



Greenville Rotarian

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Rotary Club of Greenville OUR NEXT MEETING

Join us at the Westin Poinsett Hotel
Tuesday, June 27 at 12:00

Jennifer Stillwell
VisitGreenvilleSC



Jennifer is EVP/Chief Strategic Officer at VisitGreenvilleSC, the official destination marketing organization for the City and County of Greenville, SC. VisitGreenvilleSC's work in economic development is repeatedly recognized by industry peers for excellence in destination marketing.

She is an accomplished, energetic and versatile marketing professional with more than nineteen years in the advertising agency business prior to her jumping client side in her most recent role as EVP/Chief Strategic Officer and Chief Marketing Officer with VisitGreenvilleSC. A high-level strategic thinker and key contributor to the creative process, Jennifer is arguably one of the travel and tourism industry's most knowledgeable and decorated brand strategists.

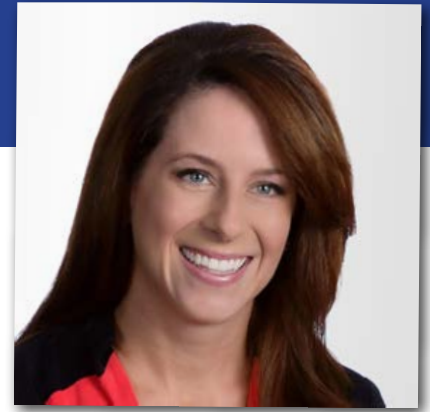
Her success with powerful brand-building, results-driven marketing continues with the highly successful, internationally award-winning "yeahTHATgreenville" campaign. As the lead brand architect and brand navigator, in just under four years, the "yeahTHATgreenville" brand campaign has been cited as a Best-In-Class example in travel and tourism marketing, twice winning the prestigious Platinum Adrian Award from HSMIAI. In total, the "yeahTHATgreenville" campaign has been recognized with thirty-four prestigious awards in four years.

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



THANK YOU!!

What a fun and rewarding year this has been as your Club President!! Thank you all so much for everything you have done and continue to do to make our Club great! I have been inspired and encouraged by each of you, and I have formed and deepened friendships that will last a lifetime.

Together, we have accomplished a lot this year! We crossed the million dollar mark for donations to the Rotary Foundation as a Club. This will help support countless service projects worldwide in the neediest places. We have funded 4 wells for women who previously had no access to clean water through our Women at the Well project. We supported a goat project in Haiti and a clean water project in Honduras and hosted trips to visit these international service projects. Locally, we hosted regular service projects for our non-profit members and opened our Rotary Career Readiness Learning Center at the Greenville Literacy Association, which was made possible through our Centennial Service Project. We donated \$15,000.00 to the Nicheltown Association to build a park, a project supported by both our Local Agency Grants committee and our diversity committee. We read to hundreds of students through Read to Me, mentored dozens of veterans on life and career skills, delivered financial literacy information to Serenity Place, launched a new entrepreneurial service project in collaboration with Mill Village Farms/Nasha Lending, raised record funds for Alzheimer's, and the list goes on and on. Operationally, we re-invested in our website to strengthen the membership experience, revised our bylaws and Club Constitution for the first time in many years, launched a Satellite Club at the Woodlands, hosted a record-breaking Golf Tournament, and took many steps to ensure that our members are fully engaged and appreciated.

I want to give special thanks to the Board of Directors:

- Scott Stephens (President-Elect)
- David Karr (Treasurer)
- Russ Miller (Secretary)
- Stinson Ferguson (VP-Membership)
- Don Koonce
- Ron Demonet
- Scott Powell
- Mary Grimes-McGreer
- Ryan Thackray
- Delisa English
- Maria Ahn
- Cory Patterson

And finally, we sadly say THANK YOU and goodbye to Mandy Dutton, our Club Administrator. Mandy has served this Club exceptionally for the past six years. It is with heavy hearts that we wish her the very best in her future journey. We are very pleased, however, to announce that Mandy is one of our newest Club members!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephanie Lewis". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. Below the signature is a thick red horizontal line.

Thank You, Stephanie!

What an amazing year! Thank you, Stephanie for an incredible year as President of the Club. When y'all get the chance, please personally think Stephanie for her dedication, passion, energy, and vision for the Club!



Mark Your Calendar

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 27	Club Meeting. 12:00 at Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring Jennifer Stillwell of VisitGreenvilleSC
June 30	District 7750 Installation and Awards Banquet. 5:30 at the TD Convention Center
July 11	Club Meeting. 12:00 at Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring the Passing of the Gavel
July 25	Discover Rotary. 11:00 at Westin Poinsett Hotel
July 25	Club Meeting. 12:00 at Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring Courtney Tollison Hartness
August 8	Club Meeting. 12:00 at Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring District Governor Ed Erick

District 7750 Award Banquet



Your District 7750 Awards and Installation Banquet is almost here and now is the time to register. The Banquet is Friday, June 30 at 5:30 p.m. at the TD Center in Greenville. The cost is \$45.

