



Rotary International Theme
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In honor of PDG Tom Payne

District 7720

President Elect Training Seminar

Handbook 2025-2026

Brownie Futrell
District Governor

Agenda

Thursday

7:30 pm Reception for all attendees

Friday

8:00 am Registration

9:00 am Individual Meetings by Districts

11:20 am Break for Lunch

11:45 am GENERAL SESSION I including Lunch

1:15 pm Break

1:30 pm Individual Meetings by Districts
"Planning Your Year of Effective Leadership"

2:30 pm Break

2:45 pm Small Group Session 1

3:45 pm Break

4:00 pm Small Group Session 2

5:00 pm Free Time

6:15 pm Reception and Cash Bar

7:00 pm GENERAL SESSION II including Dinner

Saturday

7:15 am GENERAL SESSION III including Breakfast

8:45 am Individual Meetings by District

9:45 am Break

10:00 am Small Group Session 3

11:00 am Break

11:15 am Small Group Session 4

12:15 pm Break

12:30 pm GENERAL SESSION IV including Lunch

2:30 pm Adjourn

Welcome Letter

Dear Club President Elects,

Welcome to the multi-district Carolinas President Elect Training Seminar (PETS)! You have been chosen (or voluntold) by your club to lead them for the 2025-2026 rotary year. As a result you are here to fulfill your commitment to your club as they invest in you to guide them for one year in accordance with Club Constitution Article 11 Directors and Officers and Committees: Section 5 (c):

Qualifications of President. A candidate for president must be a member of this club for at least one year before being nominated, unless the governor determines that less than a full year satisfies this requirement. The president-elect shall attend the presidents-elect learning seminar and the learning assembly unless excused by the governor-elect. If excused, the president-elect shall send a club representative. If the president-elect does not attend the presidents-elect learning seminar and the learning assembly and has not been excused by the governor-elect or, if excused, does not send a club representative to these meetings, the president-elect shall not serve as club president. The current president then shall continue to serve until the election of a successor who has attended a presidents-elect learning seminar and learning assembly or learning deemed sufficient by the governor-elect.

I have personally been preparing for this event since June of 2024, and to support you since October of 2022. My goal with this booklet is to provide you with information and resources that will help you lead your club to a higher level and improve the club experience for your members over the next year.

Our number one priority for District 7720 is membership.

Here in Greensboro, you will meet other club presidents from our district as well as other districts in North Carolina and South Carolina. I hope you take this opportunity to learn and grow while you question and explore what your peers find successful (and unsuccessful) regarding: membership attraction and retention, strategies for foundation support, and fund raising projects for your club or Polio Plus.

The learning sessions have been designed and refined since 1985 when the first Carolinas PETS was held, and are still considered the benchmark for multi district PETS internationally. While here you will hear from exceptional leaders, speakers, and motivators, so that you can take this passion and enthusiasm back to your club and continue to make a difference locally. By actively participating you will gain the knowledge necessary to achieve your goals for the 2025-2026 year, making it the best year your club has ever experienced.

I am honored and privileged to serve you as your District Governor for 2025-2026. Please do not hesitate to contact me or any member of the District 7720 team should you have a need, concern or question. Congratulations on being the president of your club and partnering with me on this journey!

Yours in Rotary Service,



Brownie Futrell
Rotary District 7720 Governor 2025-2026
(252) 258-3140

Notes

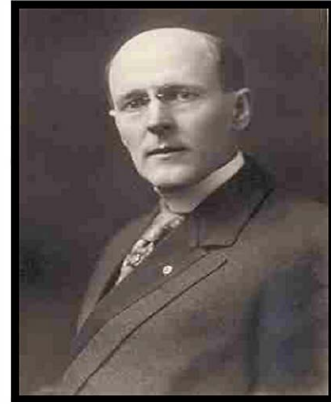
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Paul Harris

Founder of Rotary

Paul P. Harris (1868-1947), a lawyer and the founder of Rotary, was born in Racine, Wisconsin, USA on April 19, 1868. Married to Jean Thomson Harris (1881-1963), they had no children. He received an LL.D. from the University of Iowa.



Paul worked as a newspaper reporter, business teacher, stock company actor and a cowboy. He travelled extensively in the USA and Europe selling marble and granite. In 1896, he went to Chicago to practice law. One evening, Paul went with a professional friend to his suburban home. After dinner, as they strolled through the neighborhood, Paul's friend introduced him to various tradesmen in their stores. This reminded Paul of his New England village and it occurred to him, "Why not have a fellowship composed of businessmen from different occupations, without restrictions of politics or religion?"

On February 23, 1905, Paul formed the first club with three other businessmen: Sylvester Schiele, a coal merchant; Gustavus Loehr, a mining engineer; and Hiram Shorey, a merchant tailor. Paul named the new club "Rotary" because members met in rotation at their various places of business. Club membership grew rapidly.

The second Rotary club was founded in San Francisco in 1908. In August 1910, when there were 16 clubs, the national Association of Rotary Clubs was organized. When clubs were formed in Canada and Great Britain, the name was changed to the International Association of Rotary Clubs in 1912 and was later shortened to Rotary International in 1922. Paul Harris was the first president of both the national Association and the International Association. In 1933 the "Four Way Test" was adopted.

Paul Harris was also prominent in other civic and professional work. He served as the first chairman of the board of the National Easter Seal Society of Crippled Children and Adults in the USA and the International Society for Crippled Children. He was a member of the board of managers of the Chicago Bar Association. He received the Silver Buffalo Award from the Boy Scouts of America for distinguished service to youth and was decorated by the governments of Brazil, Chile, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, France and Peru.

Mario Cesar Martins de Camargo

Rotary International President 2025-2026

Rotary Club of Santo Andre, Sao Paulo, Brazil

Mario Cesar Martins de Camargo, a member of the Rotary Club of Santo Andre, Sao Paulo, Brazil, has been elected to serve as the president of Rotary International for the 2025-2026 year.

Mario plans to focus on boosting Rotary's public image by working from the top down.

"Rotary today has strong competition for members and funds," he says. "We need to rejuvenate the brand, especially in some zones. We should utilize post-pandemic meeting tools to the president to address Rotarians all over the globe. We also need to develop more long-term partnerships with political, community, and business leaders. Let's emphasize our greatest asset: 1.4 million volunteers."

He also hopes to improve Rotary's process for appointments and governance.

"Rotary should adopt a more transparent system to appoint volunteers for positions, with clear criteria and date-based evaluation of results," he says.

Mario was president of Grafica Bandeirantes and has been a consultant to the print industry in Brazil. He has also served as president and chair of several printing and graphics trade associations, including the Brazilian Association of Graphic Technology and ABIGRAF, the Brazilian Printing Industry Association.

He has served on the board of Casa da Esperanca (House of Hope), a hospital sponsored by his Rotary club that serves 150,000 children with disabilities every year.

Mario studied in the U.S. and Germany and holds degrees from EAESP-Fundacao Getulio Vargas in business administration and Faculdade de Direito de Sao Bernardo do Campo in law. He was a Youth Exchange participant to Minnesota in 1974-75, which inspired a lifelong commitment to the program.

A Rotarian since 1980, Mario served as his club's Youth Exchange Officer in 1981, at the age of 24. He has served Rotary as director, trustee, RI learning facilitator, committee member and chair, and task force member.

Mario and his wife, Denise, are Major Donors and Benefactors of The Rotary Foundation.



"Unite for Good" 2025-2026 President's Message

Patrick Eakes

Rotary International Director (Zone 33/34) 2024-2026
Rotary Club of Crescent – District 7690 (Greensboro, NC), Zone 33

Patrick grew up in Greensboro, NC. He earned a B.S. and M.S. in Mechanical Engineering at N.C. State University, focusing his graduate work and thesis on innovative computer chip production methods. Following his graduation in 1989, Patrick returned to Greensboro and joined his family's mechanical contracting business.

In 1996, Patrick formed C.P. Eakes Company, a manufacturer of high-end custom metal goods. The company operates in Greensboro and produces a wide variety of products, including ornamental stainless steel and brass, pharmaceutical and food grade stainless steel machines, and many items for specialty contractors.



Patrick joined Crescent Rotary in 1998 and has been a committed Rotarian ever since. He served as President of Crescent Rotary Club in 2001-2002. He also led the club's drive to become the first Triple Crown club (100% PHF, 100% Sustaining, 100% Benefactor simultaneously) in the Rotary world. Patrick has served District 7690 as District Conference chair (2004), Assistant Governor for 8 clubs (2004-05), and he was the district Rotary Foundation chair or co-chair for five years. During that time, the district became the first district in the Rotary world where every club (50 clubs) became a 100% Paul Harris Fellow club. In each of those five years, District 7690 also led the world in the number of 100% Sustaining clubs. Patrick has been honored with the Crescent Rotary's club service award three times.

Patrick has served in leadership roles in many non-profit and community organizations, including the Greensboro Sports Council and the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Patrick also served two years as President of Sedgefield Country Club, leading the organization through negotiations and eventually the successful sale of the club to McConnell Golf. Through his role on the board at Sedgefield, Patrick was instrumental in facilitating the move of the PGA Tour's Wyndham Championship to Sedgefield, partnering with Wyndham's core team in Greensboro to ensure a successful transition. Patrick also served on the Wyndham Championship Board of Directors.

Patrick is married to Kristen, owner of Kristen Eakes CPA, and they have a 12-year-old daughter (Sarah) and an 9-year-old son (John). Patrick enjoys spending time with his family, playing golf, and wine collecting.

Patrick and Kristen are Paul Harris Fellows, Benefactors, Major Donors, and members of the Paul Harris Society. Patrick is a recipient of the Citation for Meritorious Service.

Ashley "Brownie" Futrell, Jr.

District Governor 7720 2025-2026

Rotary Club of Washington

Ashley B. "Brownie" Futrell, Jr. is a 1978 honors graduate of Duke University, obtaining a degree in history. He is a member of a three-generation Duke family, joining his father (the class of 1933) and his daughter (class of 2007). Since graduating he has served on several boards at Duke, most notably the Divinity School Board of Visitors and the Dewitt Wallace Board of the Sanford School of Public Policy. He also established the Futrell Award at the Sanford School in memory of his father, which is awarded annually to an outstanding alumnus for career achievement in the fields of journalism and mass communication.



Brownie is a native and lifelong resident of Washington, North Carolina. He served as the publisher of the Washington Daily News from 1978 to 2010, and in 1990 the newspaper was awarded journalism's highest honor, receiving the Pulitzer Prize gold medal for Meritorious Public Service. His newspaper remains the smallest daily newspaper ever so honored. He also was recognized by the National Newspaper Association for the best column in the country in 2008. Futrell has served the newspaper industry in a number of professional capacities, including a term as the president of the North Carolina Press Association.

Brownie served on the Washington City Board of Education for ten years, the final six as board chair. He is a life member of the advisory board of the Washington Corps of the Salvation Army and is a lifelong member of the United Methodist Church. He has received many local recognitions, including the Washington- Beaufort County Chamber of Commerce's Community Service Award, the Washington Jaycees' Distinguished Service Award and the Boy Scout's Citizen of the Year Award.

Brownie has been an active member of the Washington Rotary Club for over 40 years, serving as club president for two terms and founding the Washington Noon Rotary Club. He has had perfect attendance for over 30 years and has visited Rotary Clubs on six continents. He has been a member of two Group Study Exchange teams, first as a team member to Great Britain in 1982 and then as team leader to Brazil in 2001. He has served Rotary District 7720 as an assistant governor under the leadership of Governor Paul Peel. In 2022, Brownie served his local club as the chair of both the centennial committee and the merger committee, overseeing the successful joining of the Washington Rotary Club with the Washington Sunrise Club.

Brownie is married to the former Susan Boyette of Wilson, NC, a Rotarian and a fellow Paul Harris Fellow, and has two grown children and two grandsons. In his retirement he has become the Chief Barbecue Officer of the North Carolina Pork Council and a well-known national barbecue-competition judge.

Sophie Szymeczek

District Governor 7720 2026-2027
Rotary Club of Farmville

Sophie was born January 31, 1959, the oldest of five children. Her family moved to eastern NC in 1973 where her father was in transportation and logistics for Weyerhaeuser.

She graduated from Washington (NC) High School in 1976 at the age of 17, and studied Animal Science for two years at NCSU. She then completed her BS in Nursing at ECU and began a long career in hospital nursing. She spent 32 plus years caring for mothers and babies, working in labor and delivery, postpartum, high risk obstetrics, and lactation.



While still employed as a nurse, Sophie was first exposed to Rotary when she saw a news story about a Rotary Cultural Ambassadorial Scholar. She applied and was awarded a scholarship to study Spanish language and Mexican culture. In 2004, Sophie lived, studied and travelled for three months in Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico.

Upon her return to her job and home, Sophie used the skills and knowledge gained in her travels and finished her career at Vidant. Immediately upon retiring, she opened and operated a retail business of her own design, which she sold in 2022. Sophie is currently employed as a summer camp nurse, as she seems to have difficulty being "retired."

Sophie became a Rotarian in 2006, after seeing first-hand how Rotary can change lives. She is a Paul Harris Fellow, has served as Club President, has served as a counselor at RYLA, and is an RLI graduate. She enjoys attending Rotary meetings whenever she travels. Sophie has three grown daughters who all live nearby with their husbands and families. Her pride and joy are her twelve grandchildren, five boys and seven girls ranging in age from 4 to 16.

