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District Governor's Newsletter FEBRUARY 1, 2017 Rotary Serving Humanity

My Fellow Rotarians,

February is Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month in the Rotary world. As you will see from the RI website on "Promoting Peace", conflict and violence displace millions of people each year. Half of those killed in conflict are children, and 90% are civilians. Rotarians refuse to accept conflict as a way of life and implement projects to provide training that fosters understanding and provides communities with the skills to resolve conflicts. Through these projects and others including peace fellowships and scholarships, Rotarians are taking the necessary action to address the underlying causes of conflict, including poverty, inequality, ethnic tension, lack of access to education, and unequal distribution of resources.

More information on Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution can be found later in this Newsletter. If you are interested in being more engaged in Peace, consider joining the Rotarian Action Group for Peace. More information on this Rotary Action Group can be found at www.rotarianactiongroupforpeace.org.

January was a busy month as I attended the RI Assembly in San Diego during the week of January 15 representing all Rotary Action Groups and the Rotarian Action Group for Microfinance and Community Development as part of my role as Vice-Chair of the Rotarian Action Group Chairs Committee. During a discussion with RI Staff, I was provided with a Rotary Project Lifecycle Kit that includes information on Discussion Groups, Rotary Ideas, and Rotary Showcase. These resources can contribute to the success of any service project, from inception to completion. Copies of the documents are attached for information and use.

As well, I was in El Salvador during the period January 26-28 attending Uniendo America (Uniting America) 2017, a project fair for Districts and Rotary Clubs within Central America. Some of you may be aware of Uniendo America and have participated in prior years as this year was their 24th Anniversary and a number of Rotarians that visit the Fair come from Canada and the United States looking for projects in the Region. During the visit, I noted several interesting Club projects and after discussions with the various Clubs, have put together a list of these which will be shown on the District website later this month. If you see a project that your Club would be interested in participating with, please correspond with the contact provided.

February 23 is Rotary's 112th Anniversary. What are you doing to celebrate?

Jim

District Governor Jim Louttit at jvlrotary@gmail.com



From District Governor Elect Neil Phillps

My Fellow Rotarians,

'Tis the season for training!

I've just returned from International Assembly in San Diego, with my fellow 538 District Governors-Elect from around the world. It's an overwhelming experience, sharing what Clubs are doing across the globe.

It's also a chance to hear the focus of the Rotary International President-Elect, as they introduce their theme for the next Rotary year. As reported elsewhere in this newsletter, lan has chosen the theme: **Rotary: Making a Difference**. Straightforward, and really what it's all about. He's also encouraged a greater attention to environmental sustainability in our project work. You'll hear more about this after July 1st.

Training at Presidents Elect Training Seminar (PETS) and Multi District -PETS is underway shortly. I'm looking forward to working with the Presidents-Elect to help them achieve their

Club goals for the next Rotary year.

In the meantime, there's plenty still to be done this year!

Yours In Rotary,

Neil

Neil Phillips District Governor Elect 2017-18 at NPhillips@dgn-marketing.com

Editor's Note: A large contingent of Rotarians from our District is going down to the convention in Atlanta. Not only is it the Rotary Foundation's centennial – but we'll be there *en masse* to support the Toronto2018 booth. This is the "official" kick-off for our own convention. Our Zone Dinner at the aquarium (I'll be there) still has space: http://portal.clubrunner.ca/50077/SitePage/beyond-borders-dinner-atlanta Many of the hotels are booked out solid – so if you're planning on going, reserve a hotel quickly. Rotarian Mary Lach had a few left from a second block held for our district. Contact her directly if interested (mlach @ sunsations.com).

More information and registration links for the convention can be found here: http://www.riconvention.org/

Reminder: Register for the 2017 District 7070 Conference now to get a great earlybird discount. Held in Niagara-on-the-Lake, you'll especially want to book your room at White Oaks – before they sell out. All info can be found from the district website, or the following link: http://rotary7070conference.org/

Rotary International President John Germ's Monthly Message - January 2017

Dear Fellow Rotarians:

On February 23, we will mark 112 years since the founding of Rotary. It is incredible to think about how much has changed, in our world and in our organization, since the first Rotary club met in Chicago with Paul Harris as its president.

Some things are easy to compare between now and 1905. There have been changes in technology, medicine, and society. When we look at a map of the world in 1905 and a map of the world today, we can see what's different. What we can't do is compare what is with what might have been. There is no way to compare our world as it exists now with the world as it would have been without Rotary. Rotary has risen to so many challenges in its 112 years. We've answered conflict with peace, and poverty with education. We've responded to a lack of basic health care with projects large and small, from equipping

clinics in tiny villages to eradicating polio across the globe.

We will never know how different the world would have been if Rotary had never been founded; if any one Rotary club had never been chartered; or if any single Rotarian had declined the invitation to join a Rotary club.

But I will say, with absolute faith and complete confidence, that the world is a far, far better place now than it would have been without Rotary and that Rotary itself is stronger because of every one of you.

The world needs Rotary more than ever. It needs our courage, our optimism, and our idealism. It needs the voice of tolerance, cooperation, and hope that we can offer. It needs the example of an organization that has proven that the citizens of all countries can work together successfully, gladly, and in friendship.

None of us ever knows the full impact of our actions. None of us knows the effects that will ripple out from the things we do and say, the decisions we make, the opportunities we seize, and those we let pass. But I think we all know that when we choose to do good, good will follow; and that when we choose Service Above Self as our life's path, the direction it will take us will be a good one.

No one can see the future. No one knows what changes lie ahead. But I have faith in Rotary, and in Rotarians, that with every passing year, you will make our world a better place through *Rotary Serving Humanity*.

