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"If I have ever seen magic, it has been in Africa."

—John Hemingway

Before anything else – I wish to congratulate our own PRID Julia Phelps on joining The Rotary Foundation Board of Trustees. We are so proud of you, Julia, and know that you will be an amazing Trustee.

September has been a very interesting month – and will continue to be so, as it ends with the Rotary International Board of Directors and Board of Trustee meetings. These meetings are always accompanied by many Committee meetings -- so the 10 days I spend in Evanston will be filled with discussions, presentations and decisions. I will update you early in October when the decisions are made final.

I spent most of September in Africa. As always, there is a special feeling when I set foot on the continent of my birth. I started in Kenya with the inauguration of a Medical Clinic, which was the beneficiary of a Global Grant sponsored by my Rotary Club and other clubs in Langley, B.C. So little has meant so much to this community. I have been "privileged" to spend some time in a Zimbabwean medical clinic and a Canadian hospital over this past week and my heart aches to see just how little this clinic had in equipment, staff and facilities in comparison to these other institutions. Their needs are just as great as those in our communities, yet they do such amazing work with so little.

I saw the computer labs in schools that are changing the way education is presented in outlying areas where the Internet is not yet taken for granted. I visited the APU School for Girls in Lilongwe, Malawi, where 400 girls — who might never have been educated beyond primary level — are now the best educated students in Malawi. I smiled at the pride of their teachers as they shared their vision for the future of education in this poor country.

I also had fun – and restored my soul — by visiting the Masai Mara and seeing the great migration; standing at the face of the mighty Victoria Falls, and enjoying a cruise on the Zambezi River. Unfortunately, this is where my adventure ended. We had a boating accident in which I sustained an injury that meant an early return to Vancouver. All is good though, and I am healing fast and back to full Rotary duties.

I hope to see many of you in Hartford, CT, at the Zone Institute. Until then: Enjoy Rotary and let's make our Rotary in Zones 24 and 32 even more vibrant and exciting.

"Africa has her mysteries and even a wise man cannot understand them. But a wise man respects them."

—Miriam Makeba (South African singer and civil rights activist)

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- ◆ Business casual attire or Rotary attire is appropriate for all plenary sessions and break-out sessions.
- ◆ Wear your favorite Roaring 20's outfit for the Class Dinner on Friday night.
- ◆ Wear Business Attire for the Thursday night and Saturday night Gala Dinners.
- ◆ Bring a swimsuit (if you are staying at the Marriott) or workout attire to use in the fitness center.
- ◆ Bring comfortable shoes for sightseeing on Saturday afternoon.



Hartford is buzzing with restaurants, entertainment and nightlife. Connecticut Convention Center visitors are eligible for exclusive discounts! Just snap a picture of the screen in the lower lobby of the Convention Center, then display that picture around downtown at participating establishments to receive a special promotion or discount.

Getting around downtown has never been easier with the free Hartford *dash*. The *dash* departs the Convention Center every 15 minutes, from 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. Hours are often extended for downtown events. Check out this great website at <http://www.ctconventions.com/visitors/explore-hartford/> to find restaurants, Hartford attractions and entertainment sites that are offering discounts to us during our stay.

Zone Institute 2017

What to Expect at the Hartford Institute

Our 2017 Zone Institute is just a few weeks away. The planning committee led by PDG Eileen Rau has created a plethora of exciting plenary sessions, intriguing break-out sessions and sumptuous social activities. But even with all of these activities, you will still have plenty of time to enjoy sightseeing in Hartford.

What's Happening When?

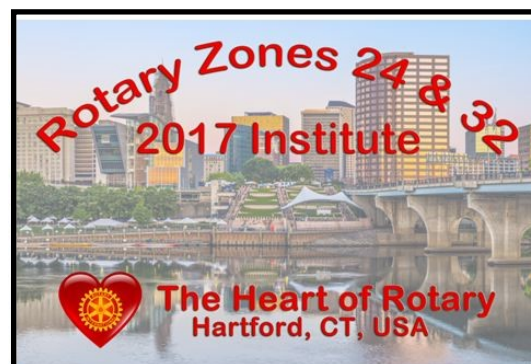
Tuesday and Wednesday, Oct 17-18: Pre-Institute Training events.