John Polk

District Governor 7720 2027-2028

Rotary Club of First Flight

John's Rotary journey began in 2018 when he became a member of the Rotary Club of First Flight in Kill Devil Hills, with the desire to engage with and give back to his community. He undertook several club roles including two terms as club secretary and leading the club as president during the 2023-24 Rotary year. With a commitment to his club, he has actively taken part on various committees such as Public Image, Membership and Projects Committee, while also chairing several major fundraising events for his club.



Recognizing the importance of leadership and education within Rotary, John is a graduate of the Rotary Leadership Institute, as well as an RLI Facilitator, committed to mentoring emerging leaders within the Rotary community. He was honored as District Rotarian of the Year in 2024. Currently, he serves as the Assistant Governor for Area 1 of District 7720.

John believes in the transformative power of the Rotary Foundation and is a proud Paul Harris Fellow, a member of the Paul Harris Society, a Rotary Benefactor, and a member of the Bequest Society. His dedication to the foundation's mission underscores a commitment to making a positive difference both locally and internationally.

In his professional career, John is a graduate Horologist, certified in classical American and Swiss watchmaking, with 22 years of experience providing comprehensive mechanical and cosmetic restoration services for antique, vintage, and modern timepieces. His passion for the art and science of horology continues through his ongoing involvement as a board member and past president of the Horological Association of Virginia. He has also served as a regional delegate to the American Watchmakers-Clockmakers Institute in Columbus, OH, and as a member of their National Convention Committee.

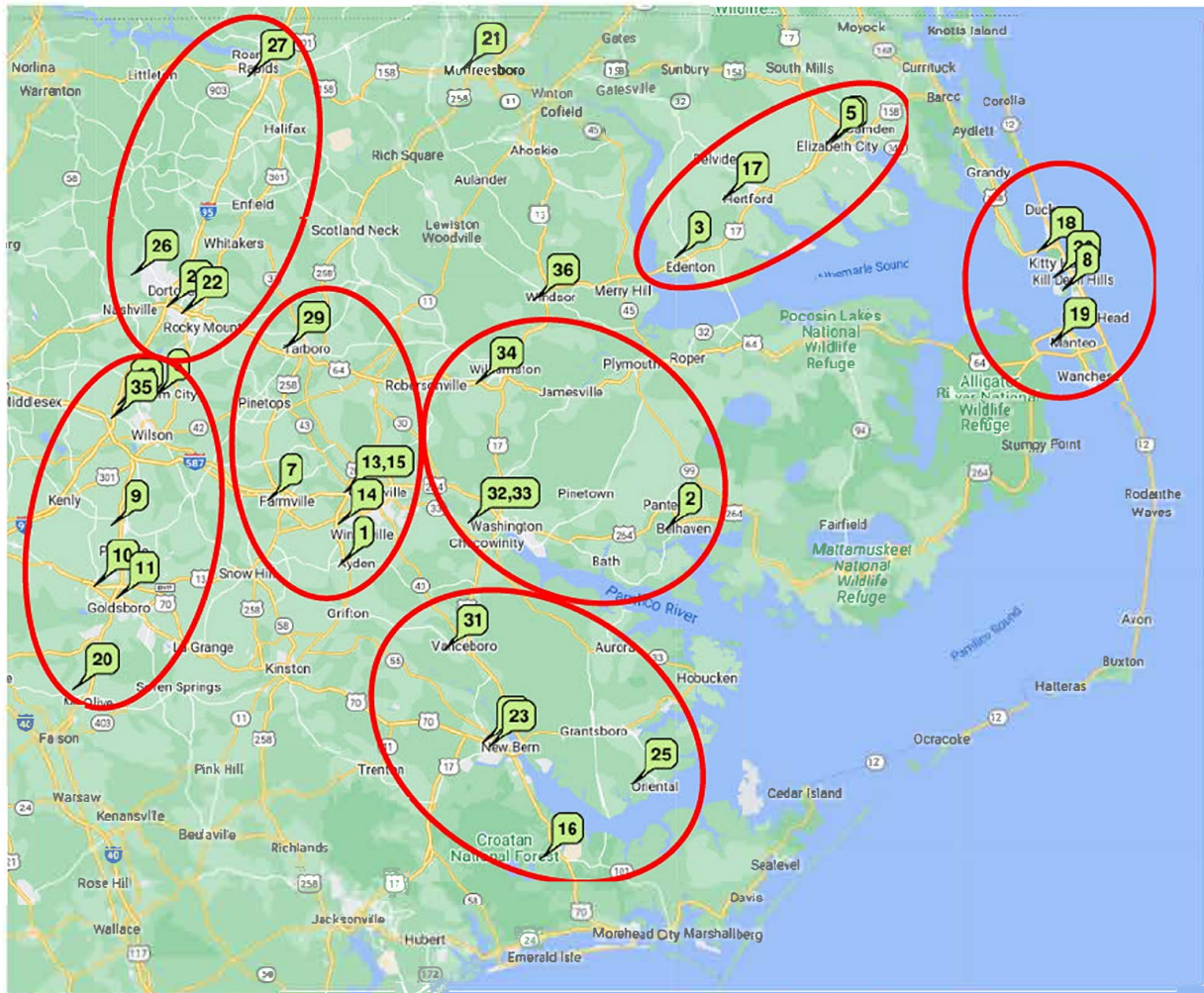
John and his wife Barbara have lived on the Outer Banks of North Carolina since 2013. Outside of Rotary, John enjoys reading, music, playing guitar, and collecting fine bourbons.

District 7720 Club Presidents 2025-26

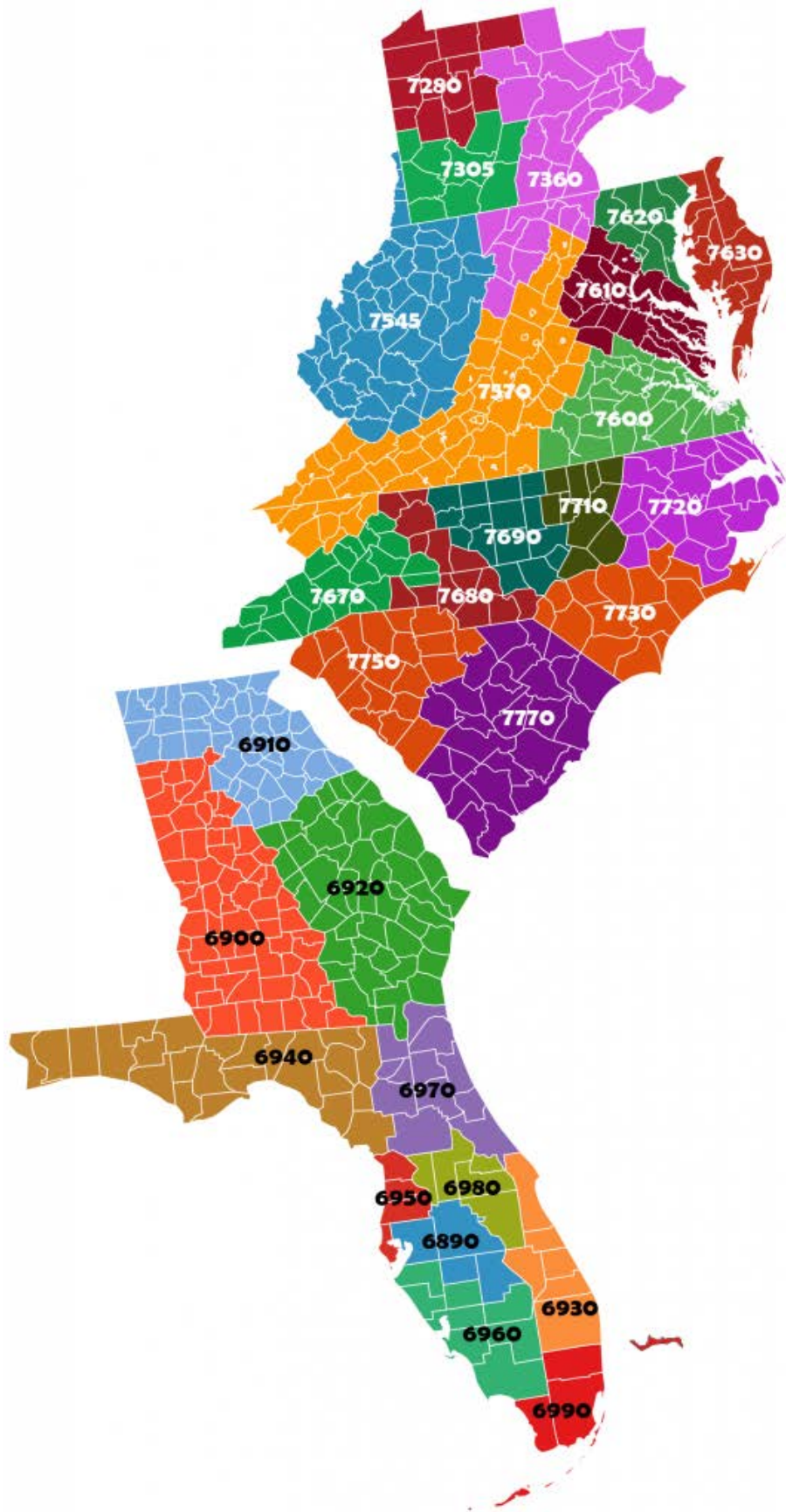
Area	Club Name	AG	President-Elect (PE)
1	First Flight (Kill Devil Hills)	John	Luke S Baer
1	Kitty Hawk	John	Laura M. Van Buren
1	Manteo	John	David West
2	Edenton	Melvin	Dawson Tyler
2	Elizabeth City	Melvin	Emmett Murphy
2	Elizabeth City Morning	Melvin	Ray Scaffa
2	Hertford	Melvin	Frank Jaklic
3	Belhaven-Pantego	Abbott	Errol Parker
3	Washington	Abbott	Adam Waters
3	Washington (Noon)	Abbott	Tom A. McCluskey
3	Williamston	Abbott	Tim Manning
5	Elm City	Michael	Kim M. Valentine
5	Murfreesboro	Michael	Open
5	Nash-Rocky Mount	Michael	Anthony J. Engrassia
5	Red Oak Area	Michael	Sandra Lee Smith
5	Roanoke Rapids	Michael	Julie Perdue
5	Rocky Mount	Michael	Robbie B. Davis
6	Ayden	Shea	Paula Loftin
6	Farmville	Shea	Marlon Bernard Poitier
6	Greenville	Shea	Michie Faulconer
6	Greenville (Morning)	Shea	Alan Wooten
6	Greenville Noon	Shea	Steve Callender
6	Tarboro	Shea	Edward Stocks
7	Fremont	Barbara	Oscar Mooring
7	Goldsboro	Barbara	Donald K Hudson
7	Goldsboro-Three Eagles	Barbara	Anne M. Millington
7	Greater Wilson	Barbara	Taylor Barker
7	Mount Olive	Barbara	Andrew Southerland
7	Wilson	Barbara	Steven V Stroud
8	Havelock-Cherry Point	Meloni	Johnny Wright
8	New Bern	Meloni	William C. Stafford
8	New Bern-Breakfast	Meloni	David Alan Super
8	Oriental	Meloni	Tony Santore
8	Vanceboro	Meloni	Don Hughes

District 7720 Map

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YES, we are Game Changers/BADGE



Rotary structure

Club

The Rotary Club is the basic unit of Rotary activity, and each club determines its own membership. Clubs originally were limited to a single club per city, municipality, or town, but Rotary International has encouraged the formation of additional clubs to create opportunities for service. Most clubs meet weekly, usually at a mealtime on a weekday in a regular location, when Rotarians can enjoy fellowship and hear from a variety of guest speakers.

Each club also conducts various service projects within its local community, with other clubs in the local area, and with clubs around the world. Most clubs also hold social events at least quarterly and, in some cases, more often.

Each club elects its own president and officers among its active members, serving a one-year term. The governing body of the club is the Club Board, consisting of the President, President-elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Directors, and Immediate Past President. The President usually appoints the Directors to serve as chairs of the major club committees. As a Rotarian you are welcome to attend weekly meetings at any Rotary club around the world.

District

Supports the Clubs. The District Governor is an officer of Rotary International and represents the RI President and the RI Board of Directors in the field and leads the respective Rotary District. Our clubs belong to District 7720, which is comprised of 34 clubs with a total membership of 1,200, residing in the NE section of North Carolina.

Zone

Supports the Districts and clubs. The Zone Director serves as a member of the RI Board of Directors, and heads two zones. Our district belongs to Zone 33 which is roughly 35,000 members from 17 districts and 925 clubs in MD, DE, DC, VA, WV, NC, SC and parts of TN and PA. Zone 33 is coupled with Zone 34, which is roughly 31,000 members from 14 districts or 770 clubs in Georgia, Florida, the Caribbean, Guyana, French Guiana and Suriname on the northeast coast of South America.

Rotary International

Supports the Zones. Districts and Clubs Rotary International is governed by the Board of Directors composed of the International President, the President Elect, RI's General Secretary, and 17 Zone Directors. The International Board meets quarterly to establish policies and make recommendations to the overall governing bodies, the RI Convention, and the RI Council on Legislation.

