



Rotary International

Rotary International is the global association of Rotary Clubs. Our 1.2 million members are the heart of our service efforts and share a dedication to the ideal of Service Above Self.

Rotary's leadership team reflects the diverse cultures and occupations of our members around the world. Whether helping to develop Rotary policy, providing financial support, managing a global staff, or advancing Rotary's strategic plan, each member of the team is dedicated to helping our volunteers connect, communicate, and take action to create positive change.

President

Rotary's president presides over the Board of Directors and is elected to a one-year term.

Gary C.K. Huang - President-elect 2014-15

Rotary Club of Taipei - Taiwan

A Rotarian since 1976, Huang has served RI as vice president, director, Rotary Foundation trustee, International Assembly group discussion leader, regional session leader, task force member and coordinator, committee member and chair, and district governor. He wrote about his experiences in business and Rotary in his book "Finding Solutions, Not Excuses". Huang has been awarded the National Civic Service Award by the Federation of Non-Profit Associations and the Outstanding Community Service Award by the Ministry of the Interior R.O.C. He is a recipient of the RI Service Above Self Award and a Presidential Citation, and The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and Distinguished Service Award.

Directors

The Board of Directors establishes policy for Rotary International and provides guidance that helps our clubs thrive. Clubs elect the members of the board every year at the RI Convention with each director serving for a staggered two years. In addition, the RI Board consists of the President, President-Elect, Vice President, Treasurer, and General Secretary.



There are 15 Directors from 12 different countries. Four Directors are from North America, two from Japan in addition to one from Sweden, Australia, France, England, South Korea, India, Argentina, Germany and Israel. Currently, there are three women Directors on the Board. Steve Snyder of the Rotary Club of Auburn, CA represents our Zone 26 through Rotary year 2014-2015

Zone Structure

The 538 districts of Rotary International are divided up into 34 zones that have approximately the same number of Rotarians. Steve Snyder is the Director on the RI Board of Directors for Zones 25-26 encompassing 23 districts in the Far Western United States and Canada including parts of British Columbia and Washington, Oregon, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada and Arizona.

District Structure

Of the 23 districts in the Far Western United States and Canada, our district 5240 is within Zone 26. A new District Governor is nominated three years prior to taking office and is identified as District Governor Nominee (DGN) during that year. The nominated Governor is then elected at the Rotary International Convention the year prior to their term at which time they are then identified as the District Governor Elect (DGE). The District Governor Elect officially takes office on July 1st of the following Rotary year and, as Governor, is an officer of Rotary International. It is up to the District Governor to select staff and set out the objectives for the staff during their year of service while providing support to the efforts of the club presidents and members.

Our district of 73 clubs is combined into 12 Groups and the 12 Groups are broken down into four regions of three Groups each. The number of clubs in our district and the district's vast geographic make up lends itself to more efficient communication and support using the regional structure.

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