[Register NOW](#) for District 7750 Awards and Installation Banquet or send your regrets that you cannot attend by clicking here.

District Governor's Awards, Club of the Year and other Special Awards will be presented.

2017-18 Club Presidents, Club Officers, the District Governor, District Governor Elect, District Governor Nominee, District Officers, and Assistant Governors will be installed.

Take this opportunity to see how you and your club are an integral part of Rotary Serving Humanity and Making a Difference.

Mandy, We are Going to Miss You!

***Mandy is Stepping Down as Club Administrative Director;
But is Joining as a Rotarian***

"It is with a heavy heart to announce my resignation from the Rotary Club of Greenville. I have been offered a full time position and I have accepted the offer. My last day with Rotary will be June 15th. It has been a pleasure to work with such a wonderful group of people these past 6 years. I wish nothing but the best for all of you and will miss you greatly!"

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Rotary Business Mentors

We have a new vocational service project, Rotary Business Mentors. Briefly, we are looking for Rotarians who are interested in providing mentorship, coaching, and advice to disadvantaged startup entrepreneurs in the Upstate.

A qualified mentor needs to have owned or run a small business or a business unit of a larger company. If this describes you, I'm asking you to volunteer for a few hours a month, helping someone else up the economic food chain. If you have an interest, please tell us about your experience by completing a short Rotary Business Mentor Profile: <https://goo.gl/forms/OcqqIBxNNdMxPFsE2>. We'll attempt to make the best possible match between mentors and clients.

Interested Mentors will be invited to an Orientation/Training session and provided both engagement processes and collateral prior to assignment to a client. Please email or call if you have questions.



Bring a New Member No Initiation Fee Through June

We are enthusiastic and excited about the 2017-2018 Rotary Club Year! It should be a great year for both stronger friendships as well as service above self!

Through diversity of ideas and people, the energy and of the Downtown Rotary Club of Greenville is growing. In an effort to maximize the impact of our 2017-2018 club year, we are offering all new members a waiver of the \$150 initiation fee for applications received, accepted, and paid between April 15 and June 30, 2017. Additional annual fees are pro-rated for the remainder of the club year to include a nominal amount for club dues, meals, scholarship funding and a discretionary contribution to the Rotary Foundation.

Join us on June 25 for Discovery Rotary.

Membership



Sarah Abogast

Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations
Clemson University

Sponsors: Stinson Ferguson and Stephanie Lewis

Tony Brandon

VP of Sales, Marketing, Research and Development
NICCA USA, Inc.

Sponsors: Scott Stephens and Paul Wickensimer

Will Brasington

Executive Director

Clemson Alumni Association

Sponsors: George Fletcher and Phillip Kilgore

Donna Dant

Senior Director of Development

Clemson University

Sponsors: Lisa Minnick and Ron Demonet

Marcus Dines

US Army Recruiting Commander

US Army

Sponsors: Stinson Ferguson and Carlos Phillips

Mandy Dutton

Office Manager

Mackey Mortuary

Sponsors: Phillip Kilgore and Beth Padgett

Nancy Ferguson

Artist/Arts Administration

Sponsors: Stinson Ferguson and Stephanie Lewis

James Jordon

President

Jordon Construction

Sponsors: Phillip Kilgore and Carlos Phillips

Graham Rich

CEO

Renewable Water Resources

Sponsors: George Fletcher

Ashley Stemann

Learning Consultant/Sales

Cengage Learning

Sponsors: Ryan Thackray and Stinson Ferguson

Roper Mountain Holiday Lights

The Grand Finale

Celebrate the Holidays Now

It is Time to Start the Planning at the Mountain.

Roper Mountain Holiday Lights (our significant fundraiser for Rotary Charities) is searching for the following positions for the 2017 season. Commitment time frame is noted by each position.

Fundraising Committee: Concentrated commitment from now until November 1. Limited engagement from November 1 through February 28, 2018. We need two people to fill this committee.

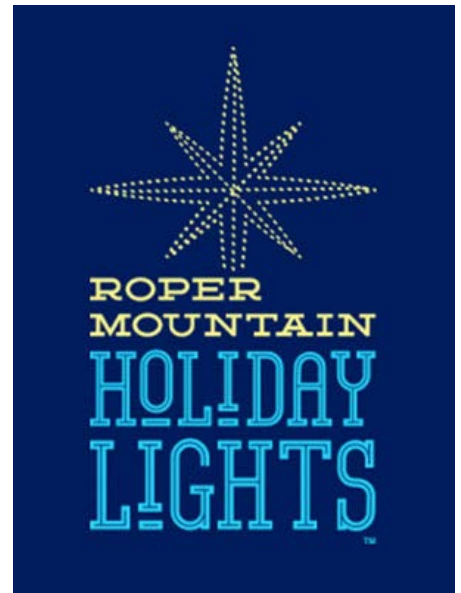
Display Committee: Concentrated weekend commitment from September 1 through November 22 and from January 2 through February 28, 2018. We need four people to fill this committee.