The chief operating officer of Rotary International is the General Secretary, who heads a staff of about 800 working at the international headquarters in Evanston and in seven international offices around the world. There are 1,400,000 Rotarians worldwide from 529 districts or 46,000 + clubs in over 200 countries or territories.

District 7720 Assistant District Governors

Area 1

John Polk
Rotary Club of First Flight
(804) 335-5006

John has been a Rotarian since 2018 and is a member of the Rotary Club of First Flight, Kill Devil Hills, NC. He served as club president for the 2023/2024 Rotary year and has served two terms as Club Secretary from 2021-2023. A Paul Harris Fellow and member of the Paul Harris Society, John is looking forward to expanding his Rotary experience with more involvement at the district level. John has lived on the Outer Banks of North Carolina for over 10 years with his wife and fellow First Flight Rotarian, Barbara.



Area 2

Melvin Hawkins
Rotary Club of Elizabeth City Morning
(252) 333-6098

Melvin initially joined the Rotary Club of Elizabeth City Morning in 2010. He currently serves as the President of the Club for the 2023-2024 Rotary Year. Melvin is a Paul Harris Fellow and is excited and humbled to serve at the district level. Melvin graduated from East Carolina University (1988, 1999, 2005) and is a retired educator. Melvin currently resides in Camden, NC with his wife of 32 years, Jennifer, their son, Blake and their Golden Retriever, Comet.



Area 3

Abbott Tunstall
Rotary Club of Washington
(252) 259-8431

Abbott Tunstall was born and raised in Washington, NC, and graduated from NC State in 2006. In 2008 he married Hillary and they have four children ranging in age from 5 to 12 years old. Abbott managed a law firm out of Tarboro and Raleigh, and in 2016 made a career change to real estate, becoming a top ten agent. He has served his community by helping hundreds of local residential and commercial clients. Abbott joined Rotary in 2020 and was the inaugural President of Sunrise Rotary of Washington (2020-2021), which subsequently merged with the Rotary Club of Washington (est. 1920). Coincidentally, Abbott was President of Rotary when his oldest son was 10 years old, just as his father, Joseph Tunstall Jr. was when Abbott was a 10-year-old. As President, Abbott established an annual fundraiser, the St. Patrick's Day 5k and Pub Crawl. Abbott became Assistant District Governor in 2023. Other community involvement dear to Abbott's heart includes The Little Washington Sailing School Board, Terra Ceia Christian School Financial Board, and The Workforce Housing Task Force. Abbott loves the Eastern North Carolina lifestyle of church, family, hunting, and fishing.



District 7720 Assistant Governors

Area 5

Michael Partyka
Rotary Club of Red Oak
(252) 340-1773

Michael is a retired Federal Executive and Navy Veteran with a passionate focus on nuclear engineering, cryogenics, sustainable power generation, waste-to-energy, clean water technologies. He is a founding charter member of the Rotary Club of Red Oak, and prioritizes service above self and serving others in his community.



Area 6

Shea Baldwin
Rotary Club of Greenville (Morning)
(847) 902-3708

Larry Shea Baldwin is a member and twice past president of the Rotary Club of Greenville (Morning). Shea joined Rotary in 2020. He served twenty years in the United States Navy as a hospital corpsman. During his years of service he held multiple leadership, training, and various other positions in military service groups. Shea retired in 2014, but his desire to continue serving his community brought him to Rotary. Shea is married to Pamela Baldwin, who is director of curriculum programs and scheduling at Pitt Community College in Greenville. She is also a member of the Rotary Club of Greenville (Morning) where she has spent four years as the master at arms. Together Shea and Pamela strive to be ambassadors to their community through Rotary's motto of Service Above Self.



Area 7

Barbara Bryan
Rotary Club of Mount Olive
(919) 750-1267

Before starting The Bryan Group consulting firm in 1997, Barbara had over 25 years of human resource, administrative and operations management experience at the executive level. She has achieved top HR status as a SPHR – (Certified Senior Professional of Human Resources) and is certified in Human Resources Law. Other than being extremely active in her club and a Rotarian of the Year, she has been actively engaged in the District since 2020 and the district Rotarian of the year in 2021. She is a PHF+4, sustaining member and RLI graduate. She is married to Dr. Ron Bryan, who retired after 50 years in pastoral ministry. The Bryans have 2 daughters, 3 grandsons, 1 granddaughter and 6 great-grandchildren.



District 7720 Assistant Governors

Area 8
Meloni Wray
Rotary Club of New Bern
(704) 473-8901

Meloni McGraw Wray is a member of the Rotary Club of New Bern. She was born in Shelby, NC and moved to New Bern in August 2013 to become the Director of Elections for Craven County. Prior to this she was Deputy Director of Elections in Cleveland County. Her background consists of county government finance and private human resources. She is currently the finance officer for the Craven County ABC Board. She is a graduate of Gardner-Webb University with a BS in business administration. Meloni has been a member of the Rotary Club of New Bern since 2017 and was very honored to be awarded the 2018-19 Rotarian of the year for Area 8 and the 2018-19 Rotarian of the Year for District 7720. She is a member of the Paul Harris Society and the Bequest Society. Her hobbies are singing and performing in plays and musicals. Meloni is married to Tony Wray and has two adult sons.



The Journey Begins

Carolinas' PETS
District Governors 2025-2026



Your BADGE team...
Be sure to ask what BADGE means!

Notes



Governor Brownie with President Mario and Pete Pecci, district governor of "Margaritaville."

Rotary Action Plan

Vision: Together we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

Mission: We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our network of business, professional, and community leaders

Rotary International Core Values: Fellowship/Leadership/Integrity/Diversity/Service

Our Priorities:



District 7720 Strategic Plan

Vision: Rotary International District 7720 is known as the service organization of choice with action-oriented clubs whose contributions improve the lives in their own communities and worldwide.

Mission: District 7720 exists to support Rotary Clubs in north eastern North Carolina with inspiration and encouragement, program coordination, policy guidance, educational opportunities, and information.

Rotary International Core Values: Fellowship/Leadership/Integrity/Diversity/Service

District 7720 Goals

Goal 1: Increase our Impact

- \$1,500 per club to Polio Plus
- Governor's project will focus on rebuilding Western NC

Goal 2: Expand our Reach

- Increase net District membership by 100 by improving membership attraction and retention leveraging iMap

Goal 3: Enhance Participant Engagement

- Develop and fund district talent identification and succession planning

Goal 4: Increase our Ability to Adapt

- Add 4 new clubs to the district through the innovative club model

District 7720 2025-26 Goals and Objectives

Must

- Grow your club or start a new one!
- Set aside \$1000 to send your PE to PETS in March
- Each club is required to have a President Elect and President Nominee in current office with a President Nominee elected each December.

Ideal

- Ensure your club has adopted the "Club Leadership Plan" organizational structure to include at the minimum the chairs of Foundation, Service Projects, Administration, Public Relations, New Generations and Membership. Clubs may choose to have other chairs.
- Develop and adopt a three-year strategic plan or update your existing plan.
- Make sure your bylaws are up to date.
- Keep Foundation contributions collected with dues payments flowing to the Foundation on a timely basis.

Nice

- Begin the year with a review of the Club Award and Presidential Citation forms and use those to set objectives for your club. Monitor progress on a regular basis.
- Have the Rotary story told in your community.

Club Goals Worksheet

Must have Goals set and entered into Rotary Club Central by 6/1/2025.

Goals are entered at Rotary Club Central, the online tool for setting goals and tracking progress. Explore data and trends related to your club's goals on this page, and use the tabs to manage goals, project activities, and more.

Membership Goal:

Foundation Giving:

Polio Plus Giving:

CART Giving:

Number of Service Projects:

Club President 2025-2026:

Assistant Governor:

Date:

District Committees

DISTRICT SECRETARY & COMMUNICATIONS

Purpose: Responsible for overseeing all district level Rotary operations committees and activities with direct responsibility to support district learning. Helps Rotarians and clubs use RI and district websites, and DacDb, and assists with maintaining district data and information.

Sherri Rettew
Rotary Club of Oriental
252-507-8090

DISTRICT FINANCE CHAIR

Purpose: Assists the District Governor with financial management and control of district funds by reviewing and studying the necessary expenses of district administration, drafting the annual budget, and providing an annual financial report to clubs.

PDG Tony Santore
Rotary Club of Oriental
252-204-5785

DISTRICT TREASURER

Purpose: Manages the district funds, collects and submits district dues and fees, reports on the state of the district finances and works with the Rotary Foundation.

Bill Sherman
Rotary Club of New Bern
252-671-9872

DISTRICT MENTAL HEALTH CHAIR

Purpose: Plan and coordinate the District Simplified Grant program.

Gregor Baum
Rotary Club of Red Oak (ROAR)
252-266-1521

DISTRICT LEARNING CHAIR

Purpose: Responsible for overseeing all district level Rotary operations committees and activities with direct responsibility to support district learning.

PDG Stan Keeler
Rotary Club of First Flight
630-803-6818

ROTARY LEARNING INSTITUTE

Purpose: Encourage clubs to send members that volunteer to nearby learning sessions to enhance their knowledge of the organization, with the intention to ignite a fire so that they go back to their clubs with passion, enthusiasm and excitement..

PDG Stan Keeler
Rotary Club of First Flight
630-803-6818

COINS FOR ALZHEIMER'S RESEARCH TRUST (CART) CHAIR

Purpose: To inform Rotarians about CART, encourage club participation and to coordinate district activity with Regional CART Officers.

Ann Super
Rotary Club of New Bern Breakfast
570-688-6915

DISASTER ASSISTANCE

Purpose: Responsible for developing the district's policies and procedures that support disaster relief: and in case of a disaster, coordinate the district's response.

Holly Partyka
Rotary Club of Red Oak (ROAR)
252-340-0028

DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Purpose: Oversees the planning, organization and execution of the district conference.

PDG Lee Martin Adams
Rotary Club of Greenville
252-320-8908

GOVERNOR NOMINATIONS CHAIR

Purpose: Encourages district clubs to propose eligible Rotarians for District Governor and chairs a committee to select a District Governor Nominee from those proposed.

PDG Daneel "Dan" Le Roux
Rotary Club of Greenville
252-341-5722

PDG Spencer Stanley
Rotary Club of Washington
252-940-8769

DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

Purpose: Assists clubs with membership development and retention and also conducts district membership seminars.

Barry Lutz
Rotary Club of New Bern Breakfast
917-751-0855

INNOVATIVE CLUB ADVOCATE

Purpose: Assists clubs with membership development and retention and also conducts district membership seminars.

Dave Super
Rotary Club of New Bern Breakfast
570-872-6941

MEMBERSHIP ACTION PLAN

Purpose: Evaluates area extension surveys and develops and executes a plan to implement the findings of the survey for organizing new clubs within the district. The chair also works with clubs-at-risk to improve recruiting and retention.

PDG Tracey Ivey
Rotary Club of Goldsboro
919-920-7092

ROTARY FOUNDATION COMMITTEES

The purpose of the District Rotary Foundation Committee is to provide educational materials, speakers and seminars about the Rotary Foundation to all Rotarians in the district. The Rotary Foundation receives no money from club dues. It is funded by Rotarians with contributions to The Annual Programs Fund and The Permanent Fund.

The mission of The Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.

DISTRICT FOUNDATION CHAIR

Purpose: Responsible for overseeing all district level Rotary Foundation committees and activities.

Terry Lubsen
Rotary Club of New Bern
209-250-9029

POLIO PLUS CHAIR

Purpose: Coordinates District initiatives and activities related to Polio Plus.

Terry Lubsen
Rotary Club of New Bern
209-250-9029

ENDOWMENT CHAIR

Purpose: Encourages gifts to the Permanent Fund of the Foundation.

PDG Lee Martin Adams
Rotary Club of Greenville
252-320-8908

PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY CHAIR

Purpose: Serves as a resource for information about the PHS, maintains district PHS membership records and promotes PHS membership as appropriate.

Connie Jaklic
Rotary Club of Herford
919-801-2847

DISTRICT GRANTS CHAIR

Purpose: Plan and coordinate grants in cooperation with clubs and the Foundation.

Paul Platek
Rotary Club of New Bern Breakfast
201-914-2120

GLOBAL GRANTS CHAIR

Purpose: Plan and coordinate the Matching Grant program.

Fred Huestis
Rotary Club of New Bern
252-617-5700

DISTRICT PUBLIC IMAGE CHAIR

Purpose: Manages public relations for the district including applying for and implementing the public relations grants.

Sherri Rettew
Rotary Club of Oriental
252-507-8090

ROTARACT CHAIR

Purpose: Assists clubs in organizing and maintaining Rotaract Clubs ages 18-30 to promote responsible citizenship and to develop leadership.

Anthony Engrassia
Rotary Club of Nash Rocky Mount
252-270-8265

ROTARACT DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE

Purpose: Rotaractor who is a liaison to district and District Rotaract Chair representing the Rotaract clubs in the district.

Delfi Conde Latini
Rotaract Club of NC Wesleyan University
252-801-9190

FOUR-WAY TEST ESSAY CHAIR

Purpose: Conducts a district-wide middle school Four-Way Test Essay contest and oversees the selection of district winners.