Thursday, October 19

- ◆ House of Friendship opens at 11:30 a.m.
- ◆ Plenary Session Doors open at 11:00 a.m.
- ◆ Buffet lunch and Opening Ceremony at 11:30 a.m.
- ◆ Dinner at 6:30 p.m., including presentation of DGEs and Keynote by RIP Ian Riseley.

Friday, October 20

- ◆ Breakfast begins at 7:00 a.m.
- ◆ Plenary session at 8:15 a.m., including Keynoterr Don Evans: *Conflict Finding the Way*.
- ◆ Break-out sessions from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
- ◆ Lunch at 11:45 a.m., including keynoter Sylvia Whitlock, RIP Ian Riseley and a Senior Leader Panel.
- ◆ Second set of Break-out sessions at 2:00 p.m.
- ◆ Third plenary session begins at 3:00 p.m, featuring General Secretary John Hewko.
- ◆ Roaring 20s Class Dinner at Infinity Hall (across the street) at 6:30 p.m.



Saturday, October 21

- ◆ Breakfast begins at 7:00 a.m, including Plenary Session #4 begins at 8:15 a.m., featuring Keynote Speaker Steve Brown, presentation of this year's Donald MacRae Award and a presentation by Peace Scholar Francesca Giovannini.
- ◆ Third set of break-out sessions begin at 10:00 a.m.
- ◆ Update on Zone Changes at 11:15 a.m.

FREE TIME for lunch and touring Hartford from 12:15 p.m. through 5:30 p.m. (*see info at left on how to see all Hartford attractions*).

Gala Banquet at 7:00 p.m., including Keynoter Dr. Bernd Wollschlaeger and recognition of new Major Donors and Arch Klumpf Society members.

Not Registered Yet?

You can still register at

<https://portal.clubrunner.ca/50077/SitePage/2017-hartford-institute-zones-24-32>.

Rotary Now!

The Zone Institute will offer an ideal opportunity for the young professionals in your District or Rotary Club to enhance their leadership skills, to help change the world, as well as to meet fellow young professionals. PDG Drew Kessler (D 7210) is again offering **Rotary Now**, a Forum for Young Professionals, Oct. 19-21 during the Zone Institute in Hartford.

Young professionals from across Canada and the northeastern United States are invited to attend Rotary Now to help shape the future of our organization. Highlights include:

- ◆ Learning about Rotary Means Business – and how to start a chapter in your District
- ◆ Getting your hands dirty with a local service project
- ◆ Networking with fellow Young Professionals
- ◆ Meeting RI President Ian Riseley
- ◆ Participating in keynote presentations at the Zone Institute with senior Rotary Leaders.
- ◆ Identifying steps to take action following the Forum.
- ◆ Having FUN!

The cost of the forum is \$250 US, which includes two inspiring days of Forum sessions and speakers, meals and materials. The session opens on Thursday, Oct. 19 with 6:30 pm registration followed by dinner. The forum will continue on Friday, Oct. 20 from 8:00 am through 10 pm and Saturday, October 21 from 8:00 pm to 12 pm. Lodging is at the Hartford Marriott Downtown adjacent to the Conference Center (\$185 US) or at the nearby Hampton Inns and Suites, .6 miles from the venue, for \$131/night.

For more information contact PDG Drew Kessler at dkessler@mtb.com.



Zone Institute

Lifelong Rotarian Humanitarians Honored

Each year, each of our Zones honors dedicated Rotarians or Rotary-based organizations for their international humanitarian work. This year's Donald MacRae award winners are each long-time Rotarians who have spent a lifetime of philanthropy and service to make lives better in Ethiopia and Haiti, respectively.

Leo Seguin, a past president of the Westlock RC in Alberta (D-5370), has spent 30 years improving lives in Ethiopia. Leo's involvement dates to the mid-80s famine that struck that country.

Through Rainbow for the Future, an Alberta-based organization Leo started in 2004 to focus on development work, he has been

instrumental in raising \$10 million that has helped one million people in Ethiopia by focusing on improved food security, clean water, schools and medical equipment. The organization also stresses education and healthcare, especially for girls and women.

One of the first projects undertaken by the club was to fund a hostel for girls and young women. Because Ethiopia's Karayu people follow the rains in search of fodder for their animals, the girls are not able to go to school, but instead, they marry at a very early age. Rainbow for the Future and Westlock Rotary built the hostel so the girls can pursue an education and delay marriage.

