infancia School Projects   | Individual Donation  | \$300            | \$0             |
| 2018         | A Maternal and Child Health Community Surveillance System (MCHCSS) to decrease maternal mortality in Ixchel, Guatemala | Global Grant - GG1758661   | \$57,000         | \$1,000         |
| 2019         | Increasing Economic Security in Mayan Villages in the Highlands of Guatemala   | Global Grant - GG201529; (no 7750 financial contribution, cooperative support)   | \$63,509         | \$0             |
| 2019         | Water and Sanitation in Guatemalan villages of Pavit and Xenimaquin  | Global Grant - GG2092320   | \$107,644        | \$22,500        |
| 2020         | Libre Infancia School Projects   | Area 8 Clubs Grants; Individual Donations  | \$3,790          |                 |
| 2020         | Emergency Water Aid for COVID Relief   | District Grant; Aiken and Aiken Sunrise clubs;   | \$8,105          | \$2,500         |
| 2021         | Emergency Water Aid for COVID Relief   | Individual Donation  | \$300            |                 |
| 2021         | Physical Therapy Equipment , Alotenago Special Needs School  | Individual Donation  | \$560            | \$0             |
| 2021         | Dental Services and Child Welfare  | Individual Donation  | \$3,000          | \$0             |
| 2022         | Global Grant-Maternal and Child Health   | Global Grant - GG2123042; District 7750 DDF (\$10,800)   | \$39,536         | \$10,800        |
| 2022         | Community Center Furnishings, Zonas 3 and 7 Guatemala City   | Aiken Sunrise Club Grant and other District Grants   | \$70,000         | \$0             |
| 2022         | Santa Cruz La Laguna School Clothing and Tuition   | Individual Donation  | \$75             |                 |
| 2023         | Global Grant - WASH  | Global Grant - TBD; District 7750 DDF (\$10,800); District 7790 DDF (\$18,750); Children's Fund (\$20,000); Private Fund (\$5,000)               | \$117,000        | \$20,000        |
| 2024         | Global Grant - WASH  | Global Grant - TBD; District 7750 DDF (\$10,800); District 7790 DDF (\$18,750); Children's Fund (\$20,000); Private Fund (\$5,000)               | \$117,000        | \$20,000        |
| <b>Total</b> |  |  | <b>\$799,320</b> | <b>\$95,800</b> |



## DISTRICT GRANTS 2022-23

### Clubs make a difference in their communities

#### SIMPSONVILLE

##### Dictionaries

**\$2,000**

The Simpsonville Rotary Club will distribute 1,300 dictionaries to 3rd graders at 8 elementary schools in Greenville County. The club plans to educate the students, teachers, and school staff about Rotary and community service during the presentation of the dictionaries. Twenty Rotarians are involved in this project.

#### SIMPSONVILLE

##### Rotary Christmas

**\$500**

The Simpsonville Rotary Club will provide gifts for families at Christmas through the Simpsonville Police Department Advocacy Program. Gifts are provided for children, as well as gifts and food for parents.

#### SPARTAN WEST

##### Miracle Hill

**\$2,500**

The Spartan West Rotary Club will purchase a commercial grade oven/range to replace failing equipment for the Spartanburg Rescue Mission Kitchen, which is part of Miracle Hill Ministries. This is an emergency shelter that serves men, women, and mothers

#### FEATURED DISTRICT GRANTS 2022-2023

| CLUB.....           | PROJECT.....           | GRANT      |
|---------------------|------------------------|------------|
| Simpsonville.....   | Rotary Christmas ..... | \$500.00   |
| Simpsonville.....   | Dictionaries.....      | \$2,000.00 |
| Spartan West .....  | Miracle Hill .....     | \$2,500.00 |
| Travelers Rest..... | GED Scholarships.....  | \$950.00   |
| Union .....         | Wonder of Reading..... | \$2,500.00 |
| Westminster .....   | Senior Center .....    | \$2,500.00 |
| Winnsboro .....     | Water Fountain .....   | \$1,000.00 |

with children. There will be 7,000 beneficiaries and 25 Rotarians are involved.

#### TRAVELERS REST

##### GED Scholarships

**\$950**

The Travelers Rest Rotary Club, in consultation with the Greenville Literacy Association, will provide scholarships for seven students who are completing their GED Test (General Education Development Test). These exams cost \$300 per person.

#### UNION

##### Reading Program

**\$2,500**

The Rotary Club of Union will continue its Reading With Rotarians program by purchasing and distributing grade level books at Jonesville Elementary/Middle Schools in Union County. There will be 554 beneficiaries.

#### WESTMINSTER

##### Senior Center

**\$2,500**

The Westminster Rotary Club will provide safety upgrades and kitchen improvements to the building that houses the Westminster Senior Center. The Senior Center provides hot meals and programming to 35 to 40 senior citizens in the Westminster area. Fifteen Rotarians will be involved.

#### WINNSBORO

##### Water Fountain

**\$1,000**

The Winnsboro Rotary Club will partner with the Town of Winnsboro to install an outdoor stand-alone water fountain in the public park. The park has a walking trail so the fountain will be put to good use.

