

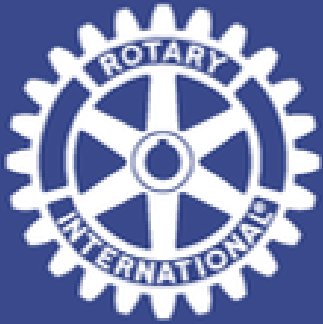
Chatham
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Club



IMPACT REPORT

2025 - 2026





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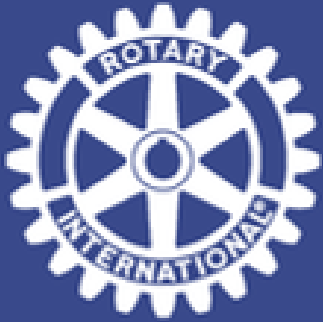
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A message from our President

R. Frank Fox, Jr.

President

As we have completed another Rotary year, I am happy to reflect that much has been accomplished. We were focusing on renewed energy this year for our projects to find new ways to significantly reduce costs and provide more value for the money invested in each one. Our Interact Club at Chatham High School has continued to develop in their second year of reorganization with fifty-five students participating. We completed our playground equipment project at Chatham's Harris Field and Play-ground, using grant funds awarded to us by the Rotary District. This required a match to be completed by individuals and our Club. We recognized many non-profit and service organizations in our area with donations totaling \$10,000. We participated in the 250 Celebration for Pittsylvania County, with our Hometown Heroes Honor Field at the Old Dominion Ag Center, placing 250 dedicated American flags from Memorial Day through the Fourth of July. I was honored as well to speak at the County 250 Ceremony, recognizing Chatham Rotary for its support.



As always, we thank all our sponsors for their important investments and recognize the community impacts they allow, to make Chatham Rotary a success. We cannot do what we do without your belief in our activities.

Thank you for your support of the Rotary ideal of "Service Above Self."

R. Frank Fox

Chatham Rotary Club
President
2025 - 2026

Service Above Self

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Service Above Self

PROJECTS

ADOPT A HIGHWAY

Background/History of Project:

For more than ten years the Chatham Rotary Club sponsored a stretch of Highway 57 near the town of Chatham, cleaning trash and debris from the roadside each spring and fall. Eventually, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) assumed responsibility for this section of the highway. Subsequently, the Club adopted approximately two miles along Anderson Mill Road just north of Chatham.



Project Overview:

During the fall and spring each year, members of the Club collect trash and debris along this roadway. Club members spend two to three hours on a Saturday morning in April and one in October filling large heavy-duty trash bags with trash. Community members show appreciation by waving as they drive by while cleanup is being done.

This kind of hands-on project demonstrates the Club's willingness to serve the Chatham community and to work to make the community a more attractive place to live. The Club also invites community members and volunteers to participate.

As we strive to give back to our community, these kinds of hands-on projects show our willingness to get involved in the upkeep and promotion of our local assets, making it safer for wildlife, and more attractive for our community. We also invite community members and volunteers to participate with us.

Community Impact:

"This program is a key strategy in maintaining a positive travel experience for residents and visitors, and in preventing litter from entering local waterways." (VDOT)

Rotary offers meaningful ways to create lasting, positive change, expand your leadership skills, and build lifelong friendships with people in your community and around the world. Every project and partnership helps you become part of something bigger than yourself. Whatever your skills or interests, you can find your place in Rotary.

PROJECTS

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE

Project Overview:

Each year the Club participates in the town of Chatham's Annual Christmas Parade. Club members decorate the Rotary float and ride in the parade with public officials, first responders, local high school bands, veterans' groups, pageant winners, and floats from churches and other town and county organizations. The Club encourages community residents and volunteers to participate.



Community Impact:

County residents flock to the town of Chatham to watch the parade each year, and while there they eat in the restaurants and purchase merchandise in shops. This is a day of family fun that builds community support and ushers in the Christmas Holiday.

THE DICTIONARY PROJECT

Project Overview:

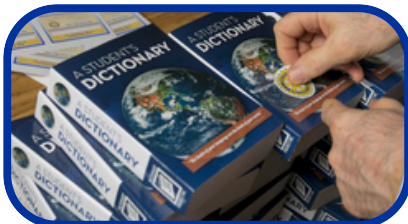
The Chatham Rotary Club purchases and distributes dictionaries to over two hundred (200) third grade students in five (5) northern Pittsylvania County Elementary Schools each year. During 2025-2026, the Club handed out two hundred and eighteen (218) dictionaries.