Leo shares the story of his work in his book, *Where a Bird Meets a Fish in the Sky*.



Dr. Jerry Lowney, a member of the Norwich, CT club in D-7980, has devoted time, talent, and treasure to serve the poorest of the poor in Haiti over the past 25 years.

What started in 1982 as a short-term mission trip to provide dental care has become a lifelong passion to improve health of Haiti's poorest. In 1985, Jerry founded the Haitian Health Foundation (HHF) which offers basic healthcare services to the 200,000 people living in the Jeremie region of Haiti.

HHF has developed a feeding program that offers 24-hour care for children suffering from chronic malnutrition. It has an inpatient maternal center for village women in high-risk pregnancies, and also provides routine maternal and pediatric care, and has helped to found a school of nursing.

For more than 25 years, Jerry has traveled to Haiti every three months to operate the Haitian Health Foundation, provide dental care, and more. His work has received widespread praise, and in 2013 the White House named him a Rotary Champion of Change.

RI Survey Results

Have you ever stopped and thought about your Rotary club and its membership?

Have you asked a new member why he or she decided to join Rotary or asked a more seasoned Rotarian why he or she stays in Rotary?

Rotary International has updated its survey to get the answers to these basic questions. See the Rotary International web site for the survey details.

Among newer Rotarians, the overwhelming responses fell into two categories: Newer members joined Rotary :

1. To meet and become friends with other like-minded people in the community as well as for social activities; and
2. To make a difference in their community.

These answers should not be surprising to us. After all, more seasoned Rotarians were asked why they stay in Rotary, and their responses were exactly the same as the newer Rotarians! Seasoned Rotarians stay for social activities and to make a positive difference in their community.

What does all this mean? The most successful clubs will be those that provide opportunities for social activities and friendship and which are doing things in the community that make a difference.

What are your club meetings like? For most of us , the weekly meeting includes a bit of club business, committee reports, a speaker and a meal. And then the same thing happens again next week! Thanks to the Council on Legislation, however, it's now possible to mix things up and change your meetings any way your club thinks will work for your members.

After all, there's nothing in the Manual of Procedure that says that Rotarians need to meet every week over a meal and a speaker!

Membership Matters

Building in Flexibility

By Bob Wallace, Zone 24 East Rotary Coordinator

Who mandated that every club meeting needs to include a speaker and a meal? And that community service can only be done outside club meetings? That "rule" probably never existed anyway, and with the flexibility permitted in the last Council on Legislation, many clubs are experimenting with different models.

A great example is Port Hope RC in District 7070. Faced with declining membership, the club took the message of flexibility to heart and changed its meeting schedule drastically beginning with the new Rotary year in 2016.

Club members continue to meet each week, but not over dinner! Yes, the club continues to have one "conventional" meeting each month, complete with a speaker, but has changed the other weekly meetings. The club now schedules one social event, one hands-on project, and one session devoted to committee meetings each month.

**Just a
"regular"
meeting at
Port Hope RC:
Club
members
build "little
libraries"
during their
weekly time
together.**



And the results are already showing: In just over one year, the club's downward membership trend turned around and already, the club has grown from 25 to 35 members.

What are these meetings like? The "conventional" meeting is straightforward. The social events have included ball games, bowling, theatre nights and excursions to local restaurants, and spouses and partners are of course invited. The hands-on projects have included cleaning the local beach, painting the walls and shelves at the food bank (BYOB, bring your own brush), giving out the Christmas hampers along with the Salvation Army and cooking dinner for some in need in the community. The committee meetings usually are held in someone's home where planning or committee work can take place.

All of these events have increased the social activities of the club, which means that the Rotarians have gotten to know other members of the club better — all while making a difference in their community. As an added bonus, the new format has reduced club costs: Not all meetings include meals and many do not require hall rental.

The example of Port Hope is one that we can all think about — particularly in light of Rotary's freshest data on why people join Rotary and why they stay involved (see article at right). The focus must always be on coming up with meeting formats that are most meaningful to club members.

