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Southern Ontario, CANADA

DG Elect Brian Thompson and his wife Karen



District Governor's

Newsletter

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Light Up Rotary

Today, we stand at the threshold of a new year for Canada, and a new Rotary Year as well!

I want to offer sincere and hearty congratulations to Past District Governor Valarie Wafer for her leadership in 2013-2014. Thank you, Valarie, on behalf of all of us. Great job!

Valarie encouraged us to ***Engage Rotary and Change Lives***. And we did! Her energy, enthusiasm, and her "can do" attitude are an inspiration to all of us. This past year saw many great things we do as Rotarians, and we've covered much of that good work in previous editions of this newsletter. There's more in this one.

Now, we get to build on that good work, as we embrace our new theme: ***Light Up Rotary!*** The idea comes from an old saying of Confucius, whom our new RI President, Gary Huang, likes to think of as the world's first Rotarian: "It is better to light a single candle than to sit and curse the darkness", he says. "I light one, you light one ... we all light one, and together, we'll light up the world".

It's a great theme, and I encourage you to grab onto it! And HOW you light up Rotary is up to you. You know your communities, and you know where your strengths are. You've got the Rotary Foundation. And you've got a great Rotary network in District 7070 and beyond that you can plug in to.

I am humbled and excited to serve as your District Governor this year. As I make my way around this District for my official visits, I look forward to meeting each of you personally, and learning about the wonderful ways that each of you are making this world a better place.

If it's ***fun***, and if it's ***worthwhile***, then Rotarians will want to make it happen!

Together, let's ***Light Up Rotary!***

Best wishes,

Brian

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District Governor Brian Thompson at rotarybrt@rogers.com

Let's Meet Brian:

Brian Thompson often says that "Rotary is one of the best things that ever happened to me".

Brian was born in Toronto and grew up in Don Mills. He received his Bachelor of Applied Science in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Toronto and became a Professional Engineer, working in the nuclear industry for Ontario Hydro. He was also a Commercial Pilot, working part-time as a flying instructor at Toronto Airways in Buttonville, Ontario.

Most of Brian's nuclear career was in Public Relations, based at Pickering. He was seconded for two years to serve the Canadian Nuclear Association in Ottawa as Director of Communications, working in Government and Media Relations, and finished his career with Ontario Power Generation at Darlington.

For the past two decades he has also operated a video production company, primarily producing industrial and commercial movies for education, training and marketing.

During more than three decades in Rotary, Brian has served in every avenue of service at the club level. He was one of the first in his club to visit Consuelo in the Dominican Republic to investigate opportunities to do "hands on" work. At the District level, Brian has served on the Foundation and Public Relations committees; he was District Chair of the Group Reps (now called Assistant District Governors), Chair of Youth Services (New Generations), and led a GSE Team to New Zealand. He is a member of the District Rotary at Work, Membership, and Long Range Planning Committees, and served as an Assistant District Governor for 4 years. In the community, Brian has had several leadership roles volunteering at his church, and has served on committees at local Chambers of Commerce, writing two Chamber policies on nuclear energy in the process. Brian enjoys photography, cinematography, classic movies and entertaining friends.

Brian is married to Karen, who has had a varied and active nursing career. She claims she is retired from paid employment, but not retired from life --- she continues to work in the volunteer sector. Some of that work has involved collaboration with the Whitby-Sunrise Rotary Club in Consuelo, in water and sanitation.

Karen and Brian enjoy travelling, tennis, and relaxing at their chalet in Hidden Valley, Huntsville. They have two grown children and five grandchildren, in whom they delight.

FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR ELECT MICHAEL BELL

DG Elect Michael Bell and his wife Jo-Ann



I will be heading up the District 7070 Rotary International Convention Committee to Sao Paulo, Brazil (June 7 - 10, 2015) and it would be my pleasure to visit your Rotary Club and do a presentation with a video about the convention. If you are a Rotarian and a travel agent putting together pre or post convention tour options, please get in touch with me and I will be happy to include this information in my presentations. I can be reached at mbell1038@gmail.com.

Be sure to go to the Rotary International Convention website
<http://www.riconvention.org/en/2014/Pages/saopaulo2015.aspx> today.



The Host Organizing Committee for the Rotary International Convention 2015 looks forward to welcoming you to Sao Paulo, Brazil. And in the next few weeks, take a look at the District 7070 Website www.rotary7070.org for lots more on the 2015 Rotary International Convention.

Michael

District Governor Elect Michael Bell at mbell1038@gmail.com

Let's Meet Michael:

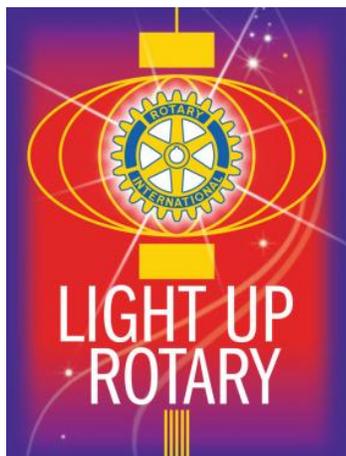
Michael believes that, as Gandhi said, "You have to be the change that you want to see in the world". His involvement in Rotary allows him to do this. Michael was born and raised in the west end of Toronto attending Royal York Collegiate, York University and Humber College. He spent the majority of his business career running the family fur business before selling and retiring in 2008.

He is married to his wife, Jo-Ann and between them they have six children and seven grandchildren. Whether it was chairing the Board of Managers at his local church, serving as President of his local BIA (Business Improvement Area) or as President of his national business association, Michael has always been involved in volunteering where he was needed.

In 2005, he was invited to the Rotary Club of Etobicoke's 75th anniversary celebration where he first heard Rotary's motto of "Service Above Self" which spoke to him in a way that he knew this was a place where he could really help to make a difference. President of the Rotary Club of Etobicoke in 2008-09 and again in 2013-14, Michael has been active in helping the club add 33 new members in the last two years alone. In addition, he has chaired the club's largest fundraising initiative, "Toronto Ribfest" for the past three years, raising over \$650,000 during that time and helping to grow this local event to become perhaps the largest community charity fundraiser in Canada over the July 1st holiday weekend. At the District level Michael has been an Assistant District Governor, an active member of the Membership Committee and the Paul Harris Society Committee.

Michael is a multiple Paul Harris Fellow and a member of the Bequest Society. He is looking very much forward to his role as District Governor Elect under District Governor Brian Thompson and his role as DG for District 7070 the following year.

Rotary International President Gary Huang's Theme for the 2014-2015 Rotary Year - Light Up Rotary



Rotary is an organization that has something for everyone. All over the world, in cities and towns, for well over a century, Rotarians have come together to serve. And in the years since Rotary was founded, countless Rotarians and others have discovered the joys of Rotary service, through Rotaract, Interact, Rotary Community Corps, Youth Exchange, and many other programs.

All of us are part of the family of Rotary. And we have all gained so much from our Rotary service.

We've made friends, helped our communities, and made the world a better, safer, and healthier place.

We've become part of a truly international network of volunteers, and we've learned how much we can achieve when we put our differences aside and work together.

Many of the ideas and values that we cherish in Rotary are not unique to Rotary.

