



# Greenville Rotarian

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*Service Above Self*

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## Rotary Club of Greenville OUR NEXT MEETING

Join us at the Westin Poinsett Hotel  
Tuesday, November 28 at 12:00



### Governor Henry McMaster

Henry Dargan McMaster of Columbia became the 117th Governor of South Carolina on January 24, 2017. The son of attorney and former state representative John Gregg McMaster and Ida Dargan McMaster, Governor McMaster is a lifelong servant of the State of South Carolina, having previously served two years as lieutenant governor, eight years as attorney general and four years as United States attorney.

McMaster was the first U.S. attorney appointed by President Ronald Reagan, and was unanimously confirmed by the United States Senate. His "Operation Jackpot" investigation into international drug smuggling produced over 100 convictions.

As attorney general, McMaster made prosecution of criminal domestic violence a priority and harnessed the resources of law enforcement and prosecutors to crack down on child Internet predators. He extended the state grand jury's jurisdiction to environmental and gang crimes and broadened its authority to include securities crimes following the collapse of Carolina Investors and Home Gold, convicting those responsible.

In 2012, McMaster and former attorney general Travis Medlock led a bipartisan commission to reform ethics laws and restore the public's trust in state government. McMaster was chairman of the South Carolina Republican Party from 1993-2002, winning reelection three times. As state GOP chairman, he led the party to Republican majorities in South Carolina's House and Senate.

Governor McMaster has served on the South Carolina Ports Authority Board of Directors, the South Carolina Commission on Higher Education, the Palmetto Health Foundation Board and the South Carolina Policy Council (as chairman). He is admitted to practice in all courts, state and federal, in South Carolina, as well as the U.S. Court of Claims (1974), the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit (1975) and the Supreme Court of the United States (1978). Governor McMaster is a recipient of the Order of the Palmetto, the highest civilian honor in the state, and was named "Public Servant of the Year" by the Sierra Club and "National Law Enforcement Officer of the Year" by The Humane Society of the United States.

McMaster received his AB degree in history in 1969 from the University of South Carolina and his JD degree in 1973 from the University of South Carolina School of Law, where he served on the South Carolina Law Review. He served in the U.S. Army Reserves in the JAG Corps from 1969 to 1975.

Governor McMaster is married to Peggy McMaster, and they have two children, Henry D. McMaster, Jr. and Mary Rogers McMaster. They are members of First Presbyterian Church of Columbia.

**INVITE A FUTURE ROTARIAN AS A GUEST -- \$21**  
Includes a delicious lunch, an inspiring program, and free parking.  
Pre-register your guest to save time at check-in.

# President's Message

Wisdom from President Scott Stephens



## Being Thankful

The Thanksgiving season is always a time of reflection for me. I'm sure it is for some of you too. It's during this time that I can think of all the things that I have to be thankful for. One of the things I am most thankful for as a member of Rotary Club of Greenville is the impact we as a club have made in our local community:

- We have donated money to help the Nicholtown Association build a playground for underprivileged youth.
- We have sponsored "Service Above Self" scholarships which help pay four years of college tuition for 4 outstanding young people.
- We have recognized and shown appreciation for top performing teachers and law enforcement professionals in our community.
- We have provided financial support for the Greenville Literacy Association.
- We have provided mentors for returning veterans and women who want to start a small business.
- We have sponsored the Early Act First Knight character building program at two elementary schools in the Upstate.
- We have donated money to fight Polio and Alzheimer's.
- We have provided vocational direction and guidance to high school seniors at our Career Day program.

Our Rotary Club makes a difference in people's lives, and I am thankful for this. We are members of an organization that impacts other people positively. For over 26 years, we have been able to do this with funds that have been provided to us by Roper Mountain Holiday Lights. This fundraising event has been the primary reason we are able to make such a difference in the Upstate.

This last year, please support Holiday Lights by volunteering on the mountain, purchasing a snowflake, driving through to see the lights, or making a financial contribution. Our success in the community is directly linked to the success of the lights event.

