



DISTRICT GOVERNOR NEWSLETTER
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Happy New Year to all Rotarians!

We are half-way through our Rotary year, and have already experienced a lot of positive action that is making a difference! Examples of these are the Ripple Effect Program working on a Global Grant to establish Computer Centres with sixteen (16) computers in each of twenty (20) elementary schools in Guatemala. Rotary funds of \$20,200 (USD) will leverage Rotary Foundation and Government of Canada Grants for a total of \$101,154.00 (USD). Thank you for your donations that make this possible.

We have launched a new E-Club in Steinbach and the RC of Winnipeg is starting a Satellite Club. Many Clubs are reporting the induction of new members, and some clubs who were struggling are discovering new vitality and growth. There are also great fundraisers happening and the funds are being used in exciting projects that are making a difference.

During my DG visits I shared with you the invitation by DG Julio Grazioso of Guatemala, District 4250, regarding his interest in sponsoring a Global Grant with us to address difficult situations and needs among our indigenous people. Several options that are potential for this project include addressing literacy and maternal and child health issues. I hope to be able to share more details shortly. Please let me know if your club has any potential initiatives that we could include in this ground-breaking project.

I wish you all a very successful year of working together to make a difference and to build peace through Rotary!
-Peter Neufeldt, District Governor 2017-2018

JANUARY 2018 – VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

Vocational Service is one of Rotary’s Avenues of Service. Vocational Service calls every Rotarian to: Aspire to high ethical standards in their occupation; Recognize the worthiness of all useful occupations, and; Contribute their vocational talents to the problems and needs of society.



RI VICE PRESIDENT DEAN ROHR – Newsletter for Zone 24 & 32
 To open the January newsletter, click or copy and paste this URL into your browser's address bar:
<https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000050077/en-ca/files/homepage/beyond-borders-jan-2018/07-Zone-January-2018.pdf>

CONGRATULATIONS TO DISTRICT ROTARIAN JOHN MELNICK, WINNIPEG WEST

I am pleased to inform you that your proposed breakout session, “Making a Difference By Improving Mental Health In and Out of the Workplace,” has been approved for the 2018 Rotary International Convention in Toronto! Courtney Drew, Learning Specialist conventionbreakouts@rotary.org Learning & Development, RI Convention Toronto



BUILDING PEACE THROUGH ROTARY:
-One word at a time!

This month’s Word for Building Peace is **“COURAGE.”**
 “Courage is necessary to think with a clear mind, and a clear mind greatly helps us solve our problems.”

-Paul K. Chappell,
 The End of War

As we explore ways to “make a difference” and to “build peace through Rotary” we need to be courageous as we follow-up and take action on our hopes and dreams of creating peace in our homes, our schools, our local communities, and our global communities. Ask yourself, “Where do I need to be more courageous and to take action that will make a difference?”

-(Inspired by the 21st Century Peace Literacy Foundation)
<http://www.21cplf.org/>

CONFERENCE WEBSITE OPEN
www.rotary5550conference.ca

Registration opens later in Jan 2018 – watch for email



BUILDING PEACE THROUGH ROTARY
DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2018



SAVE THE DATE– MAY 24-26, 2018



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DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2018, -TWO OUTSTANDING GUEST SPEAKERS

Mitty Chang



Mitty Chang joined the Rotary family in 2005 as an Interactor. He transitioned into Rotaract in 2007 by chartering the Campus Rotaract Club of Davis. He went on to charter the Rotaract Club of Greater Fremont after graduating from his university. In 2015, he transitioned from Rotaract to Rotary by helping charter the Rotary E-Club of Silicon Valley. Mitty is the founder of RotaractWiki, Big West Rotaract, two Rotaract clubs, and one Rotary club. In addition to that he is a dynamic and inspirational speaker.



Steve Brown, RI President's Representative

is the Charter President of the San Diego - Jalalabad Sister Cities Foundation and continues to serve as a President and Director.

He served as Rotary District Governor for 5340—San Diego, CA in 1995-96. Steve is presently serving as a Trustee of the Rotary Foundation with a term from 2010-2014 and is serving as Vice-Chairman of the Foundation during 2012-13. *(Steve is the big man in the back row)*

He chaired the Rotary Foundation Peace Forums held in San Diego in 1993 and 2001 relating to U.S./Mexico affairs. He helped start and has acted as advisor to the University of California- San Diego Rotaract Club and the Preuss School Interact Club. Steve has received The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious and the Distinguished Service award. He has also received Rotary International's Service Above Self Award.

Other Highly Acclaimed Speakers will be highlighted in a future newsletter and include:

-  **Chief Cadmus Delorme**
-  **World Peace Partners Representative Paul Chappell.**

REMEMBER TO BOOK YOUR HOTEL EARLY!

Other events in Regina May 24 – 27 will make late booking almost impossible!

- The Delta Hotel has a block of rooms reserved: Call 306-525-5255
- The Wingate by Wyndham Hotel also has a block of rooms reserved: Call 306-584-7400

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Building Peace Through Rotary – District 5550 Conference – May 24-27, 2018 – DRAFT SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2018

- 10:30 a.m. Golf Tournament
- 2:00 p.m. Registration Desk Opens
- 6:30 p.m. Past District Governor Dinner (Invitation Event)
- 7:30 p.m. Hospitality Night

FRIDAY, MAY 25, 2018

- 7:00 a.m. Registration Desk Opens
- 8:30 a.m. Opening Ceremonies/Parade of Flags/Greetings/Welcome to the Conference
- 9:30 a.m. R.I. Representative Steve Brown (Session 1)
- 9:45 a.m. Keynote Speaker Mitty Chang (Session 1)
- 11:00 a.m. Sergeant at Arms / Celebration of Life / Lunch
- 1:30 pm. Shelterbox Presentation / Foundation Update
- 2:30 p.m. Breakouts – Choice of 2 of 4 options 2nd: 3:30 p.m.
- 5:45 p.m. Bus to RCMP Museum for dinner and evening event – bus back to hotel after
- ❖ There will also be a partner tour of unique areas of interest in Regina on Friday. Watch for more details.

SATURDAY, MAY 26, 2018

- 7:00 a.m. Registration Desk Opens
- 8:30 a.m. Keynote Speaker Mitty Chang (Session 2)
- 9:15 a.m. Promo for 2019 Conference / Ripple Effect Update
- 10:05 a.m. R.I. Representative Steve Brown (Session 2)
- 11:00 a.m. Awards / Lunch / Sergeant at Arms
- 12:45 p.m. Breakouts – Choice of 2 of 4 options 2nd: 1:45 p.m.
- 2:45 p.m. Exchange Students Presentation
- 3:45 p.m. District 5550 Annual Meeting
- 5:15 p.m. District Governor Reception (Invitation Event)
- 6:00 p.m. Banquet and Entertainment

SUNDAY, MAY 27, 2018

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday Service
- 9:30 a.m. District 5550 Board Meeting



We are pleased to invite you to the Winnipeg Model United Nations Assembly
Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Winnipeg
May 3rd to May 6th, 2018 – Celebrating our 61st Year
Information and applications are posted on our website at
www.winnipegmuna.ca



\$48,536 as of Dec. 20th