Bankers: 4 - 5 nights during the event between November 23 and December 30. Each night requires a four hour commitment. We need two people to fill this committee.

Gate Captain Committee: Concentrated commitment from November 1 through the event. Will be responsible for recruiting and training Gate Captains for seven nights. Committee is chaired by Mary Grimes-McGreer. We need three people to fill this committee.

Landscape Lighting Committee: Concentrated weekend commitment from October 1 through November 22 and from January 2 through January 28. Committee is chaired by Stefan Voss. We need two people to fill this committee.

If you have any questions about these positions, please reach out to Caroline Stewart (carolinestewart@LPBatson.com) or Ron Demonet (ron.demonet@gmail.com).

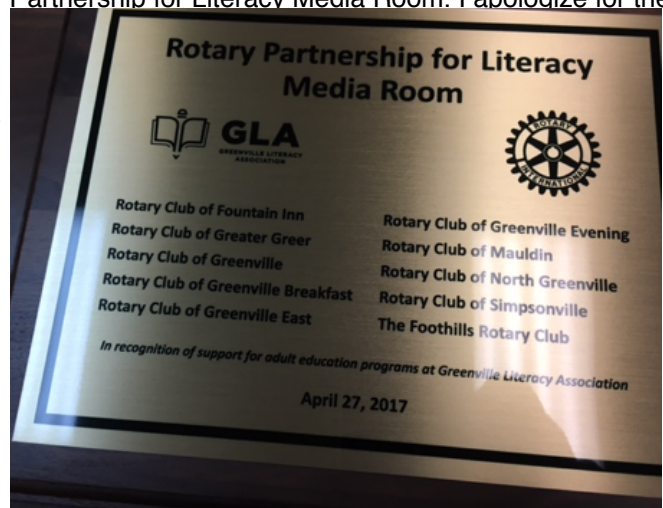


Greenville Literacy

Rotary Recognized by Greenville Literacy

Attached is a copy of the plaque that will be hung in the Rotary Partnership for Literacy Media Room. I apologize for the glare on the plaque; no matter how we positioned the plaque, the glare followed us! The plaque is beautiful! I hope that you have an opportunity to go by and see the plaque in the Rotary Partnership for Literacy Media Room at the Greenville Literacy Association.

Also, the Community Service Award given the Rotary Partnership for Literacy by the Greenville Literacy Association at their recent graduation ceremony was accepted by District Governor Lance Young. Following the presentation of the award, District Governor Young gave me the award. I would like to know what you want to do with the award. Is it possible to pass it around among our Rotary Clubs? At this time, it is in the office of the Rotary Club of Greenville. If you would like to display the award at a Rotary meeting, just let me know, and I will get it to you. If there is a Rotary Club that would like to "host" the award, let me know as well. The Rotarians who were able to attend the GLA Graduation really enjoyed the event.



You and your Rotary Club has made a difference for adult literacy in Greenville, and my hope is that you will keep adult literacy a high priority in your Rotary Club in the years to come. You should all be proud of your recognition for service through the Rotary Partnership for Literacy!

Rotarians Enjoy a Backstage Look at the Lion King





MEMBERSHIP PROPOSAL FORM

Proposed Member’s Business/Professional Information:

Name: _____ Title or Occupation: _____

Business Name: _____ Website: _____

Business Phone: _____ Email: _____

Business Address: _____
Street/City/State/Zip Code

Industry: _____ If not currently employed, are you: Retired
In Transition
Other

If retired or in transition, list employer/title/occupation/industry at time of retirement/transition: _____

Proposed Member’s Personal Information:

Mailing Address: _____
Street/City/State/Zip Code

Cell Phone: _____ Cell Carrier: _____ Email: _____

Which address do you prefer? Personal Business Which Email address do you prefer? Personal Business

Place of Birth: _____ Date of Birth: _____
(Year will not be published in Directory)

Spouse/Partner’s Name: _____ Date of Anniversary: _____
(Year will not be published in Directory)

If a former Rotarian, list club(s) and date(s): _____

If a former Rotarian, were you? Sustaining Member Board Member Active Exempt
Paul Harris Fellow Club President Rotaract

Are you a veteran? Yes No

Please explain your community service background and interest in joining the Rotary Club of Greenville (attach page if necessary):

Please Attach Updated Resume, Bio, or Linked in Connection.

