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# Greenville Rotarian

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## Rotary Club of Greenville OUR NEXT MEETING

*Join us at the Westin Poinsett Hotel  
Tuesday, November 22 at 12:00*

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REGISTER



## Thanksgiving with Friends

Join us on Tuesday we will celebrate together at our club assembly "Thanksgiving with Friends." We will take this time to get to know each other and our Club on a deeper level.

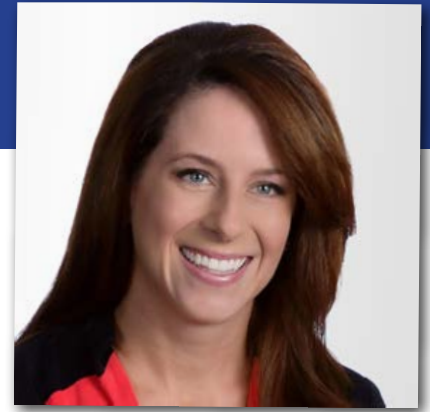
The Assembly will include presentations from some of our service projects, including Read to Me, EarlyAct FirstKnight (EAFK), Veteran Mentor's Project, and the International Committee. There will also be a Networking Exercise (Scavenger Hunt).

### INVITE A FUTURE ROTARIAN AS A GUEST

\$21 includes a delicious lunch, an inspiring program, and free parking.  
Preregistration is required. Walk-ups cannot be accommodated.

# President's Message

Wisdom from President Stephanie Lewis



Happy Thanksgiving! I'm thankful for each of you and the work you are doing to make our community better through your Rotary service. We will celebrate together on Tuesday at our club assembly "Thanksgiving with Friends." We will take this time to get to know each other and our club on a deeper level. Here's what is going on around the Club:

## November Service Project

Our November Service Project is a food drive for Triune Mercy Center! Last meeting, we heard Deb Richardson-Moore talk about the struggles and needs of the ministry at Triune. Please be part of the solution and bring items for Triune's food pantry to the next Club meeting on November 22. The specific needs are: peanut butter, canned tuna & chicken, jelly, pasta sauce, pasta, canvases for the art room, and acrylic paint. If you would like to donate but cannot attend the November 22 meeting, please contact me at [lewiss@jacksonlewis.com](mailto:lewiss@jacksonlewis.com).

## Networking

Our next Happy Hour will be at Hall's Chophouse Monday, December 5 (Rotary Connect: The Idea Hour). We have had great attendance, and this is a nice opportunity to bring your significant other or a prospective member or just get to know your fellow Club members better. We are also doing a small test to see how closely y'all are reading the newsletter. If you [click on this link](#), with the subject "Points," we will give you 100 free Paul Harris Foundation points.

## Discover Rotary

Please bring your friends to Discover Rotary to learn more about our club! Our next Discover Rotary is December 13 at 11:00 am at the Westin Poinsett. [Register here](#).

## Nominations

Calling all future leaders of our Club! Please nominate a deserving candidate for the open Board positions. Please return by November 21.

## Holiday Lights

The mountain will be lit soon! Holiday Lights is our Club's main fundraiser, and proceeds go directly to support our service projects, including Read to Me, Money Smart, Service Above Self Scholarships, and our work in Haiti and Honduras. Please sign up to volunteer to support this important Club fundraiser— we have plenty of openings and can accommodate any of your scheduling needs:

Thank you for all you are doing for our Club and our community. It is a pleasure serving with each of you.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephanie Lewis". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

# Mark Your Calendar

## UPCOMING EVENTS

November 22	Club Meeting, 12:00 at Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring a Thanksgiving with Friends
November 28	Rotary Charities Board, 12:00 at Data Warehouse
December 13	Discover Rotary 11:00 at Westin Poinsett Hotel
December 13	Club Meeting, 12:00 at Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring the Greenville County Teacher of the Year
December 20	Club Meeting, 12:00 at Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring State Representative Bruce Bannister
January 10	Club Meeting, 12:00 at Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring Chief Ken Miller
January 24	Club Meeting, 12:00 at Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring Mayor Knox White
March 16	Carolinas PETS (President Elect Training Seminar)
June 10	Rotary International Convention, Atlanta, Georgia
June 30	District 7750 Awards and Installation Banquet, TD Center

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## New Time and Location

**DISCOVER**



**Rotary**

Please bring a potential member to our next Discover Rotary Tuesday, December 13 at 11am at the Westin Poinsett Hotel, before our regularly scheduled Club meeting. We changed the time and location to make it easier for you to bring potential members to learn about our Club. You can also have your guest join your for our Club program immediately following Discover Rotary.