218!



Community Impact:

Chatham Rotary Club members share the Rotary's mission, values, and international, national and local projects with the students. Rotarians lead a discussion with students on how to use their new dictionaries and inspire a love of reading in students resulting in a positive impact on reading comprehension and excellent Standards of Learning State test results Pittsylvania County receives.



PROJECTS

EASTER “BASKETS”

Background/History of Project:

For more than four (4) years the Chatham Rotary Club has partnered with the Chatham Nursing and Rehabilitation Center to provide Easter Baskets to residents.

Project Overview:

Each Easter Club members fill goodie bags with snacks, toiletries and an assortment of items used by older adults. Club members deliver the Easter Baskets and visit with residents.



Community Impact:

The Easter “Baskets” provide delicious, needed, and fun items for the residents. This time provides an opportunity for residents and Club members to visit and learn about each other.

GOD’S STOREHOUSE

Project Overview:

God’s Storehouse works throughout Pittsylvania County communities to collect and distribute food and resources to those in need, promotes nutrition and connects residents to local resources. Chatham Rotary Club members perform many of these services.



Community Impact:

Chatham Rotary Club partners quarterly with God’s Storehouse and Kentuck Baptist Church to pack food to be distributed to families in need. This operation provides nutritious meals that reduces food insecurity and improves local food systems in Pittsylvania County. Approximately two hundred (200) individuals participate in this program each distribution cycle.

200!



PROJECTS

HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE

Background/History of Project:

For many years the Club has partnered with the Pittsylvania County Department of Social Services (PCDSS) to provide Christmas gifts to families in the Foster Care Program.

Project Overview:

Club members donate Christmas gifts to families in the Foster Care Program. PCDSS staff members provide information about the clients that include sizes of clothes and shoes, interests, wishes for gifts, etc. Rotarians purchase gifts and deliver the gifts to PCDSS. PCDSS distributes the gifts to the families.

Community Impact:

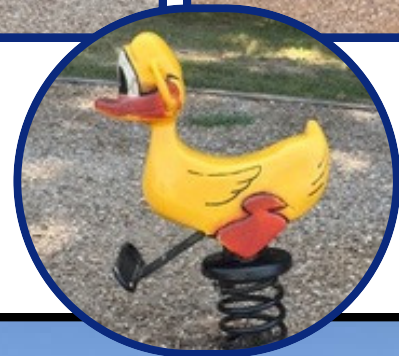
Children in the Foster Care Program need support from many different agencies. They seek normalcy in what can be chaotic circumstances. Christmas gifts provided by the Chatham Rotary Club inspire hope, reduce stress, and make a positive impact on the children. Toys deliver physical, emotional, and social benefits and clothing and shoes provide needed items that permit these students to assimilate with their classmates upon return to school after the Christmas Holidays.



PROJECTS

HARRIS FIELD PLAYGROUND

The Chatham Rotary Club raised \$13,272 from the Club, District and Community Grants to improve the Harris Field Playground* located in the town of Chatham. Harris Field is a high use outdoor sports complex that includes two little league baseball fields, a walking trail, pickle ball courts, bathrooms, concessions, paved parking and a playground. Prior to this renovation project, the playground did not have swing sets. The funds raised by the Club were used to purchase matching sets of swings. The two sets of swings included two swings designed for special needs children. The grant funds were also used to clean and mulch the playground. The work on the playground was completed during Spring 2026.



Completed!

PROJECTS

HOMETOWN HEROES 4TH OF JULY 250 CELEBRATION

Project Overview:

A weekend of celebration, remembrance, and family fun is what this project is all about! A parade, fireworks, great food and more brought the community together to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. The Chatham Rotary Club partnered with the Pittsylvania County Board of Supervisors and Pittsylvania County Administration this year to provide funding for the fireworks.



Community Impact:

The celebration always encourages local citizens to come together for a day and evening of fun; This event boosts tourism and has a positive and significant economic impact on local business activity.

HOMETOWN HEROES HONOR FIELD

Background/History of Project

The Chatham Rotary Club has constructed the Hometown Heroes Honor Field for several years that recognizes the contributions made by community members who served our Country valiantly in the armed services. The Honor Field is prominently located on Highway 29 beside the Olde Dominion Agricultural Complex and in front of the Pittsylvania County Farmers' Market.