Perhaps the reason Rotary resonates so deeply with me is that I find many traditional Chinese values reflected in Rotary: values of service and responsibility, of respect for family and for others.

It is not surprising, then, that the ideas of Confucius so often guide me in my Rotary service. To me, Confucius was the original Rotarian. More than two thousand years before Paul Harris was born, he said: To put the world in order, we must first put the nation in order; to put the nation in order, we must put the family in order; to put the family in order, we must first set our hearts right.

In Rotary, we set our hearts right by putting Service Above Self. And we recognize that in order to be ambitious in our service, we must first care for our own organization and expand our family of Rotary.

In 2014-15, I will ask all of you to *Light Up Rotary* — by sharing our service, strengthening our clubs, and letting our light shine in our communities.

In this Rotary year, we will *Light Up Rotary* by reaching our goal of 1.3 million Rotarians, bringing in new members while working to keep the members we have. To do this, we'll need to approach membership in new ways, and try new ideas.

Hold a Rotary Day to give your community a chance to learn more about Rotary. Remember that Rotary is a family and is for the family: Encourage your spouse and other family members to consider joining, and reach out to Youth Exchange and Foundation alumni. Focus on your own club, and look realistically at why members stay, and why they leave. What can you do to make being a Rotarian an appealing and attractive opportunity for busy professionals and those with young families?

We will also *Light Up Rotary* — and make history — by eradicating polio. Polio eradication within the next few years is absolutely realistic — if we keep up our momentum. So tell your friends, associates, and elected officials how critical it is that we End Polio Now. Donate to the PolioPlus Fund and encourage others to do so as well. By meeting the newest challenge issued by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, we can make our money work three times as hard. Be an active part of the greatest public-private health partnership in the history of the world, and share in the pride when the job is finished.

In 2014-15, as we strengthen our clubs and *Light Up Rotary* in more than 34,000 communities, our commitment and our service will light up the world.

Gary C.K. Huang

President, Rotary International, 2014-15

Rotary International President Gary Huang asks that all Rotary Clubs have Rotary Days in the Communities

This year, I am urging all Rotarians to *Light Up Rotary* by participating in Rotary Days. The Rotary Day concept is a simple one: hold a fun, informal event in your community for the non-Rotary public and use it as an opportunity to introduce them to Rotary. It's that easy. Rotary Days can help your club drive up interest in membership, strengthen your club's relationships with local institutions and community members, and improve Rotary's image in your community. Imagine the collective impact we can have if all 34,000 Rotary clubs worldwide make a concerted effort to introduce the public to the fun, rewarding experiences that we all enjoy as Rotary members.

Hosting a Rotary Day

Any club, big or small, can host a Rotary Day. Neighbouring clubs can pool their resources and co-host a Rotary Day event, and even entire districts can come together to host a large-scale Rotary Day.

Rotary Days can take any form, as long as they are fun and appealing to the non-Rotary public. Here are just a few possibilities:

- Hold an outdoor picnic or barbecue
- Host a sporting event or concert
- Organize a family fun run
- Align the event with a public parade or festival
- Sponsor an event at a museum, art gallery, or cultural center
- Secure an auditorium or arena and plan a ticketed reception or buffet dinner

Tips for Rotary Day planners

- Feature guests that will appeal to a non-Rotary audience. Consider inspirational speakers, celebrities, musicians, or other public figures.
- If the event will offer food, keep it simple — for example, a barbecue buffet rather than a formal, sit-down meal.
- Keep admission prices low. Approach local businesses to sponsor your event.
- Make your event welcoming to families. Encourage members to bring their spouses, children, and other relatives.
- Avoid using Rotary jargon or referring to internal traditions; present Rotary as an enticing opportunity for prospective members to make new friends, exchange ideas, and take action to improve their local community and the world.
- Highlight the work of ordinary Rotary members doing extraordinary humanitarian work.
- Consider including a hands-on service project as part of the event to give visitors the chance to see firsthand how Rotary benefits the community.
- Recognize non-Rotary community members who embody Rotary's service ideals.
- Seek coverage for the event in local news media.
- Collect participants' contact information and follow up within two weeks to invite them to attend a club meeting or event.

National Rotary Days

In addition to the many club- and district-level Rotary Days that will take place this year, there will be a select number of national Rotary Days facilitated by current RI directors and other senior leaders. These events will convey Rotary's relevance, highlight our good work, and appeal specifically to residents of the countries where they take place. Visit President Huang's page on [the rotary.org](http://the.rotary.org) website, after July 1, 2014, for details on these events.

Rotary Days recognition for clubs

District governors are encouraged to give special awards to clubs that undertake successful Rotary Day events during 2014-15. Rotary will provide governors with an electronic template for a certificate.

Rotary Days photos

Post photos from your Rotary Day event online using Instagram or Twitter and use the hashtag #RotaryDay to share your impact with Rotary's online community. Photos of Rotary Day events around the world will be collected and shown at the 2015 Rotary International Convention in São Paulo, Brazil. Some photos may also be featured in *The Rotarian* magazine.

Rotary Days video contest

Clubs and districts are invited to submit brief videos highlighting their Rotary Day events. President Huang will recognize one grand prize-winning club or district with a special award plaque. The winning video, along with videos from select finalists, will be featured on rotary.org and possibly at the 2015 Rotary International Convention in São Paulo, Brazil.

Submissions must be less than three minutes long, use English or English subtitles, and be uploaded to YouTube. To submit your video for the contest, visit President Huang's page on rotary.org between 1 July 2014 and 31 March 2015 and complete the online submission form.

Rotary International President Gary Huang's Monthly Message – July 2014

Dear fellow Rotarians:

I find many traditional Chinese values reflected in Rotary: values of service and responsibility, of respect for family and for others. Sometimes I call Confucius the world's first Rotarian, because even though he died, 2,500 years before Rotary was founded, his ideas are very much Rotary ideas. And one of the things he said was: "It is better to light up a single candle than to sit and curse the darkness".

I think that one line sums up the way we in Rotary approach the problems of the world. There is so much difficulty. There are so many people who need help. Many people look at this and say, "There is nothing I can do." So they do nothing – and nothing changes.

But this is not the Rotary way. The Rotary way is to light a candle. I light one candle, you light one candle – and so do 1.2 million other Rotarians. Together, we can do so much more than we could ever do alone. Together, we can light up the world.

In 2014-2015, I am asking each of you to light your own Rotary candle – and *Light Up Rotary* together.

There are so many ways to *Light Up Rotary*. I hope many of you will choose to host a Rotary Day, to show your community what Rotary is and what we do. I hope you will involve your Rotaract and Interact Clubs in your service, to bring the new generation of the Rotary family closer to Rotary membership. And I hope you will keep Rotary strong by inviting new members into Rotary – including your spouse and family.

Perhaps the most important thing we can do to *Light Up Rotary* is to finish the job we've been working on for more than a quarter of a century: the eradication of polio. We are so close to our goal. But we will get there only if we keep up the fight, keep up the momentum, and close the funding gap for the polio end game plan.

Light Up Rotary is our theme for this year, but it is more than just a theme. It is how we in Rotary see the world and our role in it. We believe that no one should sit alone in the darkness. Instead, we can come together, all 1.2 million of us to *Light Up Rotary*. This is our goal – and my challenge to you.