I'm thankful that Holiday Lights has provided so much for us! I'm also thankful for another opportunity to impact our community with the proceeds we receive this year. Oh yeah....I thankful for fellow Rotarians like you!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Scott Stephens". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Scott Stephens, President

# Mark Your Calendar

## CALENDAR

- Tuesday, November 28      Discover Rotary, 11:00 am, Westin Poinsett Hotel
- Rotary Club of Greenville Meeting, 12:00 noon, Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring **Governor Henry McMaster**
- Tuesday, December 12      Rotary Club of Greenville Meeting, 12:00 noon, Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring **Jim DeMint**
- Tuesday, December 19      Rotary Club of Greenville Meeting, 12:00 noon, Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring **the Annual Christmas Program**
- Tuesday, January 9      Rotary Club of Greenville Meeting, 12:00 noon, Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring **Mayor Knox White**
- Tuesday, January 23      Rotary Club of Greenville Meeting, 12:00 noon, Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring **Craig McCoy, CEO of Bon Secours St. Francis Health System**
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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.

# Remembering Virginia Uldrick

*Written by Paul Hyde*

Virginia Uldrick, a towering and beloved figure in education and the arts in Greenville, has passed away.

Uldrick, a deep-voiced opera singer and choral director, founded the South Carolina Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities and the Greenville school district's Fine Arts Center.

She's also fondly remembered for creating and leading Greenville's "Singing Christmas Tree," which featured high school choirs singing in a huge Christmas tree-like structure.

"Her greatest contribution was her love of teaching and mentoring young artists as if she was sent from above to inspire generations of young people," said Ann Hicks, the former arts writer for The Greenville News.

Uldrick's career as a music teacher and educational leader spanned more than 50 years in Greenville County before her retirement in 2003.

Uldrick started the "Singing Christmas Tree" in the 1960s, the Fine Arts Center in 1974, the six-week summer Governor's School in 1981 and, at age 70, the residential Governor's School in 1999.

She became the first president of the residential Governor's School after steadfastly advocating for the concept for 14 years. Earlier, she had led the Fine Arts Center, a magnet program, and taught music at Greenville High School.

Working with elected officials and community leaders to create the Fine Arts Center and later the Governor's School from scratch, Uldrick was a formidable force.

"She was determined and so committed to helping young people improve their education through the arts," said Dick Riley, the former U.S. Secretary of Education and South Carolina Governor. "She influenced South Carolina and especially Greenville in a very big way. Everything she touched was beautiful and worthwhile. She was a wonderful person."

Uldrick in 2014 was honored with Greenville's first statue of a woman: a representation of Uldrick conducting music students. The statue stands at the front of the Governor's School.

She was one of the first two women (along with Jeanet Dreskin) to join the Rotary Club of Greenville when Rotary opened its ranks to women in 1988.



# Announcements

## Welcome New Members

### **Jimmy Kimbell**

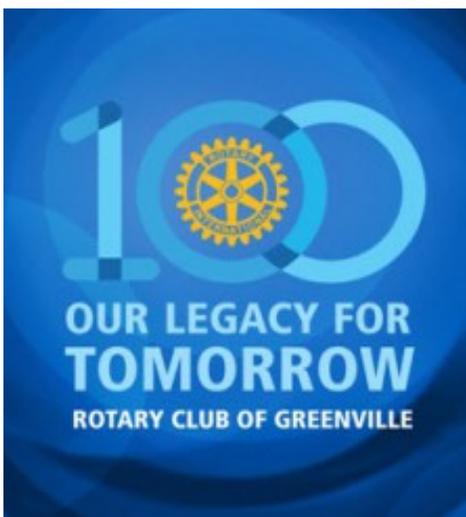
Upstate Regional Executive  
Coastal Carolina National Bank  
Sponsors: Bo Garland and Wil Brasington

### **Seth McDonald**

Executive Producer  
South Carolina Insurance Brokers  
Sponsors: Cary Wilson and Ryan Thackray

### **Bill Young**

Attorney  
Gallivan, White & Boyd, PA  
Sponsors: Mills Gallivan and Scott Stephens



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## Display Storage Space Needed

The exhibits from the 100 Year Anniversary that were featured at the Upcountry History Museum are currently being housed at Wyche. With the move of Wyche, the displays need a new home.

If you have some spare storage space where you could store these important displays, please let us know.