John

John F. Germ President, Rotary International

ON THE WEB: Speeches and news from RI President John F. Germ at www.rotary.org/officepresident



Rotary Foundation Chair, Kaylan Banerjee's Monthly Message - February 2017 - Our Foundation's long commitment to Peace

Dear fellow Rotarians,



This February, let's celebrate the success of our Rotary Peace Centers and the important work that graduates of the program are doing throughout the world to honor Peace and Conflict Prevention/ Resolution Month. I think it's also important to note that the launch of the peace centers in 2002 built on many decades of peacebuilding efforts supported by our Foundation.

In the 1930s, clubs in France and Germany formed the first *petit comite*, now known as an intercountry committee. Both countries were still recovering from a devastating war, but the former adversaries knew that peace, however fragile, was worth keeping. Although a second world war dashed their hopes, these peace-minded Rotarians reconvened in 1950. Since then, Rotarians have formed 250 intercountry committees to promote international friendship

and service.

Rotarians have long believed that international understanding develops most quickly through personal relationships. Before study abroad programs and international business travel became commonplace, our Foundation sent scholars and young professionals to other countries to experience different ways of living and doing business. For many participants, these life-changing adventures helped them view the world through the eyes of their hosts, who often became close friends.

Every year, our Foundation allocates millions of dollars for projects that attack the root causes of conflict -lack of access to education, health care, economic opportunity, clean water, and adequate sanitation. Our global grants have a unique requirement that moves the needle on peace even further: To qualify, project sponsors must include clubs from at least two countries. Inaddition to combining local knowledge with international and Foundation resources, these projects build friendships chat often lead to long-lasting service relationships between the sponsoring clubs.

Of course, one of the best places to form international friendships is at our annual convention, where Rotarians from dozens of countries come together. This year in Atlanta, we will celebrate The Rotary Foundation's 100 years of Doing Good in the World. I hope you will join me and thousands of your fellow Rotarians for the biggest birthday party of the year!



Kaylan Banerjee

Kaylan Banerjee

Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair

Our Rotary Foundation

From Bill Patchett, Chair District 7070 Rotary Foundation Committee

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Here we are in **February 2017**, and what better time than now, to ask **all** Rotarians to think about supporting our Rotary Foundation. You will be making a difference in so many ways throughout the world. Rotarians do make the world a better place.

Only two Clubs have not yet sent in their objectives to me . How many of you have entered them in to Rotary Club Central, for the 2016-17 Rotary Year yet?

Has your Rotary Club committed, again this Rotary Year, to donating at least \$20.00 PER Rotarian to PolioPlus. Have your Club members made their donations? Has everyone in your Club, this Rotary Year, made that came commitment to personally donate \$20.00 for the eradication of Polio? Again, this Rotary Year, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation will match our contributions on a 2 for 1 basis. And we sure would like every Rotarian in District 7070 to do the same in 2016-17. Yes, we are very close! You are making a difference!

And I sure hope that your Rotary Club has set your goal for contributing at least \$ 100.00 US for each member of your club for Annual Giving to the Annual Programs Fund of the Rotary Foundation. I hope all District 7070 Clubs that have already made that commitment to the Rotary Foundation and I hope that all of you will keep up the good work to reach your goal. This is where we get our money for Grants. Last year, we did have 100% in commitments met. Has your Club made plans to make that donation yet? Are your goals and plans in Rotary Club Central?

If we want to reach our goal for this year and next, we would like to see \$ 100.00 US from every member, in every Rotary Club. This is our commitment to the **Every Rotarian Every Year Campaign** of the Rotary Foundation - EREY (Every Rotarian Every Year).

Our Rotary Foundation provides the money for our **Grants Program**. The Grants can be used for both local and international projects. It is interesting to note that more of you are applying for Grants. This is most encouraging. On the other hand, these applications require us to raise more money for Foundation. Please encourage your Treasurer to send in your commitment. I would also encourage the Assistant District Governors to check on their clubs and their progress.

Are there any prospective **Major Donors** in the District? Please let me know if you or someone you know wishes to take this next step to support Our Rotary Foundation.

Many thanks to all of you for your support.

Bill

William R. Patchett 2016-17 District 7070 Rotary Foundation Chair

Past District Governor 7070 2006-2007 Past End Polio Now Coordinator Rotary International Zone 24

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Are You Preparing to celebrate The Rotary Foundation's centennial

A celebration of The Rotary Foundation centennial in 2016-17 officially kicked off in May at the Rotary Convention in Korea. Incoming leaders are already planning to lead their districts in the celebration. They received encouragement from last year's Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair Ray Klinginsmith during Rotary's annual training event in San Diego. Watch a video about the centennial.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE ROTARY FOUNDATION CENTENNIAL

The Rotary Foundation turns 100 in 2016-17! Our Foundation stands at the forefront of humanitarian service, having supported thousands of projects to provide clean water, fight disease, promote peace, and provide basic education — as well as the historic project dedicated to eradicating polio worldwide.

- Learn more about the history of The Rotary Foundation
- Find information on how to celebrate and download resources
- Purchase centennial commemorative book, "Doing Good in the World"

Rotary releases \$35 million to combat polio



On January 27, 2017 Rotary has released another \$35 million in grants to support the global effort to end polio. Nearly half of the new funds, \$16.15 million, will support emergency response campaigns in Nigeria and the Lake Chad Basin, where four cases were detected last year after Nigeria had previously gone two years without a case.

Rotary has contributed more than \$1.6 billion, including matching funds from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and countless volunteer hours since

launching its polio immunization program, PolioPlus, in 1985. In 1988, Rotary became a spearheading partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative with the World Health Organization (WHO), UNICEF, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and was later joined by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Since the initiative launched, the incidence of polio has plummeted by more than 99.9 percent, from about 350,000 cases a year to 35 confirmed in 2016, and no cases in 2017.