Gary C. K. Huang

President, Rotary International

Rotary Foundation Chair, John Kenny's Monthly Message - July 2015

John Kenny

Chair 2014-15

Rotary Club of Grangemouth, Scotland



John Kenny, a graduate of Glasgow University, is a past dean of his local law faculty, a judge, and a notary. He was appointed deputy lieutenant of his district by Queen Elizabeth II. Active in Scouting, he received the Medal of Merit.

A Rotarian since 1970, Kenny has served Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland as president and vice president and RI as president, director, Foundation trustee, RI Board Executive Committee member and chair, institute moderator, president's representative, and district governor. He also has been a representative, member-at-large, and parliamentarian of the Council on Legislation.

He is a recipient of The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and its Distinguished Service Award. Kenny and his wife, June, are Major Donors and members of the Bequest Society of The Rotary Foundation.

Dear fellow Rotarians,

It is an honour and privilege to serve this Rotary year as chair of our Rotary Foundation. And we should be proud to call it our Foundation, for each day millions of people are touched by the magic of Rotary – made possible only by the service and dedication of Rotarians throughout the world.

Our Foundation is the engine that drives the Rotary machine. It gives us the chance to see and fulfill the opportunities for service both within our community and internationally.

Your Foundation Trustees have set five goals for the year:

The first goal is the eradication of the poliovirus. We have much to be proud of in our efforts to rid the world of this disease, but we must finish the job. We cannot let up in our efforts. We cannot undo all the good work that has been done in the past.

Our second goal is to continue to support Rotary's own charity, The Rotary Foundation, through our contributions. The good that we do is limited only by what we receive. Let us ensure that clubs who have made no contributions to our Foundation do so this year.

Our third goal is to ensure the progress of our new grants program by participating in sustainable educational and humanitarian projects.

Our fourth goal is to foster goodwill and peace by promoting and publicizing the Rotary Peace Centres Program, whose purpose is to create a cadre of individuals dedicated to peace and conflict resolution.

Our fifth goal is to emphasize that the responsibility for the future of our Foundation is in all our hands so that we can continue doing good in the world as we endeavour to *Light Up Rotary*.

I look forward to your support.

John Kenny

Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair

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In a single year, the Rotary International President visits an average of 51 countries, flies nearly 250,000 miles and delivers more than 190 speeches. Whether attending a festival in a small town or the Rotary International Convention, the President serves as the face of our organization and represents Rotary on the world stage. Every month, be sure to see photos from around the world as we follow Rotary International President Gary Huang's travels during his yearlong term. For up-to-date coverage, visit www.facebook.com/rotarypresident or Rotary's Twitter and Instagram feeds.

Rotary Global History Fellowship special edition dedicated to Dr. Bob Scott

Dear Fellow Rotarians:

The link noted below will take you to a wonderful newsletter from the **Rotary Global History Fellowship**. It is a special edition dedicated to Dr. Bob Scott as he retires from his role as Rotary International's Polio Plus Committee Chair.

Thank you.

Past District Governor Valarie Wafer

(Click on this link)

<http://www.rotaryfirst100.org/foundation/newsletter/2014/2014.0701.148.OFN.eb.RGHF.final.pdf>

A Service Dog Project by The Rotary Club of Richmond Hill

From Ted Koziel, Past District Governor District 7070

Hi All

I would like to update you on the progress of the Service Dog for Jean Do project we took on this past spring . The fundraising committee is happy to report with the districts financial support of \$1500. have raised in 3 months the \$14,000.00 required for the purchase of the service dog.

This project not only helped ensure Jean a 3 year old with type 1 diabetes a long and safe life but showed the world what caring work Rotarians in District 7070 can do. Through our fundraising efforts we have created an awareness of this project and Rotary. A Local newspaper wrote an article on Jean and the Rotary Club of Richmond Hill's efforts to help. Rotary International picked up the story and published it in its weekly news report. Donations were received from as far away as Texas and much of the funding came from non Rotarians. David Koziel (my son) through Northern Alarm Protection held a golf day on June 11th and raised \$4500, which brought the fundraising portion of this project to a happy end. The Local Knights of Columbus have raised \$500. for the future need of the dog such as food, vet bills, etc.

The Lab puppy has been purchased and the trainer Liz Baker will commence the 1 to 1.5 year intensive training schedule required.

We will be working closely with the trainer to ensure the process is completed and to help in anyway we can.

The Puppy has been named Noah and we look forward to her progress.

Thank you all for making this project a success.

Ted Koziel

Past District Governor 2012-13

Editor's Note: Congratulations on another successful service project from The Rotary Club of Richmond Hill.

Vocational Service Committee Newsletter – July 2014

From Ian Lancaster, Chair of District 7070 Vocational Service Committee

July starts another great Rotary year of creating lasting change in our communities locally, nationally and internationally.

Paul Harris wrote: "Each Rotarian is a connecting link between the idealism of Rotary and their trade or profession."

The philosophy of Vocational Service is to encourage and foster "high ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying by each Rotarian of their occupation as an opportunity to serve society." [The Object of Rotary, No. 2]

Paul Harris puts the responsibility on every Rotarian working in their vocation. "There is a part to be played by Club projects, but we fail as individual Rotarians if we do not accept the personal challenge expressed in the maxim: 'Putting Rotary to work where you work.'"

The Committee would like to celebrate our Rotarians where they work and share the special characteristics that make their vocation/profession different. As Club President or as Club Vocational Services Chair, you may be aware of a member in your club whose Classification may be one that we're not familiar with. Please approach them to share that unique line of work and what makes it special.

Would you like to know more about perhaps about what goes on behind the scenes as the Production Manager in a chocolate factory, or the designer and producer of ribbons and banners or even perhaps the operations manager of a regional conservation forest centre.

The Vocational Services Committee is asking for just 250 words, a page, which describes a member's vocation/profession and the qualities that their contribution is doing to address the problems and needs of society that can be shared.

For further information you can read "An Introduction to Vocational Service" (255-EN) (you can Google: rotary 255 en) , and "Rotary Code of Conduct" (200-EN) (you can Google: rotary 200 en) or approach our District Rotary Leadership Institute Chair PDG Ted Morrison so you can attend Level I and learn more about "Ethics – Vocational Service".

Ian

Ian Lancaster

Rotary Club of Scarborough Hosts Daughters For Life Foundation Dinner – Sept 23, 2014

From: Gene Burns

To my Fellow Rotarians in District 7070,

Re: Upcoming Daughters for Life Foundation Dinner

Date: Tuesday, September 23, 2014 @6:30pm

Venue: Scarborough Golf & Country Club, 321 Scarborough Golf Club Rd, Toronto, ON M1J 3H2

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Izzeldin Abuelaish [see daughtersforlife.com]

Tickets are \$100 each and attendance is limited to 100. A donation receipt will be issued for the difference between the costs and the \$100 ticket price.

Our **Past Rotary International President Wilf Wilkinson will be in attendance** in support of Dr. Abuelaish.

Cheques are payable to "The Rotary Club of Scarborough Charitable Foundation"

Mail to Gene Burns, 148 Kearney Dr. Ajax Ontario L1T4B1

Please include your email address & telephone number.

