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## **DISTRICT 7070 NEWSLETTER JUNE 1, 2017**

## South Central Ontario, CANADA

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## District Governor's Newsletter JUNE 1, 2017 Rotary Serving Humanity

#### My Fellow Rotarians,

June is **Rotary Fellowships Month** and a core reason as to why many initially join Rotary and/or Rotarians worldwide feel their membership is truly enhanced by their connectedness through a wide array of Fellowships. You know that Rotary Fellowships are groups of Rotarians, Rotarians' family members, program participants and alumni who:

- Share a common interest in recreational activities, sports, hobbies, or professions;
- Further their vocational development with others in the same profession or field; and
- Enhance their Rotary experience by exploring new opportunities and making connections around the world.

Today there are 75 Rotary interesting and exciting Fellowships all sharing a common interest in something. I belong to one that is for Motorcycling Rotarians and I know others of you also belong to a Fellowship. For those of you that do not, check out the existing list of Fellowships at <u>https://www.rotary.org/en/our-programs/more-fellowships</u> and if you see one that warrants further interest, I would urge you to connect with them directly.

For those of you that attended the District Assembly on Saturday, May 13, I spoke of the heavy rainfall that drenched parts of Ontario, Quebec and the Maritimes causing flooding and forcing hundreds of residents to evacuate their homes. In our District, Prince Edward County declared a State of Emergency on May 9 because of localized flooding and the continued rising water levels of the Bay of Quinte and Lake Ontario. As of May 13, the Mayor of the area while very appreciate of Rotary concern and being available to assist where necessary, said there were no financial or sweat equity needs required at the moment. PDG Rob Leek of the Picton Club tells us there is still no need for assistance currently, but we will be contacted if our support is required.

I was contacted by a person earlier this month who had a compelling story that I thought I should share with you, with her permission of course. Her name is Jen and over her life so far has gone through forty-seven surgeries. Needless to say, she has spent a lot of her life in hospitals. As she said to me, "one thing that really got to me over the years was seeing kids going through the same medical procedures we as adults go through. CT scans, MRIs, blood work, cancer treatment and going to the operation room. I wanted to do something about it. I wanted to educate kids so they would not be so scared and be more prepared for what they were going to go through".

So, what did she do to educate children? She has become an author of a children's book with a mission to ease the fears of children about visits to dentists. The first book in a series is called "Chico's First Trip to the Dentist". This publication has received support from the Canadian Dental Association, the Ontario Dental Association, and the Canadian Public Health Association, to name a few organizations.

Jen has spoken to several Rotary Clubs in District 6330 and they are getting on the bandwagon to assist Jen in raising funds to enable her to donate 5,000 books to various children's hospitals in Ontario including SickKids in Toronto. If you are interested in hearing more about this initiative, you can contact Jen at <u>519-328-3244</u> or\_

jendafoepublishing@gmail.com. More details will also be provided on the District website at <u>www.rotary7070.org</u> under Member and Club Tools, Speaker's Corner.

While attending the induction of our latest Rotaract Club for our District, the Richmond Hill Rotaract Club, on Sunday, May 28, I was told of two young women in Zimbabwe who are struggling to raise school fees and are now contemplating dropping out of school due to lack of financial assistance. Both these women are currently enrolled in the Harare Institute of Technology in Harare, Zimbabwe, with one now in Part 3 of her program and hoping to complete her degree for Biotechnology next October 2018. The other is just starting Part 2 of her program Food Processing Technology having passed Part 1. Both students come from families that are living in poverty and do not have the resources available to assist with their daughters trying to complete their educations. If your club is willing to explore the possibility of financially assisting one or two of these young women to complete their education and hopefully make a significant contribution to their communities after graduation, please contact Past President Emmanel Abara of the Richmond Hill Club at rhuppi@rogers.com for more information.

I know the Rotary Year goes by very quickly with each Club's special projects, events and commitments. Your budgets will have been certainly fully allocated by now to the issues near and dear to you and I hope you have each enjoyed your Club involvements, Committee Involvements and Board Involvements. If you haven't had an opportunity yet to dabble in District issues/opportunities, please give this serious thought, as it does broaden ones' information as to what Rotary is all about. We are now closing to the end of our Rotary year I look forward to speaking with all of you on the year end special edition at the end of June.

For those of you attending the RI Convention in Atlanta this month, I look forward to seeing you there.

And, as you know, this is what we do "Rotary Serving Humanity".

Yours in Rotary,

Jim

District Governor Jim Louttit at jvlrotary@gmail.com

## From District Governor Elect Neil Phillips



My Fellow Rotarians,

A big thank you to those who came to this year's District Assembly last May 13th. It was great to see so many out for a day full of energy and enthusiasm. Am looking forward to building on that for the year ahead.

Many of us (120+) will be off to Atlanta shortly. The Beyond Borders Dinner sold out months ago, so if you weren't quick you'll miss out – but there's lots more to do in the city. Many of us will be looking with especially keen eyes, with a view to Toronto next year.

Don Bell & Jackie Davies from the Host Organising Committee are making their way around to all Clubs to talk about how you can help host a dinner during the convention – even if you don't live in Toronto. I've already signed up for this great experience! And if you're joining

us in Atlanta, don't forget to sign up to volunteer at the 2018 booth. You get a swanky shirt as thanks. ;-) Last-minute convention registrations: <u>http://www.riconvention.org</u> Volunteer booth sign-up: <u>http://www.rotary2018.org/</u>

It's a busy month as we end another successful Rotary year!



## Neil

Regards, Neil Phillips District Governor Elect 2017-18

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## Rotary International President John Germ's Monthly Message – June 2017



#### **Dear Fellow Rotarians:**

Growing up in Chattanooga, Tenn., my brothers and I learned young to work hard. It was a lesson taught to us by our father, who had come to the United States, alone, as a teenager. He wanted our lives to be better and easier than his had been; he wanted to give us the education and opportunities that he had missed. We always knew, when he came home at 8 o'clock in the morning after working a night shift at the paper mill, that he was doing it for us.

Looking back, through the prism of many years, I see in my father's hard work not only an expression of his love for us, but the universal desire of each generation to care for and lift up the next. And looking back at this year of service in Rotary, I see that desire reflected in each of us who have chosen to be part of this great organization. It is natural for parents to want to make things better for their children. Through Rotary, we can do so much more: We

can make things better, not only for our own children, but for all children. We have the opportunity to care for and lift up those who need us the most – whether they are in our own community or on the other side of the world.

As Judy and I have traveled the world for Rotary over the last two years, we've been reminded, again and again, of what motivates us in Rotary: the simple desire to be of assistance, to give a helping hand to those who need it. Whether it means building a blood bank in Uganda, delivering an X-ray machine to a village in Guatemala, or taking care of refugees in Lebanon, Rotarians are doing what is needed most for the people who are most in need. They're working hard for the communities they care about, helping the people of those communities lead better lives. To me, that is the essence of Rotary: that desire to be of assistance, that willingness to work for the good of others. In Rotary, when someone needs help and you can give that help, you don't walk away. You don't turn your back. You say, I'm here for you. I'll do whatever I can.

And I know that whatever I do, I'm not doing it alone - I'm doing it with Rotary Serving Humanity.

## John

#### John F. Germ

#### President, Rotary International

ON THE WEB: Speeches and news from RI President John F. Germ at <u>www.rotary.org/officepresident</u>



## Rotary Foundation Chair, Kaylan Banerjee's Monthly Message -June 2017 - Working to ensure the Foundation's future

#### Dear fellow Rotarians,



We've had a wonderful time celebrating all the extraordinary achievements of The Rotary Foundation's first 100 years. As we approach the end of this centennial year, it's time to turn our attention to the Foundation's future. What can we do right now to ensure that the Foundation will reach even greater heights in the next 100 years?

First, we must finish our work to eradicate polio. If we fail, we risk a global return of the disease – up to 200,000 new cases every year, within 10 years. But if we succeed, the world would enjoy a savings as high as \$50 billion by 2035. There really is no choice: We must succeed.

What can you do? Raise money, advocate for government support, and share the inspirational story of Rotary's steadfast commitment to a polio-free world.

Of course, our work to end polio isn't the only compelling story we have to tell. Your club's district and global grant projects are successes that you should share with your local community and media. Tell them about the scholars you are sponsoring, the vocational training team that is visiting or traveling from your district, and the causes the Foundation supports.

After you've impressed people with the Foundation's many accomplishments, ask them to join us – as members, supporters, or volunteers. I believe that every Rotarian should make an annual contribution to the Foundation, because it is our Foundation, and we are ultimately responsible for its success – yet that doesn't mean that we shouldn't also encourage others to contribute. Telling others about our work providing clean water and basic education, fighting disease, and promoting peace helps drive interest in our Foundation and clubs.

Even though you and I won't be around to celebrate the Foundation's 200th anniversary in 2117, we begin to set the stage now. Working together, we can continue the Foundation's long tradition of good work and give future Rotarians even more reasons to celebrate.

Kaylan Banerjee

Kaylan Banerjee

**Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair** 



## District 7070 Rotary Foundation Chair, Bill Patchett's Monthly Message - June 2017

#### Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Thank you all for the tremendous support that all of you have given me over the many years of my being your District 7070 Rotary Foundation Chair.

And it looks like we just may make our goal of **one million dollars**. This is thanks to the 5 new Arch Klump Society members from District 7070 and our Million Dollar Luncheon. I am ecstatic to know that I will conclude the position of the Chair of the Rotary Foundation for our District 7070 on this note.