In addition to supporting the response in the Lake Chad Basin region, funding has been allocated to support polio eradication efforts in Afghanistan (\$7.15 million), Pakistan (\$4.2 million), Somalia (\$4.64 million), and South Sudan (\$2.19 million). A final grant in the amount of \$666,845 will support technical assistance in UNICEF's West and Central Africa Regional Office.

- •Read more about the grants
- •Help us end polio

February is Peace & Conflict Prevention / Resolution Month

Millions of people all over the world are currently displaced by armed conflict or persecution. In fact, 90% of casualties in armed conflicts are civilians, half of which are children. Through service projects and Rotary programs, the Rotary family is committed to pursuing projects that address the structural causes of conflict, including poverty, inequality, ethnic tension, lack of access to education, and unequal distribution of resources.

Rotarians train adults and young leaders to prevent and mediate conflict, and aid refugees who have fled dangerous areas. During February, **Rotary Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month**, we're celebrating our commitment to build peace and mitigate conflict.

Throughout the month of February, encourage fellow Rotary members to check back here for tips, resources, and inspirational success stories to help plan club and district peace and conflict resolution projects. Add your voice to the conversation by using the blog's commenting feature and share how your club peace and conflict resolution initiatives on <u>Rotary Showcase</u>.

ROTARY PEACE CENTRES

Dear Fellow Rotarian.

The <u>2018 Rotary Peace Fellowship</u> application is now available! Our <u>new online application</u> will streamline the submission and review process and help districts manage the increasing number of Rotary Peace Fellowship applications.

Users of the new application can expect:

- Better functionality and design
- A district dashboard for reviewing and endorsing applications and communicating with applicants
- Automated email communications from the platform
- Technical support and training from our platform provider, Embark
- A sign-in process that is separate from My Rotary and other Rotary databases and applications

Please note that the application is in English only, and we will no longer be able to accept PDF applications. As a Rotary leader, you play a key role in communicating information about the peace centers program to club and district leaders, who help identify and nominate candidates for the fellowships. We encourage you to use and share these resources:

- The <u>Rotary Peace Centers Program Guide</u> information on eligibility requirements and finding qualified candidates
- The application video explains the steps to completing the application
- Webinars for applicants (Chicago time, UTC-6, for all listings):

Rotary Peace Fellowships: How to Strengthen Your Application

7 February, 09:00-09:30

Rotary Peace Centers: Turning Applicants Into Fellows

7 February 10:00-10:30

The Rotary Peace Centers Facebook page — follow us and spread the news about our program Candidates have until 31 May to submit applications to their district. Districts must submit endorsed applications to The Rotary Foundation by1 July. Should you need technical support in this transition, please contact Embark at support@embark.com. General inquiries regarding the fellowship program may be sent to rotary.org. We thank you for your dedication to the Rotary Peace Centers and your continuous support in educating the Rotary network about the fellowships!

Sincerely,

Rotary Peace Centers

Rotary Peace Felowships

Each year, Rotary selects up to 100 professionals from around the world to receive fellowships to study at one of our peace centers.

Through academic training, practice, and global networking opportunities, the Rotary Peace Centers program develops leaders who become catalysts for peace and conflict prevention and resolution. These fellowships cover tuition and fees, room and board, round-trip transportation, and all internship and field-study expenses.

In just over a decade, the Rotary Peace Centers have trained more than 1,000 fellows for careers in peacebuilding. Many of them are serving as leaders at international organizations or have started their own foundations.

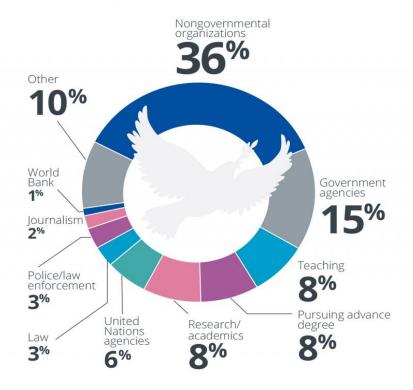
Check out the Rotary Peace Map to see where our alumni are creating positive change.

Our fellowships

Each year, Rotary awards up to 50 fellowships for master's degrees and 50 for certificate studies at premier universities around the world.

- •Master's degree programs: Last 15 to 24 months and require a practical internship of two to three months during the academic break.
- •Professional development certificate program: For experienced professionals and lasts three months with two to three weeks of field study.

Where Rotary Peace Center alumni work



More than 1,000 peace fellowship alumni are working in over 100 countries.

Is a peace fellowship right for me?

Peace fellowship applicants must meet these requirements:

- Proficiency in English; a second language is strongly recommended
- •Demonstrated commitment to international understanding and peace
- Excellent leadership skills
- •Master's degree applicants: minimum three years of related full-time work or volunteer experience, bachelor's degree
- •Certificate applicants: minimum five years of related full-time work or volunteer experience, strong academic background

GET STARTED

The Economic Value of Peace 2016:

Measuring the Global Economic Impact of Violence and Conflict

December 21, 2016, report from the Institute of Economics and Peace

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: This report is the latest release by the Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP) of its estimates of the economic impact of violence and conflict on the global economy. It provides an empirical basis to calculate the potential additional economic benefits from improvements in peace. Estimates of the economic impact of violence are provided for 163 countries and independent territories representing 99.5 percent of the global economy and population.

The report is broken into three main sections:

- Section 1. Conceptual background on the economic cost of violence and value of peace.
- Section 2. Results and trends broken into global results, regional trends and trends on the economic impact of different indicators of violence and conflict.
- Section 3. Comparison of containment and prevention costs to losses from violence measuring the economic losses across different government types and countries according to their levels of Positive Peace.

Read the full report here.