Paul Harris Fellows Awarded to Non Rotarians in Oshawa

The Rotary Club of Oshawa-Parkwood bestowed Rotary's highest award, a Paul Harris Fellow on retiring Durham Regional Police Chief Mike Ewles and on The Waltzing Weasel Pub, at its first annual Paul Harris Awards Gala, held at the Oshawa Golf and Curling Club on June 12, 2014.

"We were honoured and thrilled to have Wilf Wilkinson, the Past President of Rotary International (who is also the immediate Past Chair of the Board of Trustees of The Rotary Foundation, on hand to bestow the honour on to Chief Ewles and the staff of The Waltzing Weasel" announced Allan Finnigan, Rotary Club President.

Past District Governor Ted Morrison, a member of The Rotary Club of Oshawa-Parkwood, was the emcee for the Paul Harris Awards Gala. The current Rotary International District 7070 Governor Valarie Wafer was also on hand and presented Paul Harris Fellow Awards to Rotary Club Past Presidents Lennis Trotter, Dave Andrews, and Devon Biddle for their contributions to The Rotary Foundation.

"From time to time, Rotary Clubs recognize Rotarians, non-Rotarians, and organizations in their community for their excellence in service to their community and the promotion of peace and goodwill, and honour them with a Paul Harris Fellow Award, named after Rotary's founder Paul Harris, and a make a donation of \$1,000 US Funds on their behalf, to The Rotary Foundation. This is the highest award a Rotary Club can bestow on Rotarians, non-Rotarians, and organizations," added Past District Governor Ted Morrison.

The Rotary Foundation transforms our donations into projects that change lives both close to home and around the world. As the charitable arm of Rotary, we tap into a global network of Rotarians who invest their time, money, and expertise into [our priorities](#), such as [eradicating polio](#) and [promoting peace](#). Foundation [grants](#) empower Rotarians to approach challenges such as poverty, illiteracy, and malnutrition with sustainable solutions that leave a lasting impact.

Wilf Wilkinson, Past President of Rotary International and Immediate Past Chair of the Board of Trustees of The Rotary Foundation presented Mike Ewles and the Waltzing Weasel with their Paul Harris Fellow Awards.

Wilf Wilkinson, the keynote speaker for the evening gala, told the audience of Rotarians and non-Rotarians that the best job that he has ever had is talking to Rotarians about the good work of The Rotary Foundation. He talked about the mission of The Rotary Foundation: to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.

[The Rotary Foundation](#) helps fund our humanitarian activities, from local service projects to global initiatives.

Your club or district can apply for grants from the Foundation to invest in projects and provide scholarships. The Foundation also leads the charge on worldwide Rotary campaigns such as [eradicating polio](#) and [promoting](#)

peace.

Mr. Wilkinson also told the audience how important it is to continue of work and funding for the PolioPlus campaign and the tremendous efforts of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, now on our last mile, and in the most remote places, the hardest to reach. The eradication of Polio, the major project of every Rotarian world-wide is funded by the Rotary Foundation. When people say that eradicating polio from the world is a monumental task, Wilf Wilkinson begs to differ and tells everyone about India, now polio Free. Rotary has overcome barriers of culture, religion, politics, and wars, to immunize the children of the world. He and other Rotarians have convinced people to lay down their arms and immunize their children in Afghanistan and in the Sudan, just to name a few.

In closing, Wilf Wilkinson asked all Rotarians to tell the world about the good that is done because of The Rotary Foundation and that it is time to end polio now - the largest health initiative ever undertaken in the history of mankind.



In The photo:

The Rotary Club of Oshawa-Parkwood bestowed Rotary's highest award, A Paul Harris Fellow, on retiring Durham Regional Police Chief Mike Ewles and on The Waltzing Weasel Pub for their outstanding community service in Oshawa, at the June 12, 2014 Paul Harris Awards Gala at the Oshawa Golf and Curling Club. Left to right: Marsha Doggett and Lori Whyte of The Waltzing Weasel Pub; Wilf Wilkinson Past Rotary International President and immediate Past Chair of the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation; Rotary International District 7070 Governor Valarie Wafer; Durham Regional Police Chief Mike Ewles; and Rotary Club of Oshawa-Parkwood President Allan Finnigan. Donations of \$1,000 US Funds each, were made on their behalf to continue the humanitarian efforts of the world-wide Rotary Foundation which includes the eradication of Polio world-wide.

Rotary At a Glance:

As of April 2, 2014, there are 1,220,115 Rotary members in 34,558 Rotary Clubs in the world. There are 158,401 Rotaract members in 6,886 Rotaract Clubs in the world. And there are 385,066 Interact members in 16,742 Interact Clubs in the world. And there are 182,137 Rotary Community Corps members in 7,919 Corps in the world.

IMPORTANT DATES JULY 2014

July 1 – Happy Canada Day

July 1 – Join Rotary International President and your own Club President in celebrating a new Rotary Year.

July 11 – World Population Day – A world of more than 7 billion people is both a challenge and an opportunity.

Join the Rotary Action Group for Population Growth and Sustainable Development at www.rifpd.org

July 30 – International Day of Friendship – The United Nations has designated this day to inspire people to work in peace. Learn what Rotary is doing at www.rotary.org/peace-fellowships

Toronto Earlscourt Rotary Club 11th Annual Angel's Ball

In Support of FREE THE CHILDREN - Sept 27, 2014

Cocktails at 6:00 pm; Dinner at 7:00 pm

at Montecassino in Woodbridge

From: Glenn Webster and Gordon Crann

The Toronto Earlscourt Rotary Club has their annual gala, and this year, it is in support of FREE THE CHILDREN. They are trying to involve other 7070 clubs in this gala and an opportunity to participate in an Rotary Foundation Global Grant to help support Free The Children.

Free The Children was founded by Craig Kielburger in 1995 when he gathered 11 school friends to begin fighting child labour. He was 12.

Today, Free the Children is an international charity and education partner, working both domestically and internationally to empower and enable youth to be agents of change.

Free The Children works in partnership within communities to empower its members to create positive change in their lives. Through the Adopt A Village program, outreach and development workers consistently work with women, men, youth, local government, school principals and community leaders in order to create lasting change and break down the barriers which lead to poverty.

Beyond charity: sustainability... In eight countries, Free The Children works alongside the men, women and children who every day strive to free themselves from poverty, exploitation, disease and thirst. This effort is not charity, it is sustainability. It is freedom in action. It is Free The Children's Adopt a Village development model.

Over the years, Free The Children has enjoyed a wonderful relationship with Rotary International and its' members.

With a motto of humanitarian service and volunteers who work locally and globally to combat hunger, improve health and provide education and job training in developing communities, Rotary's mission is very closely tied to Free The Children's.

Free The Children's mission, through their sustainable development model Adopt a Village, is to remove the barriers to an education and break the cycle of poverty in rural communities around the world.

Free The Children has been working in Ecuador since 1999 in the province of Chimborazo and has recently expanded to the Amazon region in the province of Napo.

The extremely remote communities in this area have become the most vulnerable group living in Latin America due to limited authority over agricultural land use, labour opportunities (particularly for women) and health care.

Severe poverty, limited access to education and environmental conditions greatly affect the vitality of these communities.

Free The Children works in partnership with communities in the Chimborazo province and the Amazon to empower community members to create positive change in their lives.

