

## September 12 2018 District Governor Update

With our beautiful summer winding down, the excitement of the new school year and our District Conference, I'd like to share a brief update on my first few weeks as your District Governor.

### **Club Visits**

Since July 1, I have had the privilege of visiting half the clubs in District 5370.

It's been a delight to meet so many committed Rotarians and to witness how clubs have embraced this year's Rotary International theme to "Be the Inspiration" within their communities. I have enjoyed these visits and look forward to getting to the remaining clubs.

I have been sharing my experiences and photos after each visit on the District's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/district5370/>

### **District Office is on the move**

Recently, the Boys and Girls Club advised us that it would soon require the space we have been renting for our District Office. Luckily, we secured space in the Orange Hub, 10045 156 St., which formerly was part of McEwan University and is now owned by the city of Edmonton.

We will be moving to our new offices at the end of this month. To facilitate the move, the current office will close on Monday, September 24 and the new office will open Monday, October 1. For part of that week, you will be unable to contact the District Office via telephone or email.

### **Becoming a Peacebuilder District**

Thank you to all the clubs and individual Rotarians who have contributed to help us achieve our goal to become a Rotary International Peacebuilder District by March 31, 2019.

### **District Conference – Edmonton, October 18 - 20**

Have you registered for the 2018 District Conference? If you haven't, I encourage you to do so soon. It promises to be a great event that will inspire you. We have an outstanding lineup of speakers from around the Rotary world, an information-filled House of Friendship, our first-ever Supporting Peace through The Rotary Foundation dinner, and of course, the opportunity to network with Rotarians from other clubs.

We are planning for 500 attendees, making this one of the largest District 5370 Conferences ever. I hope every club will be represented by several Rotarians and their guests. To encourage attendance, we have put in place a couple of incentives:

- Never attended a District Conference before? There's a special first-time attendee rate of \$375, which is \$75 less than the regular registration.
- If 10 or more members of your club register, your club will be entered for a draw for a free registration.

Don't wait any longer to register. Go right now to <https://www.conference5370-2018.ca> to register. I look forward to seeing you at the Shaw Conference Centre in Edmonton in October!

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