

Rotary

Club of Greer



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Club Meeting

Greer Meets at Cartwright Food Hall, 2nd Floor, 215 Trade St, Greer, SC 1st and 3rd Tuesdays
Time: 05:30 PM

Club Officers



James Nichols
President



Anna Ryan
President-Elect
Vice President

President's Corner

All,
Can you believe it? With Memorial Day behind us, we are now heading towards summer with a full head of steam!
We should end this Rotary year with over 50 members! How incredible! The fact our club will turn 3 in June makes it even more astounding!

The District Conference was held in Columbia in May, and I had the opportunity to represent our club to discuss Dining Around Greer. The information was well-received, and there were many Rotarians from around the District who attended, and spoke very highly of our club and the event.

We also hosted the inaugural meeting of the Mauldin Happy Hour Club, our new satellite club. We look forward to watching the club grow with the same speed as Greer!

This past Saturday, seven members of our club assisted the Pleasantburg club in placing flags on veterans' graves in remembrance of Memorial Day. Thank you to Eric, Deanna, Claudette, Kyle and Sylvia for participating. And thanks to Eric for bringing his nephew Kaesyn to assist!

June is shaping up to be a great month! On June 3rd, we will be hosting District Governor Rysheeka Bush along with District Foundation Chair Beth Padgett. We will be celebrating all of our wins for the year with some well-deserved awards and recognition. Please make every effort to attend!

And don't forget to invite family and friends in the Mauldin area to our satellite club, which meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday at 5:30, at Rocco's restaurant in Bridgeway Station.

As always, I am so very proud and humbled to be able to lead this incredible group of Rotarians. Thank you for all you do. ~ Jim



May Project Volunteers

Helping other clubs is part of our club story! Thank you to those who joined Reedy River and Pleasantburg Clubs in May to assist in their projects -- that's the Rotary spirit!

Thank You to Our May Project Volunteers



Flag Planting Pleasantburg Club:

Deanna Austin
Eric Bridge
Kyle Brook
Claudette Eames
Jim Nichols
Sylvia Vanini

Duck Derby Reedy River Club: Claudette Eames





Amy
Sherrill
McBurnie
Secretary



Melissa
Patterson
Treasurer

May Meetings & More...

May Meetings Recap: Celebrating Local Impact



Our May meetings were full of purpose and pride! On **May 6**, we awarded our first **Rotary Club of Greer scholarship** to **Alvaro Sosa**, a remarkable local student with a bright future.

Then on **May 20**, we presented grants to **seven of our eight 2024 recipients**, made possible by funds raised through *Dining Around Greer*. These outstanding organizations are making a difference right here in our community!

Upstate Warrior Solution
Adaptive Pickleball
Greer Relief
Greer Community
Ministries
Greer Soup Kitchen
Creative Advancement Centers
Cops for Tots



Our eighth recipient, **Healthy Kids Initiative by Leadership Greer Class 45**, was unable to attend but received their grant as well.

Thank you to all who helped make these contributions possible — service above self in action!

More Meetings...

A few members of our club attended the District 7750 conference where Jim Nichols also gave a presentation on Dining Around Greer and our successful fundraising efforts. We also won a Silver Spirit Award for our level of participation in the conference.





And last but not least...we had a Rotary Greer support group at the Mauldin Happy Hour Club kickoff! Don't forget we are sponsoring this club in their formation and club leadership encourages you to attend if you are able -- 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 5:30 PM.

Help Us Choose Our Next Fundraiser!

A big thank you to everyone who submitted ideas for a new Rotary Club of Greer fundraiser! We've received some creative and exciting suggestions, and now it's time to narrow them down.

This new fundraiser won't replace our existing events—it's an opportunity to increase our visibility in the community and raise additional funds to support even more organizations.

We're hoping to launch something between **September and November**, and your input is essential. Take a look at the list of ideas and let us know which **one or two** you think would be both **fun and successful** for the club to organize and for the community to enjoy.

How to vote:

Review the fundraising ideas found [here](#). Each idea has a number. Simply pick the one or two you like best and let us know your top choices:

- **In person** at Tuesday's meeting
- **Or by email** if you can't attend

We'll tally up the responses and start the conversation about next steps based on what most members support and are willing to lead.

Let's come together to launch something great for Greer!

Rachel A.
Fundraising Chair

Freedom Blast is HERE!

Freedom Blast is coming to Greer on Saturday, June 28. This event honors veterans and the men and women of the US Armed Forces. We will have the opportunity to give back by serving a meal in the hospitality suite. Watch for information about how to sign up to volunteer coming soon from Amy!



Coming in June!

Our June meetings are a chance to close out the Rotary year and celebrate members and leaders! You won't want to miss June 3, when our special guests are District 7750 Governor, Rysheeka Bush, and District Foundation Chair, Beth Padgett. If you missed them before, don't miss them this time. They are both inspirational!

Special Guests: Rysheeka Bush, District 7750 Governor, & Beth Padgett, District Foundation Chair



June 3

5:30 PM

Cartwright Food Hall



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Then join us again on June 17 for our next Rotarian Member Share. Have you spoken yet? If you haven't and are interested in sharing a little about yourself with the group, please let us know!

Save the Date

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1st & 3rd Thursdays: Mauldin Happy Hour Club
(our satellite club) meeting at Restaurant Rocco,
315 BridgeWay, 5:30 PM

June 28: Greer Freedom Blast

July 18: District 7750 Awards & Installation,
Poinsett Club, Greenville

August 9: Rotary Learning Institute (RLI),
Duncan, SC

Rotary Leadership Institute in August

Ever wondered what the wider Rotary organization is about? Where can you learn more about the history and organization of Rotary? Interested in connecting with other Rotarians from other clubs to share and problem-solve together? Well, RLI is the place to start! The next Rotary Leadership Institute is in Duncan on August 9. Sign up early as spots fill fast, and don't forget to tell the treasurer when you complete a component, and you'll receive 1/2 off your next dues invoice.

Rotary Leadership Institute
Duncan, SC
August 9

Register Now



Find Your Passion in Rotary!

Rotary Leadership Institute
August 9, 2025
SPARK Center, Duncan, SC
Register at www.midatlanticrli.org
or the District Calendar in DACoB

Join us for an RLI event to learn about our Rotary history, our Foundation, strategies for why and how to grow membership and the latest public image/public relations ideas. Learn, share, and network with fellow Rotarians about how they serve our community and the world.
All sessions are highly interactive and fun.

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Community minded people,
passionate & fun people,
practical & resourceful people,
helpful people who want to
lead Rotary into the future.

Communication Notice!



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Are you getting emails from admin@rotarygreer.org? If the answer is no, please check your spam folder and allow these emails to come to your inbox! Emails from this address are connected to our Google Drive. If you can't accept these emails through your work inbox and that is what the club has on file, please send a request to admin@rotarygreer.org from the email you want to use, and I'll add you to the group. ~ Carrie

Birthdays



Ian Gonzalez
June 2nd



Brantlee J Slusser
June 18th



Kerry Krause
June 27th