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youth, local government, school principals and community leaders in order to create lasting change and break down the barriers which lead to poverty.

Each year Toronto EarlsCourt Rotary Club holds an Angels' Ball.

In past years, this event has been attended by approximately 400 guests and between \$25,000 - \$40,000 has been raised. They raise these funds, with a gala dinner which includes a 5-course meal, entertainment and dancing; an evenings program "booklet" which includes sponsor ads; a live auction which includes 4 to 5 high ticket items as well as a high-end trip for two; a silent auction offering unique items at reasonable bids; and a raffle with 5-10 valuable prizes.

Your Rotary Club can attend the gala, and participate in the Global Grant. There are a number of packaged options available to you.

Information, including sponsoring/partnerships with other clubs are available. And . both Glenn and Gordon are willing to give a presentation to your Rotary Club. Please call [\(647 969-6740\)](tel:647-969-6740) or email [\(glenn.webster@sympatico.ca\)](mailto:glenn.webster@sympatico.ca) if you need any other info.

Warmest Rotary Regards,

Glenn Webster (event chair) and Gordon Crann (TERC President elect)

Attention: Club Presidents and Club Board Members: Are you using Rotary Club Central

To: All Rotary Club Presidents and Your Board Members:

It is time to Plan together; Track your Club's progress and Achieve your Goals. Get started today.

Go to www.rotary.org/clubcentral and start using it today.

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Successful clubs achieve their goals by staying vibrant, flexible, and innovative. This tab provides you the opportunity to view and track membership, Rotarian engagement, club communication, and public relations goals.

Current, incoming, and immediate past club leaders — the president, secretary, treasurer, executive secretary, Foundation chair, and membership chair — can edit goals and achievements. All club members can view goals and achievements.

8 tips for getting young people interested in your club



With help from the Eastern Suburbs Rotaract Club, members of the Rotary Club of Bondi Junction in New South Wales, Australia, organized a barbecue for the community.

Photo Credit: Courtesy Rotary Club of Bondi Junction, N.S.W., Australia

Nathaniel Smith and Kristin Post met on a walking tour of Dupont Circle, a lively neighborhood in Washington, D.C. That's where things got a little creepy -- in a ghoulish sort of way.

The Halloween-inspired walk featured ghost stories and neighborhood history. It also replaced a regular meeting of the Rotary Club of Dupont Circle Washington. It's just the kind of activity that can attract young people -- or the young at heart -- to Rotary.

"This type of club meeting not only shakes up the tradition-bound notions of Rotary, it also creates an event to show off our club to younger prospects," says Post, a founding member of the Dupont Circle club.

Although Smith has since moved out of the country, while he was a member of the Rotary Club of Bondi Junction in Sydney, he and Post, a former Rotary Peace Fellow, discovered that they used similar strategies for attracting and keeping younger members. Here are some of their tips to help your club do the same:

1. Organize interesting meetings

Post says her club has found that organizing at least two special meetings a year creates a unique experience for attracting new members and cements friendships among club members. Explore your community for activities that you can use to create a different kind of club experience.

2. Look at your traditions

Smith says newer generations aren't impressed by pomp and circumstance. He points to the Rotary Club of Crawley in Western Australia, whose membership is one of the fastest growing and most diverse. They no longer sing the national anthem or fine their members.

"Some tradition is important, but too much time spent on these rituals may prevent a younger member from feeling at home in your club," he adds.

3. Update how and where you talk about Rotary

When the Rotary Club of Bondi Junction started referring to itself as a "social enterprise that delivers social change," it saw an immediate uptick in interest from younger members. Choosing the right communication

channels for your club is equally important, whether it's Facebook, LinkedIn, or your website.

"The trickiest part is keeping it updated, but this is also critical. If your presence on these sites becomes stagnant, you'll lose the opportunity to hook a younger audience," says Smith.

4. Examine your club dues

The Dupont Circle club decided to offer appetizers and a cash bar rather than a full meal at its meetings to keep dues affordable for young professionals. You might also consider offering reduced dues to younger members for their first year.

5. Provide alternatives to weekly attendance

"Attendance is another challenge," says Post. "Members in our club often travel for work, plus they have family or other personal commitments that vie for their time."

The Dupont Circle club makes make-ups easier by counting participation in service days, committee meetings, district trainings, and club social events.

6. Plan events that members can attend easily

In many urban areas, young people rely on public transportation to get around. Choose meeting locations with that in mind. And hold some events on the weekend so members with full-time jobs and young families can attend.

7. Involve young members early to build club loyalty

Involve new members in club projects right from the start. Seek their input. Give them responsibilities so they feel a sense of accomplishment and worth. And assign them mentors in the club to ensure that they feel valued.

8. Plan family-friendly projects and activities

Plan club meetings, service projects, and events that appeal to young families. For instance, the Dupont Circle club threw a baby shower to celebrate three upcoming births. The shower was held in a space that offered plenty of room for the children of other club members to play together.

Find more ideas in [Be a Vibrant Club: Your Club Leadership Plan](#)

Share your tips for attracting young members on our [discussion group](#)

Sign up for the [Membership Minute newsletter](#)

By **Maureen Vaught**

Rotary News

13-Jun-2014

Rotarian Action Groups may now include all Rotary Program Alumni, including Rotaractors, Interactors, Ambassadorial Scholars, Rotary Peace Fellow alumni, Vocational Training Team alumni, Rotary Youth Exchange alumni and RYLA alumni

From Gordon Crann Rotarian Action Group for Microfinance & Community Development (RAGM) Immediate Past President and Advisory Board Chair, Rotarian Action Group for Peace (RAGFP) Secretary, District 7070 International Service Co-Chair, District 7070 Environmental Awareness & Action Co-Chair and District 7070 Bob Scott Disease Prevention Award Chair, and Toronto-EarlsCourt Rotary Club President Elect & Foundation Chair

The Rotary International Board of Directors has recently decided to expand membership eligibility in Rotarian Action Groups to all Rotary Program Alumni, including Rotaractors, Interactors, Ambassadorial Scholars, Rotary Peace Fellow alumni, Vocational Training Team alumni, Rotary Youth Exchange alumni and RYLA alumni (see the letter to all Rotarians below).

As you may know, District 7070 Rotarians have played leadership roles in, at least, the following Rotarian Action Groups (listed in alphabetical order):

1. Rotarian Action Group for Microfinance and Community Development (RAGM);
2. Rotarian Action Group for Peace (RAGFP); and
3. Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group (WASRAG).

Editor's Note: **Raseema Alam and Gord Crann** played a significant role in advocating for this expansion in Rotarian Action Group membership eligibility. And everyone in District 7070 congratulates Gordon and Raseema.

As a District 7070 Rotary Peace Fellow Alumna and Rotarian, Raseema has played a leadership role in this endeavour as Chair of the RAGFP Rotary Peace Fellow Inclusion Committee.

