

# Charles N. Starnes

## District 5730 Governor 2017-2018



Charles Starnes enjoyed a 27-year Navy career where he was Captain of a ballistic missile submarine and Naval Attaché to Germany. He then earned a PhD in economics from Texas Tech University.

A Rotarian since 1996, he served as Plainview's club president in 2008-2009 during which club membership grew 20 percent, earning a Presidential Citation. He served as District 5730 Membership Chair, Assistant Governor, and Lieutenant Governor, and on the Zone 21b-27 Membership Cadre.

A multiple Paul Harris Fellow, Major Donor, and Bequest Society member, Charles is a lifetime member of the Rotary Action Group for Microfinance and Community

Development, the Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group, and the Rotarian's Wine Appreciation Fellowship.

Charles believes that "Service Above Self" is an imperative. In addition to his Rotary Service he serves his city as Mayor Pro Tem on City Council, sits on the boards of the Texas Panhandle Heritage Foundation and the Military Officer Association of America, and volunteers with Boy Scouts and the Salvation Army Advisory Board. Susie and he are active in their church.

Charles is married to Susie Doyle of Houston, Texas, and they have four grown children and three grandchildren.

They reside in Plainview, Texas, where he is a Professor of Economics at Wayland Baptist University.