Project Overview

As part of the Hometown Heroes Fourth of July Anniversary Celebration, the kickoff of this event was held at the Hometown Heroes Honor Field. This year the Honor Field displayed two hundred and fifty (250) flags in recognition of our Country's Fourth of July 250th Anniversary Celebration. Rotarians and county residents recognized relatives, friends, and acquaintances who served our Country by sponsoring flags in their honor.



250!

Community Impact:

The location of the Honor Field allows community residents as well as visitors to Pittsylvania County and the town of Chatham to view the field while traveling Highway 29 from Memorial Day through July 4th. The Field inspires town, county, state and national pride.

PROJECTS



INTERACT CLUB AT CHATHAM HIGH SCHOOL

Background/History of Project:

Interact programs help younger leaders build leadership skills, expand education and learn the value of service. Interact clubs bring together young people ages 12-18 to develop leadership skills while discovering the power of Service Above Self.

Project Overview:

Interact clubs organize at least two projects every year, one that helps their school or community and one that promotes international understanding. Rotary club sponsors mentor and guide Interact Club youth as they carry out projects and develop leadership skills.

Community Impact:

Opportunity for engagement of youth and introduction to the mission of Rotarian life.

NORTHERN PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY FOOD CENTER

Project Overview:

The Northern Pittsylvania County Food Center serves Pittsylvania County from Tightsqueeze VA to the Campbell County line. The distribution focuses on low- and fixed-income families in northern Pittsylvania County by delivering monthly food boxes. The Chatham Rotary Club assists with manpower for the distribution.

Community Impact:

Volunteers pack and distribute food to nourish neighbors and develop solutions to address food insecurity.



PROJECTS

WHEELCHAIR PROJECT: ARGENTINA

Background/History of Project:

In 2013 Woody Saddler (PDG) of Rotary District 7570 started raising money for two containers of wheelchairs to go to the southern Caribbean. Since that time, the Chatham Rotary Club has partnered with the District to send a financial contribution each year. Besides that contribution, occasionally a member will volunteer to go and participate in giving wheelchairs to those in need.



Project Overview:

In 2025, Phil Mauger, Treasurer of the Chatham Club went with the 7570 Delegation to Argentina to help in the distribution of the chairs. The 8-day visit incorporated travel to Mendoza and Cardoba to assist with the chairs and their recipients. These recipients lacked any type of mobility help and could not afford their own. It was an eye-opening and heart-warming experience to see the happiness and appreciation in the eyes of those receiving their own wheelchair!



Community Impact:

Immediately the impact for the recipients is evident in the gift of mobility; it provides accessibility, inclusion and dignity to each individual. In addition, empowering those who need mobility has an impact on the community development of their respective towns and villages.

A container holds between 250 to 280 wheelchairs. Each wheelchair affects, on average, 7 family members. Over 2,000 lives are impacted.



COMMUNITY PARTNERS

The Chatham Rotary Club is also proud of our community collaboration. By working together, the Chatham Rotary Club is able to support the mission of other local organizations and aid in transforming our region. Below are our annual partners:

Chatham
Rotary
Foundation



**Community
Foundation**
of the
Dan River Region



\$10,000 ANNUAL DONATION FUND

The Chatham Rotary Club \$10,000 Annual Donations Fund, was established to provide ongoing support to other community organization initiatives. We realized that the best support we can give our Partners is our consistent annual financial support. Each year, through fundraising, member donations and support from our sponsors, we make donations to other established community groups better positioned to directly help our youth and our community.

2025 - 2026 Recipients

Chatham Rotary Club Scholarship Fund

Each year two \$1,000 scholarships are awarded to a deserving student from Chatham High School and one from Gretna High School to assist with the costs of college or university. This fund is managed and administered by the Community Foundation of the Dan River Region.



Chatham Rotary Foundation

The Chatham Rotary Foundation was set up as the 501(c)(3) for the Chatham Rotary Club. The Foundation was created to support the ideals of Rotary, primarily to benefit organizations and projects that enhance the betterment of the community of Chatham and the surrounding area. The Foundation is the primary recipient of grants for, and the administration of, the Reimagine Chatham Initiative.



Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

Sponsorship of a local high school student to attend the District 7570 Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Seminar (RYLA) annually. Participants will have the opportunity to hear outstanding speakers, participate in team activities, practice leadership skills and grow personally by sharing ideas and experiences with peers throughout the district.