**REMINDER: DISTRICT GRANTS FOR THESE PROJECTS ARE AVAILABLE ONLY BECAUSE OF YOUR ANNUAL GIFTS TO OUR ROTARY FOUNDATION.**

The  
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EVERY  
**ROTARIAN**  
EVERY  
**YEAR**

# Membership Champions

**23 new members and their sponsors in November**

| ROTARIAN                  | TYPE   | CLUB                     | SPONSOR                                |
|---------------------------|--------|--------------------------|--|
| Banks, Jessica M          | Active | Indian Land Lunch        | Albert J. Blackmon                     |
| Blanton, James            | Active | Lancaster Breakfast      | Ramey Fesperman                        |
| Burgess, Rita             | Active | Anderson                 | Hugh Burgess                           |
| Coady, Gretchen           | Active | Clover                   | Catherine Myrick                       |
| Coy, Caleb                | Active | Emerald City (Greenwood) | Michael L. Emily/ Kathryn Nelson Emily |
| Eplee, Daniel             | Active | North Augusta            |  |
| Gordon, Denise            | Active | Lancaster Breakfast      | Erick V. Crawford                      |
| Goss, Tyler               | Active | Abbeville                | John Andrew Bishop                     |
| Harrison, Cory            | Active | Greenville               | Robert A. Coleman                      |
| Jennings, Yves-Renee      | Active | Lake Wylie               |  |
| Jones, Joel               | Active | Greenville               | George W. Fletcher/Terry R. Weaver     |
| McDowell, Rosemary        | Active | E-Club of the Carolinas  | M.C. Yarbrough Jr.                     |
| Miller, George T.         | Active | Greenwood                |  |
| Nielsen, Matthew William  | Active | Lake Wylie               |  |
| Patterson, Bobby          | Active | Abbeville                | Scott White                            |
| Roberts, Christopher L    | Active | Spartanburg              | James J. Rohrer                        |
| Ryan, Charles E           | Active | Indian Land Lunch        | Gary & Carolyn Hess                    |
| Turcotte, Gina De La Cruz | Active | Simpsonville             |  |
| Turner, Charles           | Active | Anderson                 |  |
| Viverito, Bennett F       | Active | Indian Land Lunch        | Doug Sobey                             |
| Waiters, Ryleigh N        | Active | Indian Land Lunch        | Albert Blackmon                        |
| Wells, Wendy              | Active | Gaffney                  | Christina Little                       |
| Wilkes, Thomas B.         | Active | Clemson                  |  |

**NOVEMBER: 23 NEW MEMBERS — 32 TERMINATED MEMBERS (2 DECEASED)**



The Rotary Club of Pleasantburg enjoyed a magical holiday evening at Saskatoon in Greenville to celebrate the season and all of their accomplishments for the first half of this Rotary year.



# District 7750 Membership Progress Report

1/1/2023

Consistent, moderate membership growth requires **attracting new members** in quantities sufficient to both replace the club's historical average terminations (attrition) **and** moderately grow (approx. 5%-10%).

- **Attrition YTD:** Number of terminations since July 1
- **Attrition to Go:** Number of additional terminations forecast, based on 3-year **Average Attrition**
- **Additional New Members to Break Even:** Considering those already attracted and lost, additional new members needed to replace Attrition to Go (break even with July 1 member count)