Andy Garlick
Rotary Club of New Bern Breakfast
917-656-8778

INTERACT CHAIR

Purpose: Assists Rotary clubs in forming, guiding and counselling Interact clubs and encouraging young people to work together in a world fellowship dedicated to service and international understanding.

Andy Garlick
Rotary Club of New Bern Breakfast
917-656-8778

ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS CHAIR

Purpose: Plans and conducts a Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Conference to develop qualities of leadership, good citizenship and personal development among young people.

Andy Garlick
Rotary Club of New Bern Breakfast
917-656-8778

YOUTH PROTECTION OFFICERS

Purpose: Responsible for maintaining the district youth protection policy and creation of youth protection awareness among Rotarians and volunteers working with youth in our district.

Andy Garlick
Rotary Club of New Bern Breakfast
917-656-8778

District Calendar

March 2025 - Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene

1	2024-2025 District Grant Project Report Due	
7-9	District 7720 Conference	New Bern
10-16	World Rotaract Week	
12	Rotaract Day	
13-15	President-Elect Seminar (PETS)	Greensboro
15	Shamrockin'	New Bern
15	St Patty's Day 5k and Pub Crawl	Washington
20	2025 - 2026 Foundation goal forms due	
31	Global Grants Application Final date due	

April 2025 - Environmental

1	2025-2026 District Grants Application to Foundation Chair	
11-13	Boat Show	Oriental
25-27	Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) Eastern 4-H Center	Columbia
25	Art Auction	New Bern
TBA	Pan-Fishing Tournament	Vanceboro

May 2025 - Youth Service

TBA	CART Board meeting	Columbia, SC
10	Nags Head 5K	First Flight
10	Beer Fest	Goldsboro Three Eagles
17	Tackle the Tar	Rocky Mount/Nash-Rocky Mount
17	Glow Ball	Williamston
TBA	Golf Tournament	Greenville

June 2025 - Rotary Fellowships

11	District Officer Installation	Washington
21-25	Rotary International Convention	Calgary, Canada
30	Goals in Rotary Club Central	
30	Club's membership list updated in RI data base, My Rotary (will determine Club Invoice from RI to be paid in July)	
30	Rotary Citation for Club awards are due	

July - The 2025 - Maternal and Child Health

1	RI and District Dues Invoices to be paid upon receipt	
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District Calendar

August 2025 - Membership and New Club Development

TBA Membership Seminars

September 2025 - Basic Education and Literacy

1	Service Above Self Award Nominations due	
5-6	Cook-off	Red Oak
10-14	Zone 33/34 Leadership Seminar & Summit	Jacksonville, FL
27	Oktoberfest	New Bern Breakfast
TBA	Fall Classic Golf Tournament in Mid-September	Kitty Hawk
TBA	Fields of Honor	Goldsboro
TBA	Fields of Honor	Wilson

October 2025 - Community Economic and Development

1	PE and Club Officers due to DGE and on DacDb	
4	Charlie Griffin Fishing Tournament	Washington
8	Oink and Oyster Roast	First Flight
11	Annual Inshore Slam Fishing Tournament	Manteo
18	Smoke on the Water	Washington Noon
TBA	Fields of Honor	Greenville Noon
24	World Polio Day	

November 2025 - Rotary Foundation

1	Carolinas PETS registration opens	
3-9	Interact Week	
15	Interact Anniversary	
TBA	Grant Management/Foundation Seminar	Williamston

December 2025 - Disease Prevention and Treatment

1	Nominations for District Governor 2028-2029 due	
31	Club's membership list updated in RI data base, My Rotary (will determine Club Invoice from RI to be paid in January)	
31	PE PN selected	
31	Last day Rotary Foundation contributions to be credited to current year	

January 2026 - Vocational Service

1	RI and District Dues Invoices to be paid upon receipt Mid-Year Assemblies, Areas 1 – 8	
11-15	Rotary International Assembly for DGE Sophie	Orlando, FL
20	Carolinas PETS discount registration ends	
31	Council of Governors luncheon	Washington

District Calendar

February 2026 - Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention

1	2025-2026 District Grant Project, MOU and Addendum Completion	
TBA	AG Retreat	
TBA	PETS Prep Meeting: AGs Meet with Presidents-Elect	
20	Carolinas PETS registration closes	
23	Rotary Anniversary	
TBA	Cabin Fever Golf	Mount Olive
TBA	Pancake Super	Ayden

March 2026 - Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene

1	2024-2025 District Grant Project Report Due in DacDb	
13	Rotaract Day	
10-16	World Rotaract Week	
12-14	President-Elect Seminar (PETS)	Greensboro
14	Shamrockin'	New Bern
14	St. Patty's 5K and Pub Crawl	Washington
31	Presidential Citation Form Due to District Governor	

April 2026 - Environmental

1	2025-2026 District Grant submitted in DacDb	
TBA	RYLA	Columbia
TBA	Boat Show	Oriental
TBA	Zone 33 Learning Seminar	TBA
TBA	Council on Legislation	Chicago, IL
TBA	Pan-Fishing Tournament	Vanceboro
10-12	7720 District Conference	Atlantic Beach

May 2026 - Youth Service

TBA	District Assembly	
TBA	CART Board meeting	Columbia, SC
TBA	Nags Head 5K	First Flight
TBA	Beer Fest	Goldsboro Three Eagles
TBA	Glow Ball	Williamston
TBA	Tackle the Tar	Rocky Mount/Nash-Rocky Mount
TBA	Golf Tournament	Greenville

June 2026 - Rotary Fellowships

TBA	District Officer Installation	TBD
30	Club's membership list updated in RI data base, My Rotary (will determine Club Invoice from RI to be paid in July)	

District Governor's Visit

The Purpose of the visit:

- To allow the District Governor to communicate directly with all Rotarians in the district.
- To listen to club leadership and gain a better understanding of their club.
- To assist as requested and to answer questions about Rotary International and the club.
- To serve as a catalyst to help strengthen the programs of Rotary and the clubs.

Rotary International requirements:

- The Assistant Governor will speak or email with the District Governor prior to his official visit to each club in that area.
- Additionally, the Assistant Governor for the area will work with the club leadership to confirm the meeting and with the District Governor to confirm the accommodation arrangements.
- Reconfirm at least one month in advance of the District Governor visit to resolve any questions as to the information, format of the visit and specific requirements.
- The District Governor IS THE PROGRAM for the Official Club Visit. Please do not schedule another program to take place for their visit. Please allow 30 minutes for the District Governor's Program.
- Most importantly, communicate any special plans you have to the District Governor and Assistant Governor to be sure they fit in with his other plans. Contact DG Brownie and Assistant Governor well ahead of time to confirm times and places to avoid confusion.
- District Governor Brownie would like to meet informally with the board of each club to learn the vision of the board.

The Governor's Introduction:

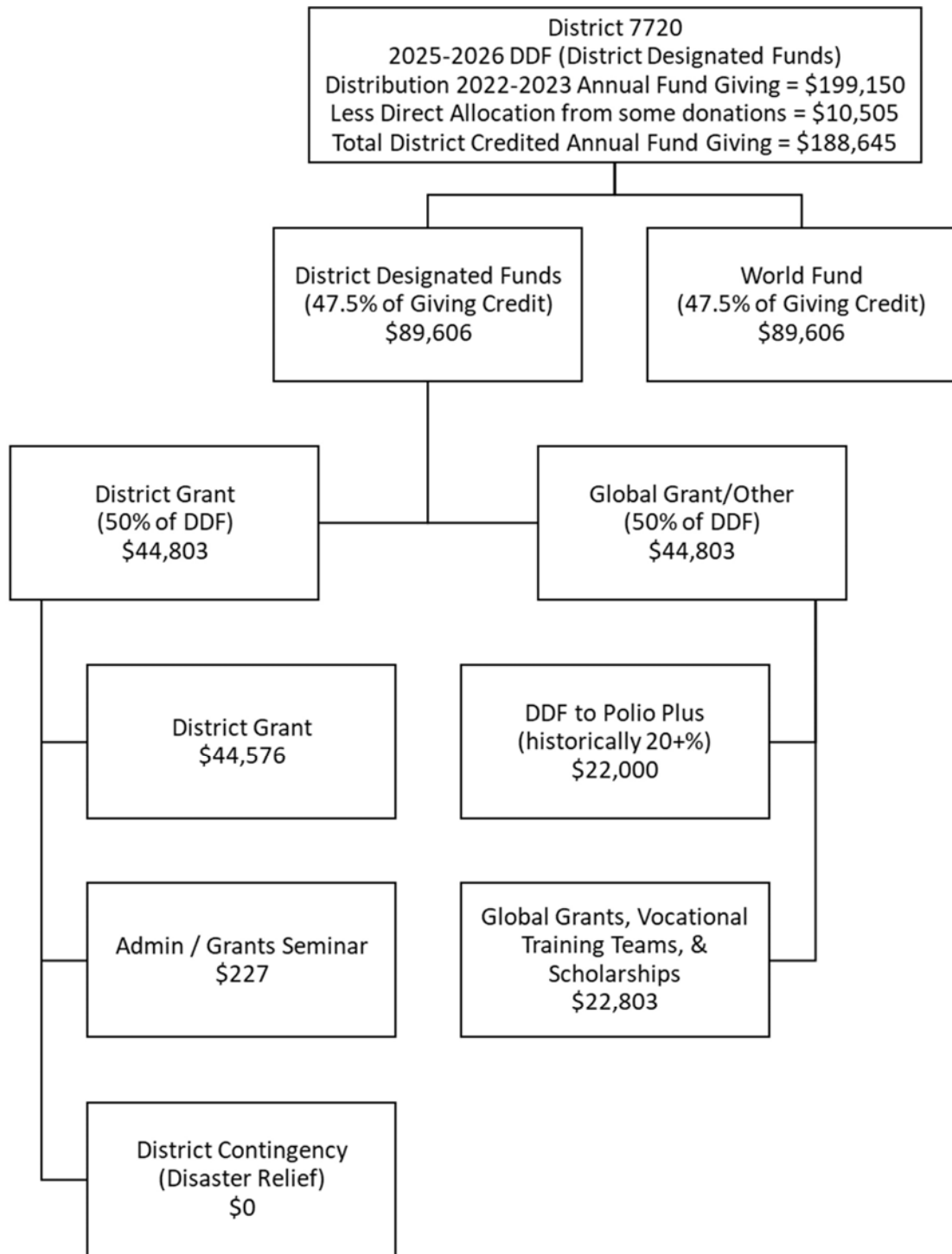
- Biographical information will be provided to the president and assistant governor in advance of the meeting. The highest-ranking official in the room will handle the introduction of the District Governor. If a Past District Governor is a member of your club, and they are in attendance, it is requested that they perform the introduction of the District Governor. Otherwise, the Assistant Governor assigned to that club, or the Club President will perform the introduction.
- It is customary that the club stand when the District Governor is introduced and when they have completed their presentation.
- Presentations of Paul Harris Fellowships, inductions of new members and other honors are especially appropriate during the District Governor.

Financial support of the Governor's Project (Global Grant) is encouraged.

District Governor's Proposed Visit Schedule

Club	Area	AG	day	time	M	T	W	Th	F	Week of
Roanoke Rapids	5	Michael	M	1830	x					14-Jul
Rocky Mount	5	Michael	Tu	1230		x				14-Jul
Wilson	7	Barbara	M	1215	x					28-Jul
Red Oak	5	Michael	Th	1800				x		28-Jul
Greenville	6	Shea	M	1830	x					4-Aug
Greenville Noon	6	Shea	M	1200	x					4-Aug
Elizabeth City	2	Melvin	M	1300	x					11-Aug
Hertford	2	Melvin	Tu	800		x				18-Aug
Williamston	3	Abbott	Tu	1200		x				18-Aug
Goldsboro-Three Eagles	7	Barbara	W	700			x			25-Aug
Farmville	6	Shea	Tu	1830		x				1-Sep
Nash-Rocky Mount	5	Michael	W	1200			x			1-Sep
Ayden	6	Shea	Th	1830				x		1-Sep
Washington	3	Abbott	W	715			x			15-Sep
Manteo	1	John	M	1800	x					22-Sep
First Flight	1	John	W	1300			x			22-Sep
Kitty Hawk	1	John	Th	730				x		22-Sep
Edenton	2	Melvin	Th	1300				x		22-Sep
Elizabeth City AM	2	Melvin	F	800					x	29-Sep
Goldsboro	7	Barbara	Tu	1245		x				6-Oct
Belhaven-Pantego	3	Abbott	W	1200			x			6-Oct
Greater Wilson	7	Barbara	Th	1230				x		13-Oct
Elm City	5	Michael	Th	1800				x		13-Oct
Greenville AM	6	Shea	Th	700				x		27-Oct
Tarboro	6	Shea	Th	1300				x		27-Oct
Mount Olive	7	Barbara	Th	1200				x		3-Nov
Fremont	7	Barbara	Th	1800				x		3-Nov
Washington Noon	3	Abbott	M	1200	x					10-Nov
Havelock-Cherry Point	8	Meloni	Th	730				x		10-Nov
Oriental	8	Meloni	M	1800	x					1-Dec
New Bern	8	Meloni	Tu	1300		x				1-Dec
New Bern AM	8	Meloni	Th	730				x		1-Dec
Vanceboro	8	Meloni	Th	1900				x		1-Dec

