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Rotary Club of Greenville OUR NEXT MEETING

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

Palmetto Promise Institute

Featuring Jim DeMint and Ellen Weaver



Because we believe in the limitless promise of South Carolina and her people, as we fulfill our promise to promote a policy vision that returns dollars and decisions to individuals and communities...and inspires people to work together for our shared future. That's a promise we intend to keep.

Our vision begins with four foundational drivers of our state's future success: education, energy, healthcare and taxes. Each area represents untapped potential to afford every South Carolinian the opportunity to flourish. With your help, bold ideas and strategic, long-term thinking will carry the day. We hope you'll join us in this journey to unlock our Palmetto State's incredible promise!



Jim DeMint - Honorary Founding Chairman, Palmetto Promise Institute

A long-time proponent of freedom solutions in the halls of Congress, Jim DeMint developed his understanding of conservative principles in action as a husband, father and small business owner in Greenville, South Carolina. He continues to be a trusted advocate for the kind of bold, best-practice policy solutions that expand opportunity and prosperity for all Americans



Ellen Weaver - President and CEO of Palmetto Promise Institute

A seasoned veteran of policy and politics and a native of Greenville, Ellen worked for 12 years in a wide variety of roles in the operation of U.S. Senator Jim DeMint, both in Washington, DC and South Carolina. Her final assignment as State Director included responsibility for management of staff, communications, outreach and political strategy in the state. Her diverse portfolio has also included fundraising, speech-writing, state and national coalition-building as well as authorship of opinion editorials published both nationally and across the opinion pages of South Carolina. She serves as a Senate appointee on the SC Education Oversight Committee and is a member of the Columbia Rotary Club. In her spare time, Ellen is an avid reader and musician who loves to travel.

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



Holiday Memories

I have wonderful memories of Greenville during the holiday season. As a Greenville native, I remember the Christmas tree lights on the top of the Daniel Building. You could see them all the way from Easley! That tree was always the first indication that the annual Main Street Christmas shopping season had begun. Each year, my family would shop at Belk's, Penny's, and Ivey's, and then stop for lunch at Tanner's Big Orange for a hotdog and big orange drink. The Salvation Army Bell would be ringing and neighbors would all be downtown enjoying the season. We'd go caroling in the neighborhood with other kids and to the Memorial Auditorium to see the Singing Christmas Tree.

Everyone has Christmas memories and traditions. For over 26 years, our Rotary Club, along with the Roper Mountain Science Center, has helped Upstate families develop their own traditions by sponsoring the holiday lights at Roper Mountain. Last week while volunteering as a gate captain at Holiday Lights, I had the privilege of meeting one of these families. The McDonald family has visited Holiday Lights at least two to three times every year for the past twenty years. This year after they purchased their season pass, they decided that the whole family (mom, dad, and the four children ages 5 to 19) would all volunteer "one last time" on the mountain. While at Holiday Lights, they experienced both sadness and excitement. They were sad that the tradition is over, but excited that they had the opportunity to end their tradition by volunteering on the mountain and making another Holiday Lights memory for their family.

You have the opportunity to end the tradition well and make one last memory too! Volunteer one last time to ensure that this last Holiday Lights makes a significant impact for Rotary Charities in Greenville. It'll be four hours of service that you'll never forget.

Scott Stephens

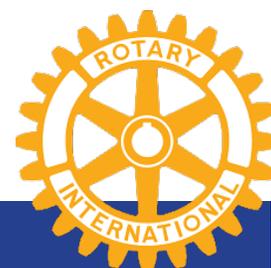
Scott Stephens, President



Mark Your Calendar

CALENDAR

- Tuesday, December 12 Rotary Club of Greenville Meeting, 12:00 noon, Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring **Palmetto Promise featuring Jim DeMint and Ellen Weaver**
- Tuesday, December 19 Discover Rotary, 11:00, Westin Poinsett Hotel
- Rotary Club of Greenville Meeting, 12:00 noon, Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring **the Annual Christmas Program. (NOTE DATE CHANGE)**
- 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.

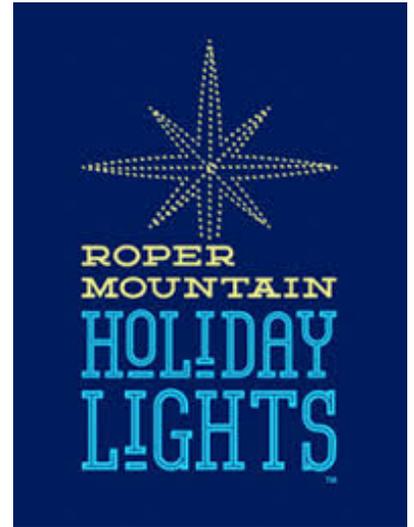
One Last Time!

Workers are still needed for December 24, 25, and 26!

Responsibilities include:

Be available to work from 5:30 - 10:00 PM on your designated date.
Remember to check the weather and dress appropriately.

Contact Ron Demonet to schedule your date at ron.demonet@gmail.com.



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 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.

The image is a screenshot of a mobile web browser interface for 'DACdb Mobile'. At the top, there's a 'Log In' button. Below it is the DACdb logo. There are three input fields: 'Login Name:', 'Password:', and 'Club #:'. Below the 'Club #' field is a yellow warning icon and a message: '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.' At the bottom, there are two buttons: 'Remember Me' and 'Login'.