2017 Rotary Action Group for Peace Membership Gift Cards Available Now!



Do you have Rotarian friends or family interested in learning more about

peace? Would you like them to join you as a Rotarian Action Group for Peace Member and spread the news about peacebuilding initiatives happening within Rotary clubs and districts? We now have RAGFP membership gift cards available which allows you to sponsor a Rotary friend or family member for a one or five year membership.

Please email us at contact@rotariansforpeace.org to learn more!

The Hub Peacebuilder Tour 2017: Launched January 30th

The Hub Peacebuilder Tour started on the West Coast on January 30th with live jazz music, inspiring stories from Rotary Peace Fellows, and video interviews from local club members. The topic explored will be, "What does peacebuilding look like for you"? This Rotarian Action Group for Peace (RAGFP) sponsored campaign aims to enlist at least 500 new members in the RAGFP, which serves as a network for Rotarian peacebuilders worldwide. To schedule a stop in your community, please contact: hubpeacebuildertour@gmail.com

FOLLOW THE HUB PEACEBUILDER TOUR AND SCHEDULE A STOP HERE!

A brief history of Rotary and Peace

By: Ian E. Lancaster, Chair District 7070 Vocational Serice Committee & member of the Rotary Action Group for Prace

Peace has been one of Rotary's top goals almost since the day Paul Harris founded it in 1905. In 1914, the convention adopted a resolution proposed by the Rotary Club of Hamilton, Ontario, that the International Association of Rotary Clubs "lend its influence to the maintenance of peace among the nations of the world." In 1921, with memories of World War I fresh in their minds, delegates to the Rotary International Convention in Edinburgh, Scotland,

incorporated into Rotary's constitution the goal "to aid in the advancement of international peace and goodwill through a fellowship of business and professional men of all nations united in the Rotary ideal of service."

Rotary's proactive stance toward peacemaking did not go unnoticed. Arch Klumph quoted U.S. President Theodore Roosevelt as saying, "I thoroughly believe in the idea of meetings such as Rotary International is holding. . . No alliance is necessary between governments whose people understand and sympathize with each other. Contact between men such as compose Rotary International will certainly contribute towards mutual understanding." Arch Klumph called Rotary "a force that has taken on an impetus that cannot be diminished." Klumph made that speech to the Atlanta convention the year he was RI President in 1917. His words were to assume prophetic significance in Rotary's quest for peace, for it was his vision that led to the creation of The Rotary Foundation. From the beginning, the single guiding principle of the Foundation has been to bring peace to the world through education and the relief of suffering, and by helping people to better understand one another – particularly in cross-cultural settings.

In 1940, The Rotarian published a commentary that came out of the RI Convention in Havana, Cuba. Long before there was a United Nations, before "human rights" was a term most people even understood, the Rotarians meeting in Havana adopted a resolution calling for "freedom, justice, truth, sanctity of the pledged word, and respect for human rights." It was a major milestone in Rotary history. It threw down the gauntlet and said, in effect, "Rotary has no interest in the religious or political affairs of your country, but if you do not treat your people with the rights any human being deserves, then Rotary cannot operate there."

Rotarians in Europe looked beyond the bombs that were raining down on cities across the continent and began planning the peace that would ultimately have to come. Their fellow British Rotarians convened a conference to discuss what would happen after the guns of war had been silenced and how they could promote cross-cultural understanding to avoid future conflicts. Again and again they met, drawing more expatriate leaders into the caucus. When peace had finally dawned, this group evolved into UNESCO – the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

Rotary had also played a pivotal part in forming UNESCO's parent organization, the United Nations. Nearly 50 Rotarians served as delegates, advisers, or consultants at the UN charter conference in San Francisco in 1945, and five Rotarians subsequently served as president of the UN General Assembly: Oswaldo Aranha, Carlos P. Romulo, Lester B. Pearson, Prince Wan Waithayakon, and Sir Leslie Munro.

The UN developed a program to hire interns from all parts of the world to spend eight weeks studying international relations at the United Nations. The Rotary Foundation provided a grant of \$6,000 to help cover the housing, food, and incidental expenses of the UN interns. In its first year, the program had 54 interns from 33 countries. The Foundation even arranged for some of the early Ambassadorial Scholars to serve as interns after they had finished their studies. When the newly chartered United Nations wrote the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948, it used the resolution from the Rotary Havana convention as its framework.

Throughout the 1950's and 60's, almost every Foundation program was designed to improve cross-cultural understanding through people-to-people exchanges or shared projects. Ambassadorial Scholars, Group Study Exchange teams, Matching Grants, Grants for University Teachers – all may have fulfilled different functions, but collectively, they upheld the same principle: when "foreigners" meet and break bread with one another, exchange their family stories, and learn about each other's cultures and traditions, they come away with the realization that we are more alike as people than we are different.

In the early 1980's, a growing number of Rotarians called on the organization to do even more to promote peace. In 1982, RI's World Understanding and Peace Committee discussed the creation of a permanent forum for promoting peace. The New Horizons Committee received many suggestions encouraging Rotary to be a more forceful advocate for peace. In June 1982, the Trustees agreed to "authorize, on a trial basis, for three years, the annual award of six Rotary Foundation scholarships (one from each region of the world) for the study of international relations, world peace, or international behavior."

On February 28 1988, RI President Charles Keller convened the first Rotary Peace Forum in Evanston, Illinois, bringing together experts on international relations, government officials, and Rotarian leaders to consider the topic "Nongovernmental Organizations and the Search for Peace." The event was so well attended and the outcome so constructive that additional Rotary Peace Forums were held in various cities around the world. In November of 1988, at a peace forum in Hiroshima, Japan, RI President Royce Abbey told the participants, "Reconciliation is the very heart of peacemaking. It means to build instead of to destroy; to restore to friendship and harmony." He emphasized that in the modern age, both the necessity for peace and the opportunities for achieving it have never been clearer.

