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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 1 October 2021 | A roundup of Rotary news | |
| |  | | --- | | [A picture containing suit, person, posing  Description automatically generated](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1AJEu87vmnworaDMU0HJs8hKRrhG) | | Rotary pledges $97 million at Global Citizen Live | | RI President-elect Jennifer Jones announced Rotary’s $97 million pledge for sustainable projects during Global Citizen Live, a star-studded 24-hour broadcast with events and performances across six continents. The event 25 September aimed to unite people to take action to defend the planet, end the COVID-19 pandemic, defeat poverty, provide education for all children, and promote equity and justice for all. In Paris, where Jones pledged Rotary’s support, thousands of people gathered at the iconic Champ de Mars near the Eiffel Tower to see performances from Elton John, Ed Sheeran, Black Eyed Peas, and more. [Read more](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1AJEunjAw3nSRarIxSlehmE0EgW3) | |
| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | This week's stories | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Celebrate small wins in DEI | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | Dr. “Bowtie” Todd Jenkins serves as a Global Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Leader at a Fortune 100 company in Corporate America and as an Executive Inclusion Trainer, Strategist, and Speaker with Bowtie Leadership, Inc. Jenkins, a member of the Rotary Club of Fayetteville, Arkansas, shares the importance of DEI to Rotary and how even small changes can make a big difference. [Read more.](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1AJEuCvFFJfnhafEbJYJ6B0gr6Aq) | A person smiling for the camera  Description automatically generated with medium confidence | | |  |  |  | | --- | | Rotary magazine’s What Would You Do | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | Your club had been meeting at a popular spot in town, but recently, the club president changed your meeting location to another restaurant. You find out that the president's brother-in-law owns the restaurant. What would you do? Send your response to [magazine@rotary.org](mailto:magazine@rotary.org) for possible inclusion in a future issue of Rotary magazine. | A bowl of food  Description automatically generated with low confidence | | |  | | | | |
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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | **September 2021** | **Connecting students and communities around the world** | |
| |  | | --- | |  | | **Register for the 2022 Youth Exchange Officers Preconvention** | | We invite Rotary members, program leaders, volunteers, and alumni of Rotary Youth Exchange from around the world to the 2022 Youth Exchange Officers Preconvention in Houston, Texas, USA, 3-4 June. Each year, the Rotary Youth Exchange community gathers for two full days to share ideas, make new connections, and strengthen partnerships.  Rotary International is carefully monitoring the COVID-19 pandemic and its potential impact on Rotary events. We encourage you to register before 15 December 2021 to take advantage of the early registration savings, with the assurance that requests to cancel can be received and processed as late as 30 April 2022.  We hope you’ll join us in Houston as we look toward the future of Rotary Youth Exchange. | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**REGISTER TODAY**](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1AFaoAqXXZ2NS5NORCftAzrnrEDr) | | | |
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| |  | | --- | | **LEARN MORE** | | * [FAQ](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1AFapzdiAGuLy51xr4NsTuSoAZeV) about Rotary Youth Exchange and COVID-19 * Introduction to [Rotary Youth Exchange](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1AFapOpnKmmfY4Pt4WqXIJeEnOTi) * [Youth protection](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1AFaq3BsU2dKo4DoIO4sxXAUaExF) and Rotary International | | |  | | --- | |  | |  | | |
| |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | |  | | --- | | This newsletter is a source of news, resources, and event details available every other month for those who promote global understanding through the Rotary Youth Exchange program. Send questions and story ideas to [youthexchange@rotary.org](mailto:youthexchange@rotary.org?subject=Inquiry%20from%20Youth%20Exchange%20Newsletter) [Share this newsletter on Facebook](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1AFaqiNy3I5eO4rkmFHXnbX9Xuc2) [Rotary Youth Exchange group on LinkedIn](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1AFaqxZDdnWJe4fg0xlscqjpKjQp)  **© Rotary International**  One Rotary Center, 1560 Sherman Ave., Evanston, IL 60201-3698, USA | |  | |
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It is our plan for fulfilling our vision of a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change. Our members, as people of action, are the key to achieving any of [the plan’s four priorities](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1zZJ9amflTKqqfv92b6BXhtCw2aO). So adding members allows us to achieve more. RI President Shekhar Mehta is deeply committed to growing and sustaining Rotary membership. As one of his [presidential initiatives](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1zZJ9pykvzBUQfj4G2K6MvPSiRPb), Mehta is asking clubs and districts to:   1. Get a commitment from each active Rotaractor or Rotarian to sponsor one new member by 30 June 2022. The Each One, Bring One initiative will help us stay relevant, attract new members, and engage and retain current members and participants. 2. Use public events to remind the public that Rotary and Rotaract clubs serve others and create positive change. Members can bring guests to events like [Rotary Days of Service](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1zZJ9EKpFftpgf70jUnBBKc85Hty) or this year’s presidential conferences, where they’ll experience the life-changing impact of Rotary. 3. Form an effective membership committee to focus on growth, engagement, and making Rotary accessible to more people. The committee should have processes for finding prospective members, introducing them to current members, inviting them to join, and then offering a clear and useful orientation, fun activities, and Rotary opportunities beyond the club. 4. Diversify Rotary by supporting [Rotary’s commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1zZJ9TWuOVkTGeUVXM16qYynSx7V). By connecting with prospective members and participants from all backgrounds and inviting them to experience Rotary, we’ll gather an abundance of perspectives, skills, and solutions.   