

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Your place as a volunteer



ANYONE CAN AND IS INVITED TO SERVE - WHERE DO YOU BELONG?

There is no one "type" of volunteer. Some people volunteer because the cause has deep meaning to them. Some volunteer to meet people, develop or share their skills, create a network, join a group that is "doing" something and making a difference or because they know someone in the group and were asked to join. Whatever your reason, commitment level and skill set, we are glad you are here.

When trying to find your place in a volunteer organization it helps to not only be aware of why you volunteer, but what motivates you. There are all sorts of surveys out there to help you self identify, but **this** is a pretty quick one to get you started.

So now that you know why you are here and what "type" of volunteer you are, how can you engage?

It turns out there are many ways you can take **ACTION** within our club. Keep reading to see what matches your interest and availability the best. Let's start with the things that don't take a lot of time:

- 1. Take a look at our open volunteer positions mentioned in this newsletter. If you know someone who can help us out in any of those areas, ask them to join our club and lend a hand.
- 2. Write a Human Trafficking related article for the Newsletter and send it to: secretary@endhtrotaryclub.org. Please be clear that you are submitting it for consideration for the Newsletter.
- 3. Share ideas for speakers, fundraising, and non-profits we might want to partner with. Send ideas to **president@endhtrotaryclub.org**.
- 4. Share some of our YouTube videos on your social media channels to help educate others and raise awareness.
- 5. Make a donation to our Foundation. These funds will be dedicated to projects that the club picks. If you are not able to use PayPal, email **treasurer@endhtrotaryclub.org** to make a donation.
- 6. Share information on Human Trafficking related success stories or upcoming events that we can include on our website and in our Newsletter. Send it to:

secretary@endhtrotaryclub.org

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If you have more time, **please join one of our committees**. Previous experience is NOT required. The **Fundraising** committee plans and organizes all of our fundraising efforts.

The **PR committee** creates and maintains all of our public relations material. This includes our websites, social media, print and electronic collateral. This is a great opportunity to either take on 1 project or area or jump in and assist with the strategic vision. Meets once a week.

The **Membership committee** is responsible for organizing and coordinating membership efforts as they pertain to recruitment and retention of volunteers.

The **Programs & Projects committee** reviews and recommends non-profits and programs for our club to endorse or work with on a project. Meets once a month.

The **Speakers committee** selects and coordinates the speakers for our General Meetings. Meets once a month.

The **Foundation Board** approves spending from the Club's Foundation. It has limited membership. Meets as needed, but about once a quarter.

If you want more information on any committee please email **president@endhtrotaryclub.org** and we will connect you with the appropriate committee chair.

If you have even more time, consider **taking on a leadership role**. Step up to chair a committee, join our Executive Board or become a Teammate lead on a project we roll out at the local level. Again, previous experience is NOT required. If you want more information email president@endhtrotaryclub.org

For our club to succeed we do need assistance, and any level of help is appreciated.

Moving intention into Action,
Michelle Seets
Rotary Club to End Human Trafficking President, 2022-2023





CLUB UPDATES

TREASURER'S REPORT



Hello fellow Rotarians,

Just wanted to introduce myself for all the new members and re-introduce myself to all the current members. My name is Lisa Podolny, I have been a member of Rotary since July 2021, and have been treasurer since April 2022. I was first introduced to Rotary by my dad, Michael, also a very active member of this club.

The club treasurer plays an important role in our club's ability to carry out service projects, fundraise, and support *The Rotary Foundation*. Treasurer duties include: managing club funds, collecting and submitting dues and fees, reporting on the state of your club's finances, working with The Rotary Foundation, and paying our club's district and global dues. The annual dues you pay cover all of the fees listed above and also help subsidize scholarships for members who are not in a position to cover current dues.

Another aspect of the Treasurer's job is writing checks for future Grant recipients from the proceeds of donations. To donate directly to the club scholarship fund or to the Foundation's grant funds, please go to our direct donation button on our website at https://endhtrotaryclub.org/ (right corner of our website). Please make sure to pass this information along to anyone who may be interested in donating or applying for a grant.

Thank you everyone for all the club experiences and letting me be a part of a great and rewarding organization!! I look forward to becoming a longstanding Rotarian.



Best Regards, Lisa

NEWSLETTER FEEDBACK

Please complete **this form** to submit relevant information or news you would like to share with the club in the next month's release. The more we collaborate and connect with each other, the stronger our club is in creating effective change to achieve our Rotary mission.

COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHT

OPEN LEADERSHIP ROLES

The club could use your help. There are some roles that remain open or are ready for a transition and we need people to step up and fill them. As is true in every volunteer opportunity, the amount of time put into each role varies widely based on the volunteers time, availability and interests.

PI/PR Director - The Public Image/Public
Relations Director is an Executive Board Member
and is responsible for developing and updating
the Strategic PR Plan for the club and for
overseeing the execution of the plan.
The PI/PR Director is also responsible for
overseeing the execution and management of
the various marketing/print materials including:
external website maintenance, Club Runner
Maintenance, newsletter and PR materials. For
more see the full job description: The time
commitment for this position could vary widely
based on how much the PR team wants to take
on. To learn more email
president@endHTrotaryclub.org

Social Chair - Not a Board position. The Social Chair would report to the President and is responsible for the social activities for the club. This would include, but is not limited to, in-meeting breakout social time and outside of meeting zoom social "hours". This position would be a minimal time commitment. To learn more, email president@endHTrotaryclub.org

Treasurer - The Treasurer is an
Executive Board Member for the club
and the Foundation. Responsibilities
include financial management,
bookkeeping, budgeting and reporting
to both boards and the club. For more
see the full job description:

The time commitment for this positions is cyclical based on billing (mostly in June/July and January), invoicing (June and then quarterly) and budgeting (March/April/May). To learn more, email treasurer@endHTrotaryclub.org

Website Administrator - The Website
Administrator is a member of the PR
Committee (and not on the club's Board) and
is responsible for managing the Club Runner
Website: https://endhtrotaryclub.org/. This is a
great position for someone who likes working
behind the scenes. Club Runner provides many
training videos that can get you up and
running with their tools. The time
commitment for this role is pretty flexible.
There will be time spent learning how to use
Club Runner to start, after that it is pretty
flexible with a few deadlines. To learn more,
email webmaster@endHTrotaryclub.org



MATT FRIEDMAN



Matt Friedman is a leading internationally renowned global expert on modern slavery and human trafficking.

Matt's cross country

Matt Friedman started doing tours in around 2010.

He did a 25-day tour across Japan. For 21 days, his two sons and he went across the United States and did 14 presentations on helping people to understand what human trafficking is. Recently he did a 100 day tour in the United States.

Here is a presentation he did to the RCEHT sharing his experience from these tours with the club.





ROTARY CLUB MONTEVIDEO:

PREVENTION OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FOR SEXUAL PURPOSES

Since 2018 and by virtue of the commemoration of the 100th anniversary of this Club, which is the dean of the Clubs of South America, *María Julia Moreyra* together with Rotarians from that Club and an Uruguayan Peace Fellow have begun to train teachers of high schools of the country on Prevention on Human Trafficking for Sexual Purposes.





Through a Rotary global grant, from 2018 to date, 10 Courses have been held in different cities of Uruguay: Montevideo, Rivera, Artigas, Salto and Paysandú, Durazno, Maldonado and Colonia. In these courses, not only secondary school teachers were trained, but also members of the security forces, different government agencies, non-governmental organizations, religious members, among others.

The results have been very satisfactory, as it has enabled the participants to acquire and transmit knowledge about this crime that violates fundamental rights of people. Replications have been carried out and those who participated in them have always been grateful for this opportunity.

It would be of the utmost importance, given the high rates of human trafficking victims, if this project could be replicated in other South American countries.

Rotary Canada Tour

In July, Board Member Erin Maloney, along with her brother and sister-in-law (Past Rotary International President Mark Maloney and Gay Maloney) had the pleasure of being with Rotary International President Jennifer Jones in Quebec City, during the president's Canada Tour. Erin, Mark and Gay also had the pleasure of meeting Jacinthe Paillé, member of the D7040 Rotary Passport Club of Montreal.



Jacinthe attended one of the RCEHT club meetings this summer. She also wrote the following article, which was included in French in the latest Rotary Canada magazine, distributed quarterly in Canada with the global Rotary Magazine.

Last July 4, at the Québec Aquarium, I had the pleasure of meeting Jennifer Jones, the new president of Rotary International. The occasion was festive, not only because I met someone special, but also because it had been a very long time since we had been able to meet people in person. About 160 people met at the heart of the party, and the camaraderie was spot on.

Before addressing all of us assembled at the meeting, Jones took the time to speak in private to several groups: former district governors, major donors, and young people (from Rotaract and Youth Exchange). Because her flight was late from Newfoundland and Labrador, Valarie Wafer, a former vice president of Rotary, took Jones' place in the afternoon to visit the organizations "Deuil jeunesse" (Mourning Youth) and "Cité Joie" (City of Joy). Wafer attended the evening party, as did Bryn Styles and his spouse Randy and former Rotary International president Mark Maloney and his wife Gay.

After a motivating speech and going around the room accompanied by her aide
Past District Governor Paul Beaulieu, Jones left the aquarium around 9pm, for a
well-deserved evening. The next day, she continued her Canadian Tour in Toronto.

It was an excellent evening!





OCTOBER CALENDAR

As a global organization Rotary is fighting human trafficking all around the world. This month the Rotary Club to End Human Trafficking wants to highlight some upcoming events.

Standing Meeting:

The **General Meeting** will be on a Thurs. (oct 13) at 7am US Central.

"Without community, there is no liberation" - Audre Lorde

At this event, we will be bringing together community members, service providers, and young people to explore and discuss how we can address the systems and their impacts on young people, and how moving forward we can create a more equitable future. All are welcome to attend.

Date: October 15th
Time: 9:30am to 4:00pm
Location: Westchester-Emerson
Community Adult Center,
8810 Emerson Avenue, Los
Angeles, CA 90045

Find out more

Dance For Hope America

The dance for hope America campaign brings social dancing to neighborhoods America. in this Through campaign we educate children and teens about personal safety, nutrition, physical and mental wellness. prosperity. It also encourages children and young adults to participate and enjoy dance as a pathway leading to happier and healthier lives.

If you cannot attend but would like to donate or sponsor a child so they can participate in the program, <u>please go to the for more</u> <u>ways to help.</u>

Standing Meeting:

The **Speaker Meeting** will be on a Thurs. (Oct 27) at 7am US Central.

Dr. Walter Nguyễn

The journey of helping survivors of human rights abuses

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The district conference for district 7950, held on Cape Cod at the beginning of May featured Sarah Symons, founder of Her Future Coalition, an NGO that provides housing, counseling, employment training, human rights training, and education, to thousands of trafficking survivors and at-risk girls in India and Nepal. The Rotarians who attended were very moved by her presentations. The House of Friendship table selling books and jewelry (made by trafficking survivors) was swamped, and many clubs have asked for follow-up presentations by the Falmouth club that is partnering with HFC.