# Ho. Ho. Ho.

## Celebrate the Holidays Before the Season

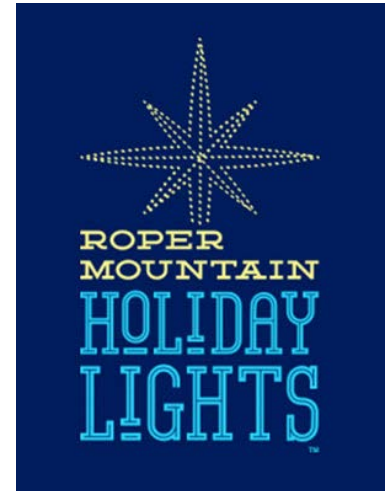
### ***Last Volunteer Set Up Weekend***

We are at the very end of setting up the displays for Roper Mountain Holiday Lights. Every weekend between now and Thanksgiving week, we will be preparing and erecting the displays for this year's festivities. We need your help to ensure a successful event. **Go to the [Greenville Rotary calendar](#) to sign up.** Thank you for your participation.

Holiday Lights continues to be our club's biggest fund-raiser, and this year marks the 25th year! As always, we count on our members to help make this event amazing.

We have a few critical needs dates that are crucial to our efforts being a success. Please help us by serving as a leader or volunteer for the following dates:

- Saturday, November 26
- Sunday, November 27
- Saturday, December 24
- Monday, December 26
- Tuesday, December 27
- Wednesday, December 28
- Thursday, December 29
- Friday, December 30



### ***Gate Captains Needed***

Be a good Santa and help make our guests experience the MOST wonderful time of the year! Gate Captains are needed 5:30pm to 10:00pm on selected weekdays and each weekend from November 24 through December 30, 2016. It's going to be great and you'll have a great time doing it. Please contact Mary Grimes McGreer to sign up and get details! She can be reached at [marygrimes@hotmail.com](mailto:marygrimes@hotmail.com) and phone number 864-395-5868 or 864-676-9002!

### ***Gate Captain Training***

We will be holding two training sessions this weekend, November 19 & 20 to familiarize you with gate operations and placement of volunteer personnel. The first session will be Saturday morning at 9:30 am and the second session on Sunday at 1:30 pm. Both sessions will be at the Roper Mountain Holiday Lights Gatehouse. Please enter via the volunteer gate located on Independence Blvd just off of Roper Mountain Road. Each session will only take about 30 minutes. Thank you for volunteering to help!



# ROPER MOUNTAIN HOLIDAY LIGHTS

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## Snowflake Sponsor Agreement Form

November 24 – December 30, 2016

We sincerely appreciate your sponsorship. Please make checks payable to *Roper Mountain Holiday Lights, Inc.* and mail your check and this completed form to:

*Roper Mountain Holiday Lights, Inc.  
Attn: Caroline Stewart, Treasurer  
13 Lanneau Drive  
Greenville, SC 29605*

### For Individuals and Families Only

\$100 Donation will sponsor a Lighted Snowflake and donor will receive a pass good for one visit to Holiday Lights for a car, SUV, or minivan.

**Check Amount Enclosed: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Snowflake for: Name(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Check one (if appropriate)**     In memory of     In honor of

(The Snowflake information provided above will be used to recognize the sponsorship on the Holiday Lights website.)

**Mailing Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City, State, Zip** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address** \_\_\_\_\_

(Intended for the sole purpose of correspondence between Holiday Lights and the person purchasing a Snowflake sponsorship. Address information will not be sold for third party use.)

For questions, please email Caroline Stewart at [RMHL2013@gmail.com](mailto:RMHL2013@gmail.com)



# Become A Holiday Lights Sponsor

We are looking for sponsors for our big year! Sponsor opportunities are listed below.

Please contact Elizabeth Lyons ([elyons@tdconventioncenter.com](mailto:elyons@tdconventioncenter.com)) if you would like to be a part of the event that has allowed the Rotary Club of Greenville to fund all of our scholarships, grants and projects for the last 25 years!