Recognize those who attract new and diverse members and engage and retain those who join. Visit the [Membership Society for New Member Sponsors](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1zZJa98zYBco6eIRBDEBgcUDFmMi) and celebrate your fellow members who have committed to expanding our reach. | |  |  |  | | --- | |  | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | | **CLUB CLINIC** |  |  | | --- | |  | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [A person and person smiling  Description automatically generated with low confidence](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1zZJaokF8h3SwewNfvi65rgTscqF) |  |  | | --- | | How you can support diversity, equity, and inclusion | | Diversity is one of Rotary’s longtime core values. But we know we can do more to ensure that our organizational culture exemplifies diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI). We’re looking honestly at how we work together to create more just, open, and welcoming clubs and programs for all people. Our Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Task Force is assessing the state of DEI throughout Rotary and developing a plan of action to present to the Board in October. We ask all club and district leaders to share the [updated commitment statement](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1zZJaDwKhWVmWekITmVAUFD9f252) with members and discuss diversity, equity, and inclusion in your clubs, districts, and communities. Invite guest speakers, host community forums, and set a zero-tolerance policy for discrimination of any kind. [Learn about other actions you can take.](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1zZJaSIPrCMRme8Exez5JTZp1RJp) | | | |  |  |  | | --- | |  | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | | **ALUMNI** |  |  | | --- | |  | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [A group of people standing outside a building  Description automatically generated with medium confidence](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1zZJb7UUBiElMdWAb6cAz8lEOHnM) |  |  | | --- | | Celebrate Reconnect Week, 4-10 October | | Engaging Rotary’s past program participants in club and district projects and meetings can be the key to making them feel that they have a place in Rotary. Rotary Reconnect Week, 4-10 October, is a great opportunity to invite alumni to participate in a service project, have a party that celebrates alumni, or just encourage them to pursue membership. Many alumni crave a personal connection to Rotary after their programs. As we celebrate Reconnect Week, we invite former Rotaractors, Interactors, Rotary Peace Fellows, Rotary Scholars, Rotary Youth Exchange students, and other alumni to renew their relationship with Rotary. [Learn more](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1zZJbCj4UEnkCdyrsPtAdB4aomGw). | | | |  |  |  | | --- | |  | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | | **DISTRICT CORNER** |  |  | | --- | |  | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | | Virtual exchanges provide great experiences | | Rotary members have demonstrated their adaptability in a wide variety of ways during the COVID-19 pandemic. For example, the virtual exchanges they hosted allowed certified districts to continue to offer young people a unique opportunity to engage and collaborate with people from other cultures online. To support this program, we’ve created a video that you can use to promote your Rotary Youth Exchange program to eligible students and excite and invigorate volunteers. [Watch the video](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1zZJbRva4keP2dmn6H752PqqbckT) to learn more about virtual exchanges, and [download this customizable version](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1zZJc6Hfe06jsdaiKyKzS3MFY1Zg) to share, inserting your program’s information at the end. | |  |  |  | | --- | |  | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | | **MEETING PLACE** |  |  | | --- | |  | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | | Call for breakout session proposals for the 2022 Rotary International Convention in Houston, Texas, USA | | Do you have an idea or project that you want to share with the Rotary family? Breakout sessions can inspire attendees, help them improve their leadership skills, and give them new ideas for service projects, fundraising, diversifying membership, and more. Help us build an inclusive breakout program that celebrates Rotary’s diversity, projects, and achievements. We’re seeking proposals for sessions in English, Portuguese, and Spanish. Complete the [online breakout proposal form](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1zZJclTknFXNScYeoqo4Hi8VKRDD) by Thursday, 30 September. If you have any questions, write to [conventionbreakouts@rotary.org](mailto:conventionbreakouts@rotary.org) | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | |  | | --- | |  | | **Rotary International**  One Rotary Center, 1560 ShermanAve., Evanston, IL 60201-3698 USA | |  | | |  | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | September 2021 | Engaging the next generation of Rotary leaders | |
| |  | | --- | | [A picture containing text  Description automatically generated](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1zZp000mXniFzXcFmB36fqisJw8v) | | Share your service-learning journey in the 2021 Interact Awards! | | This year’s Interact Awards invites Interact clubs explore to [Rotary’s new service-learning resources](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1zZp0fcs73a9ZX0B0sGB4EEIwlMS). After applying service-learning to your club experience, submit a video, photos, and/or an essay showcasing your club’s service-learning journey to the Interact Awards.  Submit your nominations by **1 December 2021** for a chance to be named “Best Video,” “Best Photo,” or “Best Essay” and receive funds to support your Interact club’s next project. | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  | [LEARN MORE](https://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/1zZp3qJx8PnxrUtGmHY3OFk1LbfH) |  | | |
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