Membership Matters

Zone Membership Continued to Fall in 2016-17

District	Prior Year 2016-17			Current Year 2017-18 Activity to Date				
	July 1 2016		Net Change	July 1, 2017		September 30, 2017		
	# clubs	# members		# clubs	# members	# clubs	# members	Net change # members
57	26	415	-41	24	374	24	371	-3
5010	39	1722	9	40	1731	40	1752	21
5040	48	1413	29	49	1442	49	1467	25
5050	57	2575	-64	57	2511	57	2529	18
5060	60	2693	-56	58	2637	58	2647	10
5360	47	1889	-44	47	1845	47	1827	-18
5370	58	2187	-57	57	2130	57	2112	-18
5550	46	1413	-27	46	1386	46	1408	22
6330	59	1784	-72	57	1712	57	1711	-1
7010	42	1557	-47	42	1510	42	1517	7
7040	69	1860	-46	69	1814	68	1826	12
7070	54	1979	24	56	2003	56	2005	2
7080	49	1642	-28	49	1614	49	1630	16
7090	68	2212	-88	67	2124	67	2138	14
7790	52	1733	-58	50	1675	50	1691	16
7810	39	1130	-14	40	1116	40	1125	9
7820	47	1572	-51	47	1521	47	1541	20
Total Zone 24	860	29,776	-631	855	29,145	854	29,272	152
7210	59	1635	-31	57	1604	57	1615	11
7230	43	1235	-23	44	1212	44	1229	17
7255	75	1845	-103	73	1742	73	1763	21
7390	45	2319	-5	43	2314	43	2307	-7
7410	43	1142	-48	43	1094	43	1105	11
7430	43	1739	38	45	1777	45	1793	16
7450	51	1457	-47	50	1410	50	1416	6
7470	50	1152	-28	48	1124	48	1102	-22
7490	50	1221	-14	50	1207	50	1212	5
7500	37	1149	8	37	1157	37	1172	15
7510	39	1033	-33	39	1000	39	1006	6
7640	46	1109	-62	44	1047	45	1086	39
7780	40	1632	-15	40	1617	40	1619	2
7850	42	1458	-42	42	1416	42	1429	13
7870	60	2101	-17	60	2084	60	2098	14
7890	59	2097	-52	59	2045	59	2034	-11
7910	51	1455	-68	51	1387	51	1400	13
7930	47	1865	-91	47	1774	47	1791	17
7950	66	2225	-76	65	2149	65	2160	11
7980	60	2167	-57	58	2110	58	2109	-1
Total Zone 32	1006	32,036	-766	995	31,270	996	31,446	176

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Vocational Service

Inclusion Alberta's Employment Partnership

By Jackie Hobal, Zone 24 West Rotary Coordinator

"What do you want to be when you grow up?"

This is a question virtually every parent asks their child. However, if you are a young person with developmental disabilities, the question isn't as simple as it is for your contemporaries — although it is just as important. People with developmental disabilities have historically experienced unemployment rates in excess of 70 percent.

Thanks to Alberta Rotary Clubs, Inclusion Alberta's Rotary Employment Partnership is working to reverse this statistic. People with developmental disabilities can and want to work. They just need the right opportunity. Those opportunities are being provided by Rotarians who are opening the doors of their businesses and their networks to create meaningful jobs, while making dreams come true.

The Rotary Employment Partnership is a collaboration that includes Rotary clubs in Districts 5370 and 5360, Inclusion Alberta and the Government of Alberta. The purpose of the partnership is to create meaningful employment opportunities for people with developmental disabilities.

To date, the Rotary Employment Partnership in Alberta has created more than 360 jobs for adults with developmental disabilities at an average wage of more than \$14 per hour. Worksites include a wide array of companies ranging from one-person businesses to large international firms and from office jobs to manufacturing and technology employment. With the success of the Rotary Employment Partnership in Alberta, the idea has expanded to other Canadian provinces and a number of countries.

Like everyone else, people with developmental disabilities have strengths and interests, talents and abilities. Their talents and skills may surprise you. Inclusion Alberta and its community partners provide all the necessary assistance and follow-up to ensure success of the new employees

If you are an employer wondering if someone with a developmental disability could work in your business, consider the following:

- ◆ 86 percent of people with developmental disabilities rated average or higher on attendance than their non-disabled colleagues.
- ◆ 98 percent of people with developmental disabilities rated average or better in work safety than their non-disabled colleagues.
- ◆ 75 percent of employers surveyed said employing individuals with developmental disabilities has been a truly positive experience.