## Presenting Sponsor – \$25,000

- Lead sponsor – only one is available
- Recognition in billboard, radio advertising, social media and the electronic Holiday Guide
- Recognition on the Roper Mountain Holiday Lights website with a hyper-link to sponsor's website
- Recognition displayed on RMSC's permanent electronic kiosk from Thanksgiving Day to December 30
- Prominent entry signage at the event
- Exclusive signage at the exit
- Recognition in signage at Winter Wonderland
- Recognition at the Sponsor "Thank You" breakfast following the end of the event
- 100 complimentary event passes

## Diamond Sponsor – \$10,000 to \$15,000

- Recognition in billboard, radio advertising, social media and the electronic Holiday Guide
- Recognition with signage as the sponsor for one of the following: the Pre-Opening Ceremony, the lighted stage at the Amphitheatre, the Front Gate Volunteer Warming House, or the Sponsor and Volunteer Thank You Breakfast (Selection is based on a first come basis.)
- Recognition as a Diamond level sponsor on the Roper Mountain Holiday Lights website with a hyper-link to the sponsor's website
- Recognition as a Diamond level sponsor in signage at the entry
- Recognition as a Diamond level sponsor in signage at Winter Wonderland
- 40 complimentary event passes

## Platinum Sponsor – \$5,000

- Recognition on all social media and the electronic Holiday Guide
- Recognition as a Platinum level sponsor on the Roper Mountain Holiday Lights website with a hyper-link to the sponsor's website
- Recognition as a Platinum level sponsor in signage at the entry
- Recognition as a Platinum level sponsor in signage at Winter Wonderland
- A lighted sign with your company logo displayed adjacent to one of our signature Platinum level displays on site (Display selection is based on first come basis)
- Recognition at the Sponsor "Thank You" breakfast following the end of the event
- 25 complimentary event passes

## Gold Sponsor – \$3,000

- Recognition on social media and the electronic Holiday Guide
- Recognition as a Gold level sponsor on the Roper Mountain Holiday Lights website with a hyper-link to the sponsor's website
- A lighted sign adjacent to one of our signature Gold level displays on site (Display selection is based on first come basis)
- Recognition at the Sponsor "Thank You" breakfast following the end of the event
- 15 complimentary event passes

## Silver Sponsor – \$1,500

- Recognition on social media and the electronic Holiday Guide
- Recognition as a Silver level sponsor on the Roper Mountain Holiday Lights website
- A lighted sign adjacent to one of our signature Silver level displays on site (Display selection is based on first come basis)
- Recognition at the Sponsor "Thank You" breakfast following the end of the event
- 10 complimentary event passes

## Bronze Sponsor – \$750

- Recognition in social media and the electronic Holiday Guide
- Recognition as a Bronze level sponsor on the Roper Mountain Holiday Lights website
- A lighted sign adjacent to one of our signature Bronze level displays on site (Display selection is based on first come basis)
- Recognition at the Sponsor "Thank You" breakfast following the end of the event
- 6 complimentary event passes

### By Supporting Roper Mountain Holiday Lights....

- You support Greenville's largest, local not-for profit holiday tradition
- You support the Roper Mountain Science Center
- You support local charities and education through Rotary Charities and the Rotary Club of Greenville

Over 80,000 people will see that you have made an investment for the benefit of the Upstate!

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## 2017-2018 Nominations are Being Taken

During the last one hundred years, the Rotary Club of Greenville has done remarkable things that have made our community and region greater. We have been blessed with superior leadership and a committed membership. As we approach the end of our Centennial year we must look to the future and insure that the leadership of this Club can take us to even higher goals. It is time we consider who will serve as our officers and serve on our Board of Directors for the next two years.

Nominations are being accepted at this time for the positions of secretary, treasurer and for five directors to serve on our Rotary board during 2017-2018. A nomination form is attached. The Nominations Committee wants all Rotarians to have a voice in the leadership of our club, and the nomination of Rotarians for these leadership roles is a critical way to have that voice. Self-nomination is certainly acceptable, as we want leaders who are willing to make a personal commitment to move our club forward.

You may send me an email at [don@ferncreekcreative.com](mailto:don@ferncreekcreative.com) with any questions. The deadline for nominations is November 21st. Please participate in the election of leaders for 2017-2018 by nominating Rotarians for these important leadership roles!