Warmest Rotarian regards,

Gord Crann

From: Jesse Allerton; Rotary Supervisor | Rotary Service Connections

To: All Rotarian Action Group officers

Cc: 2013-14 Rotarian Action Groups Committee

Dear Rotarians:

At the recommendation of the Rotarian Action Groups Committee, the RI Board recently decided to expand membership eligibility in Rotarian Action Groups. In addition to Rotarians and family members of Rotarians, anyone who has participated in a Rotary or Foundation program at some point in their lives is now eligible to join a RAG. This broader category will continue to include Rotaractors as well as participants and alumni of all other Rotary and Foundation programs, past and present, including (but not limited to):

- Interact
- Rotaract
- Rotary Youth Exchange
- Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)
- Rotary Peace Fellowships
- Global Grant Scholarships
- Vocational training teams (members and leaders)
- District Grant scholarships
- New Generations Service Exchange

- Rotary Foundation awards to individuals in former The Rotary Foundation programs, such as:
 - o Ambassadorial Scholarships
 - o Grants for University Teachers
 - o Group Study Exchange
 - o Rotary Volunteers

We are excited about this development, which we hope will strengthen your groups and create new opportunities to engage those touched by Rotary programs and keep them involved in Rotary.

Please note that as the broad scope of Rotary program participants and alumni includes minors (such as current and former Interactors and Youth Exchange students), RAGs that recruit minors or involve youth in their activities must comply with RI's youth protection policies (copy attached).

If and when your group recruits members belonging to these new categories, please keep records of their program affiliation and provide as much detail as possible in your annual report as to the number of RAG

members belonging to each category. This information will help staff do a better job of communicating RAG membership opportunities to the various program participants and alumni with whom we regularly interact.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Best regards,

Jesse Allerton

Supervisor | Rotary Service Connections

SHELTERBOX NEWS FOR JULY 2014



From: Ron Noseworthy, Chair, ShelterBox Canada

Rotary Project Partnership

At its April 2014 meeting The Rotary Foundation Trustees received a report from The Joint Committee on Partnerships which discussed various issues related to partnerships. The report recommended that ShelterBox PROJECT partnership continue. The Trustees approved the recommendation and directed the general secretary to maintain the existing project

partnership with ShelterBox as a recognized mechanism for Rotarians to respond to

disasters.



RI Convention - Sydney

The ShelterBox display at the RI Convention in Sydney received lots visitors as well as interest at a packed breakout session. Visitors included RI President Ron Burton and Rotary Foundation Trustee Monty Audenart . Monty is a past RI Director and Past RIVP. He has been serving as aide to RI President Ron Burton. He is a member of the Rotary Club Red Deer East (D5360) and a past Director of ShelterBox Canada.

The UN Refugee Agency recently reported that for the first time since WWII, more than 50 million people have been forcibly displaced globally. ShelterBox is working hard to help provide shelter and supplies to those families who need it.



Efforts continue to ensure the ongoing distribution of ShelterBox aid in response to the Syria crisis. Distribution options are constantly changing and the ShelterBox Operations team are working to ensure aid gets to the families who need it the most.

ShelterBox is also monitoring displacement of people as a result of escalated conflicts in Myanmar, Central African Republic, Niger and Iraq. We are working with various partner organizations to see how we can assist displaced families.

Ron Noseworthy
Chair, ShelterBox Canada

For more information visit www.shelterboxcanada.org

REMINDER: Interota is Coming! SOON

From: Andrea Tirone Co-Chair, Interota 2014

You've heard about it, you've seen the logo, but now you ask "How can I get involved?!" The start of the International Rotaract Conference is less than 2 months away (July 26 through August 1 in Toronto and Montreal). With hundreds of Rotaractors about to descend on Toronto, **we want Rotarians in District 7070 to be involved!** Over the next several months, the Interota Organizing Committee invites you to reach out to them to see how your club or individual Rotarians might be a part of the historic event for Rotaract in Canada. The committee is looking for [corporate sponsorship](#), donations-in-kind, and volunteer support as they welcome over 300 Rotary youth from around the world. If you are interested in helping, or just want to hear more about Rotaract and Interota, please contact info@interota2014.com or visit www.interota2014.com for more information.

From July 26th to August 1st, over 200 Rotaractors and Rotarians will attend the Interota Conference in Toronto and Montreal. If you are interested in meeting the attendees, including the Rotary International President Gary Huang, you can now register for some of the events individually.

Registration is now open to attend:

- Opening "Welcome Home" BBQ July 26 with RI President Gary Huang (\$35.00)
- Full-day conference on July 27, 2014 with boat cruise (\$100.00)
- Full-day conference on July 27, 2014 without boat cruise (\$50.00)
- Evening Boat Cruise on July 27, 2014 (\$75.00)
- Full-day conference on July 30, 2014 (\$50.00)
- Closing Gala on July 31, 2014 (\$100.00)

To register, visit www.interota2014.com

Kind Regards,

Andrea Tirone

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Your Chance to Meet Gary Huang – President of Rotary International at Interota

A letter From Neil Phillips, Rotary Club of Toronto and Assistant Governor

As many of you may be aware, Interota is the last week of July in Toronto and Montreal, and the new Rotary International President Gary Huang and his wife will be visiting Toronto to kick off the conference.

A number of tickets for the Sunday evening boat cruise have been made available. See below for details.

Evening Boat Cruise - Sunday, July 27, 2014 in Toronto

For those who cannot join us for the entire day, but still want the opportunity to meet Rotaractors from around the world, as well as the Rotary International President Gary Huang and his wife Corinna, this ticketed event has a limited number of spaces available. The cruise will feature dinner and dancing all with the stunning Toronto Skyline as our backdrop.

Location: 333 Lakeshore Boulevard East (Parking is available)

Time: Boarding – 6:30PM; Boat Departure – 6:30PM SHARP; Boat Returns – 11:00PM

Dinner Menu: Chicken Breast, Penne Pasta, Caesar Salad, Garden Green Salad, Pastries, Cookies, Coffee &

Tea

Price: \$75.00 (CAD)

Attire: Smart or business casual for the boat cruise, flat shoes are recommended for all on the boat cruise and for walking from their vehicles to the boat as the parking lot surface is very uneven.

Come out and support Rotaract and meet the new president for a fun evening.

To register, go to the Interota website, below link:

<http://www.interota2014.com/register/>

Note there are other options for the conference available for those who are interested. Should you require additional information, please contact info@interota2014.com

Neil Phillips

The Rotary Club of Toronto

REMINDER: District 7070 Foundation Walk – September 21, 2014 In Toronto

From: Assistant Governor Mary Lou Harrison

PURPOSE OF THE WALK: The annual Rotary Foundation Walk is meant to bring all the clubs in the District together in a **family-oriented social setting** with an emphasis on club-to-club and person-to-person contact. Secondly, it is meant to provide an opportunity for clubs and members to **contribute their annual giving** to the Rotary Foundation with an added air of friendly competition. Our goal for the 2014 Walk is to exceed the amount of money raised last year. We hope you and your club and members will help us to reach this objective. Please mark your Calendars for the District 7070 Rotary Foundation Walk in Toronto on September 21, 2014. Details will follow.

Nile Rift Valley Schools WASH Project Update

From Jackie Scroggie, Chair Rift Valley Water and Sanitation Committee

Dear Rotarians:

The good news is that the Canadian Dollar continues to appreciate and we will have more funds for the project to send to Kenya.

Also, we have answered all the additional questions that The Rotary Foundation Grants Officer requested including revised Memorandums of Understanding with all the contractors and School Principals.

Norma Davis did this on request.

