The Piedmont Rotarian



Disease Prevention Month

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Our Rotary
Foundation
By James Gouty
District Rotary
Foundation
Chair
2022-2025



FOUNDATION NEWS

James Gouty DRFC December 2024

SUPPORTING THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

We as Rotarians continue to make a difference in the world and in the communities, we live in and serve. We focus on the 7 Areas of Service and do provide life-changing solutions to myriad of issues facing our communities and the world.

I would ask you to remember the work our Foundation does, from large multi club global grants to smaller single club district grants, disaster relief grants, global scholarships, Peace Centers, and the eradication of Polio.

The bottom line is, our Foundation touches the lives of millions of people around the world and in our district and I hope you will join me in supporting this life changing organization.

I would ask that each club take a look and ascertain where you stand at the midyear point in your club's giving and go ahead and ask your treasurer to send in any funds collected to date.

CHANGE IN GLOBAL GRANT FUNDING

The global grants committee recently made a change to the way our district allocates DDF as a portion of Global Grant funding.

Historically, the district has used DDF to fund 1/6 or 16.67% of the total grant amount, going forward the district will fund 1/4 or 25% of the total grant amount.

This change in funding will apply to grants in process and new grants.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Marc Benard.

FOUNDATION PROGRAMS

With a new Rotary Year comes time to begin scheduling Foundation presentations in the clubs.

I am available to come and speak to your club on all things foundation.

Just contact me at <u>iggouty@gmail.com</u> to set up a time and date.

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 25, 2025--Grants Management Training, Randolph Community College in Asheboro NC



Grant Management Training

January 25, 2025

8:00 am Registration 8:30-3:00pm

Randolph Community College in Asheboro, NC

For your club to qualify and participate in District Grants / Global Grants, Rotary International requires that at least 2 members of your club attend the Grants Management Seminar.

There is NO charge to attend.



Membership Focus
By PDG Jon Spillman
District Membership Chair
2022-2025



Leadership Lessons from Bill Belichick

This month the University of North Carolina hired six-time Super Bowl Champion Bill Belichick as head football coach. Coach Belichick, widely regarded as the greatest NFL football coach of all-time, focused on three key items to help New England Patriots succeed. They are:

<u>Do your job</u> - Everyone on the team has a specific role to play. Players are asked to focus on their role only, are held accountable and winning will take care of itself.

<u>Incremental Improvement</u> - Success is a process. The Patriot Way is about being prepared and looking for ways to get better every single day.



<u>Care for Teammates</u> – His teams are not just a squad of players but individuals that have lives outside of football. "The more you and the organization help take care of personal situations the smoother the ship runs."

Belichick success in the NFL came from building a strong organization with an emphasis on preparation, improvement and caring for its individuals. To help your Rotary Club get New England Patriot type results, our Membership Team is focused on three aspects of membership, which we call the 3 Cs:

<u>Club Experience</u> – Creating a warm welcoming environment with engaging meetings is essential to attracting and keeping club members. Surveys suggest the reasons people join Rotary and stay in Rotary revolves around club experience. Namely: meeting enjoyment, dynamic meaningful service projects, building connections and leadership development opportunities.

<u>Create New Pathways</u> – For many clubs around North America, clubs practice only one way for members to be a part of their Rotary club. There are simple ways to create more pathways for potential members. First expanding membership types by adding corporate, family, social or service to the mix. Another example of creating new pathways is to form new satellite or companion clubs such as alternative meeting times, interest, or caused based clubs. Recent examples of new successful types of clubs are IMPACT (service only), golf and Latino clubs.

<u>Connect to Discover Rotary</u> – A 30-to-45 minutes Discover Rotary session before or after a meeting is an effective way to describe Rotary, what we do, the benefits of being a Rotarian, and to share your club's story. Check out the district website under membership resources or call a membership team member who will help your club get started.

As Bill Belichick said, "What we can control is our performance and our execution, and that's what we are going to focus on."



DISTRICT 7690 YOUTH SERVICES

Brent Holmes - District 7690 Youth Services Chair

<u>District 7690 Peace Conference for Interact Clubs</u> – this Conference is scheduled for **Monday, January 20, 2025** (MLK Holiday). District 7690 Interact Clubs are encouraged to learn more about 'Peace' and complete a Service Project.

<u>District 7690 Jim Armstrong Four Way Speech Contest</u> – the annual District 7690 Jim Armstong Four Way Speech Contest is scheduled for <u>Saturday</u>, <u>February 22</u>, <u>2025</u> at Randolph Community College.

<u>District 7690 RYLA</u> –District 7690 Rotary Youth Leadership Awards is scheduled for <u>June</u> <u>12-15, 2025,</u> at Oak Ridge Military Academy in Oak Ridge, NC.

Check out <u>Youth Services - Rotary District 7690</u> for all District 7690 Youth Services information – *Interact, Jim Armstrong Four Way Speech Contest, RYLA, Youth Exchange, Youth Peace Action, Youth Protection Policy, and Monthly Youth Services Meeting Presentation and Recordings.*



Subject: Exciting News: Bluefields, Jamaica Clean Water Global Grant Approved!

Dear Rotarians of District 7690,

I am thrilled to share the wonderful news that the Bluefields, Jamaica Clean Water Global Grant has been officially approved! This achievement would not have been possible without the incredible financial support from the Rotary Clubs of Asheboro, Crescent, Guilford, Kernersville, Mocksville, Southern Guilford, Western Forsyth, and Yadkin County.

Your generosity and commitment to making a positive impact are bringing us one step closer to improving access to clean water for the community in Bluefields. While the project timeline is still to be determined, please know we are working diligently to finalize the details and will keep the district updated as we progress.

Thank you for living out Rotary's motto of Service. Above. Self and making a meaningful difference in the lives of others.

Warm regards, Karen Pollard, Crescent Rotary Club 2025

RYLA Is Growing and We Need Rotarian Support!
Consider a Leadership Role or Committee Position!

- RYLA Board
- RYLA Management Team
- RYLA Conference Committees

Submit Online Interest Form



LIVE FROM CHEROKEE

District Conference 2025

231 REGISTERED BY 12/31

REGISTER NOW

MAY 1 - MAY 4, 2025 CHEROKEE, NC



Register on DacDB

162 ALREADY REGISTERED!