I would also like to thank Past District Governor Michael Bell and District Governor Jim Louttit for their staunch support.

Regards,

## Bill

Here is more news from Past District Governor Bill Patchett:

Here we are in **June 2017**, and it is never too late, to ask **all** Rotarians to think about completing their support for this Rotary year to our Rotary Foundation. You will be making a difference in so many ways throughout the world. Rotarians do make the world a better place.

Let me start by saying congratulations on a job well done! Some of you have gone far beyond your commitment. I really am most appreciative of the 100% participation of our clubs. Many thanks. We are unique in this achievement.

#### Here is a reminder to every Rotarian:

How many of you have entered your Club's objectives in to Rotary Club Central, for the 2016-17 Rotary Year yet? How much have you raised so far this Rotary year? One Month to go.

Has your Rotary Club committed, again this Rotary Year, to donating at least \$20.00 PER Rotarian to PolioPlus. Have your Club members made their donations? Has everyone in your Club, this Rotary Year, made that came commitment to personally donate \$20.00 for the eradication of Polio? How much have you raised so far this Rotary year? Again, 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 2016-17. Yes, we are very close! You are making a difference !

And I sure hope that your Rotary Club has set your goal for contributing at least \$ 100.00 US for each member of your club for Annual Giving to the Annual Programs Fund of the Rotary Foundation. I hope all 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? Are your goals and plans in Rotary Club Central? Remember the requirements for the Presidential Citation.

If we want to reach our goal for this year and next, we would like to see \$ 100.00 US 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**. Thank you to PDG Lars Henriksson, our Grants Chair who conducuted the 2017-18 Grants Qualification Seminar. We are ready to go for next year. 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 our Rotary 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. I enjoyed celebrating with so many Rotarians at the the **100th Anniversary of the Rotary Foundation Luncheon Celebration**, featuring keynote speaker, Rotary International President Elect Ian Riseley, on Sunday May 7, 2017 at the Scarboro Golf & Country Club.

## Bill

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## How are You Celebrating The Rotary Foundation's centennial

A celebration of The Rotary Foundation centennial in 2016-17 officially kicked off in May 2016 at the Rotary Convention in Korea. Incoming leaders are already leading their districts in the celebration. They received encouragement from last year's Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair Ray Klinginsmith during Rotary's annual training event in San Diego. <u>Watch a video about the centennial</u>.

## Learn More About The Rotary Foundation Centennial

The Rotary Foundation turns 100 in 2016-17 ! Our Foundation stands at the forefront of humanitarian service, having supported thousands of projects to provide clean water, fight disease, promote peace, and provide basic education — as well as the historic project dedicated to eradicating polio worldwide.

- Learn more about the history of The Rotary Foundation
- Find information on how to celebrate and download resources
- Purchase centennial commemorative book, "Doing Good in the World"

## District 7070 Rotary Foundation 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Luncheon Celebration - Sunday May 7, 2017 –

Over 100 Rotarians and guests attended the 100th Anniversary of the Rotary Foundation Luncheon Celebration, featuring keynote speaker, Rotary International President Elect Ian Riseley on Sunday May 7, 2017 f at the Scarboro Golf & Country Club, 123 Scarborough Golf Club Rd., Scarborough, Ontario.

The Million Dollar Luncheon was a celebration event, which recognized all Arch Klumph Society, Major Donors and recent Bequest Society Members whose gifts or commitments were \$10,000.00 or greater. Our goal was to show that District 7070 is committed to our Rotary Foundation by raising a minimum of \$1 Million US Dollars in 2016-17. Hosted by Assistant District 7070 Rotary Foundation Chair and Past District Governor Michael Bell,our current District Governor Jim Louttit welcomed everyone a gave a brief update. We raised over \$140,000 on Sunday. And with new Rotary Club of Toronto Bay-Bloor ( to be inducted on June 21), we will have 56/56 clubs donating to The Rotary Foundation. As of April 30, our District (7070) had the following totals: 55 of 55 clubs have donated to The Rotary Foundation; they donated to Annual Fund (Goal - \$207,065) YTD - \$239,997 (115.9%); Other Funds YTD (includes

Polio Plus) - \$231,391; the Endowment Fund YTD - \$125,655 for a total of \$597,042. Our total was over \$600,000 and with the commitments we had in hand, the total exceeded \$800,000.

Past Rotary International President Wilf Wilkinson spoke about the Global Polio Eradication Initiative which grew from the red measles vaccine program in India . Incoing District Govenror Neil Phillips introduced Ian Riseley, the Incoming Rotary International President who talked about the tremendous work being done by Rotarians worldwide thanks to The Rotary Foundation which just received 100 out of 100 from Chaarity Navigator. He was thanked by District Governor Nominee Mary Lou Harrison.

Two members from our newest Rotary Club (Toronto Danforth) were recognized for their recent donations and the even newer club (Toronto bay Bloor) donated \$600 to the Rotary Foundation and they have yet to received their club charter (on June 21).

CP Giri and Rajastri Sriskandarajah of the Richmond Hill Rotary Club received their Paul Harris Society recognition awards.

Major Donors to the Rotary Foundation were also honoured: Len Kennedy (RC Belleville), Lynda Ryder (RC Etobicoke) and Bill Irwin (RC Whitby).

And the Arch Klumph Society recognition awardees, were also honoured in Evanston, a few weeks ago: Devon & Linda Biddle (RC Oshawa-Parkwood); Past District Governor Ron Denham (RC Toronto Eglinton); Michael & Karen Parker (RC Cobourg), and Past District Governor Bill & Delphine Patchett (RC Cobourg).

Be sure to go to the District 7070 website and view the photo album of this tremendous day in the history of District 7070.





## Rotary uses virtual reality to inspire others

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Rotary is working with Google's virtual reality team to offer an experience that showcases the impact of compassion to a global audience. A three-minute virtual reality film that emphasizes the two themes of polio and peace will premiere at the Rotary Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, on June 13.

## New Rotary celebrity ambassador for polio

Nigerian singer/songwriter **Tiwa Savage** is the newest face to join Rotary's 'This Close' public awareness campaign for polio eradication. A paralyzing and life altering disease, polio is on the verge of becoming the second human disease ever to be eliminated worldwide after smallpox. Read more about Savage

### Where Polio Hides

The discovery of the poliovirus in Nigeria last summer shocked eradication efforts. Here's how Rotary is making sure it doesn't happen again.

Where polio hides

## **Tips For A Successful Rotary Project**

#### Tips for a successful Rotary project

To celebrate its 100th year, The Rotary Foundation is recognizing 20 global grants that are sustainable, align with one of Rotary's areas of focus and were designed in cooperation with the community to address a real need. The Rotarians who helped bring these projects to life share advice. <u>What makes a great project?</u>

## District Assembly - May 13, 2017

Over 200 Rotarians, Rotaractors, and even some prospective Rotarians attended the 2017 Distrit Assembly at the Bank of Montreal's Institute For Learning on Saturday May 13, 2017.

District Governor Jim Louttit reviewed many highlights of the Rotary year, addressed the tremendous work done by Rotary clubs to help him meet his goals: strengthening clubs, providing humanitarian service, and increasing Rotary's public image. He thanked everyone for inceasing membership by at net of + 71 as of May 13, contributung to The Rotary Fioundation (annual Porgrams Fund, PolioPlus, and to the Permanent Fund, the new member of the Arch Klumph Society, the 18 tons of hockey equipment going to Canada's First Nations, Revving up Rotary at the District Conference, Joe Roberts Push For Change, Morgan Weinberg's Little Footprints Big Steps program in Haiti, his club visits, and thanked everyone n our District for being "the best" in the Rotary world. He also reminded us that there were still 2 months to go in the Rotary year.

Past District Governor and Past Chair of Rotary's PolioPlus Committee, Dr. Bob Scott updated us on the status of Polio eradication. He stressed that" Getting to Zero Matters". In 10 years, we could be back to 200,000 cases per year if we do not finish the job. With 37 cases in 2016 and just 5 cases in 2017 (2 in pakistan, 3 in Afghanistan and none in Nigeria). We really are so very close.

Be sure to watch: <u>http://video.rotary.org/i78</u> Why Zero Matters. And <u>http://video.rotary.org/T8J5</u> How Rotary is Funding Polio Immunization in 2017.

To date, Rotary, together with Bill Gates has contributed than \$1.625 billion towards polio eradication, and \$34.6 million this year alone. Dr Bob Scott noted that our goal is to raise \$38.4 million this year, but we need \$42.3 million each year from Rotary to get the job done. It is for the children of the world.

This year's District 7070 Foundation Chair, Past District Governor Bill Patchett thanked everyone for their success in raising funds of \$165,000 at the Rotary District 7070 Foundation Luncheon Celebration and the 4 new Arch Klumpf Society members. He also thanked the 2017-18 Foundation Committee of 31 Rotarians under the Chair of Past District Governor Michael Bell for leading the way.

Whitby Sunrise Rotarian Kathy Beattie announced the 2017 Rotary Foundation Walk which will be in Whitby at Heydenshore, on September 10, 2017 under the chair of Mark Chipman.

District Conference Planning Chair Andrea Tirone encouraged everyone to register today for the 2017 District Conference (Nov 3 and 4) at White Oaks in St Catherine's. Register online on the District 7070 website. www.rotary7070.oorg . Cost to register is \$199 til June 6 and \$265 after that date.