District Grant



To Qualify for a District Grant, Clubs must:

1. Attend Grants Management Seminar
2. Sign Memorandum of Understanding
3. Sign District Addendum
4. Have a minimum \$100 per capita giving in 2025-2026
5. Club goals must be in Rotary Club Central by July 15, 2025

Club Grant Allocation

ROTARY DISTRICT 7720 DISTRICT GRANT ALLOCATIONS PRELIMINARY 2025-26								
Club	Members July 1 22	AF* Per Capita 2022- 23 (elegant clubs exceed \$100 per member)	Annual Fund 2022-23	Reduction in AF* for direct designation	Adjusted AF total	X .23=	Top 3 per capita giving +1000	Total DDF 25-26 by Club
Ayden	17	\$31.76	\$540		\$540			
Belhaven-Pantego	13	\$192.31	\$2,500		\$2,500	\$575.00		\$575
Edenton	57	\$44.21	\$2,520		\$2,520			
Elizabeth City	35	\$26.57	\$930		\$930			
Elizabeth City Morning	47	\$155.19	\$7,294		\$7,294	\$1,677.62		\$1,678
Elm City	14	\$128.57	\$1,800	\$100	\$1,700	\$391.00		\$391
Farmville	6	\$149.17	\$895		\$895	\$205.85		\$206
First Flight (KDH)	39	\$260.90	\$10,175	\$1,800	\$8,375	\$1,926.25	\$1,000	\$2,926
Fremont	12	\$123.75	\$1,485		\$1,485	\$341.55		\$342
Goldsboro	37	\$174.54	\$6,458		\$6,458	\$1,485.34		\$1,485
Goldsboro Three Eagles	25	\$306.20	\$7,655		\$7,655	\$1,760.65	\$1,000	\$2,761
Greater Wilson	55	\$120.00	\$6,600		\$6,600	\$1,518.00		\$1,518
Greenville	57	\$186.32	\$10,620	\$350	\$10,270	\$2,362.10		\$2,362
Greenville Morning	19	\$194.89	\$3,703		\$3,703	\$851.69		\$852
Greenville Noon	70	\$201.43	\$14,100	\$25	\$14,075	\$3,237.25		\$3,237
Havelock-Cherry Point	20	\$171.00	\$3,420		\$3,420	\$786.60		\$787
Hertford	32	\$158.44	\$5,070		\$5,070	\$1,166.10		\$1,166
Kitty Hawk	20	\$22.50	\$450		\$450			
Manteo	15	\$16.67	\$250	\$50	\$200			
Mount Olive	31	\$188.55	\$5,845	\$100	\$5,745	\$1,321.35		\$1,321
Murfreesboro	15	\$76.00	\$1,140		\$1,140			
Nash-Rocky Mount	20	\$171.50	\$3,430		\$3,430	\$788.90		\$789
New Bern	90	\$210.26	\$18,923	\$2,720	\$16,203	\$3,726.69		\$3,727
New Bern Breakfast	69	\$185.00	\$12,765	\$125	\$12,640	\$2,907.20		\$2,907
North Banks (KDH)	28	\$0.00	\$0		\$0			
Oriental	42	\$550.12	\$23,105	\$710	\$22,395	\$5,150.85	\$1,000	\$6,151
Roanoke Rapids	16	\$70.31	\$1,125		\$1,125			
Rocky Mount	55	\$172.18	\$9,470	\$2,000	\$7,470	\$1,718.10		\$1,718
Tarboro	48	\$120.04	\$5,762		\$5,762	\$1,325.26		\$1,325
Vanceboro	14	\$120.00	\$1,680		\$1,680	\$386.40		\$386
Washington	34	\$228.24	\$7,760		\$7,760	\$1,784.80		\$1,785
Washington Noon	60	\$218.50	\$13,110	\$1,075	\$12,035	\$2,768.05		\$2,768
Williamston	34	\$65.44	\$2,225	\$1,250	\$975			
Wilson	52	\$122.02	\$6,345	\$200	\$6,145	\$1,413.35		\$1,413
	1198	\$166.24	\$199,150	\$10,505	\$188,645	\$41,575.95	\$3,000.00	\$44,576

Resolution Process and Resolutions 2025-2026

Our district is governed by resolutions that are voted on at each District Conference. The resolution process used in District 7720 is as described in the Bylaws of Rotary International, Article 15 Districts, Sections 15.060 District Finance, Sections 15.040 District Conference and 15.050 Conference Voting. The following resolutions will be voted on at the 2024 - 2025 District Conference March 7, 2025

2025- #1 District Finances

2025- #2 District Conference Location

2025- #3 District Nominating Committee

2025- #4 District Vice-Governor

Each club is allowed one or more electors depending on the number of members in the club. Electors are the only ones to vote on certain resolutions so they have to register as electors at the District Conference and present their credentials.

If you have a question about this process, please contact your Assistant Governor or District Governor.

Brownie Futrell, District 7720 Governor 2025-2026

Email: futrellbrownie@gmail.com

Cell: (252) 258-3140

Credential Form

Bylaws of Rotary International 15.050.1. Electors.

Each club shall select and certify at least one elector to its conference and legislation meeting (if held). A club with more than 25 members has one additional elector for each additional 25 members or major fraction thereof. That is, a club with a membership of up to 37 members is entitled to one elector, a club with 38 to 62 members is entitled to two electors, a club with 63 to 87 members is entitled to three electors and so on. Membership is determined by the number of members in the latest club invoice before the vote, except that a suspended club has no vote. Each elector shall be a member of the club. To vote, an elector must be present at the conference or legislation meeting. To participate in any voting by electors at the district conference, a club shall have paid the required district levy for the Rotary year in which the voting is taking place and shall not be indebted to the district. The financial status of the club is determined by the governor.

Members/Electors: 37 or less = 1 38 to 62 = 2 63 to 87 = 3 88 or more = 4

Rotary Club of _____

The total club membership (exclusive of honorary members) reported to RI on July 1, 2024, was _____.

In accordance with the Bylaws of Rotary International, this club has selected the following Elector(s):

President: _____

Secretary: _____

District 7720 Resolution 2025 #1

District Finances 2025-2026

This resolution authorizes the District Fund and related accounts. It establishes accountability, procedures, guidelines, and responsibilities for managing these accounts during the year 2025-2026.

WHEREAS, The Bylaws of Rotary International, Article 15, Section 15.060.1 states “Each Rotary District may establish a fund to be called ‘The District Fund’ for financing district-sponsored projects and the administration and development of Rotary in the District. The District Fund shall be established by resolution at either PETS/PELS or district conference. Any person who fails to fulfill financial requirements, including improperly administering the district fund or failing to comply with subsection 15.060.4., shall be prohibited from holding any RI or district office until financial irregularities are resolved within the district.,” and

WHEREAS, The District Fund shall be financed by all clubs in the district by a per capita levy on the members of those clubs, and by revenue from the District Conference and other identified District revenue sources. The amount of the levy on club members shall be decided either by (a) the district assembly after the approval of three-fourths of the incoming club presidents present, or (b) the PETS/PELS or District Conference by a majority of the electors present and voting. (Ref. 15.060.2; and

WHEREAS, As per RI Bylaws subsection 15.040.3 “The per capita levy is mandatory on all clubs of a district. The governor shall certify to the board the name of any club that has failed for more than six months to pay such levy. The board shall suspend the services of RI to the delinquent club while the levy remains unpaid,” and

WHEREAS, The District Governor shall establish a finance committee to review and study the necessary expenses of District administration in accordance with the provisions of Section 15.060. of the RI Bylaws and Part One of the Manual of Procedure (2016; and in accordance with the following guidelines:

- a) The District Finance Committee shall consist of the District Governor, appointed Committee Chair that usually serves a three-year term and a minimum of three Rotarians appointed to serve terms of three (3), two (2), and one (1) year with each succeeding governor appointing one Rotarian to a three-year term. The District Governor-elect and District Governor-nominee also serve on this committee.
- b) The voting members of the committee include the current District Governor, District Governor-elect, District Governor-nominee, Committee Chair and the three appointed Rotarians.
- c) The District Treasurer is appointed to serve as an ex officio committee member. The Immediate Past District Governor, District Rotary Foundation Chair and District Secretary also shall serve as non-voting members.
- d) The committee shall meet at a minimum once a quarter with the principle business of the first quarter (September) meeting a review of the prior year's financial reports/audit committee findings, the principle business of the second quarter meeting (December) the review approval of the District Governor Elect's budget for the coming year, the principle business of the third quarter (February) meeting a review of the year to date spending in the current year/District Finances Resolution approval for submission to the clubs and the principle business of the fourth quarter meeting (after District Conference) a review of audit committee nominations/review of the current year spending.

- e) District Governors current, elect and nominee act as agents for the District when arranging for long term commitments in the form of financial agreements and contracts. Agreements or contracts that extend more than a year or exceed a financial commitment of \$2,500 are subject to review by the Finance Committee.
- f) Meeting notes/minutes of the Finance Committee meeting shall be taken by the District Administrator or in their absence by the District Secretary or another member of the Finance Committee. The minutes shall be distributed to the Finance Committee within thirty days after the meeting. The prior meeting's minutes shall be read and approved at each successive meeting.

WHEREAS, The financial records of the district will be maintained in compliance with Internal Revenue Service regulations and will be housed in a professional document storage facility.

WHEREAS, The Bylaws of RI Article 15, Section 15.060.4 Annual Statement and Report of District Finances states "the governor must provide an annual statement and report of the district finances that has been independently reviewed to each club in the district within three months of the completion of the governor's year in office." In District 7720 the treasurer will be responsible for preparing monthly reports for the district governor and district finance committee that compare current results with the budget. The District Treasurer will make quarterly financial reporting available to all Rotarians in District 7720.

The annual reports of district finances shall be reviewed by a district audit committee. In District 7720 the audit committee:

- a) will be composed of at least three members;
- b) have all the members be active Rotarians;
- c) have at least one member who is a past governor or a person with audit experience;
- d) will not allow the following to serve on the audit committee for the year in which they serve in these positions: District Governor, District Treasurer, signatories of district bank accounts, and members of the Finance Committee; and
- e) have the members selected by the District Governor in accordance with the procedures established by this resolution and approved by the Finance Committee.
- f) This annual statement and report shall include but not be limited to details of:
 - all sources of the district's funds (RI, The Rotary Foundation, district, and club);
 - all funds received by or on behalf of the district from fundraising activities;
 - grants received from The Rotary Foundation or funds of The Rotary Foundation designated by the district for use;
 - all financial transactions of district committees;
 - all financial transactions of the District Governor by or on behalf of the district;
 - all expenditures of the district's funds; and
 - all funds received by the District Governor from RI.

The annual statement and report shall be presented for discussion and adoption at the next district meeting to which all clubs are entitled to send a representative and for which 30 days notice has been given that the statement and report of district finances will be presented. If no such district meeting is held, the statement and report shall be presented for discussion and adoption at the next district conference. If the statement is not adopted after presentation, it shall be discussed and adopted within three months of the conclusion of the district conference at the next district meeting to which all clubs are entitled to send a representative and for which 30 days' notice has been given that the statement and report of district finances will be presented. If a district meeting does not take place, the governor shall conduct a ballot-by-mail within 60 days thereafter.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the following procedures and guidelines shall be established by this resolution for the operation and management of the District Fund:

- a) A reserve fund equal to one-half of the sum of the budgeted per capita levy shall be established and maintained. Expenditures from this reserve fund shall require the approval of a majority of the clubs. Approved expenditures from the reserve fund shall be replaced during the next budget year.
- b) Excess general funds – monies not spent or reserved during this budget year shall be deposited into the District Reserve/Project Fund account and may be used for disaster relief, financing district sponsored projects and the development of Rotary in the District. Withdrawals from this fund shall require approval from the Finance Committee as well as approval of the majority of the district clubs. The Governor is responsible for soliciting and documenting those approvals. The documentation of those approvals is to be made part of the accounting records of fund withdrawals.
- c) Total expenditures of the year shall not exceed the annual district revenue without the approval of a majority of district clubs.
- d) The funds in the form of checking, savings and certificates of deposit will be maintained in accounts at a financial institution recommended by the treasurer and approved by the Finance Committee. Invoices that require payments of \$1000 or more must have two finance committee approval signatures other than the district treasurer. The payee cannot be one of the approvals. Those approvals can be in the form of electronic correspondence.
- e) All reimbursements to Rotarians will be properly receipted with those receipts becoming a part of both the financial records on paper as well as stored electronically with the accounting files. Reimbursement requests must be made to the treasurer no later than 30 days after the expense to facilitate timely reimbursement to all parties and accurate financial records. Reimbursements will be made within 30 days of approval.
- f) A stand-alone checking account shall be established to accept District Governor's Rotary International Expense Allocation funds and to disburse those funds to the Governor upon receipt and approval of a valid Rotary expense form. Receipts for all expenses are required. The Rotary International Eligible & Ineligible Expenses (CDS Feb 2017 EN) is used as a guide. The District Treasurer assists the Governor in preparing the expense report. The expense report and receipts are reviewed by the District Finance Chair and District Governor Elect before reimbursement is made. The Governor can appeal any disagreements or disputes regarding expenses with the members of the Finance Committee not involved in the approval of the report in question. Their decision is binding. Should it be found that the Governor is missing Rotary funding the Rotary International General Secretary will be notified.
- g) The District Governor shall insure all District bills are paid by the end of the governor's Rotary year and District Funds and financial records, excluding any records needed for the annual statement and report of District finances, are transferred to the incoming governor not later than fifteen working days after completion of the governor's term of office. Records used for the annual statement and report of the district finances shall be turned over immediately upon completion of the annual statement and report of District finances and not later than August 1 following the end of the budget year ending June 30.
- h) The District Governor for the year in which the Internal Revenue Service Form 990 (Form 990 EZ for the District EIN 56-1825354 and Form 990 N for the Charitable Trust EIN 56- 1765647) are prepared is responsible for signing the form or in the case of the 990 N receive a confirmation copy from the district treasurer of the postcard form that has been electronically filed. In the case of the Governor not being available the Treasurer can sign the form. Once the forms have been signed a scanned copy of the form is to be sent to all members of the Finance Committee.

