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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, October 10 at 12:00

**NOTE: Business Portion of Meeting Begins at 12:15**



### **Dick Wilkerson**

Chairman and President (Retired)

**Michelin North America**

Join us at our next meeting, Tuesday October 10, noon, at The Westin Poinsett to hear speaker Dick Wilkerson, former Chairman and President of Michelin North America address the Club.

Dick Wilkerson retired as Chairman and President of Michelin North America in 2011 after nearly 32 years with the company. Prior to this role, he held several senior positions with Michelin. During his career, Wilkerson worked in Michelin operations in France, Scotland, and North America.

Dick is active in the Greenville community. He is past chairman of the boards of the United Way of Greenville County, the Greenville Area Development Corporation, and the Community Foundation of Greenville.

Mr. Wilkerson holds a civil engineering degree from Duke University, an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from the College of Charleston, and an Honorary Doctor of Business Administration degree from Norwich University.

#### **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

A Thought From President Scott Stephens



## Spending Time with Other Rotarians

The other day, I met a man who looked very familiar to me. After we talked for a few minutes, we realized that we had met before. In fact, we attend the same church. We had talked with each other in passing, but because so many people attend our church, it's really hard to know other members.

Our Rotary Club is like my church - very large. It is a challenge to get to know everyone who is a member. I'm sure you've experienced this too. It's almost impossible to speak with everyone at our meetings. This is a shame because all of our fellow Rotarians have great stories to share!

This is why I want to encourage you to come to our outings and participate in special Rotary projects whenever you can.

On October 24th, we will be having our Annual Fall Outing at the Greenville Country Club. We'll have great food and drink, entertainment, and perhaps a couple of giveaways! Most important, we'll all have the chance to talk and get to know each other a little better.

Another great way to get to know one another is to volunteer a couple of hours helping to set up the lights at Roper Mountain. Every Saturday morning and Sunday afternoon until Thanksgiving, we have the opportunity to have some fun with other Rotarians and to help support the club's major fundraiser.

I love this quote: *"We don't meet people by accident. They are meant to cross our path for a reason."*

See you at the Fall Outing and setting up lights on the mountain. Make sure to register today!

*Scott Stephens*  
Scott Stephens, President



## 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.

# Mark Your Calendar

## CALENDAR

- Tuesday, October 10      Rotary Club of Greenville Meeting, 12:00 noon, Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring **Dick Wilkerson “Diversity and His Story”**
- Tuesday, October 10      Discover Rotary, 11:00, Westin Poinsett Hotel
- Tuesday, October 24      Rotary Fall Outing, 5:30pm to 8:00pm, Greenville Country Club**
- Tuesday, November 14      Rotary Club of Greenville Meeting, 12:00 noon, Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring **Lt. Governor Kevin Bryant**
- Tuesday, November 28      Rotary Club of Greenville Meeting, 12:00 noon, Westin Poinsett Hotel featuring **Governor Henry McMaster**
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## Rotary Fall Outing

You’ve experienced top notch Rotary luncheons and the solar eclipse.

Now, experience the 2017 Rotary Fall Outing!

You are invited to the 2017 Rotary Fall Outing at the Greenville Country Club on Tuesday, October 24th at 5:30 pm. Guests are only \$15 and prospective members are free. Hailed as a favorite event among Greenville Rotarians annually, the Fall Outing will include cocktails, hors d’oeuvres, door prizes, and entertainment provided by, drum roll please... fellow Rotarians! You don’t want to miss this fun evening at the Greenville Country Club!



RSVP required for both you and your guests/potential members! Register yourself, guests, and potential members NOW for the Rotary Fall Outing.

**[Click to Register Here.](#)**



There are numerous ways that Rotarians and Rotary clubs can contribute to hurricane relief and recovery efforts. We will highlight two here:

## TO DONATE through D7750

**Clubs and Rotarians in D7750 who want to donate to Rotary's efforts to provide relief to those impacted by Hurricane Harvey, Irma and Maria may send contributions to:**

**District 7750 Rotary Charities Fund  
P.O. Box 9092  
Greenville, SC 29604 USA**

Mark your check with the notation: "Hurricane Relief." The funds will then be disbursed to Rotary districts in need.