Want to get involved? Please contact: Wendy McDonald, D-5370 Rotary Employment Partnership Committee Chair, wmcdonald@inclusionalberta.org; and Bruce Uditsky, D-5370 Employment Partnership Committee Member, buditsky@inclusionalberta.org.



Foundation Facts — Bequest Society Contributors

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Congratulations to the following individuals and organizations in Zones 24 and 32 who joined the Bequest Society — or whose giving reached new Bequest Society levels — during the past Rotary year. This list does not include those donors who requested anonymity.

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**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**

Top 10 Reasons to Donate to TRF

#1. Orders of magnitude. The Foundation SHARE program allows smaller clubs to do larger projects that they could never become involved in on their own; however, by banding together and including DDF and the World Fund match into the budget, large projects are eminently feasible.

#2. Recognition points. Donations to the Rotary Foundation Annual Fund and PolioPlus give members and clubs recognition points that can be used to acknowledge club members and community workers for their volunteer work in their area and beyond and which ultimately count toward Major Donor recognition.

#3 Tax deduction. Receipts for contributions are handled efficiently and easily.

#4. Honor a friend. What better way is there to memorialize a loved one than to give to The Foundation in his/her name?

#5. End Polio Now! We're just a few years away from total eradication of this disease.

#6. Choose your own charity. Donors to the Annual Fund can select which area of focus they wish to support. At certain levels, they can also decide what part of the world their donations should support.

#7. Quality. In September 2016, The Rotary Foundation received its ninth straight 4-star rating from Charity Navigator.

#8. Accountability. About 90 cents of every dollar donated to TRF goes directly to work on the ground.

#9. Influence the future. Donors to The Rotary Foundation are a special group of people who prefer that their money go to help support the next generation of children across the globe.

#10. Change the world. Isn't that what Rotarians do?

Foundation Facts

How Grants Spending Begets TRF Giving

By Rick Rogers, Assistant Rotary Foundation Coordinator, Zone 24 East

In many Districts, we struggle to convince some of our clubs and members to contribute to The Rotary Foundation. All the words in the world about the stellar work of The Foundation can fall on deaf ears, particularly in clubs that have not educated their members about the work of The Foundation. Also, a common refrain is, "Why should I give money that helps people overseas when we have so much that needs to be done right at home?"

What can be done to turn this situation around? I believe that the answer is quite simple — instead of *talking* about the good work of The Foundation we need to show what Rotarians can *accomplish* through their Foundation donations



Let's consider a few examples of the good work that is done with our donated dollars:

District grants are a terrific way that our clubs and members are able to see how Foundation dollars can come back and help them meet the needs in their own communities. A good example of this return of funds is the District grant project undertaken by the Rotary club of Grand Manan, NB, in D-7810. This Rotary Foundation grant helped the club beautify the local museum. Members of the club suddenly understood the power of the SHARE system — and in a way that raised awareness of Rotary throughout the community.

Global grants are another way the Foundation can help even small clubs accomplish large projects in other parts of the world. A good example is the District 7810 health project in Guatemala. There is nothing unique about doing projects around the world but there is something that is very unique in how this particular grant was accomplished. The total value for the project was \$50,000 — which would not be possible with the resources of just one small club. As a result, 13 of the smaller clubs in our District joined together to raise funds. Their contributions ranged from a few hundred dollars to several thousands. With the inclusion of District DDF and then the "match" from the World Fund, money was raised that members of these clubs had previously not thought possible.

Some of these clubs had never done anything outside their own communities before, but now their members realize the advantages of donation to The Foundation as they have witnessed the results that can be accomplished!