Don Bell reminded us all of the 2018 Rotary International Convention right here in Toronto (June 23 - 27, 2018) and asked everyone to attend, be an ambassador (need 1,200), sign up for home hospitality hosting on June 25, volunteering on site and helping at the House of Friendship.

Excellent break-out sessions : Rotary Citation; Foundation Grants Management Certification; Fundraising Success Stories, Club Governance; Introduction to Membership, How to be a Vibrant Rotary Club; make Electronic Resources Work for your Rotary Club; A year in the Life of a Rotary Exchange Student; Tell Your Rotary Story: Rotary Public Image; Partnering with other Service clubs; and Conflict Prevention and Resolution in Rotary Clubs.

District Treasurer Devon Biddle presented the 2017-18 budget and Past District Governor Mike Cooksey presented the new District 7070 Policires and procedures.

Keynote speaker District 7040 Governor Nabil Oudeh talked to us about Conflict Resolution and Peace in our own Rotary Clubs

We all saw a new Rotary vimeo "Rotary – People of Action" which will be highlighted at the 2017 Rotary International Convention in Atlanta.

District Governor Elect Neil Phillips asked all Rotarians to keep doing the work they do amd ask for help if they need it. He aksed everyone to commit to the 2018 Rotary international Convention in Toronto; to get more involved at the District level and serve on committees. He talked about Rotary International President Elect Ian Riseley's challenge that every Rotarian in the world plant a tree in 2017-18 and announced a District 7070 program with the Highway of Heroes Tribute. <u>http://hohtribute.ca/</u>

## Breaking news - for five days only during the Rotary International Convention 2017 in Atlanta, Georgia(June 10-14), you can register tor the Rotary International 2018 Convention in Toronto for the low, low price of \$295.

Isn't that Rotary International President Elect Ian Riseley on the left with Rotaractors , on top of the CN Tower in Toronto, Ontario Canada, host city of the 2018 Rotary International Convention? www.rotary2018.org



## JUNE is Rotary Fellowships Month

#### What Is your Rotary Club doing to focus on Rotary Fellowships in June 2017?

#### Rotary Fellowships are groups of Rotary members, spouses, and Rotaractors who

- Share a common interest in recreational activities, sports, hobbies, or professions
- Further their vocational development with others in the same profession or field
- Enhance their Rotary experience by exploring new opportunities and making connections around the world

#### HOW ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS OPERATE

- Each fellowship functions independently of Rotary International, establishing its own rules, dues requirements, and administrative structure.
- Membership is open to Rotarians, spouses of Rotarians, and Rotaractors.
- Fellowships must have an international scope, with active members in at least three countries.

#### Fellowships:

- Enable Rotarians to make lasting friendships outside their own club, district, or country
- Contribute to the advancement of Rotary's public image and identity
- Serve as an incentive for joining Rotary and for continuing as a member

Rotary has fellowships for any interest. Find one that suits you at <a href="http://www.rotary.org/fellowships">www.rotary.org/fellowships</a> or if you would like to start a new fellowship, write to <a href="http://www.rotary.org/fellowships">rotary.org/fellowships</a> or if you would like to start a new fellowship, write to <a href="http://www.rotary.org">rotary.org</a>.

## Calling all boaters in 7070

#### From: Darryl Patterson, Rotary Club of East York

Are you a Rotarian that has a sailboat or motor boat on Lake Ontario? Are you interested in connecting with fellow Rotarian boaters? Why not become a founding member of the Lake Ontario Fleet of the largest Rotary International fellowship, the International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians. I'm looking for 18 members of district 7070 to found a local chapter around Lake Ontario.

The IYFR is the oldest and largest Rotary fellowship having been founded in 1947 with over 3,300 members in 34 countries organized into 110 fleets. With 111 Rotary clubs around Lake Ontario, I think we can gather the required 20 founding members to start up a fleet. Rotarians and friends of Rotarians qualify to be founding members and we already have 2 members - Nicole and me. We own a Pearson 30 and we're members of the National Yacht Club across from Billy Bishop Airport.

As members of the IYFR, we'll organize occasional boating get togethers and events. It would be up to the members to decide on frequency and location, but even once or twice a year is enough. As we are an international fellowship, it's common for members of the IYFR to gather together at RI Conventions. There is a group getting together in Florida after the Atlanta Convention, and our new fleet would assist the fellowship with organizing an event for the 2018 convention here in Toronto.

As mentioned earlier, I've done some preliminary research to find all the clubs within reasonable Lake Ontario distance that might have members that own boats. I have a list of 111 clubs across 6 districts! I'm hoping to get the 20 founding members here in our district, so if you or someone you know has a boat and would be interested in connecting with other boating Rotarians, please get in touch with me and we'll work together to found a fleet here on Lake Ontario.

Email me at <u>darryl.patterson@eastyorkrotary.org</u>.

### Another Example: Rotarian Wine Appreciation Fellowship

Here is an idea from Rob Morrow of District 7090, who attended the Rotary Leadership Institute Part 3 on April 22 in Toronto. While discussing fellowships, this came up about: **how to start a Rotarian Wine Appreciation Fellowship in our District 7070.** 

#### Here Is how you START A RWAF LOCAL CHAPTER

- Notify the RWAF President of your intentions.
- Decide on an appropriate name for the local chapter, typically covering one Rotary district.
- Contact all the known RWAF members in your designated area. The list can be obtained from the website, Members Only Area, and/or from the president and/or membership chairperson.
- Hold a wine event, perhaps a wine dinner or a wine tour, and invite all the RWAF members and every wine loving Rotarian you can contact from all the clubs in your area to attend. Have an interesting format or program that will appeal to most of the attendees and have fun.
- Ask all the attendees to become members of the RWAF and at the same time, the local chapter. Local chapters can charge their own dues but our NCTX Chapter of about 500 members, including spouses, pay RWAF dues only and that qualifies them to be members of the local chapter no additional dues have been necessary. Local chapter events are paid by the attendees. NOTE: All local chapter members must be RWAF members.
- Encourage prospective members to become Lifetime Members (\$100 USD, no annual billing, special LTM corkscrew pin, invitation to LTM Only events). No annual billing means less administrative hassle and more commitment from the new member. Only LTMs can have the corkscrew pin. A membership includes the spouse/significant other but a second pin costs an extra \$10 USD. Annual Membership costs \$25 USD and there is an AM pin but individual pins will not be mailed out to new AMs too expensive.
- Plan at least four wine events during the Rotary year and work hard to get good attendance and to sign up more members. Local events can be publicized in our newsletters, on our website (www.rotarywine.net) and on our RWAF Facebook page. Send before and after event information to our Facebook editor Claire Larson at clarson@mail.telepac.pt.
- Arrange to have one or more wine event fund raisers so you can do a Rotary service project.
- Man a booth at all club and district functions advertising the RWAF and your local chapter.
- Inform your district Fellowships Chairman about the RWAF and your local chapter and ask for help in promoting it.
- Inform the district governor about the RWAF and your local chapter and ask for his/her help in promoting it. Suggest hosting a wine reception at the district conference/district assembly and/or the Rotary Foundation Seminar.
- When you have a decent number of members in your chapter, hold an election of officers, elect a Board of Directors and adopt a set of By-Laws patterned after the Rotary Fellowship Standard By-Laws (Recommended). Include a provision to indemnify (hold harmless) the Rotarian Wine Appreciation Fellowship, Inc. and Rotary International for the actions of the chapter. Do a risk analysis to assess your chapter's liability and obtain event insurance coverage, etc. as needed.
- Encourage your members to attend the RI International Conventions and participate in the RWAF activities and events.

## **Membership Development**

Dear club presidents, club presidents-elect, and club secretaries,

In response to feedback from Rotary clubs around the world, I want to let you know about an important change that may affect your annual Rotary membership number. This change will ensure that all 2016-17 membership achievements are accurately recorded and that your club's July invoice reflects the correct membership at the beginning of the new Rotary year.

Previously, our policy included new members added with a 1 July effective date in the calculation of the annual 1 July membership start number, which was also used for recognizing membership achievements for the immediately previous Rotary year. This calculation method resulted in substantial confusion and frustration for clubs that expected these new members to be counted in their net membership increase for the new year rather than the previous year. Going forward, if you have new members you want counted in your membership achievements for the current Rotary year, they must now be reported to RI on or before 30 June.

- Members added with 1 July 2017 effective dates will no longer be included in your annual 1 July 2017 membership start number, but they will be billed on the 1 July 2017 club invoice and counted toward 2017-18 membership growth.
- Members terminated with effective dates on or before 1 July 2017 will reduce your club's 2016-17 membership achievement, reduce your 1 July 2017 membership start number, and will not be billed on the 1 July 2017 club invoice.

As a result, it is possible for your club's July 2017 annual membership start number to be lower than your July 2017 invoice if new members were added with a 1 July 2017 effective date. Below are two examples of how the changes would affect a club's 2017 annual membership start number and July 2017 invoice number.

Rotary Club A	Rotary Club B	
30 June 2017: 60 members	30 June 2017: 40 members	
1 July 2017: +15 members (these 1 Julymembership changes will not affect the 1 July 2017 annual membership start number)	1 July 2017: -12 members (these 1 Julymembership changes will affect the 1 July 2017annual membership start number)	
1 July 2017 annual membership start number: 60 members	1 July 2017 annual membership start number: 28 members	
July 2017 invoice number: 75 members	July 2017 invoice number: 28 members	

In summary, beginning immediately with the 2016-17 Rotary year, new members added on or before 30 June will count toward the current Rotary year, while members added with 1 Julyeffective dates will count toward the new Rotary year. We hope this change simplifies your reporting and reflects your membership more accurately.