# Leaders Needed

## Calling All Future Rotary Leaders

Our Club needs you!! Nominations are now open for the Rotary Club of Greenville Board of Directors for the July 1, 2018-July 1, 2019 term. We need a strong and diverse group of leaders for the health and long-term success of our Club. Please consider volunteering to serve or nominating another Club member. Below is a description of open Board seats and expectations.

### ROTARY LEADERSHIP NOMINATIONS

Nominations for Officers and Directors in the Rotary Club of Greenville for July 1, 2018-July 1, 2019 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, we begin the process of electing leaders for 2018-2019. The President for 2018--2019 will be Ron Demonet, who is serving as President-Elect during 2017-2018. Scott Powell will serve as President-Elect during 2018-2019. The following positions are open:

Secretary - The secretary works closely with the club administrator 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 approved by the nominations committee.

Five Directors – Directors serve a term of two years on the Rotary Club of Greenville Board of Directors and provide leadership over committees.

### 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?

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

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 \_\_\_\_\_

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**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS IS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2017 AT 5:00 PM. NOMINATIONS MAY BE MADE ON THIS FORM OR SENT BY EMAIL TO STEPHANIE LEWIS, CHAIR OF THE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE AT LEWISS@JACKSONLEWIS.COM**

## Congratulations Catherine Stoddard and Dixon Hughes



The Greenville Chamber presented Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP (DHG) with the 2017 ATHENA Organizational Leadership Award for its commitment to increasing the positive impact of women's leadership in our community. The fourth annual award was presented at the Chamber's sixth annual ATHENA Leadership Symposium on November 14, 2017.

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## Give a Snowflake.

Remember a loved one, honor someone special, or show your family's support for the final year of Holiday Lights by sponsoring an 18-inch Snowflake at Roper Mountain Holiday Lights.

Displayed in Winter Wonderland, your \$100 donation will sponsor an 18" lighted snowflake! Your donation supports many worthy causes and will create a special memory during this last season of Roper Mountain Holiday Lights. Since every sponsorship also includes a pass for one visit to Holiday Lights, plan your family outing now to make your sponsorship both memorable and significant during this final season.



Please note, the honor of sponsoring a snowflake as an honorarium or memorial is reserved for families and individuals only.

Click on this link to light your snowflake:

Let's help make this a great final year! Sponsor a Snowflake Today!

# Gate Captains Needed!

Roper Mountain Holiday Lights (Nov. 23 - Dec. 30) - Some dates are still in need of Gate Captains.

Responsibilities include:

- Be available to work from 5:30 - 10:00 PM on your designated date.
- Recruit a team of at least 8 workers who can also work from 5:30 - 10:00 PM with you.
- Provide snacks for your team.
- Remember to check the weather and dress appropriately.

Contact Ron Demonet to schedule your date at [ron.demonet@gmail.com](mailto:ron.demonet@gmail.com).

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## Check Your DACdb Information

The directory will be published soon, and we want your information to be correct and up-to-date. Please take a few minutes to log onto DACdb and check to ensure your information is correct. Pictures in the Club Directory are a great way to identify club members, so while you're in DACdb, add a picture to your profile, or update the picture already there.

*Did you know...*

You can use your smart phone to connect to DACdb and have club information at your fingertips!

Here's how:

On your smartphone or electronic device, enter [m.dacdb.com](http://m.dacdb.com) in the search field.

Enter your login and password information, as well as our Club #: 6198.

You can select remember me to automatically log in each time you visit and click Login to access information.

If you need your login credentials, email Jeanine at [clubadmin@greenvillerotary.org](mailto:clubadmin@greenvillerotary.org).

DACdb Mobile

Log In

**DACdb**  
Rotary and Club Database

Login Name:

Password:

Club #:

 We noticed that your Login Name and Password were not saved. You are either a first time users, or possibly have some settings misconfigured on your device. [Click here](#) for more information.

Remember Me

# Become A Holiday Lights Sponsor

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

## 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 Amphitheater, 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!





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

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| RI President       | Ian H.S. Riseley |
| District Governor  | Ed Irick         |
| Club President     | Scott Stephens   |
| President Elect    | Ron Demonet      |
| Secretary          | Scott Powell     |
| Treasurer          | Mark Swanson     |
| Bulletin Editor    | Russell Stall    |
| Club Administrator | Jeanine Harrison |

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#### Office Hours

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