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Polio Plus Giving — 2016-17

District	Rotary Year 2016-17		
	DDF Donations	Cash Donations	Total Giving
5010	\$71,042	\$71,600	\$142,642
5040	\$20,000	\$99,663	\$119,663
5050	\$25,000	\$120,088	\$145,088
5060	\$119,046	\$146,583	\$265,629
5360	0	\$194,207	\$194,207
5370	\$35,000	\$203,989	\$238,989
5550	\$48,097	\$54,115	\$102,212
6330	\$18,402	\$114,120	\$132,522
7010	\$70,000	\$81,966	\$151,966
7040	0	\$218,675	\$218,675
7070	\$61,000	\$240,338	\$301,338
7080	\$10,000	\$107,923	\$117,923
7090	\$70,000	\$117,934	\$187,934
7790	\$1,000	\$46,834	\$47,834
7810	\$2,500	\$66,678	\$69,178
7820	\$5,000	\$100,748	\$105,748
Zone 24	\$556,087	\$1,986,994	\$2,543,081
7210	\$5,000	\$41,472	\$46,472
7230	\$5,000	\$37,926	\$42,926
7255	0	\$35,988	\$35,988
7390	\$31,591	\$50,848	\$82,439
7410	\$10,000	\$44,390	\$54,390
7430	0	\$200,609	\$200,609
7450	0	\$27,815	\$27,815
7470	\$7,500	\$66,959	\$74,459
7490	\$5,800	\$3,180	\$8,980
7500	\$13,000	\$32,358	\$45,358
7510	\$50,016	\$24,258	\$74,274
7640	0	\$41,611	\$41,611
7780	\$17,616	\$70,462	\$88,078
7850	\$12,205	\$24,857	\$37,062
7870	\$20,000	\$43,061	\$63,061
7890	0	\$51,456	\$51,456
7910	\$9,288	\$39,136	\$48,424
7930	\$33,993	\$89,979	\$123,972
7950	\$26,500	\$53,702	\$80,202
7980	\$10,000	\$41,441	\$51,441
Zone 32	\$257,509	\$1,021,506	\$1,279,015

Data from PolioPlus Summary Report. The almost 50% of Districts that met the goal of transferring 20 percent of DDF to PolioPlus are so noted in **blue**.

PolioPlus

Raise Awareness in YOUR Town

By Tom Campbell, District 7820 PolioPlus Chair



What is your club planning to do to raise awareness of polio eradication on World Polio Day?

Yes, the “main event” will be streamed live from Gates Foundation headquarters in Seattle, WA. An estimated 50,000 viewers from around the world will join together with celebrities and experts to share Rotary’s progress on polio eradication.

But the endgame to end polio must start in our own communities as we work to raise the last dollars to end this scourge. Experts say that an additional \$1.5 billion will be needed, and The Rotary Foundation has pledged that Rotarians will raise \$50 million per year toward that sum during each of the next three years. So it behooves all of us to continue to raise awareness and do our share.

Last year the six Rotary Clubs located on Prince Edward Island came together and marked historic progress toward a polio-free world, while urging community support to end the paralyzing disease, with a flag-raising event.

The Prince Edward Island Rotarians gathered together in Charlottetown with PEI’s premier, the Honourable Wade MacLaughlin, Zone 24 East Rotary Foundation Coordinator Duncan Conrad, and club presidents to raise the polio flag. Rotarians and community members from throughout PEI attended the event. And, Premier MacLaughlin signed a proclamation declaring October 24, 2016, to be World Polio Day on Prince Edward Island.

This event was among the thousands spearheaded by Rotary across the globe last October. It is not too late to raise awareness of Rotary and polio eradication in your community this coming October 24! Here is an example of a proclamation: https://www.dropbox.com/s/5u1egvzm5qy8rnd/world_polio_day_17_proclamation.docx?dl=0

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Public Image

Juvenile Offenders, Police and Opiates: What Does This Have to Do with Rotary?

By Dan Ceglia, Zone 32 Public Image Coordinator

A Rotarian with the classification of Police Officer came up with the idea of helping first time non-violent juvenile offenders by keeping them out of detention centers.

Here's the really crazy part: Bob MacKenzie developed a program that enlists Rotarians to be mentors to troubled kids. In exchange for staying out of the centers, the kids sign a contract that requires them to perform community service. The Rotarians are even encouraged to build relationships with their charges beyond mandated hours.

Who even thinks that way? Can you imagine asking upstanding, reputable business people and professionals to associate with these rejects? That takes a lot of chutzpa ...

OR, does Chief Bob MacKenzie recognize these kids are NOT rejects, and was struck with a bit of genius? He would scoff at such a notion, but the potential impact his plan could have on troubled youth is mind-boggling.



Bob is a past president of the Kennebunk Rotary Club in Maine (D-7780). He and his club recognized the need to work shoulder to shoulder to

make a difference in society, to change lives and to give troubled youth the opportunity to plan their own future. Bob also hopes this program will reduce the stigma associated with those who have a substance use disorder.