- i) The income and expenditures budget for this year shall be attached hereto and become a part herein of this resolution.
- j) This Resolution shall be effective only for the Rotary year 2025-2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution has been approved by voice vote by a majority of the electors present and voting at District Conference this 7th day of March 2025.

District Governor _____
(Signature)

District Secretary _____
(Signature)

Rotary International District 7720 Budget Worksheet

July 2025 - June 2026

	INCOME			Members	Dues
40300	District Dues	51,600		1,200	\$ 43.00
	Initial Seed	2,000			
	Total Revenue	\$53,600			
	EXPENSES				
60000	General Administration	11,800	62000	District Governor	12,650
60100	District Officer Expense	500	62114	Governor's Leadership Meetings	500
60101	Postage And Delivery	300	62120	Council of Governor's Meetings	1,000
60102NB	Initial Seed Money	2000	62122	PETS - Travel and Miscellaneous Expenses	150
60103	Stationery & Printing	200	62123	DG to International Convention	0
60104	Supplies	200	62127	DG Zone Institute	2,500
60105	Accounting Services	700	62130	Zone Institute - PDG's expenses allocated by DG	0
60106	Records Maintenance and Storage	600	62131	Zone Institute - iPDG	1,000
60108	Equipment and Software	1000	62132	Zone Institute Scholarship	3,000
60109	Awards and Gifts	500	62141	Governor's Expenses and Contingency Fund	1,000
60111	District Database and Website	3,500	62148	Zone PR/Foundation Seminar - Allocated by DG	3,500
60113	Zone 33/34 Membership Fees	500	62150	Zone Director Nomination Representative	0
60146	Annual Fee to Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)	300	63000	District Governor Bect	16,100
TBA	District PR/Advertisement	500	63107	DGE Installation as Governor	1,000
60190	District Administrator	0	63121	CART Meeting Travel Expenses	400
60199	Unbudgeted Expenditures	1000	63123	PETS Travel Expenses	200
	Council on Legislation	0	63125	PETS - Other Participants - allocated by DGE	7,000
61000	Conferences, Seminars and Meetings	7,300	63126	DGE to International Convention	3,000
61116	District Conference	6,500	63128	Zone Institute Travel for DGE	2,500
61118	Foundation Seminar	200	63143	DGE Travel and Administrative Expense	1,000
61119	Membership summit	200	63144	DGE Expenses and Contingency Fund	1,000
61150	Membership Training Seminar Materials	400	64000	District Governor Nominee	2,700
65000	Youth Programs	2,050	64124	PETS Travel Expense	200
65132	4 Way Test Essay Contest Awards	300	64129	Zone Institute Registration and Travel for DGN	2,500
65136	RYLA Expenses	0	64130	DGN Expenses and Contingency Fund	0
65137	Interact/Rotaract Expenses	1500	64500	District Governor Nominee Designate	1,000
65140	Youth Exchange Expenses	250	64600	PETS Travel Expense	1000
			64700	Zone Institute Registration and Travel for DGND	0
			64800	DGND Expenses and Contingency Fund	0
				Total Expenses	\$53,600

District 7720 Resolution 2025 #2

District Conference Location 2025-2026

The purpose of this resolution shall be to set the location for the District Conference to be held during Rotary year 2025-2026.

WHEREAS, The Bylaws of Rotary International, Article 15, Section 15.040.2 states "where a governor-nominee has been selected and certified to the General Secretary, the District Conference for the year of the governor-nominee's service may be planned in advance. The governor-nominee and a majority of the current presidents of the clubs of that district must agree to the site of such conference." and

WHEREAS, The governor-nominee has surveyed several conference sites using the criteria established by Rotary International and has evaluated such sites considering availability cost, travel, location, member preference and attendance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that based on this survey and evaluation of these sites Atlantic Beach, NC has been selected for the 2025-2026 District 7720 Conference., April 10-12, 2026

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution has been approved by voice vote by a majority of the electors present and voting at District Conference this 7th day of March 2025.

District Governor _____
(Signature)

District Secretary _____
(Signature)

District 7720 Resolution 2025 #3

District Nominating Committee 2025-2026

This Resolution authorizes and establishes the responsibilities for and the makeup of the District Nominating Committee for Rotary year 2025-2026 for the purpose of nominating the District Governor for the Rotary year 2028-2029 and any other special Rotary International appointment as required during the Rotary year 2028-2029

WHEREAS, Rotary International Bylaws, Article 12, Section 12.020.1 establishes the requirement for a District Nomination Committee to select the District Governor for Rotary year 2027-2028; and

WHEREAS, the District Nominating Committee shall function and operate under the guidelines of the Rotary International Bylaws, the Manual of Procedure, and the District Governor; and

WHEREAS, prior to the Nominating Committee meeting convening, all applicant/governor-nominee candidates are to spend a minimum of two hours of governor learning with two past District Governors, appointed at the discretion of the District Governor; and

WHEREAS, it is the consensus of the clubs of the District that the Nominating Committee shall consist of three (3) of the five (5) most recent Past District Governors to have served the District, an at-large Past District Governor, a current sitting Club President, an immediate past Club President from the preceding Rotary year, a serving Assistant District Governor, the District Governor-elect and the District Governor-nominee; and

WHEREAS, the appointments of the Nominating Committee and the committee chairman shall be the responsibility of the District Governor for the year in which the committee is to function, all appointments to the committee shall be made by the District Governor in accordance with the make-up as described above and in the event that this make-up is not possible, the governing factor shall be the representation of each of the areas of the District; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this Resolution is effective for one year only, it shall be the responsibility of the District Governor, with the advice and consent of the District Governor-elect, to present for approval of the clubs at the District Conference, a Nominating Committee Resolution for the Rotary year 2025-2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution has been approved by voice vote by a majority of the electors present and voting at District Conference this 7th day of March 2025.

District Governor _____
(Signature)

District Secretary _____
(Signature)

District 7720 Resolution 2025 #4

District Vice Governor 2025-2026

The purpose of this resolution shall be to acknowledge that the District Nominating Committee has the authority to name a vice-governor who will replace the governor in case of temporary or permanent inability to continue in the performance of the governor's duties.

WHEREAS, the Council on Legislation 2013 Adopted Enactment 13-100* to amend the provision for vacancy in the office of governor, it is enacted by Rotary International that the Bylaws of Rotary International be and hereby are amended as follows (page 185 MOP)

Article 6 Officers

6.20 Vacancy in the Office of Governor

6.120.3 District Authority

The nominating committee for governor will select one available past governor to be named vice-governor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that based on the advice of Rotary International, the District 7720 Nominating Committee will name one available past governor to serve as vice-governor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution has been approved by voice vote by a majority of the electors present and voting at District Conference this 7th day of March 2025.

District Governor _____
(Signature)

District Secretary _____
(Signature)

Rotary International and District 7720 Dues

These are the items that must be paid per member per year by each Club:

Rotary International

Billed in July (per capita)

• 1 st half RI dues (\$78.50 per year)	\$ 39.25
• 1 st half "The Rotarian" magazine (\$12.00 per year)	\$ 9.00
• Council on Legislation	\$ 1.00
• Liability Insurance	\$ 5.19
• Director & Officers insurance	\$ 1.24

Billed in January (per capita)

• 1 st half RI dues (\$78.50 per year)	\$ 39.25
• 1 st half "The Rotarian" magazine (\$12.00 per year)	\$ 9.00

Total Billed by Rotary International \$103.93

District 7720

Billed in July and January (\$21.50 each)

• <u>annual dues</u>	<u>\$ 43.00</u>
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Total Billed by District 7720 \$ 43.00

*For historical reference, in 2014-15 the annual dues were \$30, and in 2015-16 the annual dues were \$35.

What does Rotary International and the District do for me?

Everything in Rotary happens at the Club level, and outside of paid staff at RI headquarters, everyone is a volunteer. There are no paid positions. Here are just a few things the club, district, zone, and Rotary International do for you as a Rotarian

Rotary International

- Council on Legislation every 3 years
- Magazine
- General Secretary and staff
- International President
- Zone Directors
- District Governors International Assembly

Zone (no additional cost)

- Governor Elect learning every year for District Governor, District Governor Elect, District Governor Nominee
- District support and learning
 - Membership, Foundation, Public Image

District

- President Elect learning
- Emerging Leaders to develop district talent
- District Governor, District Governor Elect, District Governor Nominee learning
- Club Support and learning
 - Membership, Foundation, Public Image
- DacDb
- Assistant Governors
- Host Rotary Learning Institute

Club

- Food
- President Elect to President Elect Training Seminar
- Members to Rotary Learning Institute
- Membership, Foundation, Public Image learning

Sample Club Dues

THE ROTARY CLUB OF EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA

Post Office Box 1234

Your Town, North Carolina, 20000-1234

Founded 1920



Invoice due upon receipt

DUES BILLING STATEMENT: October - December 2023

October 1, 2023

<u>DUES (Active)</u>	\$200.00
ADMISSION FEE (see enclosed letter)	\$
TAX DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS:	
New Bern Rotary Charitable Foundation, Inc.	\$
New Bern Rotary Scholarship Foundation, Inc.	<u>\$ 15.00</u>
The Rotary Foundation (Paul Harris)	<u>\$ 25.00</u>
The Rotary Foundation (Polio-Plus)	\$
GUEST MEALS:	
Club Meetings	\$
Socials:	
Installation	\$
Christmas Party (guest)	\$
Unpaid Billing from Previous Quarter(s)	\$0.00
TOTAL DUE AND PAYABLE	\$240.00

Bill Jones

Treasurer

This billing is for the Second Quarter of the 2023-2024 Rotary year. We look ahead to our Annual Oyster Roast as we include our special guests, the visit to the Food Bank of Eastern North Carolina, and the always special Christmas Party. Our fellowship continues to grow as our membership now stands at 100 (the largest in District 7720)!

Sample Club Budget

THE ROTARY CLUB OF EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA 2023-2024 Budget Adopted by the Club on June 20, 2023

Anticipated Income

100	Dues: 85 Active Members, \$200.00 per quarter	\$68,000.00
	5 Members on Leave of Absence, \$50.00 per quarter	1,000.00
200	Admission Fees (10 new members, \$100.00 fee)	1,000.00
	[Admission Fees <u>will be used</u> for a matching grant of \$100.00 to assist new Rotarians to become a Paul Harris Fellow]	
	Carryover Funds	<u>+ 3,000.00</u>
		\$73,000.00

Anticipated Expenses

1000	Rotary District Dues (90 members, \$43.00 per member)	\$ 3,870.00
1100	Rotary International Dues (90 members, \$88.00 per member)	7,920.00
	Rotary District Meetings:	
1220	PETS (President, President-Elect)	1,800.00
1240	District Conference	900.00
1260	District Meetings (Foundation, Assembly, etc.)	500.00
1280	Rotary Leadership Institute	500.00
1300	Rotary International Convention	1,000.00
1400	Paul Harris Fellow (Foundation Recognition Points)	
1600	Food (Weekly meals, special social events for members)	50,000.00
	<u>Activity Expenses:</u>	
1700	Bank Charges	\$ 200.00
1705	Banquet Programs	200.00
1710	Club and Board Liability Insurance	600.00
1720	District Database & Website	700.00
	Flotilla Expenses	Foundation
	Four Way Test Essay Competition	Foundation
	Interact Club	Foundation
1730	Office Supplies	450.00
1735	Postage	650.00
1740	Rotary Brochures	300.00
1745	Rotary Supplies	500.00
	RYLA Delegates	Foundation
1750	Speaker Gifts	500.00
1760	Tax Service	1,000.00
1790	Non-Budgeted Items	<u>+1,410.00</u>
		\$6,510.00
		<u>+ 6,510.00</u>
		\$73,000.00

John Smith, President
Bill Jones, Treasurer

Note: Changes in the budget are indicated by the bold type.

District 7720 Council of Governors

The Council of Governors is the group of Past District Governors residing in District 7720, most of whom have served as District Governor in the District, but some who serve in other districts prior to moving here. Their collective experience and wisdom gained in office is a valuable resource to the leadership team. Their contacts with other Past District Governors and Rotary International staff provides information and assistance to the operation of the District. The council functions in an informal advisory capacity.