Big Brothers Big Sisters

Big Brothers Big Sisters operates under the belief that inherent in every child is incredible potential and works to ignite, empower, and defend that potential through one-to-one mentorship.



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\$10,000 ANNUAL DONATION FUND

2025 – 2026 Recipients

Boys & Girls Clubs of the Danville Area

The Boys & Girls Clubs provide kids and teens a safe place to develop essential skills, make lasting connections and have fun. As a result, Club kids are more likely to graduate from high school, be physically active every day and volunteer in their communities.



Chatham First

A group of volunteers dedicated to a three-fold mission: to enhance quality of life for members of our community, to support local business and improve the commercial center, and to attract tourists to our area.



Church Based Tutorial

Providing free tutoring services in Danville, VA, Pittsylvania County, and Caswell County schools North Carolina. We help K-12 students excel academically, build confidence, and develop strong character.



God's Pit Crew

Whether it's trained disaster response teams, construction projects, regional distribution or blessing buckets, God's Pit Crew stands with communities to provide the needs of people that have been impacted by disaster.



God's Storehouse

God's Storehouse works throughout the Danville and Pittsylvania County communities to collect food, distribute food resources to those in need, promote nutrition, and connect customers to local resources. This work is possible thanks in large part to community partner donations.



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\$10,000 ANNUAL DONATION FUND

2025 – 2026 Recipients

Northern Pittsylvania County Food Center

The Northern Pittsylvania County Food Center serves Pittsylvania County from Tightsqueeze to the Campbell County line. The distribution focuses on low and fixed income families in northern Pittsylvania County by delivering monthly food boxes.



SPCA of Pittsylvania County

The SPCA of Pittsylvania County is a volunteer foster-based animal rescue based in Chatham, VA. The organization is committed to ensuring positive outcomes for all animals while also working to reduce the overpopulation of companion animals.



Rotary International Clean Water Initiative

Through water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) programs, Rotary's people of action mobilize resources, form partnerships, and invest in infrastructure and training that yield long-term change.



WATER, SANITATION,
AND HYGIENE

Rotary District 7570 Wheelchair Initiative

The Chatham Rotary Club donates to this worthy program. Each year the Wheelchair Foundation awards a matching District grant to provide wheelchairs for those in need. Fundraising efforts and club donations enable the goal of filling at least 1 container (280 wheelchairs) each year for those in need.



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ANNUAL GALA RUN FOR THE ROSES



Our signature event is the Kentucky Derby themed Annual Gala, and is as lively and entertaining as you might expect, while retaining the level of quality that the club has always been known for. The 2026 Run for The Roses Gala celebrated the running of the Kentucky Derby. We also used this time to showcase our Annual Sponsors.

The evening's fun included:

- VIP Seating & Parking
- Bar and Themed Cocktails
- Heavy Hors d'Oeuvres & Desserts
- Live Music
- A Wine & Truffle Pairing
- Bourbon Tasting
- Pony Betting
- Best Dressed Gentleman
- Best Dressed Lady
- Photo Booth



A special thanks to this year's host





SPONSORS

2026 CHATHAM ROTARY CLUB

Behind every successful event, winning team, or life-changing mission, there is a silent engine of generosity. Sponsors are more than just financial contributors. They are the visionary partners who believe in our cause.

We take this opportunity to express sincere gratitude for the generous support of our local business sponsors. Your support and belief in our mission help us achieve our goals for the community, and reinforces our commitment to the Rotary Motto: Service Above Self.

Special thanks to our 2026

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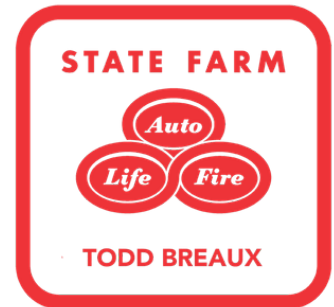
Danville Community College



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LEAVE A LEGACY

Leaving a legacy is about more than money or material possessions. Think about what matters most to you, and why it might be important to you to leave something behind. It can be a special summary of what your life has taught you, or how you want others to benefit from your legacy. Consider donating to the following funds that have been established by Chatham Rotary Club.