## Rotary Club of Greenville

**Nominations for Officers and Directors in the Rotary Club of Greenville for 2017-18 are now open.**

**According to Article 3 of the Bylaws of the Rotary Club of Greenville, at least one month prior to the Annual Meeting on December 13, 2016, we begin the process of electing leaders for 2017-2018. The President for 2017--2018 will be Scott Stephens who is serving as President-Elect during 2016-2017. The President-Elect for 2017-2018 is Russ Miller who is serving as Secretary during 2016-2017.**

Nominations are being requested for the following positions of leadership:

**Secretary-** The secretary works closely with the Administrative Director in keeping records, reporting changes in attendance to the board, reviewing minutes, preparing the club directory, and performing other duties that pertain to the office of secretary. For succession planning, it is expected that the secretary would serve as president-elect the following year and as president after that if confirmed by the nominations committee.

**Treasurer-** The treasurer is responsible for the financial records and reporting for the Club. The treasurer works closely with the Administrative Director and the senior leadership of the club to develop an annual operating plan, to report monthly on the financial condition of the Club, to monthly reconcile the Club's bank statements and to complete the IRS 990 for the Club.

**Five Directors** – Directors serve a term of two years on the Rotary Club of Greenville Board of Directors and provide leadership for the Rotary areas of service and committees of the club.

### Nomination Form

**Are you willing to take a leadership position in the Rotary Club of Greenville? If so, which leadership position are you willing to consider? Self-nomination is appropriate for leadership in Rotary.**

Your name \_\_\_\_\_ Leadership position \_\_\_\_\_

**Are there Rotarians in the Rotary Club of Greenville you would like to nominate for the leadership roles listed above?**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Position for which nominated \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Position for which nominated \_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS IS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2016 AT 5:00 PM.  
NOMINATIONS MAY BE MADE ON THIS FORM OR SENT BY EMAIL TO DON KOONCE, CHAIR OF THE  
NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE AT [don@ferncreekcreative.com](mailto:don@ferncreekcreative.com)**



# Charities and Why We are Here

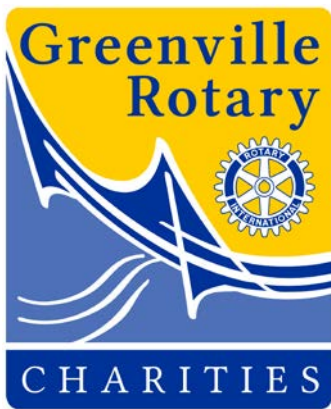
## Support Greenville Rotary Charities by Using Amazon Smile

**Remember to use AmazonSmile on Black Friday.**

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## The Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- FIRST:** The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- SECOND:** High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- THIRD:** The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- FOURTH:** The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.



# CELEBRATE WITH US IN ATLANTA

Our hope is that more than 45,000 Rotarians visit Atlanta for the convention, and that everyone goes home saying they had a great time. We want you to experience the hospitality of Atlanta and feel the passion Rotarians have for doing good in the world.

I'm really looking forward to sharing this with my son and brother, both Rotarians who have never been to a Rotary International Convention. Hope to see you in Atlanta.



Robert Hall, Rotary Club of Dunwoody,  
Georgia, USA

Chair, Host Organization Committee,  
2017 Atlanta Convention

**Register today at  
[riconvention.org](http://riconvention.org)**

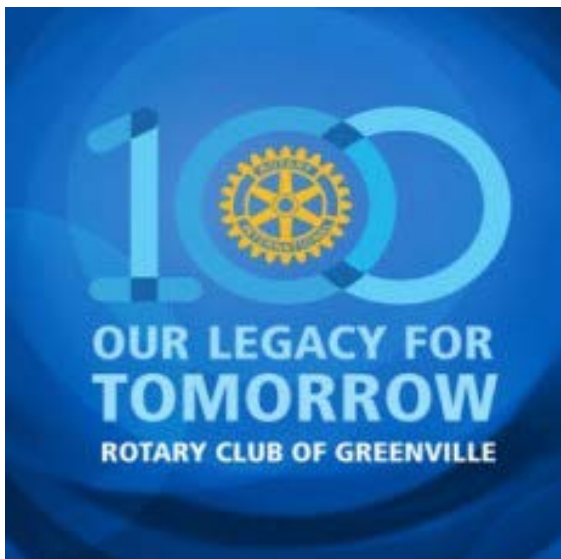


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ATLANTA, GEORGIA, USA  
10-14 JUNE 2017**



Of the things we think, say or do

1. *Is it the TRUTH?*
2. *Is it FAIR to all concerned?*
3. *Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?*
4. *Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?*



## The Greenville Rotarian

Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Greenville

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Monday - Thursday - 8:30 am to 3:00 pm. Friday - Closed.