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OCTOBER'S THEME: BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MONTH.

Grants: the next deadline for submission of Applications for District Grants and World Community Service (WCS) grants will be <u>October 31, 2016</u>. Be sure to contact District Grants Chair, <u>Blake</u> <u>Crosby</u>, before beginning any application process so that he can assign a Mentor to you. Visit the <u>Grants</u> <u>2016-2017 Site Page</u> for more information.

Proposed Bylaw Amendments are due in the District Office by **November 1, 2016**. You can access a copy of the current Bylaws from the District Website in the SITE Pages Section. will be receiving **Four-Way Test Essay Contest**, information will be coming your way in November, so please watch for it.

I recently sent all clubs a <u>Request for Proposal to Host the 2019 District Conference</u>. If you have not yet heard about this from your Club President, but feel your club might be interested in hosting, or partnering with neighboring clubs to host, please have a look at this read more...

document. It's a guideline for your club, and provides a basic overview of the requirements needed to host a District Conference. All proposals are due in the District Office by **January 2, 2017**.



There are 2 new and important items that require attention:

1. Is your club making any changes to its meeting schedule next year? If so, you MUST

notify me by January 10, 2017. Why is this important?

- / The District Governor's Club Visit Schedule will be prepared and finalized by January 30; and
- Next year's DG Club Visits will incorporate some New and Exciting changes that you won't want to miss, so I need to make sure I have your meeting day & time absolutely correct.

2. The Presidential Citation Award for 2016-17 has changed. Beginning this year, all submissions must be made electronically, but <u>BEFORE</u> you submit your Citation Award Form, Club Presidents must be sure they have entered all of their goals for the current year in **ROTARY CLUB CENTRAL**. You can still do that, and if you need help, feel free to contact me. I would suggest that you read through the criteria in the <u>Presidential Citation Brochure</u> located on the District Website in the Awards SITE page.

All Club Presidents have received the new **Guidelines for Corporate Membership** prepared by Rotary International, and I have posted these on the **MEMBERSHIP** Site Page, located on the HOME page of the District Website, <u>www.clubrunner.ca/5580</u>.

Please let me know whenever I can be of help to you or your club.

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