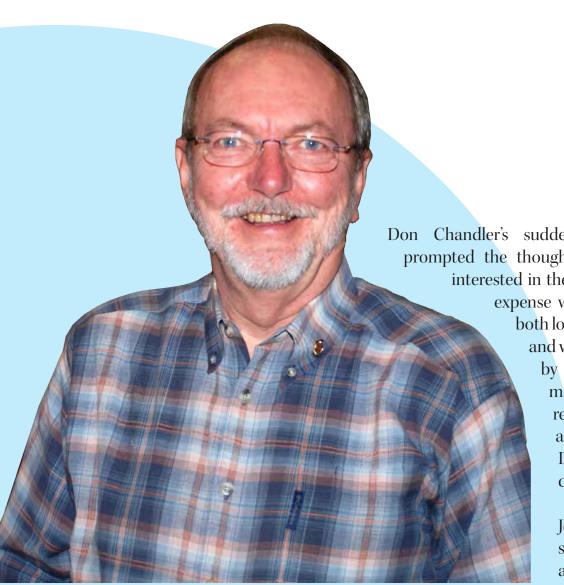


Don Chandler
"For the Record"



on Chandler's sudden and untimely passing prompted the thought that our club might be interested in the amount of time, effort and expense which Don put in to Rotary

both locally and in our District 7020 and which may not be well known

by some of our members. This may not be a complete list but it represents my own knowledge and certainly demonstrates Don's commitment and contribution to Rotary.

Joined Rotary – January 2001, sponsored by Mark Marin and immediately became involved in club affairs and was a prime organiser of the

club's Road Rally fund raiser. This led to him being:-Club President – 2004/5 and then:- Assistant Governor, VI North

(ST. Thomas and St. John) – 2007/9



Within the District his particular knowledge of, and appreciation for the importance to the Rotary movement of, The Rotary Foundation meant he was successful as both:-

District Annual Programs Chair – 2011/12, and District New Grants Program Chair – 2013/14

He was Assistant District Trainer, 2011/13 and along with these other duties, Don was one of first Rotarians in VI North to embrace the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) becoming an early Discussion Leader and travelling to the BVI, St. Maarten and Puerto Rico to facilitate at RLI sessions as well as those held in St Thomas. Don was a knowledgeable, enthusiastic and popular trainer who consistently



received high ratings from attendees at RLI At the time of his passing he was a member of the sessions.

Don also assisted as a presenter for the Future Vision Transition seminar for the clubs in VI North. His profession as an IT engineer also led to him being an effective District Communications Chair 2012/13

Of particular note is his major contribution as co Chair of the 2011 District Conference in St. Thomas where his technical expertise and capacity for hard work contributed greatly to what became one of the smoothest run and successful conferences in our District's history.

Don believed in the importance of attending the District Conference each year as part of the glue which maintained the unity of our district and was a regular participant.

Rotary Club of West Hartford, Connecticut and District Governor Nominee for District 7890.

He would have been a "class mate" of our DGN, Haresh Ramchandani and they knew each other well and were looking forward to working together for the benefit of Rotary in their two districts.