This raised the question: What if Rotary were to provide a centre for practicing peace-building and conflict resolution? Could it train a cadre of committed, working peacemakers to become effective advocates for peace and conflict resolution on the global stage?

In 1994, the Rotary Club of Oslo-Skayen, Norway, launched the Shalom-Salaam peace project following the Oslo Peace Accords. Perhaps they drew their inspiration from former Canadian Prime Minster and honourary Rotarian Lester B. Person, who said on accepting the Nobel Peace Prize in Oslo in 1957, "How can there be peace in the world when people do not know each other, and how can they know each other when they have never met?" In 1996 while in Evanston, Illinois, Past RI President Rajendra K. Saboo of Chandigarh, India was pondering an appropriate way to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Paul Harris's death. He noticed Northwestern University and thought, "They have they Kellogg School of Management, so why not a Rotary school of international peace studies? It would be a place where we could develop people who might later go on to become civil servants, prime ministers, foreign secretaries, and presidents."

In April 1999, the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation committed \$2 Million for the creation and support of the Rotary Centers for International Studies in Peace and Conflict Resolution in seven universities, in what was to be a watershed moment in the Foundation's history. The idea was to elicit scholarship applications from 10 new Rotary Peace Fellows engaged in peace-building and conflict resolution for a two-year master's degree program – all paid for by The Rotary Foundation.

There were wars before Rotary existed and wars after; the senseless slaughter of human life did not stop with the signing of the UN charter in 1945. But whereas the United Nations acts as a corporate body to try to resolve conflict, Rotarians have always tried to help peace percolate up from the grassroots. Peacemaking is first a local matter. Peace has been the focus of RI Presidential Themes as far back as 1981-1982 when Stanley McCaffrey (California, USA) envisioned "World Understanding and Peace through Rotary". Subsequently Charles Keller in 1987-1988 (Pennsylvania, USA) used "Rotarians – United in Service – Dedicated to Peace". Herbert Brown (Florida, USA) chose the theme of "Act with Integrity – Serve with Love – Work for Peace" in 1995-1996. And most recently Sakuji Tanaka (Saitama, Japan) offered his theme of "Peace Through Service".

Following his presidential predecessors, Past RI President Wilf Wilkinson held five presidential peace conferences during his year 2007-08, culminating in one of the largest in Windsor, Ontario, Canada.

Past RI President Sakuji hosted international global peace forums in three significant locations: Berlin, Germany; Honolulu, Hawaii and Hiroshima, Japan under his banner of Peace Through Service.

In the years since, other presidential peace forums have taken place. The most recent was during President K. R. Ravi Ravindran's year of "Be a Gift to the World". A Peace Forum was held in Ontario, California as part of five presidential conferences to highlight Rotary's Areas of Focus.

Rotary continues to lead in pursuing peace through its Peace Scholar programs of educating individuals and funding broad-based projects such as Vocational Training Teams based in the Peace and Conflict Resolution/Prevention Area of Focus.

Rotary's involvement in peace is driven from clubs and districts, and supported by The Rotary Foundation. Under the guidance of a District Peace Committee, it will provide the necessary education and encouragement to further expand Rotary's role and recognition in continuing to bring peace to the world.

February 23, 2017 - Rotary's 112th Birthday

February 23 is Rotary's 112 th Birthday. That day is also called **World Understanding and Peace Day**. On February 23, 1905, little did Paul Harris and his three friends realize what they were starting when they met in room 711 of the Unity Building in Chicago. We have come a long way, since then, but we still have a long way to go to achieve goodwill, peace, and understanding among all people of the world.

The Board of Directors of Rotary International asks that all Rotary Clubs plan programs at your weekly meetings and take on special activities to emphasize understanding and goodwill as essential components of world peace. February is a chance for every club to pause, plan and promote our Fourth Avenue of Service – Our continued goal for goodwill, peace, and understanding among all people of the world, as we also celebrate February as Peace & Conflict Resolution Month.

What is your Club doing?

Many clubs arrange international speakers, invite Youth Exchange students and international scholars from schools and universities to club meetings, plan programs featuring former Group Study Exchange team members, arrange discussions on global issues, present entertainment with an international cultural or artistic theme, and schedule other programs with an international emphasis.

Many clubs take the opportunity to launch an international community service activity or make contact with a Rotary club in another country. It is a good month to initiate a Rotary Friendship Exchange, a new international service project or encourage support for PolioPlus and other Rotary Foundation programs.

PRESIDENT ELECT IAN RISELEY REVEALS 'ROTARY: MAKING A

ROTARY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE

DIFFERENCE' AS 2017-18 PRESIDENTIAL THEME

Rotary International President-elect Ian H.S. Riseley made the case on Monday, January 16, 2017 at the Rotary International Assembly in San Dirgo, that protecting the environment and curbing climate change are essential to Rotary's goal of sustainable service.

Riseley, a member of the Rotary Club of Sandringham, Victoria, Australia, unveiled the 2017-18 presidential theme, *Rotary: Making a Difference*, to incoming district governors at Rotary's International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA.

2017-18 presidential theme announced

RI President-elect Ian H.S. Riseley urged incoming district leaders to seek gender and age parity and protect the environment in announcing the 2017-18 presidential theme *Rotary: Making a Difference* at the International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA.