Our Grants Officer has left The Rotary Foundation to continue her studies and so we have been assigned another Grants Officer who already has a large work load.

You may remember our first Grants Officer, the wonderful Mary Howard, passed away on her 30th birthday. She had visited Kenya and the Nakuru Rotarians and was familiar with our partnership.

We have our dedicated bank account open and our treasurer, Barb Bocking is ready to forward our funds to The Rotary Foundation in a way that your clubs will get Paul Harris credits for your contribution.

So we wait for approval

I will keep you informed.

With deep appreciation.

Jackie Scroggie

Jackalyn Scroggie

Chair, Rift Valley Water and Sanitation Committee

Rotary Club of Toronto Eglinton

mjscroggie@sympatico.ca

REMINDER: District 7070 Conference - October 24, 25 and 26, 2014 At The Westin Prince Hotel, Toronto

The annual Rotary District 7070 Conference is on October 24 – 26, 2014 at The Westin Prince Hotel in Toronto. Have you registered? Have you booked your room?

Now is the time.

Be sure to go to the District 7070 website www.rotary7070.org or go directly to the District Conference Website "Shakened and Stirred "

<http://www.clubrunner.ca/portal/SitePages/SitePage.aspx?accountid=50157&pid=92682> and register today.

Please mark your Calendars for the District 7070 Rotary Conference in Toronto at The Westin Prince Hotel on October 24 - 26, 2014. And if you wish someone to come to your club and talk about the District Conference, be sure to get in touch with Conference chair Mark Chipman at chipburt@hotmail.com

REMINDER: Rotary Club of Brighton Annual Interclub BBQ Monday Aug. 11, 2014 AT 4:30-8:00 PM Proctor Park, in Brighton

From: Dave Sharp Secretary [613-475-5109](tel:613-475-5109) Email: sharp.ones@sympatico.ca

Each year, The Rotary Club of Brighton hosts their annual InterClub BBQ where. They have invited all of the local and surrounding Rotary clubs to attend. This is not a fundraiser but a break even social event. They serve hot dogs, hamburgers and corn on the cob and of course, they end the evening with their Karaoke competition between the various clubs in attendance. The cost is only \$10 each for all you can eat. There are refreshments available at very reasonable prices. They would love to see more attendance from ALL clubs in District 7070 and if you can spread the word, it would be appreciated.

REMINDER: Mobile Business Directory of the Members of Rotary International District 7070

Are you a Rotarian in District 7070?

How would you like to advertise your business on our new mobile business directory for as little as \$10 for the first year?

Check out the site at <http://www.rotarydistrict7070.mobi> to register today!

Are you a consumer looking for a service or business owned by a Rotarian?

Check the site often to see our business directory grow.

Who wouldn't want to do business with a group of business owners that follow The Four-Way Test

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Check out our Facebook link: [**7070 Directory**](#)

www.rotarydistrict7070.mobi

Did you know that 22 businesses have signed up so far. Last month there were 200 views. Since January 2014, there have been 3,000 views from 971 different visitors. The most "looked up" business categories to date are automobile leasing, dental services, printing services, and media services.

Is your business missing out on an opportunity? If you would like more info, please contact Rob McArthur at info@robmac.org .

Editor's Note: A very special Thank You to Rotarian **Rob MacArthur** of our District Website Team who has created the Mobile Business Directory of the Members of Rotary International District 7070

REMINDER: A Rotary District 7070 Speakers Bureau is Being Created

From Rotarian Aziz Saleh, a member of The District 7070 District Website Team

Guest Speakers or Your Own Club Member Speakers:

Have you heard a good speaker at one of your weekly Rotary meetings? It may even be one of your own Rotary Club members who often are your best Rotary speakers.

How about sharing that speaker with everyone in District 7070.

Perhaps your Club is looking for a good speaker.

This is your chance to help.

The District 7070 Website Committee is creating a **Rotary District 7070 Speakers Bureau** that we will post on the District 7070 website and we need your input.

Please send the following info:

- Speaker's Name and Topic,
- Speaker's Contact information
- A short Speaker Biography
- The Name of The Rotarian and your Rotary Club making the recommendation

To Rotarian **Aziz Saleh** at azizdsaleh@gmail.com

A very special Thank You to Rotarian Aziz Saleh of our District 7070 Website Team who has volunteered to put together the Rotary International District 7070 Speakers Bureau for you to use.

From the District 7070 Rotary Foundation Committee

From Bill Patchett, Chair District 7070 Rotary Foundation Committee

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Another year begins for the Rotary world and all of us in District 7070 and it is a great time to ask all Rotarians to think about supporting our Rotary Foundation. You will be making a difference in so many ways throughout the world. Rotarians do make the world a better place.

All Rotary Clubs in District 7070 have committed, again this new Rotary year, to donating at least \$20.00 PER Rotarian to PolioPlus. Has everyone in your Club, this Rotary Year, donated the \$20.00 per Rotarian for the eradication of Polio? This Rotary Year, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation will match our contributions on a 2 for 1 basis. And we sure would like **every Rotarian in District 7070** to do the same in 2014-2015. Yes, we are very close! You are making a difference.

Has your Rotary Club set your goals for contributing at least \$ 100.00 for each member of your club for **Annual Giving to the Annual Programs Fund of the Rotary Foundation?** Congratulations to the District 7070 Clubs that have already made that commitment to the Rotary Foundation and I hope that all of you will keep up the good work to reach your goal. This is where we get our money for Grants. Last year, we did have 100% in commitments met. **Has your Club made plans to make that donation yet?**

Has your Club sent in your objectives for The Rotary Foundation Committee for the 2014-2015 Rotary Year yet?

If we want to reach our goal, we would like to see \$ 100.00 from **every** member, in **every** Rotary Club. This is our commitment to the **Every Rotarian Every Year** Campaign of the Rotary Foundation - **EREY (Every Rotarian Every Year)**.

Our Rotary Foundation provides the money for our Grants Program. The Grants can be used for both local and international projects. It is interesting to note that more of you are applying for Grants. This is most encouraging. On the other hand, these applications require us to raise more money for Foundation. Please encourage your

Treasurer to send in your commitment. I would also encourage the Assistant District Governors to check on their clubs and their progress.

Are there any prospective Major Donors in the District? Please let me know if you or someone you know wishes to take this next step to support Our Rotary Foundation.

Many thanks to all of you for your support.

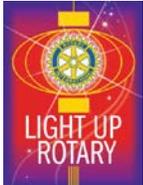
William R. Patchett

District 7070 Foundation Chair

Past District Governor 7070 2006-2007

End Polio Now Coordinator Rotary International Zone 24

Email: patch@eagle.ca phone: 905-372-5271



REMINDER - Job Postings for the 2018 Host Organizing Committee of the Rotary International Convention in Toronto.

We are pleased to commence the process to put together the 2018 Host Organizing Committee for the Rotary International Convention in Toronto. The Host Organizing Committee is responsible for informing and mobilizing clubs in the districts to assist with convention activities revolving around the House of Friendship, Home Hospitality and 2 major social events. We will assist the convention organizers from Rotary International with other volunteer requirements.

We are posting 3 jobs for the Executive Committee and are looking for expressions of interest from Rotarians for these positions.

These senior leadership positions are multiyear commitments until December 31, 2018. There will be ongoing requests in the coming year for committee members.