## Rotary Donor Advised Funds

President Elect Barry Rassin of Nassau, Bahamas in our paired Zone 34 created the Hurricane Emergency Relief Donor Advised Fund (No. 296) to collect funds for all Rotary clubs and districts affected by hurricanes in the Caribbean and southeastern United States. This includes Puerto Rico. All Rotary clubs in those areas can apply for funds from the DAF advisory committee of Rotarian leaders and anyone may contribute to the fund.

There have also been funds set up specifically for Puerto Rico (No. 614); to help those affected by Hurricane Harvey (No. 608) and the Mexican Earthquakes (No. 613). These funds also have advisory committees who will evaluate projects from Rotary clubs and disburse funds. Please note: donations to these accounts will not receive TRF recognition.

[Click to link where you can contribute to an already established Donor Advised Fund for hurricane or earthquake relief.](#)

Two powerful earthquakes hit Mexico, destroying buildings and highways, and killing hundreds of people. Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria have caused billions of dollars in damage.

Rotary club members continue to work on the ground to bring relief in their communities.

Rotary's partner, ShelterBox, is providing support to families displaced by the storms.

If you have questions about how you can help, contact [relief@rotary.org](mailto:relief@rotary.org). To see how clubs are helping, go to Rotary Ideas.

### Summary of Foundation Funds (as mentioned also at left)

The Rotary Foundation has established four special funds to collect donations to help victims of Harvey, Irma and Maria and the earthquakes in Mexico rebuild.

#### PUERTO RICO

Account name: Puerto Rico Recovery  
Account number: 614

#### MEXICO EARTHQUAKES

Account name: Mexico Earthquake Recovery Fund  
Account number: 613

#### HURRICANE HARVEY

Account name: Gulf Coast Disaster Relief Fund  
Account number: 608

#### HURRICANES IRMA AND MARIA

Account name: Hurricane Emergency Relief Fund  
Account number: 296



# Ho. Ho. Ho. 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.

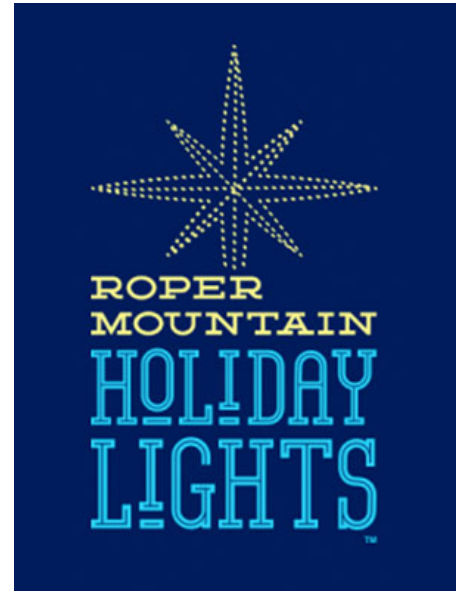
**Display Committee:** Concentrated weekend commitment from September 1 through November 22 and from January 2 through February 28, 2018. We need four people to fill this committee.

**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. 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](mailto:carolinestewart@LPBatson.com)) or Ron Demonet ([ron.demonet@gmail.com](mailto:ron.demonet@gmail.com)).



# 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!



## 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**

1<sup>st</sup> Sponsor Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Sponsor Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

1<sup>st</sup> Sponsor Signature \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Sponsor Signature \_\_\_\_\_

# Your Rotary Club Board of Directors



**Scott Stephens**  
President



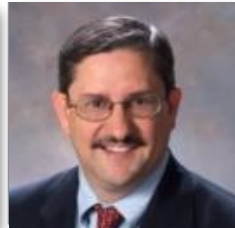
**Ron Debonet**  
President Elect



**Stephanie Lewis**  
Immediate Past  
President



**Scott Powell**  
Secretary



**Mark Swanson**  
Treasurer



**Walker Smith**  
VP Administration



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VP Service



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Montgomery**  
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**Russ Miller**  
Rotary Foundation  
Chair



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Fundraising Chair



**Cory Patterson**  
Board Member



**Grady Patterson**  
Club Director



**Ryan Thackray**  
Board Member





**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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#### **Office Hours**

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