Statement to be signed by Proposed Member:

I understand that it will be my duty, if accepted for membership, to exemplify the Object of Rotary (please see attachment and/or back), in all my daily contacts and. I agree to abide by the Four-Way Test. I agree to pay an initiation fee of **\$150.00** (does not apply to former members or transferring Rotarians) upon acceptance of my membership, as well as annual dues, luncheon meal fees, scholarship fund and Rotary International Foundation contribution on a timely basis and in accordance with the bylaws of the Club; additional information on costs is provided on the attached/back. I hereby give permission to the Club to publish my business and personal information (excluding actual years of birth date and anniversary date) and photograph to the Club membership via newsletters, meetings, an online Directory and the annual hardcopy Yearbook.

X

Date

X

Proposed Member’s Signature

Proposed Member should keep all back-up of the application form for informational purposes and obtain all signatures before submitting

1st Sponsor Printed Name _____ 2nd Sponsor Printed Name _____

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MEMBERSHIP PROPOSAL FORM

<p style="text-align: center;">Object of Rotary</p> <p>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:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service; 2. High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying by each Rotarian of his occupation as an opportunity to serve society; 3. The application of the ideal of service by every Rotarian to his or her personal, business and community life; and 4. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional men and women united in the ideal of service. 	<p style="text-align: center;">New Member “Fast Start” Plan</p> <p>As a new member of our club, you will be issued a red badge by simply designating you are a new member of our club. This helps our veteran members easily identify, welcome, and assist you in a smooth introduction and acclimation to our club. After six months, the club will order a blue badge to replace your temporary red badge.</p> <p>You will also be assigned a Mentor. This individual will introduce you to other members, be available to answer questions about our club, and help guide you in making decisions on the best ways for you to demonstrate “Service Above Self” throughout our organization.</p> <p>It’s common for new members to ask, “What now?” “How do I quickly take advantage of my membership and gain the benefits of being a Rotarian?” One of the first things you will do is attend the New Member Orientation along with your spouse/guest, Sponsors, and Mentor. If Holiday Lights is in full swing, you will be asked to sign up to volunteer to be part of our largest fund-raising event. There’s no better way to build relationships and become acclimated into our Club than working side-by-side with other Rotarians for a good cause. Within the first 90 days, the opportunities to get involved are limitless with attendance at all our lunch meetings, monthly Health & Happiness Hours, being a Greeter, exploring service-related activities and Club committees and much more!</p>																										
<p style="text-align: center;">The Four-Way Test</p> <p>Encouraging high ethical standards and respect for all worthy vocations has been a hallmark of Rotary from its earliest days. In their business and professional lives, Rotarians abide by The Four-Way Test: Of the things we think, say or do:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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? 	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th><u>Month Approved by Rotary Board</u></th> <th><u>Payment in Full</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>June 2017</td><td>\$992.00</td></tr> <tr><td>July 2017</td><td>\$934.00</td></tr> <tr><td>August 2017</td><td>\$877.00</td></tr> <tr><td>September 2017</td><td>\$782.00</td></tr> <tr><td>October 2017</td><td>\$724.00</td></tr> <tr><td>November 2017</td><td>\$667.00</td></tr> <tr><td>December 2017</td><td>\$571.00</td></tr> <tr><td>January 2018</td><td>\$513.00</td></tr> <tr><td>February 2018</td><td>\$456.00</td></tr> <tr><td>March 2018</td><td>\$361.00</td></tr> <tr><td>April 2018</td><td>\$303.00</td></tr> <tr><td>May 2018</td><td>\$246.00</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The above prices include \$150 initiation fee. Transferring or returning Rotarians should subtract the \$150 from the cost. A printed club directory can be purchased for \$12.00. A roster of the membership is available online at no additional cost.</p>	<u>Month Approved by Rotary Board</u>	<u>Payment in Full</u>	June 2017	\$992.00	July 2017	\$934.00	August 2017	\$877.00	September 2017	\$782.00	October 2017	\$724.00	November 2017	\$667.00	December 2017	\$571.00	January 2018	\$513.00	February 2018	\$456.00	March 2018	\$361.00	April 2018	\$303.00	May 2018	\$246.00
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<p style="text-align: center;">So What’s Next?</p> <p>Once you have completed the application (including two Sponsor’s signatures), submit your completed application along with an updated resume to the Rotary office. You can mail or email the documents. Once the documents are received, the application will then be submitted to the Board of Directors for approval at the monthly Board meeting. Once the Board has approved the application your name will be published in the club bulletin as a proposed member for seven days. After seven days you will receive a “New Member Invitation Letter” along with an invoice. A schedule of prorated dues based on the month the Board of Directors approves your application for membership is to the right.</p>																											

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