(1) Director Finance and Administration -Co Chair -Areas of Responsibility and Accountability relates to Host Organizing Committee's Activities -

Budget, Rotary International, on going reporting, Insurance, Legal, member of the Host Organizing Committee with a term 2014 to 2018.

- (2) Director Fundraising and Sponsorship -Co Chair -Areas of Responsibility Accountability as it relates to Host Organizing Committee's activities - House of Friendship, Home Hospitality, 2 Major Social Events, a member of the Host Organizing Committee with a term 2014 to 2018.
- (3) Director of Marketing and Promotion -Co Chair -Areas of Responsibility and Accountability as it relates to Host Organizing Committee's Activities - Publicize the convention and events to local Rotarians, the general public in the GTA, Logo design, convention information centre, obtain sponsors, a member of the Host Organizing Committee with a term 2014 to 2018.

Please contact:

Michele Guy - mguy@couttscrane.com

Michael Cooksey - Michael.cooksey@bmo.com

Steve Wilkinson - stephen.wilkinson@ontario.ca

REMINDER: 2014 Season of the Golfing Fellowship of Rotarians in the Greater Toronto Area

From: Mark E. Dawber, The Rotary Club of Toronto West

The GTA GFR is a fellowship opportunity for Rotarian golfers in Districts 7070 and 7080. Three tournaments were held in 2013 and three are planned for 2014, with the objective being to promote fellowship amongst Rotarians who enjoy golf. Tournament winners are determined using the Stableford Scoring System.

Here is the Tournament Schedule for 2014:

July 7th or 8th - Glen Eagle Golf Club, Bolton (details to follow – call Mark for the date and tee times).

September 15th – 18th – T.B.A.

Guests are encouraged and welcome to all events. They have their own division and prize table.

To register for future communications from the GTA GFR or to find out more about us, please contact any of the following.

Mark E. Dawber 905 278 4420 email – markdawber@rogers.com

Lynn Lewis 905 890 5526 Lynn.Lewis@td.com

Ken Lewis lewis4972@rogers.com

REMINDER: Need Help? Try these Membership Resources

[Membership Development Resource Guide \(417\)](#)

[New Member Orientation: A How-to Guide for Clubs \(414\)](#)

[How to Propose a New Member \(254\)](#)

[Leadership Development: Your Guide to Starting a Program \(250\)](#)

[Be a Vibrant Club: Your Club Leadership Plan \(245\)](#)

[Club Membership Committee Manual \(226b\)](#)

[More Membership Resources](#)

Your Help is Requested. This is Your Opportunity to Serve – To Volunteer and Serve on a District Committee

Just as no Rotary Club can function effectively without a smooth working organization supporting its President, so too for the District.

In this day and age, a District Governor cannot possibly do that which is necessary to achieve the maximum in club activity in all five avenues of service without the enthusiastic dedication and support of many Rotarians working in a district team or organization.

The role of a District Committee is to assist the District Governor in a particular sphere of Rotary activity. The District Governor will have formulated plans for activity in certain areas in accordance with directions received from the President and Board of Directors of Rotary International and from his or her own plans for the district.

The committees are responsible for assisting the clubs in achieving Rotary International, district and club goals.

And this is where you come in. Many District Committees are looking for members to help. And you are the one who can help.

Members of the District Committees are Rotarians just like you and me. We attend the weekly meetings of our Rotary Clubs, we participate in Fundraising events, and in local and international Community Service projects, we contribute to The Rotary Foundation, we go to the District Assembly, and The District Conference when we can.

And this is where you come in. It is time for you to take that next step in your Rotary life and help out on a District Committee. Most District Committees meet about once a month, for a few hours where you will learn more about that Committee and be able to offer your talents, and expertise or just plain readiness to help out.

Connect with the Committee Chair TODAY. Find out what each Committee does and see if it right for you. See if you can help at the Committee Level. They are willing to have you help out.

Here are the District Committees and the Chairs and their email addresses:

Committee	Committee Chair	Email Address
Environmental Awareness Co Chair	Alana Scott	ascot@evas.ca
Environmental Awareness Co Chair	Dave Green	davidgreen@xplornet.ca
District Rotary Foundation	Bill Patchett	patch@eagle.ca
Ambassadorial Scholar – Global Grant Scholar	Gene Burns	ebbmib@gmail.com
District Trainers Co Chairs	Doug Byers	dougbyers@rogers.com
District Trainers Co Chairs	Valarie Wafer	megleen@xplornet.ca
Social Media	Darryl Patterson	darryl.patterson@eastyorkrotary.org
Rotary Alumni	Gord Bennett	bmagord@sympatico.ca
Foundation Grants	Lars Henriksson	lars@norditrade.com
Club Visioning	Lars Henriksson	lars@norditrade.com
Wilf Wilkinson Award	Rob Leek	rnleek@bell.net
Interact	Doug Byers	dougbyers@rogers.com
Youth Exchange	Gael Moore	mgm@eagle.ca
Youth Exchange Extension	Tom Sears	tsears@sympatico.ca
Literacy	Richard Mewhinney	rmewhinney@rogers.com
Long Range Planning	Michael Cooksey	Michael.Cooksey@sympatico.ca
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Membership Club Extension	Mike Phelan	mike.phelan@sympatico.ca
Co Chairs	Ted Koziel	tkoziel@northernalarm.com
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Microfinance Co Chair	Carol Golench	golench@hotmail.com
Youth Service (New Generations)	Doug Byers	dougbyers@rogers.com
Rotary Youth Leadership Awards - RYLA	Ric Williams	ricandpat@sympatico.ca
Public Relations	David Andrews	dave.f.andrews99@gmail.com
RADAR – Rotary Action for the Development of AIDS Responses Co Chairs	Joanne Ashley,	jandjashley@sympatico.ca and

	Debbie Morgan	debbiem@rogers.com
Rotaract	Neil Phillips	nphillips@dgn-marketing.com
RLI – Rotary Leadership Institute	Ted Morrison	ted.sharron@rogers.com
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Vocational Training Team	Ian Lancaster	ielancaster@xplornet.ca
Water & Sanitation	Jackie Scroggie	mjscroggie@sympatico.ca
International Service	Rob Leek	rnleek@bell.net
Rotary At Work Co Chairs	Mark Wafer, and Joe Dale	mwafer@xplornet.ca and jdale@rotaryatwork.com
Bob Scott Disease Prevention Award	Gord Crann	gordon.crann@sympatico.com
District Conference	Mark Chipman	chipburt@hotmail.com
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Young Professional Engagement	Liz Greenland	lizgreenland@gmail.com
Awards & Recognition	Lynda Ryder	lryder@silicates.com
Maternal & Health Care	Peggy Boccia	paboccia@sympatico.ca

Get Connected, Rotarians !!!

Have you checked out the new Rotary website: www.rotary.org

Have you checked out the Rotary District 7070 website : www.rotary7070.org

Are you following us on twitter @rotary7070

Advertise your business on our new mobile business directory at <http://www.rotarydistrict7070.mobi>

Be sure to “Like” us on our Facebook Page : Rotary District 7070

Be sure to “Like” Rotary on their Facebook Page: Rotary International

Does your Rotary Club have a website? A Twitter account? A Facebook Page?