

April 2023

Rotary District 6440 Leadership Training planned for Saturday, April 29th at Harper College

Rotary District 6440 Club Leaders are invited to attend the D6440 training session in person during the morning of Saturday, April 29th. Areas of Leadership covered are The Rotary Foundation, Membership, Vocational Service, International Service, Public Image and more! This is an opportunity to meet Rotarians of other clubs in the district, that share a common mission for next year. Becoming familiar with the different resources and programs that Rotary offers provides a deep meaning to Rotary membership.

Rotary International Convention Pre-Melbourne Reception – planned for Monday, May 1st



If you are not travelling this year to Australia, but you'd like to see what you will be missing, join this Pre-Melbourne get together at the Palm Court Restaurant in Arlington Heights. You'll meet Rotarians and Guests that are planning to participate in this year's Convention starting on May 27th and will also enjoy learning what Rotary Conventions are all about. Apart from participating in International Service Projects, Rotary International Conventions do bring the "international" nature of our organization. Rotarians from all over the globe gather and share not only their culture, but their projects, their ways, their language, and approaches to service. Rotary is not only about a club; there are Rotary Action Groups, Rotary Fellowships, Rotary Friendship Exchanges, Rotary Initiatives and Global Organizations that share the vision and collaborate with Rotary Programs. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to see Rotary at a global level. To learn more, we meet with the outbounds on Monday, May 1st. Register at rotary6440.org or click on <u>BOUND</u> <u>TO MELBOURNE - AUSTRALIA CONVENTION RECEPTION | Rotary District 6440</u> (rotary6440.org) to RSVP before April 21, 2023. If you can't make it this year, next year we go to **Singapore!!!**

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Club Leaders

President: Ellen Young

President Elect: Dr. Robert Steinberg

> Secretary: Rebecca Tanaka

Treasurer: Katherine Buggenhagen

Membership: Dr. Robert Steinberg

Community Service Steve Kutschat

International Service Raman Grover

Rotary Foundation Jenny Wojcik

Website Coordinator Marianna Zeidler **NE Chicagoland**

Passport

Club Leaders Wanted

The Rotary Year runs from July 1st to June 30th – Rotary Leadership depends on a new slate of District and Club Officers that undertake Rotary Leadership Service under a new Rotary International President. R. Gordon R. McInally, RI President 2023-2024 wants Rotary members to create hope in the world. He will be addressing new Club Leaders at the District Training on April 29th, so this is your opporunity to take up a role and meet him. Open Vacancies are: International Service, Membership, Public Image, Rotary Foundation, Vocational Service, and any other leadership position you would like to offer your skills for.



Rotary International Presidential Theme for 2023-2024



District 6440 Chairs

Our club has a couple of members that are among our D6440 Leadership.

PE **Dr. Robert Steinberg** is D6440 International Service Chair. He promotes, coordinates and shares all international service activities that our Rotary District supports and tries to keep abreast of other clubs' participation in Global Grant Projects. He can also provide information on Rotary Friendship Exchanges, Hands-On Project Trips and more ... !

Marianna Zeidler is D6440 Annual Fund Chair, Rotary International Conventions Chair, and District Directory Chair. Ask her about how the Rotary Foundation can match the funds your raise for a project. The Rotary International Convention will be this year in Melbourne, Australia. Next year, it will take place in Singapore, and in 2025, we will meet in Calgary, Canada. So ... start planning, and let's go and meet our Rotary Global Family!!!

District Conference

Finally, there is yet another important event coming up. Our District 6440 Conference is scheduled for Saturday, May 13th ... a one-day event to take place at the Hyatt Regency in Schaumburg, with the theme of Empowering Women and Girls. Speakers include the president of the Northwestern Rotaract, the President of Learning Paradigms, and Polio Survivor Ramesh Ferris; Discussion panels led by Barrington Breakfast Past President Maria Peterson. Fee includes Lunch and Dinner with Magician James Sanden performing illusions for Rotarians to figure out.

Club News

The Board approved to help with any club DDF (District Designated Funds) in a **Global Grant Project** led by the Barrington Breakfast Rotary Club. The proyect involves a **Laboratory Technician Training** in the town of Sacatepéquez, Guatemala. The Mission Impact organization is building a facility there to offer this vocational training to women in the town of Santa María de Jesus, and surrounding areas. Lab tecnnicians are critical in towns where health monitoring is almost non existent. Laboratory tests will be available at cost the population of over 35,000 residents at the foothills of the Agua Volcano.



Save the Date

As mentioned above, the Rotary year starts on July 1st every year and runs until June 30th. Rotary Leadership changes at all levels; from a new Rotary International President, **R. Gordon R. McInalli**, to a new District Governor, **Mary Bak**, to a new Club President, who in our case will be **Dr. Robert Steinberg.** A number of other leadership positions at all levels change as well. Installation events make the change official, and all members are invited to celebrate the "transfer of the gavel." Dr. Robert Steinberg has arranged for a dinner on **Thursday, June 22nd** starting at 6:30 PM at the Continental Restaurant in Buffalo Grove, which is owned by a Rotarian in that Village. Stay tuned for instructions to RSVP.