



District Governor Shelby Rhodes
Weekly Newsletter
December 20, 2021



THIS EMAIL IS BEING SENT TO ALL DISTRICT 7475 ROTARIANS.

Hello District Rotarians,

CLUB OFFICER DEADLINE RAPIDLY APPROACHING!

It is very important Clubs enter 2022-23 Club Officer information by **DECEMBER 31** in ClubRunner so targeted communications can be directed to the correct 2022-23 officers.

Below are video instructions on how to enter officers from the District database and instructions on how to enter for your Club's database if you club subscribes to ClubRunner

[Entering Officers - Club Level](#)

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If your Club needs help with Officer Elections, please contact your Club's assigned Assistant Governor or DGE John Shockley at jshockley@911septicpumping.com.

CLUBS NEWS - WHAT'S UP AROUND THE DISTRICT:

[CLICK HERE](#) to access this week's article. How does your Club get featured next week? Simply email your news to Rotary7475news@gmail.com. Our deadline is every Friday around 5 pm.

2022-23 VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR:

PDG Ray Freaney of the Madison Rotary Club has been appointed by DGE John Shockley to serve as the 2022-23 Vice District Governor. PDG Ray was District Governor in 2019-20. Congratulations to PDG Ray and thank you for your continued service to our District.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2024-25:

Mark Hartmann of The Skylands Rotary Club was selected to serve as the 2024-25 District Governor. He has advanced to the position of District Governor Nominee-Designate (aka "DGND") as of December 7 and will be automatically advance to District Governor Nominee on July 1.

WHAT IS THE GOAL OF ROTARY FOUNDATION GRANTS?

During the past 100 years, the Foundation has spent over \$3 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects. With your help, we can make lives better in your community and around the world. The Rotary Foundation impacts communities through our grants program, which offers four opportunities for funding.

Let's look at the first two grant options: **District Grants** – fund small-scale, short-term activities that address needs in your community and communities abroad. Each district chooses which activities it will fund with these grants. How it works: Districts may use up to 50 percent of their District Designated Fund, based on the amount of DDF generated from a District's Annual Fund giving three years prior, including Endowment Fund earnings.

Global Grants – fund large-scale international activities with sustainable and measurable results that support Rotary’s areas of focus. Activities include humanitarian projects, scholarships, and vocational training teams. How it works: The minimum budget for a global grant project is \$30,000. District Designated Funds (DDF) are matched 80% by the World Fund. Clubs may also make cash contributions for the grant which are not eligible for a World Fund match.

REMEMBER: If you are a Rotarian, then The Rotary Foundation is your charity. Your generous gifts are used for projects your Club can design to benefit local and global communities. Learn more online [HERE](#).

JANUARY, FEBRUARY & MARCH EVENTS:

Tuesday, January 11 at 6 pm – District Leadership Meeting – Save the date District Officers, Executives, Leaders and Club Presidents for this in-person meeting which will be held at the Park Avenue Club in Florham Park. More details to follow as we get closer to the event. For more information, email me at Shelby@HartmannRhodes.com.

Tuesday, January 11 at 7 pm - Rotary District 7475 – RI Zone Membership Training- This presentation will be a Zone 32 membership seminar. Come and learn about five key areas that any club can concentrate on to ensure growth success. These come from a recently completed survey of about 90 clubs from Zones 28 and 32 that grew their membership significantly, despite the challenges presented by the pandemic.

We will be using the results of this study along with historical attrition and attraction data for each club in our zone to provide club-specific membership growth suggestions during our upcoming multi-district PETS membership workshops in February/March 2022. This will be an opportunity for each of you to see what we are planning, and most importantly, get your feedback prior to the PETS workshops.

SAVE THE DATE TODAY. Zoom link will be sent 2 weeks before January 11th.

THIS SESSION WILL BE RECORDED AND THE LINK WILL BE SHARED FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND DUE TO THE DISTRICT LEADERSHIP MEETING.

Wednesday, January 19 at 7 pm – Mental Health First Aid Training – The Community Connections Initiative group will hold an online workshop focused on Mental Health First Aid Training. Please see attached save the date flyer which you can share with your family, friends and colleagues. For more information, please contact PDG Ray Freaney of the Madison Rotary Club at rayfreaney@gmail.com.

Thursday, January 27 at 6 pm – District Finance Committee – Regular Committee meeting. Sign-up online [HERE](#). For more information, contact Finance Committee Chair Larry Wefferling at larry@wefferlingcpa.com.



Friday, January 28 at 12 noon – Facebook for Rotarians - Steve Shannon of Madison Rotary and the District 7475 Public Image Committee will lead a quick presentation on how easy and quick social engagement by all Rotarians on Facebook can help Rotary to drive awareness and action to create new members, participants, customers, donors, and influencers. Whether you're new to Facebook or have been on it for a while, you'll be sure to learn the ins and outs of how to effectively engage on Facebook to help Rotary locally and worldwide. Advance registration required. Sign-up online [HERE](#). For any questions, please email Steve Shannon at sjshanno@gmail.com.

Thursday, February 2 at 6 pm – Rotary District Foundation Committee (RDFC) – Please save the date. More details will follow in the New Year.

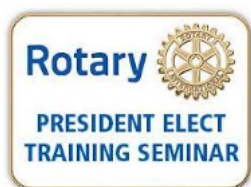
Thursday, February 3 at 6 pm – Advisory College of Past District Governors – The 2022 College meeting will be held at the Park Avenue Club in Florham Park. PDGs please mark your calendar. More details will follow in the New Year.



Saturday, February 5 at 9 am – Rotary Leadership Institute (aka “RLI”) – We’ll join District 7490 in hosting a virtual RLI. It will include RLI Parts I, II, III, and Graduate. **SAVE THE DATE NOW**. Registration will open in early January. For more information, email PDG Barry Kroll at barrykroll@aol.com.



Saturday, February 26 – President’s Ball & Polio Plus Dinner – Save the date now and plan to come out to show your support for our amazing Club Presidents while we raise money for the PolioPlus Program. More details to follow. For more information, contact Jodi DiPane -Saleem at aajodi@me.com.



SAVE THE DATE! - PRESIDENT ELECT TRAINING SEMINAR (aka “PETS”)

PETS is in-person this Rotary year! ... PETS will be held at the Marriott in Hanover, NJ on March 24-26. PETS training is **MANDATORY** for all Presidents-Elect, even if you are currently a President with a 2-year term or were President in the past. Plus, we’ll have two online Pre-PETS sessions on March 1 and March 8. Please save these dates now and future information will be sent out. For more information, contact DGE John Shockley at jshockley@911septicpumping.com.

APRIL, MAY & JUNE 2022 EVENTS:

Saturday, April 9 at 8am - Rotary Leadership Institute (aka “RLI”) -SAVE THE DATE NOW. Registration will open in early January. For more information, email PDG Barry Kroll at barrykroll@aol.com.

June 17-19, 2022 - Rotary Youth Leadership Award (aka "RYLA") – SAVE THE DATE NOW. For more information, email PDG Barry Kroll at barrykroll@aol.com.

APRIL 22-24, 2022 – DISTRICT 7475 CONFERENCE – Details, agenda, and registration information are available on the district website of [CLICK HERE](#) for details. For more information, contact Mike "Dutch" Minor at mminor@onevera.com.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR VISITS:

Please work directly with District Chief of Staff Mark Hartmann. He can be reached at 1-973-296-9507 (cell/text) or Mark@HartmannRhodes.com.

That's all for this week!

Be well + stay safe as we **Serve to Change Lives together!**

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