- •Learn more about the theme
- •Read reactions from participants

Find 2017-18 theme and logo materials

Follow the assembly on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter using #rotary17

Important Rotary Dates in February & March 2017:

- February 1 Region 2 Presidents Meeting
- February 4 PETS 1 (President Elect Training Seminar) in Oshawa, 8 am to 3 pm
- February 11 District 7070 Rotary Foundation Grants Seminar 8:30 am to 1:00 pm Shrine Club, Simcoe St N.,

Oshawa

- February 18 District Advisory Board Meeting Go To Meeting 8:30 am
- February 23 Rotary's Birthday (Does your club have plans to tell the world about Rotary on our Special Day?)
- February 25 District 7070 Presidents' Meeting Go To Meeting 8:30 am to 10:00 am
- **February 25 District 7070 Membership Seminar -** 8:00 am to 2:00 pm Aw Shucks Seafood Bar & Bistro The Pearl Room, 15230 Yonge St, Aurora, ON L4G 1P2, <u>Phone</u>: (905) 727-5100 .Once again the workshop will be limited to the first 50 registrants. There is no charge to participants (however no shows will be charged \$20). Lots of parking behind the restaurant, and elevator access if needed.

Click here to register

March 3-4 - PETS 2 (President Elect Training Seminar) in <u>BMO Institute For Learning (IFL)</u>, 3550 Pharmacy Avenue, Scarborough, Ontario M1W 3Z3

Resources & reference for you to use in your Rotary Club

- Rotary Voices: Stories of service from around the world
- Rotary Leader: Helping club and district officers achieve success
- Rotary Images: Download photos to use in your club or district publications

Rotary at a Glance:

As of November 30, 2016, there are 1,227,217 Rotarians in 35,263 Rotary Clubs in the world. And, As of November 30, 2016, there are 226,389 Rotaract members in 9,843 Rotaract Clubs in the world and there are 483,230 Interact members in 21,010 Interact Clubs in the world.

New Official Rotary Approved Website Themes

From Clubrunner:

Fellow Rotarians

On January 9, 2017, Rotary International launched their <u>new website</u>, and also released their updated visual identity guidelines for clubs and districts. Clubs are encouraged to adopt Rotary's new voice and visual identity, as part of an initiative to strengthen the brand.

As an Official Licensee, we're excited to announce two new Rotary themes that align with the new guidelines.

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Congratulations to the Rotary Club of Etobicoke - Hockey Equipment On its Way to Canada's First Nations

From District Governor Jim Louttit:

"Congratulations to President Greg Dobson, Gerald Lue and the Rotary Club of Etobicoke for this fantastic hockey equipment drive. Not only is the project a tremendous success, but the news made the Toronto Star and the Etobicoke Guardian and CBC."

Here are excerpts from CYNTHIA REASON Torstar News Service:





Eighteen tonnes of donated equipment poured in with dozens of volunteers spending hours sorting skates, pads, helmets, sticks, jerseys and other miscellaneous gear destined for First Nations youth in six northern Ontario reserves. "It's hard to put in words. People in Etobicoke poured their hearts into this, and here you see the benefits," said organizer Gerald Lue, pointing to the mountains of hockey equipment piled to within just inches of the 16-foot ceilings at his company's Mississauga warehouse.

Collected as part of Rotary Etobicoke's Second Annual Hockey Equipment Drive, the donated gear for children and youth weighed in at more than 18 tonnes — 25 times more than the equipment collected in the drive's inaugural year.

And that, said Lue, is all thanks to the generosity of local hockey families who donated their outgrown equipment during a series of drives at the MasterCard Centre and Mimico Arena in November and December.

One reserve set to benefit from the Rotary Etobicoke drive, Lue added, is a remote James Bay-area community looking to outfit 12 full hockey teams — that's 144 youth in one reserve alone.

Local hockey dad Chris Szarka was among the dozens of volunteers who showed up at Lue's Illumineer lighting warehouse last week to help sort through the huge piles of gear before it's all shipped north at the end of the month.

To help with the towering task, Szarka brought along an army of 9-year-old hockey players — his entire Mimico Canadiens Minor Atom Select team, including son Alex.

"I just think it's the right thing to do," Alex, 9, said of giving up one of his last days of the winter school break to volunteer. "Since we have such opportunities to play hockey, we should share that with other people." "We saw entire teams of kids who donated this incredibly high-quality gear — stuff they easily could've received hundreds of dollars for at Play it Again Sports, yet they chose to donate. The generosity was amazing to see."

Once sorted by category and size, that hockey equipment is then due to be shipped north to its six different reserve destinations — all of which, Lue said, are in the James Bay area — at the end of January, courtesy of Etobicoke-based transportation company MGA International Logistics. "They're generously donating all the transportation, taking the equipment as far as Thunder Bay themselves, then handling logistics — whether it's a flight or the ice roads — from there. So we're really thankful for them stepping up," said Laura Latham, executive director of Franklin Horner Community Centre, who spent last Thursday morning sorting hundreds of pairs of skates alongside 12-year-old helper Mikayla Grimes.

"It's really special getting the kids involved. Adults volunteer all the time, but to have the kids do this peer-to-peer and to see them understand what they're doing — it's more than a drive, it's great awareness."

While the drive is technically over, Lue said he and his fellow Rotary Etobicoke organizers are still in desperate need of donations of hockey sticks, which can be dropped off at Illumineer Ltd., 6503 Northam Dr., until Jan. 30.

Organizers are looking for more volunteers to continue sorting the gear this Saturday. For more information or to sign up, email Etobicoke Rotarian Laura Latham at franklinhorner.laura@gmail.com

Here is a link to the entire article that appeared on January 9, 2017.

https://www.thestar.com/news/qta/2017/01/09/mountains-of-hockey-gear-donated-for-first-nations-kids.html

More news from By Alexandra Sienkiewicz, CBC News: http://www.cbc.ca/1.3922503 posted on Jan 05 2017.