| Club Name                    | July 1 Members | Attrition Year-to-Date | New Members Year-to Date | Current Members | Net Gain (Loss) | Average Attrition | Attrition to Go | Add'l. New Members to Break Even |
|------------------------------|----------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| Greer                        | 20             | 0                      | 8                        | 28              | 8               | -2                | -2              | 0                                |
| Indian Land Lunch            | 26             | -5                     | 10                       | 31              | 5               | -7                | -2              | 0                                |
| Westminster                  | 29             | -5                     | 7                        | 31              | 2               | -4                | 0               | 0                                |
| Aiken Sunrise                | 36             | -2                     | 4                        | 38              | 2               | -4                | -2              | 0                                |
| Golden Strip Sunrise, (Mauld | 14             | 0                      | 1                        | 15              | 1               | -2                | -2              | 1                                |
| Abbeville                    | 38             | -1                     | 8                        | 45              | 7               | -9                | -8              | 1                                |
| Lake Wylie                   | 28             | 0                      | 2                        | 30              | 2               | -3                | -3              | 1                                |
| Lancaster Breakfast          | 53             | -1                     | 6                        | 58              | 5               | -7                | -6              | 1                                |
| Travelers Rest               | 16             | -1                     | 1                        | 16              | 0               | -3                | -2              | 2                                |
| Greenville Breakfast         | 15             | 0                      | 0                        | 15              | 0               | -2                | -2              | 2                                |
| Blacksburg                   | 17             | -2                     | 0                        | 15              | -2              | -2                | 0               | 2                                |
| Fountain Inn                 | 39             | -10                    | 8                        | 37              | -2              | -4                | 0               | 2                                |
| E-Club of The Carolinas      | 30             | -3                     | 4                        | 31              | 1               | -6                | -3              | 2                                |
| York                         | 28             | -1                     | 2                        | 29              | 1               | -4                | -3              | 2                                |
| Clover                       | 23             | 0                      | 2                        | 25              | 2               | -4                | -4              | 2                                |
| Seneca Golden Corner         | 23             | 0                      | 1                        | 24              | 1               | -3                | -3              | 2                                |
| North Augusta                | 20             | -4                     | 2                        | 18              | -2              | -5                | -1              | 3                                |
| Clemson Sunrise              | 33             | -1                     | 3                        | 35              | 2               | -6                | -5              | 3                                |
| Clinton                      | 31             | -3                     | 3                        | 31              | 0               | -6                | -3              | 3                                |
| Carolina Foothills           | 26             | -4                     | 1                        | 23              | -3              | -3                | 0               | 3                                |
| Batesburg-Leesville          | 21             | 0                      | 0                        | 21              | 0               | -3                | -3              | 3                                |
| Emerald City (Greenwood)     | 80             | -8                     | 5                        | 77              | -3              | -8                | 0               | 3                                |
| Anderson                     | 115            | -6                     | 7                        | 116             | 1               | -10               | -4              | 3                                |
| Winnsboro                    | 20             | -1                     | 1                        | 20              | 0               | -5                | -4              | 4                                |
| Spartan West (Spartanburg)   | 29             | 0                      | 2                        | 31              | 2               | -6                | -6              | 4                                |
| Walhalla                     | 21             | -2                     | 1                        | 20              | -1              | -5                | -3              | 4                                |
| Newberry                     | 74             | -4                     | 5                        | 75              | 1               | -9                | -5              | 4                                |
| Pickens                      | 36             | -5                     | 1                        | 32              | -4              | -6                | -1              | 5                                |
| North Spartanburg            | 29             | -1                     | 0                        | 28              | -1              | -5                | -4              | 5                                |
| Seneca                       | 34             | -4                     | 0                        | 30              | -4              | -5                | -1              | 5                                |
| Chester                      | 51             | -2                     | 3                        | 52              | 1               | -8                | -6              | 5                                |
| Greater Anderson             | 65             | -8                     | 5                        | 62              | -3              | -10               | -2              | 5                                |
| Easley                       | 65             | -4                     | 5                        | 66              | 1               | -10               | -6              | 5                                |
| the Reedy River Greenville   | 25             | -7                     | 4                        | 22              | -3              | -10               | -3              | 6                                |

# Membership Progress continued—

| Club Name                 | July 1 Members | Attrition Year-to-Date | New Members Year-to Date | Current Members | Net Gain (Loss) | Average Attrition | Attrition to Go | Add'l. New Members to Break Even |
|---------------------------|----------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| Simpsonville              | 40             | -3                     | 3                        | 40              | 0               | -9                | -6              | 6                                |
| Union                     | 32             | 0                      | 0                        | 32              | 0               | -6                | -6              | 6                                |
| Gaffney                   | 60             | -1                     | 5                        | 64              | 4               | -11               | -10             | 6                                |
| Laurens                   | 45             | 0                      | 1                        | 46              | 1               | -7                | -7              | 6                                |
| Clemson                   | 95             | -6                     | 4                        | 93              | -2              | -10               | -4              | 6                                |
| Pleasantburg (Greenville) | 34             | -3                     | 1                        | 32              | -2              | -8                | -5              | 7                                |
| Lancaster                 | 54             | -2                     | 2                        | 54              | 0               | -9                | -7              | 7                                |
| Fort Mill                 | 74             | -8                     | 5                        | 71              | -3              | -14               | -6              | 9                                |
| Greenwood                 | 110            | -7                     | 5                        | 108             | -2              | -14               | -7              | 9                                |
| Greenville City Center    | 51             | -2                     | 1                        | 50              | -1              | -11               | -9              | 10                               |
| Aiken                     | 166            | -7                     | 13                       | 172             | 6               | -24               | -17             | 11                               |
| Mauldin                   | 18             | -1                     | 1                        | 18              | 0               | -13               | -12             | 12                               |
| Rock Hill                 | 65             | -1                     | 0                        | 64              | -1              | -12               | -11             | 12                               |
| Spartanburg               | 168            | -5                     | 11                       | 174             | 6               | -24               | -19             | 13                               |
| Greenville                | 187            | -38                    | 21                       | 170             | -17             | -50               | -12             | 29                               |
| <b>Totals</b>             | 2409           | 179                    | 185                      | 2415            | 6               | 408               |                 |                                  |



## CHRISTMAS AUCTION WILL SUPPORT PLEASANTBURG CHARITIES

The Rotary Club of Pleasantburg held its annual Christmas Lunch Auction raising more than \$9,295. The funds will be used to match club members' gift to The Rotary Foundation, and go to Meals on Wheels and Miracle Hill. Brian Thomas, in the green shirt holding the wine, was the auctioneer. Beside him is Val Vandersloot, auction organizer.