If you have any questions, you can send them to membershipdevelopment@rotary.org.

Sincerely,

Brian King Director of Membership Development Rotary International

## Ashton Kutcher to speak at Atlanta convention

Ashton Kutcher, co-founder of Thorn, actor, tech investor, and philanthropist will join the End of Modern Slavery panel discussion at this year's Rotary International Convention. The discussion will take place during the second general session on Monday, 12 June.

Learn more about our speakers

**Register** 

## Canada's Minister for International Development and La Francophonie, Marie Claude Bibeau, who will attend the Rotary convention in Atlanta



From: Kris Tsau, Rotary Polio Advocacy Canada

A great meeting was held recently with Canada's Minister for International Development and La Francophonie, Marie Claude Bibeau, who will attend the Rotary convention in Atlanta as part of Canada's continued commitment and collaboration to End Polio. Special thanks to Rotary International Director Dean Rohrs and Past Rotary International President Wilfrid Wilkinson as well as Dean's Member of Parliament, John Aldag. PRIP Wilf presents the Minister with an End Polio Now Pin.

## An Evening of Rotary Friendship:

#### From District Governor Nominee Mary Lou Harrison

On Wednesday, May 24, District Governors (past, present & future), their partners & two Rotary Youth Exchange students met for a celebration of Rotary friendship at the Scarborough Golf Club. Thanks to Past District Governor Brian Thompson for this great photo!



## District 7070 Global Grant Supports International Training Institute

## In Columbia in May 2017

From Ian Iancaster, District 7070 Chair of Vocational Service



#### My Fellow Rotarians,

I wanted to make you aware of a unique opportunity that took place the second week of May. Through a Global Grant, District 7070 in conjunction with other Clubs and Districts in the United States, Nigeria and Colombia, supported an International Training Institute (ITI). The Institute, coordinated by Mediators Beyond Borders International (MBBI), and Women in Peacebuilding: Enhancing Skills & Practices (Mujeres Constructoras de Paz: Desarrollando Habilidades y Práctica) took place in Bogota, Colombia from 8-12 May. The 28 participants came directly from or had their origins in the previous conflict areas of Central America and the Andean Highlands, Ecuador, El Salvador, Panama, Bolivia, Peru, Venezuela and Colombia.

This follows another Institute that MBBI's 2016 ITI, supported by Rotary International, including District 7070, AAA-IDCR Foundation, and Women International Leaders of Greater Philadelphia, took place in Jakarta, Indonesia, from July 16-24, 2016.

This was an extraordinary opportunity for the trainees, non-Rotarians and Rotarians to: raise their skills to advance their field work; join a community of women peacebuilders from Central America and the Andes Region and around the world; and connect with MBBI & RI, leaders in peace work around the world.

MBBI convenes community and civil society leaders who seek to support a gendered approach to peacebuilding. The 12-month program for each cohort emphasizes:

**Capacity-building:** A multicultural, multinational and multidisciplinary endeavour guided by an MBBI team whose work experience spans 40 countries. These peacebuilders' skills are employed in dialogue facilitation, mediation, restorative justice and training methodology. Negotiation training emphasizes contexts for peace negotiations and advocacy to access a seat at the table. Trainees think strategically about the best use of these skills in cultural contexts with minimal space for women's public participation.

**Connecting and complementing:** Participants exchange experience and insights with practitioners from countries in their region, as well as with conflict professionals around the world. MBBI helps them form connections with complementary women's networks such as those organized by the Institute for Inclusive Security, Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice, and Eastern Mennonite University's Center for Justice and Peacebuilding.

**Women in mediation projects:** Participants design projects based on their training to reduce threats to peace, promote reconciliation, and educate and empower more women leaders. The participants are supported by others in their cohort and by MBBI.

District 7070 was fortunate to have an individual that filled all the criteria. **Patricia (Patty) Orantes**, a lawyer, transplanted from El Salvador, living and working in Northumberland County in the eastern end of the District, was one of 140 who submitted applications and was accepted to receive the training.

Here is Patty's experience in her own words.

Ian Lancaster, Chair: District Vocational Service

It was quite loud when I came out of the elevator into the lobby of the hotel. I found a group of women from different countries introducing themselves to each other and having a brief friendly talk. We all wanted to know each other and learn more about our backgrounds. It was then when I realized what an amazing experience it was going to be, being part of this international training.

Mediators Beyond Borders International, with the support of Rotary International and the assistance of Bogota Capital Rotary Club, was hosting the fourth regional cohort of its Women in Mediation International Training Institute in Bogota, Colombia from 7-12 May, 2017. Twenty-eight women from the Andean Region were accepted to take part in peacebuilding and mediation training. The main goal of this training was to develop the abilities of women as mediators and peace-builders in: Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, El Salvador, Panama, Peru and Venezuela. It would help to strengthen our existing networks of women peace-builders in the region and introduce us, and our best practices, to other parts of the world.

Meeting all these women with different backgrounds, experiences, opinions and ways to manage and resolve conflict in our own working fields was an inspirational and moving experience. Learning first-hand from the conflict that Venezuela has been living for the last decade; the socio-political problems of Colombia and especially their indigenous communities; the challenging situations that different communities in Ecuador, Peru, Panama and Bolivia are facing made me realize that enhancing our abilities in mediation and peace-building should be mandatory for everybody. Thanks to my participation as a Rotarian in this event, I was able to improve my knowledge, skills and confidence to effectively manage conflict and transform negative situations in my workplace and community into a peaceful environment.

## Welcome to the New Rotaract Club of Richmond Hill

Congratulations to the newly-chartered Rotaract Club of Richmond Hill and to their sponsors, the Rotary Club of Richmond Hill Ontario. Welcome to the family of Rotary International!



The Executive of the newly-chartered Rotaract Club of Richmond Hill. From left to right: - Kishani (Director of Media and Publicity), Mamta (Director of Community Relations), Shobana (Director of Communications), Vaaraki (Founding President), Katisha (Director of Finance) & Saanmugi (Vice President).



## Important Rotary Dates coming up:

- The Rotary Foundation's 100th anniversary
- Rotary Fellowships Month
- 10-14 June Rotary International Convention, Atlanta, Georgia, USA
- 10-14 June The Rotary Foundation's Centennial Celebration, Atlanta, Georgia, USA
- 30 June Last day for Rotary and Rotaract clubs to report activities to earn a Presidential Citation
- 30 June Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award nominations are due
- 30 June Rotary Global Alumni Service to Humanity Award nominations (from zones) are due
- 30 June Rotary Alumni Association of the Year nominations (from zones) are due

## **Resources & reference for you to use in your Rotary Club**

- Rotary Voices: Stories of service from around the world
- Rotary Service Connections: Connect, partner and serve through Rotary
- Rotary Leader: Helping club and district officers achieve success
- Rotary Images: Download photos to use in your club or district publications

## **Rotary at a Glance:**

As of November 30, 2016, there are 1,227,217 Rotarians in 35,263 Rotary Clubs in the world. And, As of November 30, 2016, there are 226,389 Rotaract members in 9,843 Rotaract Clubs in the world and there are 483,230 Interact members in 21,010 Interact Clubs in the world.

Note: District 7070 is up 71 members from July 1, 2016 thru to May 13, 2017

#### **SHELTERBOX News For June 2017**



#### After the storm – ShelterBox provides aid in Mozambique following Cyclone Dineo

Cyclone Dineo struck Mozambique in February, bringing torrential rain and damaging winds that destroyed 20,000 homes and affected 130,000 people. Our Response Teams have been working on the ground with the Red Cross to help communities rebuild.



Dineo was the first tropical cyclone to hit the coast of Mozambique since 2008. In the province of Inhambane, 200 mm of rain fell and at least seven people were killed, including a child crushed by a falling tree in Massinga. After the storm abated an estimated 130,000 people were in need of assistance. The aid that best suited the needs of the affected communities was our ShelterKits, containing materials to rebuild or repair homes and structures.

ShelterBox Response Team member, Steven Tonkinson says, "The people we have been distributing to are clearly among the most vulnerable in their

communities. We have seen elderly men and women, people with severe physical disabilities, mothers with infants and orphaned children. It's reassuring to know that our aid is going to those who need it most."

ShelterBox teams are also continuing to work in Peru, Colombia, Somaliland, Cameroon, Niger, Iraq, and throughout the Syrian region.



#### ShelterBox Aid: Did you know?

Did you know that our ShelterBox Response Teams work closely with affected communities to ensure they receive the exact type of aid that is most needed? In Mozambique, we are providing our ShelterKits which contain the tools and materials to repair damaged structures and rebuild locally appropriate shelters.

In Colombia, we are providing LuminAID solar lights which last up to 16 hours on just one charge, and are lightweight and float in water. We are also providing families with Thirst Aid water filters, which have a mechanism in place to stop filtering when it cannot produce completely safe drinking water. By supporting the ShelterBox Aid fund, donations will be directed to aid items most in need by

communities, such as these ones listed.

#### Thank you for a great year!

The team at ShelterBox would like to say a huge thank you to all of the Rotary Clubs, Rotary Districts and Rotarians across the country who have supported the organization during the 2016-2017 year. **Over this past Rotary year**,

Rotary Clubs have donated over \$494,000 to help us ensure no family is without shelter. On behalf of those we serve, we thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Since we were founded in 2000, ShelterBox has helped well over a million people and has grown into a one of a kind, cutting-edge charity that stops at nothing to reach families who need shelter.