Chief Bob arranged for his club members to be trained to recognize the signs of an overdose, and how to perform first-aid, including chest compression-only CPR, and administration of naloxone (the drug that reverses the effects of opioids). At a time when opioid addiction has become a public health menace and is killing a person every day in Maine, this training is critical. The training is being offered to clubs in District 7780 that wish to take advantage of the opportunity and then to the communities those clubs represent geographically.

The District is pulling together on this project. Bob is chairing a District 7780 Recovery Initiative Committee to bring Learn to Cope chapters throughout Maine. Learn to Cope is a peer-led support group founded in Massachusetts in 2004 to support families with loved ones struggling with substance use disorder.

This is also a public image opportunity with a twist! As the opioid epidemic strikes home in communities across North America, Rotary has an opportunity to make a real difference to kids who need a helping hand. And we also have an opportunity to lift up and support the great work done by our law enforcement community.

This is a fantastic way to help our communities — and make them aware of Rotary's ethics component and Four-Way Test. We can demonstrate its practical application while touching the lives of the next generation.

International Convention

We are Hosting The 2018 Rotary Convention!

By Sean Hogan, Toronto Zone Coordinator

Rotarians in Zones 24 & 32 have both the privilege and the responsibility of hosting a Rotary International Convention in Toronto from June 23 to 27, 2018.

We need your help to support President Ian Riseley and Vice President Dean Rohrs, and to promote the Convention.



HOW YOU CAN HELP

- ◆ Appoint a Convention Promotion Chair, if you haven't already done so.
- ◆ Add an article on your District website. An easy way is to copy and paste the one located at www.district5050.org.
- ◆ Post stories, videos and pictures on Facebook - links to several are on the District 5050 website.
- ◆ Promote the Beyond Borders Dinner - or as Chair Ian Ferguson puts it, the Beyond Borders Experience — at the Hockey Hall of Fame.

KEY POINTS FOR PROMOTION

- ◆ Early Registration Discount Fee of \$335 USD **until December 31**.
- ◆ Aside from registration costs, all other expenses are in Canadian dollars -- including hotel, food, drink and tourism.
- ◆ Once you register you can book your hotel through the Convention website. The sooner you register, the better your hotel choices will be.
- ◆ The Toronto Convention is both affordable and convenient, and will be the last Convention in North America for the next several years.
- ◆ There is no experience for a Rotarian quite like an International Convention. Meet old friends and make new ones from around the world. Hear great speakers and enjoy fabulous entertainment. Participate in the many breakout sessions on topics of interest to you. Stroll through the House of Friendship. Enjoy the many restaurants and tourism opportunities that Toronto has to offer.
- ◆ The Beyond Borders Dinner is a great opportunity to network with Rotarians across our Zones. Last year the dinner sold out with over 600 Rotarians. Toronto adds a new experience to our Beyond Dinners as we will tour and enjoy food stations at the Hockey Hall of Fame. Register today at: tinyurl.com/beyondborders2018
- ◆ Consider arranging a separate District Get Together for your members. Several Districts do this at every Convention — it could be a restaurant dinner, a hotel ballroom or at the House of Friendship. This is a great way to both celebrate and encourage your Rotarians to share the experience of a Rotary International Convention!

IMPORTANT LINKS

Where Next?

Rotary International Conventions are scheduled to be held:

June 1-5, 2019, Hamburg, Germany.

June 6-10, 2020, Honolulu, Hawaii.

June 12-16, 2021, Taipei, Taiwan.

June 4-8, 2022, Houston, Texas.

RI Convention (registration and hotel): <http://www.riconvention.org/en/toronto>.

Host Organizing Committee: <http://rotary2018.org>

Beyond Borders Dinner: tinyurl.com/beyondborders2018

Tourism Toronto: www.seetorontonow.com

Let us know how we can help! Send an email to Zone Convention Promotion Chair, Knut Johnsen at knutjohnsen@att.net who will connect you with the Zone Convention Promotion team for any assistance or information you may need.

Calendar of Events

October 16-22, 2017 — Zone Institute, Hartford, CT. <http://bit.ly/2017zone>.

Tuesday, October 24, 2017 — World Polio Day, Seattle, WA. See article on page 11 to learn how you can get involved.

November 11, 2017: Rotary UN Day, Geneva, Switzerland.