Chatham Rotary Club Scholarship Fund

Through the Community Foundation of the Dan River Region, Chatham Rotary Club created a scholarship fund for graduating seniors from Gretna High School and Chatham High School, with a preference for students who are a member of their school's Interact Club. Scholarships are an incredible source of financial assistance for young students today. Many student loans carry a "less than desirable" interest rate and create a financial burden for young professionals. Investment into our scholarship fund can enhance student performance, providing opportunities in education that will help them to succeed; it vastly reduces financial stress and helps students focus more on studies. The generosity of your donation can help alleviate the higher costs of education today.

Donate To the Scholarship Fund Here:

Scan the QR code or visit:
chathamrotaryclub.com/fundamentals/scholarships/



Chatham Rotary Foundation

When you donate to Chatham Rotary Foundation, you help to enhance the quality of life of the residents of Chatham and surrounding areas. Each year, Rotarians contribute to Build a Better Community through local giving. Not a Rotarian? If you are not a Rotarian but would like to contribute to our Foundation we welcome your contribution. The Foundation is a registered 501(c)(3) charitable organization and 100% of your contribution will stay in the local community. You will receive a letter recognizing your contribution for tax purposes.

Donate to the Chatham Rotary Foundation Here:

Scan the QR code or visit:
chathamrotaryclub.com/fundamentals/crc-foundation/



ABOUT ROTARY

Rotary is a global network of more than 1.2 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves. Our global network provides 47 million hours of volunteer effort each year!

What We Do:

Rotary members believe that we have a shared responsibility to take action on our world's most persistent issues. Our more than 45,000 clubs work together to:

- Promote peace
- Fight disease
- Provide clean water, sanitation, and hygiene
- Save mothers and children
- Support education
- Grow local economies
- Protect the environment

47 million!
hours

Our Mission:

We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

Vision Statement:

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.



OUR HISTORY

The Chatham Rotary Club was organized in March 1939. Around one hundred persons attended Charter Night, which was held at Chatham Hall. The Danville Club, represented by Curtis Bishop and Bascorn Jordan, sponsored our Club. Ed Brush, business manager at Chatham Hall, was elected the first president by thirteen men who signed the charter.

THE FOUR-WAY TEST

From the earliest days of the organization, Rotarians were concerned with promoting high ethical standards in their professional lives. One of the world's most widely printed and quoted statements of business ethics is The 4-Way Test, which was created in 1932 by Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor (who later served as RI president) when he was asked to take charge of a company that was facing bankruptcy. This 24-word code of ethics for employees to follow in their business and professional lives became the guide for sales, production, advertising, and all relations with dealers and customers, and the survival of the company is credited to this simple philosophy. Adopted by Rotary in 1943, The 4-Way Test has been translated into more than a hundred languages and published in thousands of ways.

Herb Taylor insisted there is a lot of good in everybody, but too often we look only for the bad. The Four Way Test encourages the good in the person who uses it. It helps people to think right and to think things through before they speak or act. The four Way Test started in an office in the days of the Great Depression as the result of a prayer for help to preserve the jobs of 250 people. Through Rotary International, it spread around the world. It has influenced thoughts, words and actions of countless people, and through them, even government and world events. It is a test for all time and for all people. Try using it on the next decision you face.



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WAYS TO JOIN ROTARY

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...Rotary.org

Are you interested in joining Rotary? Below are the different ways you can join the Chatham Rotary Club.



ROTARY MEMBER: Every organization needs active participants to achieve its goals. If you have the passion, interest, and your busy schedule allows, we encourage you to join us as a Rotary Member. The Chatham Rotary Club cannot survive without a vibrant and enthusiastic membership.



CLUB ADVOCATE: For those individuals who believe in what we do, but cannot commit to regular membership because of work and personal commitments, we invite you to join us as a Chatham Rotary Club Advocate (Individual Sponsor); and participate in the projects and events that interest you!



BUSINESS SPONSOR: For more than a decade, Chatham Rotary Club has expanded its reach and impact through the generous support of our local business. We understand businesses/owners cannot attend meetings, however, our service projects that benefit the community need funding to be successful. We therefore encourage your business to join us as a Business Sponsor.



ROTARY PARTNER: There's always so much to be done and there are many community organizations doing great work in our local community. Collaboration is key! Chatham Rotary Club is passionate about supporting the mission of other local organizations. Together we make things happen.

If you are interested in joining the Chatham Rotary Club, visit ChathamRotaryClub.com/join or scan the QR code to join today!



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