Lend Your Support During the Holiday Season

It's that time of year when we as leaders in Greenville can make an impact for the less fortunate. During the holidays, worthwhile organizations, many represented by members in our club, will need volunteer support and financial help.

Please be sure to support, with both your time and financial resources, those organizations that make the holidays better for people in Greenville.

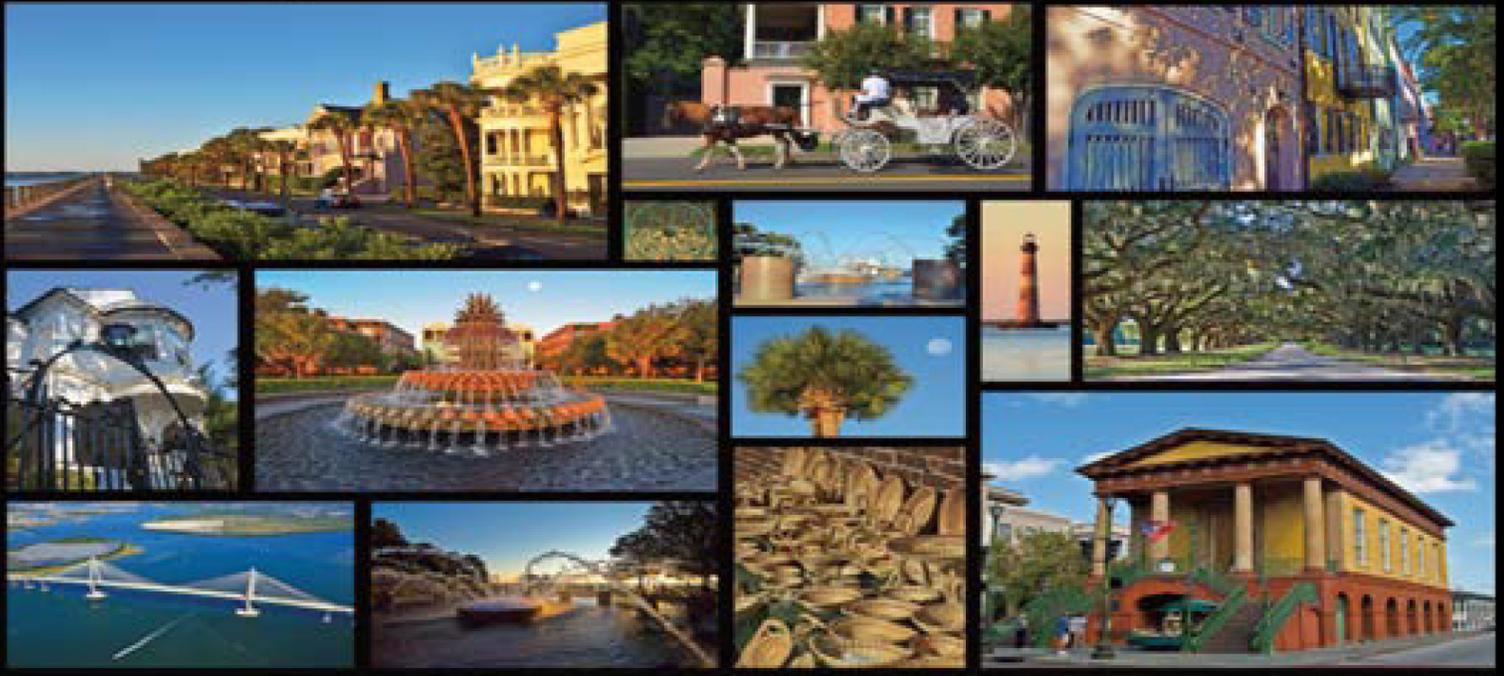
Below is a list of organizations represented by fellow Rotarians in our club:

- The Phoenix Center
- Boy Scouts of America
- Generations Group Homes
- Veteran Scholarships Forever
- Honor Flight Upstate SC
- The Peace Center
- The Greenville Zoo
- Greenville Meals on Wheels
- The Blood Connection
- Upstate Warrior Solution
- Compass of Carolina
- The Salvation Army
- Greenville Literacy Association Partners in Agriculture (Haiti)



THE JOINT ALL CLUB CONFERENCE

MAY 18-20, 2018



Rotary Districts 7750 and 7680



Sponsors are needed to help defray the cost of the Conference.
[Click here for a sponsorship form.](#)

Embassy Suites by Hilton Charleston Convention Center 5055 International Blvd., North Charleston, SC

Mark your calendar to enjoy a wonderful Rotary experience among fellow Rotarians and friends in Charleston, known for its rich history, southern charm, unparalleled beauty, and its celebrated restaurant community.

We will have outstanding, interesting speakers from leadership at Rotary International and other speakers of distinction.

Join us for a fun weekend of good food, musical entertainment, and to share many Rotary accomplishments as well as free time to enjoy Charleston, voted the Number 1 city in the world and in the U.S./Canada in 2016 by Travel + Leisure.

This is a Rotary experience not to be missed that you will long remember as we seek the goal of **"Rotary: Making a Difference."**



[Watch a video](#) about the Charleston/Embassy Suites/ Convention Center



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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