Outdoor ping pong tables a fundraiser for The Toronto Forest Hill Rotary Club

From Rotary Club of Toronto Forest Hill President Sonam Choeden

Many of you have likely seen the concrete outdoor ping pong tables that have been popping up in parks all around Toronto over the past three years. But did you know that this is an initiative of our Forest Hill Rotary Club? When Club member **Dianne Moore** moved from Windsor to Toronto she read articles in Toronto Life and the Toronto Star calling for ideas to make Toronto a more liveable city. Dianne had played ping pong all her life, learning from her Dad as a child. So she put forward the idea of having **outdoor ping pong tables** in Toronto parks. Kids and people of all ages would be able to use them. The only cost to families would be a few dollars for ping pong paddles and balls. To Dianne's surprise, both The Toronto Star and Toronto Life picked up on the idea.

Toronto Life called it Big Idea No. 4!

Now Dianne had a challenge on her hands – how to turn the outdoor ping pong table idea into a reality. Dianne took her idea to a Brampton manufacturer of concrete benches and planters, Alpha Precasts. The company owner was also a ping pong player and he immediately offered to build a prototype. Dianne loved the Prototype - a concrete table with large spherical legs that looked like giant ping pong balls.

Dianne then sought approval from Toronto Parks, Recreation & Forestry. The staff people she met with were also enthusiastic. One of the first tables was installed at Mel Lastman Square. It was an instant success! People were lining up to play at lunch time and after work.

As well as providing recreational benefits to people of all ages, the outdoor ping pong tables have become a fundraiser for our Club. In recognition of Dianne's continuing voluntary efforts to promote the tables, the manufacturer has donated funds to the Club. We, in turn, have used some of these funds and member contributions to donate tables for parks in communities where we see the need.

Fast forward to 2017. There are now nearly 90 tables out there, in parks all around Toronto, and in several faraway places:

- The Cross Lake First Nation in Northern Manitoba where our Club donated two tables along with 40 paddles and balls and T-shirts in children's sizes to the Pimicikamak community.
- The northern Ontario town of Hearst where a local Rotarian spearheaded the idea after seeing one of our tables in Toronto.
- The city of Windsor where Dianne and Jim Moore donated a table in honour of her Dad who taught her to play ping pong.
- And now Givenchy-en-Gohelle, France, the town where the Vimy Ridge Memorial is located. The Vimy table is
 a gift from the manufacturer and our Rotary Club in memory of the soldiers who lost their lives there between
 1914 and 1918.





The idea of the Vimy table came from our member **Antoine Hirsch** who is involved in the 100th anniversary commemoration of the Battle of Vimy Ridge. The plaques on the tables were provided by past president **Rod Verduyn**. The shipping of the table to France was coordinated by **Dianne Moore**. The table was installed in Givenchy and inaugurated by Mayor **Pierre Sénéchal** along with the presidents and members of three local Rotary Clubs. This was a great hands-across-the-ocean effort by everyone involved!

Kids Against Hunger - Rotary Club of Scarborough video

From Chris Musselman, Rotary Club of Scarborough

My Fellow Rotarians,

The attached video is one that was made for and by Scarborough Rotary Club, after we did a couple of Kids Against Hunger Canada Meal Packing Sessions. "Full of Heart" stories an engaging call to action to feed hungry families in our

neighbourhoods and around the world. Director and producer Ryan Coleman highlights the impactful efforts of a local Rotary club and the remarkable tour de force, "Kids Against Hunger Canada", to move nutritious food packages to where they are most needed.

https://vimeo.com/178629276

The producer, Ryan Coleman, recently went to Hollywood to accept awards for this video in Best Short Documentary and First Time Filmmaker categories.

We feel other Rotary Clubs could benefit from seeing this video, so that their Clubs can do their own Meal Packing session, and help needy families here in Canada, and abroad. Our Club would be glad to help anyone get started.

Chris Musselman email: 2chrism@hotmail.ca

SHELTERBOX News For February 2017







Help People and Change Lives by Volunteering

ShelterBox Canada remains successful due in large part to our evergrowing base of volunteers, many of whom are Rotarians. Over 100 volunteer Ambassadors from coast to coast represent ShelterBox in their communities and we are incredibly grateful for this passionate and dedicated group raising awareness of our mission. If you are looking for a way to combine your passions for ShelterBox and Rotary, learn more about our volunteer roles below.

ShelterBox Canada Ambassadors

Join the team as an Ambassador and help raise awareness and funds for ShelterBox Canada! Ambassador volunteers make presentations, set up displays and share our mission and vision in their own community. This, and all of our volunteer roles, can be completely customized to your schedule and specific interests. The ShelterBox Canada staff will strive to work with you to create a volunteer plan that works best for you.

Rotary Club Champions

The Rotary Club Champion is a volunteer position specifically made for Rotarians. Club Champions are people who share our passion for ensuring no family is without shelter and share that message within their own Rotary Club. It is incredibly simple to become a Club Champion and once you join, you will receive access to webinars, ShelterBox updates and key information during major disasters that you can share with your Rotary Club. Champions aim to deliver increased awareness about ShelterBox within their Club and act as the main point-of-contact between the Club, the ShelterBox Canada National Office and local Ambassadors and volunteers. *Our goal is to*



have a Club Champion in every Rotary Club across the country, does your club have a champion yet!?

If you are interested in joining the ShelterBox Canada volunteer team, or would like an Ambassador to make a presentation to your Rotary Club, please email Tess Widdifield at support@shelterboxcanada.org

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All the best,

Stephanie Christensen Executive Director, ShelterBox Canada

And From ShelterBox Canada to Rotary: Thank you !!!