You may have noticed that over the past few months we have introduced a new logo, updated language and now, a new website. Haven't seen it? Go take a look!

We began this journey by thinking about what sets us apart as an organization. We've never been afraid to cross boundaries and cut through red tape to provide the link between people who need support and those who want to give it. We don't follow the crowd; we're leading the way in the future of emergency shelter.

Our updated look and language grew out of feedback from those who support us. This new approach leaves us in a better position to tell our story; to connect you with the work we do and to create more meaningful connections with those who support us and the families we serve.

So, don't worry - we are still the same ShelterBox that you know and trust, just with a new haircut. We remain impatient to see a world where no family is left without shelter when disaster strikes. This impatience continues to drive us to transform your amazing support into the hope and power of families all over the world.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication and if you have any further questions about our new look or lingo, please <u>get in touch</u>.

#### All the best, Stephanie Christensen

Executive Director, ShelterBox Canada

#### And From ShelterBox Canada to Rotary: Thank you !!!

Ron Noseworthy ShelterBox Response Team Member and Past President of The Rotary Club of Kenora

from their Newsletter

#### ShelterBox Canada – 159 Jane St Office 2, Toronto, ON M6S 3Y8

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## HIP (Honoring Indigenous People): Highlights



#### **HIP Website**

Please look at our website (<u>http://www.rotaryhip.com/</u>) for regular updates. The Rotary HIP Facebook has been set up so "like us on Facebook". Pass it on to your Facebook friends.

**Blog:** There have been many news items recently that have been added to our blog. Keep checking back for regular updates. One of the newest blogs is about a cance

adventure beginning in May. A group of 16 paddlers will be undertaking a journey from Kingston to Ottawa. Read the full story on the blog page. Go to (Rotary HIP - Blog).

**Facebook Page:** We have also improved our Facebook page.We have also improved our Facebook page and added a twitter handle. We have over 200 FB followers and 60 twitter subscribers to date. If you would like to be a friend on our Facebook page, click : <u>https://www.facebook.com/HonouringIndigenousPeoples/</u> to see our new site. You can like, follow and share.

**Photo Album :** (<u>Rotary HIP - Photo Album - Rotary HIP</u>) : New photos have been added to our HIP website photo album. We have added some new photos from Kashechewan, the Senior Tamil Centre of Ontario and the St. Francis School, Tilbury gifts-in-kind collection to our gallery. Please take a look. If you have recently viewed a good film or

documentary or read a book not on our list with an indigenous theme or message, please email Julie Dunaiskis (julie@eccgroup.ca) and Janet McLeod (jmm@nexicom.net) to add to our list.

Newsletters : Our monthly HIP newsletters can now be found on our HIP website (Rotary HIP - Newsletters).

**Resources - Films & Documentaries :** A page has been added on the website for films & documentaries (<u>Rotary HIP - Films & Documentaries</u>). Please have a look. We have many available on our website - some you can just click and watch. If you have recently viewed a film or documentary or read a book with an indigenous theme or message, please email Julie Dunaiskis (julie@eccgroup.ca) and Janet McLeod (jmm@nexicom.net) to add to our list. We have many available on our website - some you can just click and watch.

**Reading**: If you have recently viewed a good film or documentary or read a book not on our list with an indigenous theme or message, please email Julie Dunaiskis (julie@eccgroup.ca) and Janet McLeod (jmm@nexicom.net) to add to our list.

Podcasts and other Resources - We have downloaded a new podcast with **Bob Rae**. Mr. Rae was guest speaker at the Rotary Club of Toronto lunch meeting on March 29, 2017. We now have podcasts with John Andras, Tim Thompson, Chris Snyder, the Honourable Paul Martin, the Honourable Bob Rae and Kenn Richard. These are short and will provide terrific insight into indigenous issues. We also have a video with Paul Martin. More are to come. Please advise if you have someone you think would be good to have on a podcast. These interviews were conducted by Emre Yurga, the incoming chair of the Rotary Club of Toronto's Indigenous Services Committee. Thank you, Emre. We add to our podcasts periodically. Check under resources. We have powerpoint slides you can use as well as our HIP Brochure which are all located under **Resources**. There is also a list of all the reserves in Ontario and the Rotary district they are located in. It would be fantastic if every club developed a relationship with one of these Indigenous communities. If there is no reserve in your community, you might want to pay a visit to a local Friendship Centre.

#### **Rotary News**

**On Friday, June 23rd, the Rotary Club of Toronto will be hosting Roberta Jamieson, President & CEO of Indspire**. As a Mohawk woman, she has enjoyed a distinguished career earning a law degree, serving on a House of Commons committee, holding the position of Ombudsman and being elected Chief of the Six Nations of the Grand River Territory where she resides with her family. The luncheon will be at noon at the National Club and ticket cost is \$50. Order your tickets today by contacting the Rotary office at (416) 363-0604.

HIP Chair, Chris Snyder and Director, Fred Lawlor attended the 7080 CIRCLE (Community Indigenous Resource Committee) meeting on May 16th. JP Gladu, President and CEO of CCAB. His presentation on the changing landscape of aboriginal business in Canada was interesting and well attended. The meeting started with a smudging ceremony and drumming by Jay Lomax. Jay is a First Nations person from Manitoba and the adopted son of John Lomax, a member of the **Brampton Rotary Club** and incoming Director of HIP in 7080. At age 19, Jay returned to his cultural roots. He has since returned to Toronto and now works in the adoption department of the Native Child and Family Services of Toronto. He recently obtained an MSW in social work from Laurier. Jay has agreed to come and speak to clubs on cultural issues. He is terrific. See the list of speakers under Resources on our website.

The **Rotary Club of Cobourg** has been active recently assisting the Alderville First Nation community in meeting their literacy/education needs through books. The club's Literacy and Youth Service committees joined together and agreed to raise the necessary funds. Acer Chromebooks was selected as supplier but funding fell short. Cobourg Police Services board agreed to fund the difference. In total, Alderville will receive over \$5,300 towards their literacy needs. Great work!

**Cobourg's second project** has been called "Flotilla for Friendship". This collaborative aboriginal youth and police relationship building initiative is bringing together police services across Northumberland. The goal is to have police officers volunteer to spend a day paddling the local waterways with an aboriginal youth. It is hoped it will develop trust and allow officers to experience some of our First Nation culture. The club has contributed \$1,500, partnering with Cobourg Police. Other police forces are expected to join in. We wish you success in this adventure.

The **Rotary Club of Belleville** recently selected three aboriginal students from Lakehead University in Thunder Bay to receive annual bursaries offered by the club. Each student received \$1,000. As well, the club partnered with the Rotary Club of Wellington to provide baseball equipment for the John Yesno School in Fort Hope. Great work!

The **Rotary Club of Bowmanville** started an award/bursary program in 2009 with the Matawa First Nation community. The value of the awards were initially \$4,000 but to date that amount has increased to \$11,000/year for a total of \$50,000. Each university/college award continues for the duration of the program of the student.

Additional awards are given for apprenticeship in a trade, elementary and secondary levels. HIP Director, Tim Thompson initiated the first contact with the educational director, principals and teachers. This year's graduation ceremony will take place in Thunder Bay on June 8th. Club members Ted Mann and George Krohn will attend. First recipient of the university award, Nicole Beauvais is now a practising family doctor in Timmins. Last year's university recipient, Keri Lyn CheeChoo is working on her PhD in Ottawa. Several years ago, post-secondary co-ordinator, Georgette Onabigon in Matawa and recipient, Jason Rasevitch spoke at the district conference to a full house.

The **Rotary Club of Newmarket** is developing a relationship with the First Nations community on Georgina Island. Club members have been invited to visit on June 30th.

**Nicole Patterson of the East York Rotary Club and John Currie**, our Director of In-Kind-Gifts and Projects have recently been certified as facilitators for the Kairos Blanket Program. For details go to the link (<u>Homepage - The Blanket Exercise</u>). Please contact either Nicole at nic.patterson@gmail.com or John at john.wayne.currie@outlook.com to book a program.

**The Rotary Club of Toronto** recently passed a resolution to start their meetings with proper acknowledgement of being on the historical lands of the First Nations Peoples who inhabited their lands. In the past, we have encouraged clubs to do this at the start of their meetings. Some are doing it. It was done at recent meetings I have been at in Palgrave, Brampton, Scarborough and Toronto Eglinton. Just think if every club in Canada did it. You will need to ensure it is the First Nations lands in your area. If you do not know, call your local municipal office to obtain the correct name.

**Gifts-in-Kind.** This has been an **overwhelming success**. Over 180 pallets of goods worth over \$650,000 have been sent to twenty First Nations communities including two in Manitoba. Transportation valued at more than \$120,000 by Trucks for Change and Wasaya Airlines have been provided for no cost. HIP has been the co-ordinator and facilitator of the transportation. This is a partnership between the donor organizations (schools, churches, Rotary clubs), transportation companies and the local First Nations communities. We are working hard to put it on a sustaining basis for the future. There has been some media, most focused on the donors. It is our aim to turn this into the start of engagement and interaction amongst people and the communities north and south. Already a few pen pal exchanges are starting to evolve.

The Rotary Club of East York has just contributed \$2,500 to the OLPC (One Laptop per Child) program. Hurray!