1992-1993

“Real Happiness is Helping Others”

Joseph M. “Joe” Norton (deceased), North Banks (Doris)

1993-1994

“Believe In What You Do - Do What You Believe In”

Albret I. “Al” Stroud (deceased), Roanoke Rapids (Mildred)

1994-1995

“Be a Friend”

John R. Ball (deceased), Greenville Noon (Jo)

1995-1996

“Act with Integrity, Serve with Love, Work for Peace”

Paul H. Peel, Rocky Mount (Janie)

1996-1997

“Build the Future with Action and Vision”

W. D. McRoy (deceased), Goldsboro (Jerri)

1997-1998

“Show Rotary Cares for Your Community, for Our World, for Its People”

Richard W. Baker (deceased), Ahoskie (Jackie)

1998-1999

“Follow Your Rotary Dream”

Thomas “Tom” Price Miller, Tarboro (Patsy)

1999-2000

“Act with Consistency, Credibility, Continuity”

Charles J. Williford, Ahoskie

2000-2001

“Create Awareness, Take Action”

Dale L. Elks, New Bern Breakfast (Kathy)

2001-2002

“Mankind Is Our Business”

Robert A. “Bob” Manning (deceased), Rocky Mount (Jan)

2002-2003

“Sow the Seeds of Love”

Thomas S. “Tom” Payne, III, Washington Noon

2003-2004
"Lend a Hand"
Darron Flowers, Fremont (Mary Lee)

2004-2005
"Celebrate Rotary"
E. W. "Bill" Rogister, Tarboro (Jean)

2005-2006
"Service Above Self"
Brenda Tinkham, Murfreesboro (Dwight)

2006-2007
"Lead the Way"
Daneel "Dan" Le Roux, Greenville Morning (Betty)

2007-2008
"Rotary Shares"
A. Bradford "Brad" Sears, New Bern (Rita)

2008-2009
"Make Dreams Real"
Vivian W. Mott, Greenville Noon (Don)

2009-2010
"The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands"
Edward A. "Ed" Wyatt, Wilson (Jeannie)

2010-2011
"Building Communities Bridging Continents"
Donald L. "Don" Johnson, Hertford (Virginia)

2011-2012
"Reach Within to Embrace Humanity"
Gregory L. "Greg" Browning, Roanoke Rapids (Mae)

2012-2013
"Peace through Service"
Thomas L. "Skip" Morgan, Manteo (Linda)

2013-2014
"Engage Rotary, Change Lives"
Brenda Reges Shaw, Rocky Mount (Bill)

2014-2015
"Light Up Rotary"
Lee Martin Adams, Greenville Morning (Ed)

2015-2016
"Be a Gift to the World"
Robert L. "Bob" Pippen, Elizabeth City Morning (Charlene)

2016-2017
“Rotary Serving Humanity”
James W. “Jim” Findley, New Bern (Kathy)

2017-2018
“Making a Difference”
Stanley R. “Stan” Keeler, First Flight Kill Devil Hills (Patsy)

2018-2019
“Be the Inspiration”
Frank Jaklic, Hertford (Connie)

2019-2020
“Rotary Connects the World”
Tracey E. Ivey, Goldsboro (Mitch)

2020-2021
“Rotary Opens Opportunities”
Spencer G. Stanley, Washington Noon (Leigh)

2021-2022
“Serve to Change Lives”
Lewis Wynne Hoggard, Windsor

2022-2023
“Imagine Rotary”
Octavius A. Murphy, Goldsboro Three Eagles (Jacqueline)

2023-2024
“Create Hope in the World”
Anthony “Tony” Santore, Oriental, (Cathy)

2024-2025
“The Magic of Rotary”
Gene Foster, New Bern, (Sara)

Past District Governors from other Districts who are now members of Rotary Clubs in District
7720 and part of the Council of Governors

1984-1985, District 771
Wendell Moseley, Roanoke Rapids (Nancy)

1990-1991, District 7230
Joseph P. Malone (deceased), Neuse Sunrise (Joan)

1994-1995 District 7610
Jay D. “Rocky” Jacobs, Washington (Jo)

2015-2016 District 7410
Barbara Huffman de Balón, New Bern Breakfast (Ed)

Rotary Learning Institute



The mission of The Rotary Leadership Institute is to provide an educational opportunity for Rotarians identified as potential leaders by their Club President. Every Rotarian should complete RLI.

What is RLI?

RLI (Rotary Leadership Institute) is a grassroots coalition of Rotary districts implementing a leadership development program for "potential" leaders of Rotary Clubs. Established in 1992, RLI has become a worldwide organization with divisions in every Continent of the world. Most Rotarians have not been exposed to the great scope

of Rotary around the world and have not considered what leadership skills are necessary to move Rotary forward.

Rotary Club leaders must know the evolution of Rotary, its current status and activities in the world and have a vision for what Rotary can be in the future.

RLI is a three-day non-consecutive basic course in both Rotary knowledge and leadership skills, specifically designed for voluntary organizations. In addition to the specific Rotary knowledge skills, most of the RLI sessions have a leadership component.

The expectation of RLI is to have clubs identify those with the potential for future club leadership and send them to RLI courses at club expense. All member clubs may send any club Rotarian to RLI courses, and any Rotarian may attend any course at his/her own initiative.

District 7720 is part of the Mid-Atlantic RLI.



Rotary is dedicated to causes that build international relationships, improve lives, and create a better world to support our peace efforts and end polio forever.

- PROMOTING PEACE
- PROVIDING CLEAN WATER
- SAVING MOTHERS AND CHILDREN
- SUPPORTING EDUCATION
- GROWING LOCAL ECONOMIES
- FIGHTING DISEASE
- PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT
- ENDING POLIO FOREVER

Polio



Rotary, along with our partners, has reduced polio cases by 99.9 percent worldwide since our first project to vaccinate children in the Philippines in 1979. We are close to eradicating polio, but we need your help. Whether you have a few minutes or a few hours, here are some ways to make a global impact and protect children against polio forever.

Rotarians have helped immunize more than 2.5 billion children against polio in 122 countries. We have reduced polio cases by 99.9 percent worldwide and we will not stop until we end the disease for good. For as little as \$0.60, a child can be protected against this crippling disease for life.

Build awareness

- Help get the word out about our efforts to fight polio.
- Make it personal by posting about polio on Facebook or Twitter.
- Keep informed by following our campaign to end polio on Facebook and Twitter.
- Use our resource tools to help advocate, fundraise, and educate about the need to end polio now.
- Invite your District Polio Chair to speak at your meetings.

Global Surveillance Indicators

Source Period Year	Wild virus type 1 confirmed cases										Date of most recent virus
	Full year total								01-Jan - 25-Feb ¹		
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2024	2025		
Afghanistan	21	29	56	4	2	6	25	2	1	27-Jan-2025	
Pakistan	12	147	84	1	20	6	74	1	3	06-Feb-2025	
Islamic Republic of Iran											
Malawi				1						19-Nov-2021	
Mozambique					8					10-Aug-2022	
TOTAL (TYPE 1)	33	176	140	6	30	12	99	3	4		
Tot. in endemic countries	33	176	140	5	22	12	99				
Tot. in non-end countries				1	8						
No. of countries (infected)	2	2	2	3	3	2	2				
No. of countries (endemic)	2	2	2	2	2	2	2				
Total Female	18	72	59	2	10	4	43				
Total Male	15	104	81	4	20	8	56				



Two years ago PDG Tony Santore started the Ride with Tony to raise money for Polio. Brownie would like to continue this effort! Tony and Brownie believe we can make this happen in 2025-2026 if we start now!

The program says Ride, but you can walk, run or swim.

We will start July 1st and end October 24th - World Polio Day.

All you need to do is create a team of club members that are willing to participate. Team members will then get pledges from friends and family. Pledge for pennies, or nickel add up, your friends do not have to pledge a lot just find as many Penny pledgers you can. 35 miles a week is not taxing; that's five miles a day we can all do that. Most of us walk that much in a day anyway.

Be sure to ask how
this little guy can
benefit your club!



CART (Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust)



Alzheimer's disease is claiming more and more victims worldwide every day. Over 4 Million Americans are now victims and medical scientists predict that unless a prevention/cure is found, the number of American victims will grow to 16 Million within the next 20-25 years. Without a cure, one out of every 10 living Americans will ultimately become victims. It is estimated that 75 percent of the world's victims live outside the United States.

CART started in 1995 with Rotarians from SC, GA and NC voluntarily emptying their pockets and purses of change at weekly meetings to fund research to bring an end to this disease. The CART Fund was developed with the idea of accomplishing the goal without conducting fund raisers and without interfering with other club projects.

Today CART provides funds for cutting edge research to cure Alzheimer's disease.

What we do

One hundred percent (100%) of donated funds go to cutting edge Alzheimer's disease research.

As of May 2022, CART has made 70 grants totalling \$12 million, to recognized U.S. research institutions. All administrative expenses of the Fund are paid from interest earned from invested contributions.

How we do it

The Fund is governed by a Board of Trustees composed of representatives from the Rotary districts that support the program. It is a 501(C)3 organization, Federal ID #31-1466051. The Fund is chartered as a non-profit organization under the laws of the state of South Carolina.

Club Brag Sheet

Name of Rotary Club: _____

Name of Club President: _____

LIST THREE THINGS MY CLUB DOES WELL

LIST THREE THINGS MY CLUB NEEDS TO WORK ON

LIST THREE THINGS THAT MAKE MY CLUB UNIQUE

WHAT IS MY CLUB'S PRIMARY GOAL THIS YEAR?

DESCRIBE YOUR CLUB'S SERVICE PROJECTS & YOUR OCT 24 WORLD GREATEST MEAL FOR POLIOPLUS EVENT

PLEASE CHECK ALL THE FOLLOWING THAT APPLY TO MY ROTARY CLUB:

- ☐ My Club has a written Strategic Plan
- ☐ My Club uses the District Achievement Awards as a planning tool
- ☐ My Club has great vibrant and educational meetings

Rotary Citation

The Rotary Citation is an award that recognizes the hard work clubs do throughout the year. Taking action toward achieving the citation goals helps clubs engage their members, stay relevant in their communities, and run more efficiently. A welcoming and engaging club also reflects the values of Rotary. When clubs work to achieve these goals, they also contribute to the overall health and culture of Rotary for generations to come.

To be eligible for the Rotary Citation, clubs need to begin the year as active clubs in good standing – or having paid each invoice balance in full upon receipt. To verify that your club is in good standing, check your daily club balance report under Club Administration > Club Finances. You should have an outstanding balance of \$0.00. Invoices are due when they are posted, in mid-January and mid-July.

Rotary club leaders can go into Rotary Club Central and select at least half of the goals they wish to apply toward citation achievement. This flexibility allows clubs to choose the goals that are most relevant and achievable. In addition, many goals will be self-reported by marking “achieved” in Rotary Club Central.

To achieve the citation:

- Go to Rotary Club Central
- Review the available goals
- Set at least half of the available goals
- Achieve those goals
- Report achievement in Rotary Club Central by 30 June

Once you are in Rotary Club Central, navigate to the **Goal Center**, select the **year**, and click on the **All tab** to see the goals.

District Outstanding Club Award

Deadline to send to AG: July 31 2026		Club Name					
Membership							
	Membership on July 1, 2025	80					
	minus Membership on June 30, 2026	85					
	Net Membership Increase	5			20 pts each	100	
	Formal New Member Orientation				20 pts each	40	
	Bonus points						
	>5 new members				50 pts	50	
	>10 new members				100 pts		
	district speaker on membership				25 pts	25	
	membership event				20 pts each	20	
	Total Membership						235
Learning and Development (PETS and RLI)							
	Number of Participants enrolled in RLI courses				10 pts each	10	
	RLI graduates July 1, 2025 thru June 30, 2026				20 pts each	10	
	President-elect attending 2025 PETS				50 pts	50	
	President-nominee attending 2025 PETS				25 pts		
	Attendance at PETS preparatory session				25 pts each	25	
	Total Learning and Development						95
Club Administration							
	Submitted 2025-2026 Planning Guide for Effective Clubs to AG by June 1, 2025				10 pts	10	
	Elect PE & PN and report on DACdb, and Rotary Central by Dec 10, 2025				10 pts	10	
	<i>Bonus if done by October 15, 2025</i>				20 pts	20	
	Record Club Goals on Rotary Club Central by June 1, 2025				10 pts	10	
	Adoption of Club Leadership Plan				10 pts	10	
	Club Financial Statements published and sent to membership quarterly				10 pts	10	
	Income tax return for 2024-2025 completed and sent to IRS by Dec 30, 2025				10 pts	10	
	Separate bank accounts kept for club admin income/expenses and club fund raising				10 pts	10	
	Develop/Update three/five year strategic plan and obtain membership approval				10 pts	10	
	Data kept current on DACdb (usually done by Club Secretary)				10 pts	10	
	Data kept current on Rotary Club Central (usually done by Club Secretary)				10 pts	10	
	Total Club Administration						120
Club Project/Activities							
	Rotary Awareness Project				10 pts	10	
	Club Bulletin/Newsletter published minimum of two times/month				10 pts	10	
	Club Project in conjunction with another Rotary Club in District 7720				25 pts	25	
	Club Fellowship and Social Events outside club meeting times				20 pts each	20	
	Presidential Citation Form submitted to District by July 15, 2026				10 pts	10	
	Community Needs Assessment Conducted by Club				10 pts	10	
	Club Program/Speaker on RI's Area(s) of focus				10 pts each (Max 70 pts)	10	
	Club Grants : dollar donations to the community (including scholarships)						
	<\$2,500				20 pts		
	>\$5,000				30 pts		
	>\$10,000				40 pts	40	
	>\$20,000				50 pts		
	>\$50,000				100 pts		
	Service Projects in the Community				25 pts each (Max 200 pts)	25	
	Total Club Projects/Activities						160
Member Participation in District and International Events							
	District Training Assemblies						
	PE, Secretary, Treasurer				20 pts each	20	
	other				5 pts each		
	District Governor Installation June 2025				5 pts each	10	
	District Membership Seminar				25 pts each	50	
	District Foundation/Grants Management Seminar				25 pts each	25	
	2026 Mid-year Assemblies				10 pts each	10	
	Registered for District Conference '26				30 pts each	60	
	Participating in a district role				25 pts each	25	
	Registered for International Conference in 2026				20 pts each	0	
	Total Participation						200

