

# DISTRICT PULSE



Rotary  
District 7545



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## NOTE FROM THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Fellow District 7545 Rotarians,

Welcome to the revised D7545 Newsletter for 2023-24. Dubbed the ***District Pulse***, you'll find it to be much more streamlined and focused on events of value to you as a D7545 Rotarian. Enjoy!

October brings the beauty of fall colors. A great time of year in West Virginia. October also hosts a special day for Rotarians, World Polio Day on October 24th. Let's all make an effort to participate in supporting Rotary's #1 global effort and keep our promise to the children of the world to eradicate this dreaded disease (see the special article elsewhere in this newsletter).

Thank you for Creating Hope  
in the World!

**J. Dan McCarthy**  
Governor, RI  
District 7545



DG Dan & Carol McCarthy



## CLUB IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Serving Fayette County and the cities of Fayetteville and Oak Hill, the **Canyon Rim Rotary Club** is currently 30 members strong and growing. A member of Area 12, supported by Area Governor and DGND Rick Macak, their signature service project is "Taste of Bridge Day," where guests sample menu items from the area's finest restaurants and caterers, while

enjoying live music and local arts & crafts in an outdoor setting the evening before Fayette County's famed Bridge Day. Annually this project generates approximately \$15,000 to support local charities and club service projects.

Chartered on November 12th, 1923, the club will celebrate reaching century status next month and was honored as our **District Rotary Club of the Year** in 2023. The club is in its third year of consecutive membership growth. Club President Mike Smith indicates: "Our club continues to grow because the energy and talents of our new members combined with the experience of our older members continually identifies and supports new service opportunities in our community."

## FROM THE DISTRICT CALENDAR

### Upcoming Club Visits

District Governor, Dan McCarthy will be on the road this month, visiting with several district clubs:

Bluefield: 10/10

Barboursville: 10/11

Madison: 10/12

Elkins: 10/30

Cheat Lake: 10/31

Clarksburg-Harrison County: 11/1

## D7545 ROTARY FOUNDATION CELEBRATION

Our third annual District 7545 Rotary Foundation Celebration is scheduled for Friday, **November 3 at Pete Dye Golf Club in Bridgeport**. Cocktails will start at 5:00 pm with dinner at 6:00 pm. The cost is \$50.00 per person. Registration is now open on [DACdB](#), and the deadline for registration is October 27. Come join us!

## NEW SERVICE REPORTING PROCESS

Club service reporting has moved from Rotary Club Central to Rotary Showcase. See the DACdB story or review the email sent to Club Presidents and Service Chairs for details.

## 2023-24 DISTRICT GOALS

Building from the momentum of last year, your District Leadership has set some ambitious goals for this year. We'll provide periodic updates on our collective progress in future editions.

- End the year with a net growth of at least 30 Rotarians.
- Record at least 8,000 service hours.
- Contribute at least \$240,000 to The Rotary Foundation.
- Provide at least 100,000 meals to those in need.
- Start two new Rotary Clubs, three new Rotaract Clubs and four new Interact Clubs.
- Have at least 200 attend our District Conference in June 2024.



# WORLD POLIO DAY: OCT. 24TH

World Polio Day highlights the global efforts to end polio worldwide. These efforts had their origin as a Rotary initiative to immunize children in the Philippines which ultimately led to the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) in 1988 to eradicate polio worldwide.

When the GPEI began, polio paralyzed more than 1,000 children worldwide every day. Since then, nearly 3 billion children have been immunized. Only two countries remain who have not stopped polio transmission: Pakistan and Afghanistan, the current focus of the GPEI's efforts.

Every year on 24 October, we observe World Polio Day to raise awareness of the importance of polio vaccination and to celebrate the many parents, professionals and volunteers whose contributions make polio eradication achievable. To ensure a polio-free future for everyone, efforts must continue to maintain high immunization coverage, implement high-quality surveillance to detect any presence of the virus, and prepare to respond in the event of an outbreak.



## HOW YOUR CLUB CAN HELP

Whether you're hosting a fundraiser for World Polio Day, putting up a billboard to raise awareness, or giving a talk on polio at a local school, no action is too big or too small! If an event or project involves more than one club (district, zone, or country level), each club should register individually to reflect its participation.

## REGISTER YOUR EVENT

## DISTRICT POLIO RAFFLE

Purchase of a \$25 ticket buys you a chance to win a framed P. Buckley Moss signed and numbered print worth \$500. Only 100 tickets will be sold. All proceeds go to Rotary's Polio Plus Fund. See the DACdb story or look under the SHOP tab on our district website at [www.rotarydistrict7545.org](http://www.rotarydistrict7545.org).



HAVE A STORY YOU'D LIKE TO SHARE?! REACH OUT AND YOU JUST MIGHT SEE IT IN A FUTURE EDITION OF THE DISTRICT PULSE.

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