#### Adventure in Understanding will take place on August 27 - September 1, 2017.

Applications are now open for youth aged 16-18 years of age. Sponsored and in partnership with the Rotary Club of Peterborough Kawartha, Curve Lake First Nation, Camp Kawartha and the Canadian Canoe Museum, this annual canoe trip brings together Indigenous and non-Indigenous youth to be leaders in sharing and experiencing aspects of Indigenous culture leading to greater understanding and reconciliation. Check the application link on our blog.

*What is your club doing?* Please email Julie Dunaiskis (julie@eccgroup.ca) with a brief summary so we can post on the HIP website and provide an update in upcoming newsletters. This will help other clubs and provide a sense of how we are involved.

**Request a Speaker** - Would your club like to have a Speaker at an upcoming meeting? If so, please check the list of available speakers on our website under Resources/Speakers List. Or contact **Tom Sears** (tsears@sympatico.ca) to propose a date and a subject you would like the person to speak about i.e. a) about HIP b) a project or c) awareness of the issues. Ideally these talks will inform members and guests and hopefully engage members in becoming involved in an Indigenous program, donating money and developing a relationship with the local Indigenous community. We are happy to help you connect with the community close to you. There have been an estimated ten presentations in the past month.

#### **News & Events**

Native Child & Family Services of Toronto are looking for a number of board members. You can find details about the position and contact on our blog. As well, they are hosting their annual AGM on **June 22nd** and the details are also found on our blog.

On **June 5th & 6th**, a conference is being held in Toronto titled *Characteristics of a Nation-to-Nation Relationship*. The federal government has committed to a Nation-to-Nation relationship with First Nations and the Metis and this conference was designed to allow for some broader discussions. This is the 3rd to be held across Canada. You can find details about the event, cost and registration on our blog.

**June 7th** - Anishinawbe Health Foundation are hosting a fundraiser in Toronto. Cost is \$100. You can learn and support a new Reconciliation Project by attending. Details about the event are found on our blog.

**National Aboriginal Day - June 21st** - the Government of Canada has created a website (<u>List of activities -</u> <u>Canada.ca</u>) listing various activities across Canada to celebrate the day. Find a community close to you and get out and enjoy!

**October 4th - 8th** - Indigenous Roots of Expressive Arts Therapy Conference, Winnipeg, MB - the conference will feature keynote presenters and workshops creating dialogue, celebration and promoting healing. A highlight will be a performance by Thomson Highway. Full details and the registration link can be found on our blog.

Are you making **summer vacation plans** for Canada's 150th birthday year? The Ontario Travel website has lots of great ideas focused on Aboriginal Experiences (<u>Aboriginal Experiences | OntarioTravel.net</u>) as well as several celebrations in Ottawa throughout the summer and fall. The National Gallery is beginning dual exhibitions of Canadian and Indigenous Art. Some long time traditional favourites are pow wows on Manitoulin Island, Sainte-Marie Among the Hurons near Midland, Crawford Lake near Campbellville, Curve Lake and Chippewas of Rama.

**Owen Sound** will be celebrating **June 30th -July 9th** with a Maawanji'iding: Festival Canadiana Owen Sound. Local First Nations and Metis communities will join in presenting a series of entertaining, informative and inspirational events. Check out the website for detailed dates (under Signature Events) <u>Celebration 2017 Owen Sound-Events - Owen Sound</u>.

**Other :** We have a **new HIP Brochure**. It should be saved under our Resources tab (<u>Rotary HIP - Powerpoint</u> <u>Presentations</u>) by the end of this month. If you would like to use it, you may print and distribute to your networks.

**Approved Projects :** Check the HIP website (<u>Rotary HIP - Approved projects</u>) to see full project descriptions. We hope you or your club can support any of the projects mentioned as follows. **Kashechewan's Paddling with the Cree; Dolly Parton Imagination Library; One Laptop per Child Canada; and Elephant Thoughts.** 

We need much more financial support. Please join in. Not only will you help the project become reality and assist with the educational needs but you will learn a lot as well. We are also reviewing several new initiatives. When approved, we will be providing a brief outline with a link to the project. All of these projects have been approved by our project committee and have the full support of the Indigenous community.

**HIP Membership:** *We would like you, your club and friends to become members.* You do not need to be a Rotarian to join. You can join today by selecting (Rotary HIP - Become a Member) on the HIP website. Complete the online form and send us a cheque for \$100 made payable to HIP. By becoming a member, you are saying we like and support what HIP is doing. Here is \$100 to help move the cause of education and awareness forward. Please note, membership payment cannot be done online as it is not tax-receiptable. Please send a cheque c/o 100 Simcoe St., Suite 110, Toronto M5H 3G2 and reference the online form or send a note with your name, address, email and club(if applicable) to the above address. We will send you an acknowledgement and ensure you will receive our monthly newsletter.

**Charitable donations** can now be accepted online through our website (<u>Rotary HIP - Make a Donation</u>) and the donor will receive a tax receipt immediately. You may designate funds to a specific project or to general projects focusing on education. Thank you for your continued support of our projects.

#### Our Message from HIP Chair, Chris Snyder

This past month or so we have heard a number of bad things happening in the indigenous world. This includes the slowness of the commission on murdered and missing indigenous women, the seven First Nations teens who had drowned and the appropriation issues. There is, though, a positive side to these stories, namely 10-15 years ago, we would not have even heard about them - no one cared, today we do.

From my vantage point, there are a lot of good things happening. Here are just a few:

- the number of post-secondary indigenous students is increasing such as the MBA students mentioned in the questions and answer section
- school boards are teaching much more about indigenous history. In Barrie, for example, grade 5 students are
  participating in Kairos Blanket Exercises
- more people and institutions are recognizing and acknowledging they are on historical indigenous lands
- joint exchanges including canoe trips are taking place between young people from the north and south
- governments are responding, some faster than others. Included in this is funding to preserve indigenous language. It is well known, educational outcomes are much improved if young people are exposed to cultural learning.
- as demonstrated by the gifts-in-kind program, people are wanting to be involved. Hockey, not surprisingly, is a flashpoint.
- there are many great aboriginal writers coming out of the woodwork. The crowdfunding for an indigenous writing prize has produced approximately \$100,000 in a week. There is an excellent documentary we saw at the film festival called *Bee Nation* about First Nations and a spelling bee. HIP will be working with the director to make this available.
- aboriginal business is increasing.
- groups are working together much more. What HIP and Rotary are doing is an example.
- people are recognizing contact improves relationships and understanding. We know of many groups going to the reserves to find out more and courses for the public are springing up around the history of First Nations peoples

There are many more examples of good things happening, however, we have a long way to go. In my opinion though, we are headed in the right direction. We hope you get/stay involved on the reconciliation voyage we are now on.. Sincerely,

Chris Snyder Chair, HIP snyder@eccgroup.ca 416-364-0181 Ext. 2501



WASH Resources The following are some great WASH resources that you might find useful!

Centre for Affordable Water and Sanitation Technology

The Water Network

Faecal Sludge Management - Practical Action in South Asia

Partnership for Handwashing

Brochures and Presentations

#### Project Problems? Try Rotary Ideas

The Rotary Club of Montego Bay Sunrise in Jamaica was having problems raising money for a water and sanitation project at 11 schools in their country.

With the encouragement of their District Governor, Paul Brown, they submitted a project to <u>Rotary Ideas</u> where they were able to link up with the Rotary Club of Central Cayman Islands to get a Global Grant from The Rotary Foundation.

Read the story, Try Rotary Ideas, that was published in February 2017 issue of The Rotarian magazine

#### Calendar Of Events

June 9, 2017 - Atlanta, Georgia, USA World Water Summit 9 June 10, 2017 - Atlanta Georgia, USA WASRAG Annual Meeting November 19, 2017 - WORLD TOILET DAY http://www.worldtoiletday.info/

If you are going to the RI Convention in Atlanta: plan on attending the 9th annual

WASRAG World Water Summit on Friday June 9th, 2017 - 08.00 am - 12.00 noon

This year's theme will focus on WASH and Women, showing how women and girls are elevating their communities through water, sanitation and hygiene programs .

Keynote Speaker: **Deurence Adhiambo**, Community Development Practitioner, Kisumu, Kenya **"Lessons learned in WASH projects"** Friday, June 9, 2017 8:30 am - 12:30 pm Atlanta, Georgia, USA Deurence has a deep passion for empowering rural communities, with a focus on youth and women centered approaches. She has vast knowledge and experience in coordinating, monitoring and evaluating development initiatives using a Human Rights-Based Approach to programming. One of her many projects is a rural mentorship program with underserved adolescent girls where she sources and distributes free sanitary products. Join us in Atlanta the day before the International Convention for the 9th annual World Water Summit. The Water Summit will end a half hour before the Peace Conference begins nearby. Those not attending the Peace Conference-stay for complimentary afternoon workshops to learn how to get best value for your project REGISTRATION FEES -

- Wasrag Members: Early Bird \$60 (\$75 after April 3, 2017)
- Non-Wasrag Members: **Early Bird \$85** (\$100 after April 3, 2017) (Includes a complimentary 1-year membership to Wasrag)
- Rotaractors: A Special Rate of \$30

Please register here

#### It's WASRAG's Tenth Birthday! Join us on Saturday June 10th, 2017

#### LOCATION: The Arctic Room at the Spectacular Georgia Aquarium, 225 Baker St NW, Atlanta, GA 30313 Georgia Aquarium Website

**4:30 - 5:30 pm -** WASRAG's Annual General Meeting:Past RI President and WASRAG Chair Bill Boyd will update everyone on WASRAG's progress - 2007 – 2017!

5:50 – 7:30 pm - A cash bar and complimentary hors d'oeuvres will be offered as we honor individuals who have contributed to WASRAG's success.