(Note: Activities that traditionally have been held on this day in New York will take place in Geneva this year.)

January 14-20, 2018 — International Assembly, San Diego, CA.

February 9-11, 2018 — Presidential Peacebuilding Conference on Environmental Sustainability, Vancouver, BC. <https://environmentandpeace.com/>

February 17, 2018 — Presidential Peacebuilding Conference on Water, Sanitation and Hygiene, Beirut, Lebanon. <http://rotaryd2452.org/waterconf/>

Saturday, February 24 — Presidential Peacebuilding Conference on Disease Prevention and Treatment, Coventry, England. www.rotarygbi.org/peacebuilding-conference-2018/

Saturday, March 17 — Presidential Peacebuilding Conference on Economic and Community Development, Sydney. <http://rippc2018.com.au/>

Saturday, April 28 — Presidential Peacebuilding Conference on Maternal and Child Health, Taranto, Italy. www.rotaryitalia.it/presidentialconference/

Saturday, June 2 — Presidential Peacebuilding Conference on Basic Education and Literacy, Chicago, IL. www.rotaryliteracy.org/

Sunday, June 24 — Beyond Borders Dinner, the Hockey Hall of Fame, <http://tinyurl.com/beyondborders2018>

June 23-27, 2018 — RI Convention, Toronto. See article on page 13 and go to www.riconvention.org.

September 20-22, 2018 — Zone Institute 2018, Montreal. **SAVE THE DATE!**

Leadership Development

Presidents-elect Spring Training Schedule Unveiled

Following are the Presidents-elect training seminars planned to take place in our Zones in the spring of 2018. If a President-elect in your District can't make your PETS training, consider asking him/her to participate in a neighboring District's PETS. Check out the date and location, call the contact, and pre-register, usually from the District website.

February 3 — **District 7070**

Oshawa Golf and Curling Club, Oshawa, ON

Contact: DGE Mary Lou Harrison, rotarianmarylou@gmail.com

February 22-24 -- Mid-Atlantic PETS, www.mapets.org

Districts 7390, 7430, 7450, 7500, 7640

Valley Forge Casino Resorts, King of Prussia, PA

Contact: Gary Fedorcha, General Chair, 1-610-360-0420

February 23-25 -- Pacific Northwest PETS, www.pnw pets.org

Districts 5010, 5020, 5030, 5040, 5050, 5060, 5080, 5100, 5110

Doubletree Hotel, Seattle, WA

Contact: Barb Crozier, General Chair 2018

March 2-3 -- **Districts 7070, 7080, 7090**

Bank of Montreal Institute of Learning, 3550 Pharmacy Avenue, Toronto

Chair: Eric Davis, edavis@millerthomson.com

March 8-10 — Northeast PETS, www.rotarynepets.org

Districts 7780, 7850, 7870, 7890, 7910, 7930, 7950, 7980

Sheraton Hotel and Convention Center, Framingham, MA

Contact: Louisa Tripp, General Chair, 1-802-371-9819

March 16-17-18 — **District 7790**

Hotel Georgesville, Saint-Georges, QC

Contact: Marcel Noel, 418-261-6400

March 23-24 — Mid-Northeast PETS, www.petsmidnortheast.org

Districts 7210, 7230, 7255, 7410, 7470, 7490, 7510

Contact: Barry Kroll, general chair 2018, 1-973-476-2772

April 6-7 — **District 5370**

Chateau Louis Conference Centre, Edmonton, AB

Contact: District 5370 office, 780-482-5370, <http://rotary5370.org>

April 7-8 — **District 6330**

Holiday Inn— Point Edward, Sarnia ON

Contact: DGE Jim Schlatman. jfschlatman@wightman.ca

April 13-15 — **District 7010**

Best Western in North Bay, ON

Registrar: Bill Hagborg, bhagbord77@gmail.com

April 21 — **District 7810**

Fredericton Motor Inn, Fredericton, NB

Terry MacDonald, 1-506-206-7810

April 21-22 — **District 7040**

NAV Centre, Cornwall, ON

Contact: District Trainer Gerry Lambert, GerryLambert@outlook.com

May 24 — **District 7820**

Holiday Inn, St. John's, NFLD.

Contact: Governor-elect Rob Christie, rob.g.christie@gmail.com

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