District Outstanding Club Award

Foundation and Other Giving					
Annual Giving per capita from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026					
	\$99 or less			15 pts	
	\$100 to \$150			30 pts	
	\$151 or more			60 pts	60
District Speaker on the Foundation, Polio Plus, or CART				10 pts each	20
Total Annual Giving per capita					80
Polio Plus Fundraising Event				30 pts	30
Polio Plus Giving					
	>\$600 for clubs less than 25 members			25 pts	
	>\$1,500 for clubs between 26 & 50 members			25 pts	
	>\$2,000 for clubs above 51 members			25 pts	25
	>\$3,000			50 pts	
Total Polio					55
CART Fund Giving through June 30, 2026					
	<\$250			5 pts	
	>\$500			10 pts	
	>\$1,000			15 pts	
	>\$1,500			20 pts	20
	>\$2,500			30 pts	
	>\$3,500			40 pts	
Total CART					20
Number of new Paul Harris Fellows, Benefactors, Bequest Society, Major Donors, Paul Harris Society Members, or Polio Plus Society members				10 pts each	100
Number of Major Donors in Club				10 pts each	20
Number of members who reach a new level during the year				10 pts each	50
EREY Club in July 2026 (\$100 per capita and \$25 per member)				30 pts	30
Sustaining Club by July 2026 (every member donated \$100 to Foundation)				30 pts	30
100% Paul Harris Club				30 pts	
Total Giving Recognition					230
District Grant participation and acceptable Final Report				50 pts	50
Submitted and Signed Grants MOU and Addendum before/during PETS				30 pts	30
Participate in existing Global Grant project - funds donated				25 pts	
Global Grant participation and acceptable interim report - active club participation				50 pts	
Total Grants Program					80
Youth Programs					
Interact/Rotaract active sponsor				30 pts each	60
Charter a new Interact/Rotaract Club				30 pts each	
4 way Essay Contest				50 pts each	
2026 RYLA Participation				20 pts each	20
2026 RYLA Counselors				20 pts each	
Total Youth Programs					80
Rotarian of the year selected and given to AG				20 pts	
					0
GRAND TOTAL OF ALL POINTS					1355
					1355
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President Name and Signature			Date		
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Assistant Governor Name and Signature			Date		
Award Categories: Bronze = 600 pts ; Silver = 700 pts; Gold = 800 pts; Platinum = 1,000+ pts					
Please provide further explanation if needed					

Membership Action Plan

Since 2015 Rotary International has officially recognized membership growth as our top internal priority. We are a membership organization that delivers amazing service however Membership decline remains the biggest problem we have to solve.

Our clubs deserve a multi-year approach to create a membership culture that will result in consistent, moderate membership growth. And that's what Zones 33 & 34's Membership Action Plan (MAP) intends to help you do.

Imagine... having more members to share the load in your club, to bring fresh ideas and generate energy, to give you the resources to do more good in your communities... Imagine the increased impact...the difference we all know Rotary can make. By providing clubs an easy-to-follow path toward membership growth, we'll go beyond imagining and make it reality.



- 1 SET YOUR MEMBERSHIP GOALS**
Start on the Membership Goal page and review your club's annual rate of attracting and terminating members.
- 2 IDENTIFY YOUR PROBLEM TO SOLVE**
Attrition? Attraction? Both? Neither?
- 3 DISCOVER SOME RECOMMENDED STRATEGIES**
These strategies are developed for your club's specific situation.
- 4 TRACK YOUR PROGRESS ON THE DASHBOARD**
Are you attracting new members at a rate that will meet your growth goal, plus replacing members likely to terminate?
- 5 CREATE A MEMBERSHIP SATISFACTION SURVEY**
Distribute to your members and use the feedback to make your club irresistible.

WHAT IS THE MEMBERSHIP ACTION PLAN?

The Rotary Membership Action Plan is an initiative of Zones 33/34.

CLICK HERE for recordings of "bite-sized" webinars that provide club leaders with actionable strategies, tried and proven, and **GUARANTEED** to help your club create a culture of consistent, moderate membership growth.

REGISTER for upcoming MAP Webinars on the same page.

Innovative Club Advocate

Rotary International realizes that Rotary today is different than Rotary yesterday, so the need to adapt and be flexible is greater now than ever before.

There are many options for clubs today and into the future, here are just a few:

- Start a new type of club
- Offer alternative membership types
- Change the meeting format
- Relax attendance expectation or reduce the meeting frequency

Rotary clubs are autonomous and all have their own culture. You can create a club that offers a club experience that works for you and others with similar needs. For example, you could start a satellite club for your less traditional members and your traditional members can remain in the sponsor club.

Your club could offer family memberships, junior memberships to young professionals, or corporate memberships to business leaders and their employees. Each type of membership can have its own policies on dues, attendance, and service expectations, provided these policies are documented in your club bylaws. Rotary will count these people in your club membership and will consider them active members if they pay RI dues.

Change your meeting format and engage your members in fun, productive ways! You can meet in person, online, or a combination, including letting some members attend in-person meetings through the Internet. Or you can change the format of your in-person meetings to include service projects, leadership development, committee reporting, social gatherings, member professional talks, and educational talks on diversity, club vision, and other topics your club determines.

Change your meeting schedule to make it easier for your members to attend. Ease attendance requirements and encourage members to participate in other ways, such as taking a leadership role, updating the club website regularly, running a meeting a few times a year, or planning an event. Remember your members are volunteers. If your club is dynamic and offers a good experience for members, attendance won't be a problem.



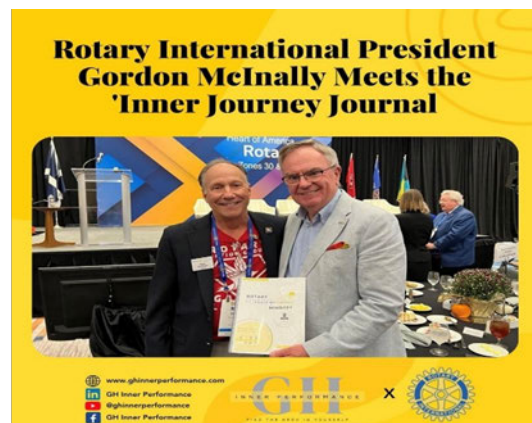
“Yesterday’s Interactors, are Today’s Rotaractors, are Tomorrow’s Rotarians”

Rotaract is a global organization that aims to empower young adults to create positive change in their communities through service, leadership development, and networking opportunities. Rotaract clubs are typically sponsored by local Rotary clubs and provide young professionals and students with the opportunity to develop their skills, connect with like-minded individuals, and make a difference in the world.

Rotaract education plays a crucial role in the organization by providing members with the knowledge and resources they need to be effective leaders and change-makers in their communities. This includes workshops, learnings, conferences, and other educational opportunities that focus on topics such as project management, communication, team building, conflict resolution, and social and environmental issues.

Additionally, Rotaract clubs often partner with local schools, universities, and community can include mentoring programs, tutoring services, career development workshops, and other initiatives that help individuals reach their full potential.

Overall, Rotaract education is a key component of the organization's mission to empower young adults to make a positive impact in their communities and the world at large. Through ongoing learning and development opportunities, Rotaract members are equipped with the skills and knowledge they need to lead, inspire, and create lasting change.



Youth Services

INTERACT CLUBS

Interact is Rotary International's service club for young people ages 12 to 18. Interact clubs are sponsored by individual Rotary clubs, which provide support and guidance, but they are self-governing and self-supporting. As one of the most significant and fastest-growing programs of Rotary service, with more than 10,700 clubs in 109 countries and geo-graphical areas, Interact has become a worldwide phenomenon. Almost 200,000 young people are involved world-wide in Interact. Each year, Interact Clubs complete at least two community service projects, one of which furthers international understanding and goodwill. Through these efforts, Interactors develop a network of friendships with local and over-seas clubs and learn the importance of developing leadership skills and personal integrity, demonstrating helpfulness and respect for others, advancing international understanding and goodwill.

RYLA

RYLA stands for Rotary Youth Leadership Award, a program sponsored by our District for students entering their senior year of high school in September. RYLA participants attend an all-expense paid, three day work-shop focusing on leadership, team building and professional development topics. They join other talented young people selected and sponsored by individual Rotary Clubs of District 7720. Rotary clubs pay approximately \$250 for each participant. This this year RYLA is being held from April 25 to April 27 at the 4-H camp in Columbia, NC.

YOUTH EXCHANGE

Sponsored by Rotary International, Youth Exchange gives students an opportunity to live and to learn in other countries throughout the world. In recent years, students (mostly juniors in high school) have come to our District from Thailand, Belgium, Brazil, Sweden and France. They stay at the homes of host families in the District; those families act as the students' surrogate families. Incoming students attend school in the community that has adopted them for the entire academic year. At the same time, teens in our District have the opportunity to travel to other countries around the world to attend school there and to live with host families who are Rotarians in other countries. The program also offers a short-term stay for three months, often during the summer. In general, the host family abroad will send their son or daughter to the town of the local Rotary-sponsored teenager, and vice versa. This is a very competitive program, but students are always welcome to apply.

SCOUTING

The District and the Clubs support both the Girls Scouts and Scouts USA in a number of programs. In particular, the District and the Clubs assist the scouts in the Eagle and Gold projects, and honor them with a special recognition at their Courts of Honor. Youth Service Chair Andy Garlick is also a lifetime member and officer of the International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians and a recipient of the Cliff Dochterman Award for service to Rotary and Scouting. The IFSR also provides special recognition for those youth achieving Eagle or Gold.

District Governor's Project
Hurricane Helene Recovery in Western North Carolina



As District 7720 knows, recovery from a hurricane is a lengthy process and is trying on the hearts and finances of all people affected by it. Our district is committed to aiding our sister district, 7670, with funds that have already been delivered but we can do so much more. For more information on how individual clubs can donate to recovery efforts, contact District Governor Alpo Portelli at 828-442-1196.



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Set club goals and track how you're doing.
Monitor your progress with detailed reports.

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Launch and manage all your Rotary Foundation
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Membership and Foundation Reports

Find reports with data about membership,
contributions, recognition, and more.

Learning Center

Learn new skills with online classes and
materials created for your specific role or
interests.

Service Project Center

Browse successful club projects from around
the world.

Brand Center

Find logos, photos, videos, and all the resources
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Tax Prep

Federal Income Tax Preparation Guidelines for Club Presidents

The Club President for the year in which the Internal Revenue Service Form 990/Form 990 EZ for the Club, and Form 990 N for any Charitable Trust connected to the Club, are prepared is responsible for ensuring the returns are prepared accurately and in a timely manner. The President shall sign the appropriate form.

In the case of the Form 990 N, the President shall receive a confirmation copy from the Club Treasurer that postcard form has been filed electronically. In the case of the Club President not being available the Club Treasurer may sign the income tax form.

Once the appropriate forms have been signed, but before being forwarded to the IRS, a scanned copy of the form is to be sent to District 7720 Treasurer.

Both the Club President and the Club Treasurer should know the deadline dates for filing with the IRS, as well as how to apply for extensions, if necessary.

North Carolina does not require an income tax return to be filed with the State if a federal return is filed.

Failure to File

Should a Club fail to file an income tax return, the Club is in jeopardy of losing its non-profit status under the Rotary International umbrella. If that occurs the Club must apply independently to the IRS to have its tax-exempt status reinstated. In the meantime, the club must file income tax returns as if it were a for-profit entity and pay taxes on the net income.

Think it will not happen to you? At one time five clubs in District 7720 had their non-profit status revoked by the IRS for failure to file income tax returns.

We are asking that you inform our District Treasurer when you have filed your tax form! This is only to help keep all clubs on schedule to complete this filing. You do not want your club to fall into this abyss!

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Important Dates

District Learning: TBD

Rotary International Convention 2025:

Calgary June 21-25

Governor's Installation:

Wednesday, June 11 – Washington Yacht & Country Club
7155 River Road, Washington, NC 27889

RLI Learning:

Log into district calendar for dates and locations,
<https://www.dacdb.com/SecLogin3.cfm>

District Conference 2026:

April 11-13
Doubletree Hotel
Atlantic Beach, NC, 28512