We've come a long way - and it was all made possible by a strong, dedicated group of WASH-minded Rotarians. We hope that many of WASRAG's members and friends will attend. We need to provide a number to the Aquarium by June 1<sup>st</sup> and reservations are required. Please complete this very simple RSVP to confirm your attendance! <u>RSVP</u>

#### **WASRAG Newsletter On-line Archive**

On the WASRAG website we keep back issues of the WASRAG Newsletter on this page <a href="http://www.wasrag.org/newsletters">http://www.wasrag.org/newsletters</a>.

Wasrag needs your membership. Membership revenue helps cover our administrative costs, website upgrades, training, development of support materials etc. To check whether your membership has expired, email <u>Anna</u>

To submit stories and pictures our Newsletter, please email: <u>info@wasrag.org</u> to the attention of Wasrag newsletter editors Ian Rumbles and Terri Black.

\*The Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group (Wasrag) is pleased to consider partnerships with any corporate supporter. Due to the unique attributes of water sources and water provision, acceptance of corporate support does not imply an endorsement of any particular water technology. Rotarians, Rotary clubs, and Rotary partners must evaluate any technology to determine if it is the best solution for the conditions where the program will be implemented. Wasrag can provide guidance about where different technologies work best, but Rotarians and Rotary clubs must make the final decision about how to implement their programs.

**The Water & Sanitation Rotarian Action Group** is a group of Rotarians whose purpose is to support Rotary clubs to effectively plan, finance, implement, monitor and evaluate water, sanitation, and hygiene programs, where they are most needed in a collaborative, cost-effective, timely, and sustainable manner, true to the principles of Rotary International. Wasrag operates in accordance with Rotary International policy but is not an agency of, or controlled by, Rotary International.

## District Conference 2017 - Nov 3 and 4

#### From: Andrea Tirone, Chair, Conference Planning, 2017 District 7070 Conference

Hello and thank you once again to everyone who has registered to attend the District 7070 Conference November 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> at the White Oaks Resort and Spa in Niagara-on-the-Lake!

We have some updates on Friday à la carte options as well as a reminder for booking accommodations at White Oaks Resort and Spa. If you know of a fellow club member who hasn't yet registered for the 2017 District Conference,

registration fees will go up on June 7<sup>th</sup>, so please do encourage them to register before then.

#### Friday à la carte Golf Tournament

We have confirmed that the Nina Cole Rotary Invitational Golf Tournament will take place on Friday, November  $3^{rd}$  at the <u>Niagara-on-the-Lake Golf Club</u>. For you golnuts, this is the oldest surviving golf course in North America. Be sure to read its history on their website. The 9-hole best-ball tournament is being offered at \$40.00 per golfer and will run from 1:00PM – 4:30PM. For more information and to register please visit our <u>website</u>.

#### **Accommodations**

As our team continues to plan for November, we wanted to send out another friendly reminder to those who may not have yet booked their accommodations. We have negotiated a deal with <u>White Oaks</u> so that Superior Guest Rooms

are \$179.00 on November 3<sup>rd</sup> and \$189.00 on November 4<sup>th</sup>. You will want to book early as there are a limited number of rooms available at this rate.

For more information please visit our conference site: <u>http://rotary7070conference.org/hotel/</u>

And to book directly with White Oaks Resort and Spa, Click <u>here</u>. If you have any questions, please feel free to get in touch at any time! Kind Regards,

Andrea Tirone Chair, Conference Planning 2017 District 7070 Conference anget09@gmail.com

## **District Newsletter Special Year End Edition:**

In preparation for District Governor Jim Louttit's Sepcial Edition Dsitrict 7070 Newsletter, please sand any photos you would like to see of our District Governor to Dave Andrews, District 7070 Public Image Chair by June 26 at the latest . We will select a few to go along with the Newsletter.

Many thanks,

#### Dave

Dave Andrews, District 7070 Public Image Chair <u>dave.f.andrews99@gmail.com</u>

## **CLUB NEWS**

### **Volunteers Needed for Toronto Rotary Ribfest:**

Calling all District 7070 Rotarians. Can you help?

Thank you to the 49 people who have already signed up but we still need 200 volunteers to assist with Ribfest June 30-July 3rd. It is a great way to do some sweat equity while getting to know our fellow Rotarians!!

It is lots of fun...a really EASY WAY TO RAISE \$\$\$!! Sign up NOW..first come first served for the shifts..Bring business associates, family and friends...high school students get volunteer hours...

This year I have progressed from manual excel scheduling to an on-line, schedule yourself version. Here is the link to the website. You will need to register and then you can sign up for as many shifts as you like. You can go back into the program as many times as you need to cancel, reschedule and move things around. This is a great fundraiser and your support is always appreciated.

<u>https://app.vroomhq.com/s/toronto-ribfest</u> If you have any questions please let me know.

Contact Dawn-Marie King at KingDa@smh.ca

## REMINDERS

## Call For Submissions : The Wilf Wilkinson Peace Award And The The Dr. Bob Scott Disease Prevention Award

The **Wilf Wilkinson Peace Award** is given annually to a Rotarian, Rotary Club, friend of Rotary, or group in District 7070 that has, in the judgement of the District Governor, made significant contributions to defending, preserving, nurturing and promoting a culture of peace and non-violence. Last year's award winner was the Canadian Centre for Refugee & Immigrant Health Care.

The **Dr. Bob Scott Disease Prevention Award** is given annually to a Rotarian, Rotary Club, friend of Rotary, or group in District 7070 that has, in the judgement of the District Governor, made significant contributions in the field of health care in prevention and/or elimination of disease. Last year's award winner was the former Chair of the Water & Sanitation Rotary Action Group, Past District Governor Ron Denham.

Submissions for potential recipients of this award will be welcomed from any Rotary Club in District 7070. Submissions should include a bio of the individual or group being proposed, an outline of the specific achievements relating to the award that this individual or group is being considered for, and any supporting documentation deemed appropriate. Submissions will be reviewed by the District 7070 Awards Committee in consultation with the District Governor. **Submission deadline is June 30th, 2017**.

# The Rotary District 7070 Conference Committee is running our 3rd Taming of the Dragon - Youth Social Impact Competition.

#### From Weiting Xu, District 7070 Conference committee, Rotaract Club of York University

#### To all Rotarians in Distrct 7070,

We're calling for high school students who want to have a positive social impact in their community and beyond. There will be over \$4,500 up for grabs, mentorship opportunities, team training, and personal development experiences. Students will get to present in front of 100-300 guests ranging from high school peers to industry professionals. Should you have any questions, please feel free to reach out as we'd be happy to assist!

Full booklet of competition details is here.

Enlarged infographic is here.

Kindest regards

Weiting Xu

## Rotary International Convention 2018 - Home Hospitality - Your Club's Help Is

#### Needed

#### From Jackie Davies, Rotary Club of Toronto

On Monday, June 25, 2018 The Host Organizing Committee (that is us – your club and mine) is holding "Home Hospitality". The Committee members, Jackie Davis and Don Bell are now looking for Rotarians and Rotary Clubs in the District, particularly in the GTA, to host Convention delegates for a night of home



hospitality. They expect 5,000 delegates to sign up. Jackie or Don Bell will be glad to come to your Rotary Club and tell you how you and your club can participate and host Rotarians form all ove rthe world. She would like every club in the District to participate. Perhaps the clubs outside the GTA could partner with clubs in the GTA and co-host Rotarians. Jackie is looking for one person from each Club in the district to act as a liason for the Host Operating Committee to get the word from the Committee out to your members. Please provide that name to Jackie or Don as soon as possible. Your club President will have the contact information available in a few days.

Don Bell contact: <u>dongbell@sympatico.ca</u> Jackie Davies contact: <u>jcdavies@sympatico.ca</u>

#### Volunteers Needed for the 2018 Convention:

More than 1,200 volunteers will be required to help. And the Host operating Committee is looking to YOU. You can now sign up as a volunteer by going to the <u>http://www.rotary2018.org</u> and sign up as a Volunteer.

#### **Attend Presidential Peace Conference In Atlanta**

Join us June 9-10, 2017 for the Presidential Peace Conference at the Georgia World Congress Center. We'll celebrate our work on the underlying causes of conflict and our successes in making peace a priority, while also looking ahead to opportunities to continue our commitment.

- Learn more about the event
- Register for the conference

#### **Volunteers Needed For The Toronto 2018 Rotary Convention – Sign Up Today**

From: Lorraine Lloyd ,Co-Chair Ambassadors & Volunteer, TORONTO 2018 HOC (Host Organizing Committee) My Fellow Rotarians,

Please go to: www.rotary2018.org

Go to VOLUNTEER section....follow through to where is mentions Atlanta & click on REGISTER TO VOLUNTEER. We are using a Vroom software system and you'll need to give an email & set up a password. Once you do so, you'll instantly go in the shift area.

FYI - the area to volunteer for Toronto is not LIVE yet and won't be until later. Atlanta signup is our top priority at this point.

There are many shift options for each day. Please volunteer for at least ONE 2- hour shift. If you wish to sign up for several shifts, and multiple days, even better.

We'll be building excitement at our Toronto 2018 Convention booth, located in the House of Friendship, and we'll be handing out Toronto luggage tags or something fun item. Just look for the big TORONTO sign (similar to the one at City Hall) in the Hall of Feirndship.

When volunteering on line, don't forget to fill out what size polo shirt you'd like to wear. If you're doing multiple shifts, you'll receive 2 shirts.

FYI - Tourism Toronto will be giving us a short training session in advance.

Keep in mind, that there are **2 opening sessions**: (I) Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:30-12:30 & (ii) 3:30-5:30.

Generally, but 'not written in stone', we've heard that if you registered for the Atlanta Convention early, you probably are in the first session. (if any issues, we can always switch after we get our registration pkgs).

(There are no volunteers shifts during Closing Session)

My Co-Chair, **Dawn-Marie King has set up the volunteer software** so if you have any major issues, do let us know. Feedback has been that it's working well.

I look forward to seeing you both in Atlanta.

Cheers,

#### Lorraine Lloyd

Co-Chair Ambassadors & Volunteers

TORONTO 2018 HOC (Host Organizing Committee)

#### **Entertainment Suggestions For Toronto 2018 – Rotary International Convention**

#### From Lynda Ryder, Zone 24 East Rotary Co-ordinator

This is a calling out to Rotarians in District 7070 for entertainment suggestions for the Toronto 2018 Rotary International Cobnevtion. I am the co-chair of entertainment for the 2018 Convention and if you could just drop me an email with your suggestions and/or thoughts, our team would consider all possibilities. We are also responsible for entertainment for the House of Friendship – We are hoping to have new entertainment each hour. So far, I have had applications from local choirs; fashion show presenters, martial arts, school bands etc. District 7080 has really taken this project on and sent me a myriad of suggestions.

Thank you all,

Lynda Ryder lynda.ryder@silicates.com

#### **Club Of The Month:**

## From District Governor DG Jim Louttit, DG Elect Neil Phillips, DG Nominee Mary Lou Harrison AND District Governor Noiminee Designate Beth Selby

The "Club of the Month" is not a new concept to District 7070. In the past we have asked clubs to brag about them selves but we are a modest group.

In fact, it has been available to all Rotary Clubs in District 7070 all year. Where have you been for the last three years?

To encourage "Service Above Self" throughout the District, the District Governor and future Governors have decided to share stories about the clubs which exemplify our motto.

Do you think that your Rotary Club deserves to be named "Club of The Month"?

If so, please do some bragging and submit a one-page story about your Club (about 300 words) ,and add a few photos, and send it to District Governor Jim Louttitl. In your story, tell them a bit about the history of your club and some of your major accomplishments and how your club serves Rotary in your community and throughout the world. The esteemed panel of **the 4 G's (District Governor Jim Louttit, DG Elect Neil Phillips, DG Nominee Mary Lou Harrison, and DG Nominee Designate Beth Selby)** will make the decision, and it will then be entered on to the District 7070 website as "Club of The Month" and featured right here in the District Newsletter. See more at: <a href="http://www.rotary7070.org/SitePage/club-of-the-month#sthash.LixNq61k.dpuf">http://www.rotary7070.org/SitePage/club-of-the-month#sthash.LixNq61k.dpuf</a>

## Rotary Leadership Institute - 2016-17 - Another Successful Year - Thank You

#### Rotarians !!!

From Ted Morrison, Past District Governor and Chair of District 7070 Rotary Leadership Institute

To My Fellow Rotarians,

DUE TO THE VERY LOW REGISTRATIONS FOR BELLEVILLE ON SEPT 24, 2016, WE WERE FORCED TO CANCEL R.L.I. IN BELLEVILLE THIS ROTARY YEAR. WE HOPE TO SEE YOU NEXT YEAR IN BELLEVILLE, OSHAWA OR IN SCARBOROUGH IN 2017-18.

THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT ROTARY AND SHARE YOUR IDEAS WITH OTHER ROTARIANS. AND IT IS A GREAT LEARNING EXPERIENCE FOR NEWER ROTARIANS. SIGN UP ONLINE TODAY.

FOR ALL ROTARIANS WHO HAVE JOINED A ROTARY CLUB IN DISTRICT 7070 IN THE LAST YEAR, OUR ROTARY DISTICT WILL PAY YOUR TUITION FEE FOR ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE PART ONE !!! ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS SIGN UP ONLINE ON THE <u>WWW.ROTARY7070.ORG</u> WEBSITE . JPEG SOON FOR 2017-18.

#### What Is The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)

RLI is a grassroots coalition of Rotary districts implementing a leadership development program for "potential" leaders of Rotary CLUBS. RLI believes that excellent CLUB leadership (all types of club leaders) is essential to the future of Rotary in a complex and fast changing world. Most Rotarians have not been exposed to the great scope of Rotary around the world and have not considered what leadership skills are necessary to move Rotary forward. RLI strongly believes that a good Rotary Club leader must know the evolution of Rotary, its current status and activities in the world

and have a vision for what Rotary can be in the future.

RLI provides a three day non-consecutive basic course in both Rotary knowledge and leadership skills, especially for voluntary organizations. RLI follows an adult learning approach with facilitated discussion led by trained Rotary facilitators.

The cost is \$70 per Rotarian per course. This cost covers course materials, coffee breaks and lunch. Usually the Rotary club covers the cost for their members to attend since the club will be the beneficiary of a more knowledgeable membership.

#### Course for 2017-18:

Part I and Part II and Part III is scheduled to be held in September 2017 at Loyalist College in Belleville, in November 2017 at the Oshawa Golf and Curling Club in Oshawa, and in April 2018 at the New Events Centre at Centennial College, 937 Progress Ave, Toronto, ON M1G 3T8 in Scarborough. Ontario (8:30 am to 4:00 pm)

Registrations will soon be open for the 2017-18 session on a first-come, first-serve basis on line at the www.rotary7070.org website by signing in and signing up and paying your \$70 for your course. A minimum of 18 participants is needed for a course to run.

If you have any questions, please contact Past District Governor Ted Morrison by email ted.sharron@rogers.com or by phone 905-623-3810. Please do not be disappointed. Register TODAY.

### Club Visioning - Where Is Your Club Going To Be In 3 Years?

Rotary Clubs, like any other organizations, need to have a plan for where they are heading. In order to assist Clubs to develop a vision, the District has a team of experienced Rotarians who can facilitate visioning sessions. Since we started the program, five or six years ago, close to 40 Cubs have held sessions. A few Clubs have held two or three session, up-dating their vision on a regular basis.

#### Why do we need vision?

Visioning facilitation helps a Rotary Club to develop its own vision and then sets out the steps necessary to achieve that vision. It is worth noting that the result is not a vision set out by the District or Rotary International. Instead, the result is a vision designed and endorsed by the Club's own members. This vision will help to ensure consensus, continuity and consistency in the Club leadership and programming, to set the stage for future progress.

#### **Further contact**

If you are interested in holding a Visioning facilitation in your Club, or just have questions in general, please contact PDG Lars Henriksson, lars@norditrade.com, tel. 416-489 8483.

#### Mobile Business Directory Of The Members Of Rotary International District

#### 7070

#### From Rotarian Rob MacArthur, a member of The District 7070 District Website Team

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 Rotary's Four-Way Test

Check out our Facebook link: 7070 Directory

www.rotarydistrict7070.mobi

The Rotary District 7070 Mobile Business Directory has been in operation for over two years. We have several District members listing their businesses. The Directory has had over 6,000 visits annually with a click through rate of over 6%. This means that 6% of those visits did something... they called a business... they clicked on the map to find the business... or they went to the businesses website. In the industry, over 6% is very good. The more members we have participating and sharing the directory, the more exposure it will have and the better success it will have. Any Rotary member of District 7070 can be on the directory for a cost of \$10.00. To look at the directory and to find out more about it, please go to www.rotarydistrict7070.mobi. You can also fill out the form to have your business put on the directory.

Is your business missing out on a 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

#### A Renewed Rotary District 7070 Speakers Bureau

#### 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.

Come and visit the **new look** on the District 7070 Website at our Speakers' Bureau and let Aziz know how you like it. Perhaps your Club is looking for a good speaker. This is your chance to help. The District 7070 Website Committee has created 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.

## 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

Have you checked out the Rotaract District 7070 website: http://www.rotaractd7070.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** : <u>Rotary District 7070</u>

Be sure to "Like" Rotary on their Facebook Page: Rotary International

Have you checked out your Rotary Club website and Facebook Page lately? Is it current?

When potential members inquire or come to your club, they check out your webiste.

Additional Rotary Resources:

- Manual of Procedure 2016
- 2016 Council on Legislation Deliberations and Decisions PDG Raju Paul, D 5360, Canada
- Rotary's 2016 International Assembly coverage and resources
- Download 2016-17 theme logo and materials
- Download the 2016-17 Presidential Theme and Citation brochure
- Rotary protocol.doc
- <u>Resources for club officers</u>
- Learn more about the Strategic Plan,
- Download the Strategic Planning Guide
- Rotarian Fellowships
- Other Important Rotary Links

#### **Future Rotary International Conventions**

2018: 24-27June, Toronto, Canada 2019: 1-5 June, Hamburg, Germany 2020: 7-10 June, Honolulu, USA 2021: 13-16 June, Taipei, Taiwan 2022: 5-8 June, Texas, USA.

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There's a world of opportunity waiting for you in Toronto, home of the 2018 Rotary International Convention. Join 2017-18 RI President Ian H.S. Riseley for an unforgettable week of fun, friendship, and discovery as you connect with Rotarians from around the world.

Take advantage of the limited-time registration rate of \$295\* from 10 to 14 June.

Register at **riconvention.org**.

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\*Registration must be paid in full between 10 and 14 June 2017 to receive the \$295 rate.