Ron Noseworthy ShelterBox Response Team Member and Past President of The Rotary Club of Kenora

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www.shelterboxcanada.org http://www.shelterboxcanada.org/donate_form.php



HIP (Honoring Indigenous People): Highlights from their Newsletter

HIP Website

Please look at our website (http://www.rotaryhip.com/) for regular updates. The Rotary HIP Facebook has been set up so "like us on Facebook". Pass it on to your Facebook friends.

Blog: There are a variety of news items that have been added recently. Keep checking back for regular updates. Go to (Rotary HIP - Blog).

Facebook Page: We have also improved our Facebook page. If you would like to be a friend on our Facebook page, click: https://www.facebook.com/HonouringIndigenousPeoples/ to see our new site. You can like, follow and share.

Photo Album: (Rotary HIP - Photo Album - Rotary HIP): New photos have been added to our HIP website photo album. Check out the donations being prepared for shipment to Bearskin Lake First Nation last month and equipment that was delivered to the Fort Hope community.

Newsletters: Our monthly HIP newsletters can now be found on our HIP website (Rotary HIP - Newsletters).

Resources - Films & Documentaries: A page has been added on the website for films & documentaries (Rotary HIP - Films & Documentaries). Please have a look. If you have recently viewed a film or documentary or read a book with an indigenous theme or message, please email Julie Dunaiskis (julie@eccgroup.ca) and Janet McLeod (jmm@nexicom.net) to add to our list. We have many available on our website - some you can just click and watch. The National Film Board is celebrating Canada's 150th by unveiling three cross-country projects. Check their website (Canada150 | The NFB celebrates the 150th anniversary of the Canadian Confederation) for dates and projects.

Reading: We have updated our reading list which can be found on our website Rotary HIP - Reading Along with our HIP Reading List with many great suggestions, the Toronto Star recently ran a list of "Good Reads that give voice to indigenous culture". It has been added to our blog in case you are looking for a good book to read or give as a gift.

Links (<u>Rotary HIP – Links</u>): We have added a new link under organizations, *Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata Centre*. This is an Indigenous resource centre in Winnipeg, MB. You can read more about them on their website. Our newest HIP Board member, Diane Redsky is Executive Director.

Rotary News

- On January 24th, HIP Chair, Chris Snyder and HIP Director, Fred Lawlor were the guest speakers at the Rotary Club of Scarborough. Fred also recently addressed the Rotary Club of Niagara-on-the-Lake.
- **Tom Sears** has recently spoken at the Rotary Club of Campbellford and the Rotary Club of Picton. He is also to speak at the Rotary Club of Port Perry.
- **Nicole Patterson** of the East York Club and **John Currie**, our Director of In-Kind-Gifts and Projects have recently been certified as facilitators for the Kairos Blanket Program. For details go to the link (<u>Homepage The Blanket Exercise</u>). Please contact either Nicole at nic.patterson@gmail.com or John at john.wayne.currie@outlook.com to book a program.
- **John Andras** was a panellist at the Ontario Camps Association Annual Meeting. Discussion was centred around how camp directors are to make changes and how to interact with the First Nations who are stewards of the territories they reside upon. One particular camp is changing cabin names from Indigenous to generic. A plaque notes the history of the original name, what it means and why it was changed. Kairos provided the Blanket Exercise for everyone. They are planning to have their biggest ever Exercise on Parliament Hill in June. The link to Ontario Camps is OCA | Ontario Camps Association
- David Newman reports that a special segregated fund of \$2,500 has been created called the Winnipeg
 Rotary Club Community Service Fund and is being used to attract donations. Money raised will be invested in
 community development social enterprises created and founded and owned by youth band members from
 Shoal Lake who enter into a relationship with Rotary allies. It is approved by the Chief, Council and elders in a
 special ceremony.
- The Rotary Club of Palgrave partnered with the Etobicoke Club to collect hockey equipment and other items to send to remote FN communities in northern Ontario. They received so much they asked CBC to make an appeal for help to sort them. Over 18 tonnes of equipment has been donated! Enough equipment was collected to support hockey in 6 First Nation communities including Kashechewan (where our Paddling with the Cree is based). They received enough to outfit 12 male and female hockey teams. We are developing a program to encourage the donors to learn more and become more engaged with First Nations people in particular our initiative of Education and Awareness. If you want more info, contact either John Currie or John Andras jandras@mackieresearch.com. The two Johns deserve a gold medal for all their work!
- In Collingwood, six pallets of sports equipment and jerseys were donated and is now destined for Long Lake #58 First Nation. It will be put to great use on their new rink. The packing was facilitated and shipped from the local Canadian Tire Store. Great work!
- To date, approximately 15 communities have received hockey equipment, coats, shoes and other items. It should be noted the Gifts-in-Kind program is a partnership with Trucks for Change, Wasaya Airlines, the donors and HIP.
- RC Palgrave is also supporting a Canada150 project with DAREarts and the Stratford Festival.DAREarts works with kids-at-risk and have a special program called First Roots that focuses on indigenous kids. A team is traveling to 4 communities where youth engage in multi-arts workshops, sharing traditional stories involving a bear. The works created will be the frame of reference for a new play about a polar bear encountering change in the Canadian north, *The Breathing Hole*, which will premiere at Stratford in August 2017. Tickets to the play are on sale through the Stratford Festival. If you would like to partner or support in the \$20,000 cost of this project, please contact DAREarts directly at info@darearts.com.

What is your club doing? If your club is or has held an event or been involved in an event or project, please email Julie Dunaiskis (julie@eccgroup.ca) a brief summary so we can post on the HIP website and provide an update in upcoming newsletters.

Request a Speaker

Would your club like to have a Speaker at an upcoming meeting? If so, please check the list of available speakers on our website under Resources/Speakers List. Or contact our own **District 7070 Rotarian Tom Sears** (tsears@sympatico.ca) to propose a date and a subject you would like the person to speak about i.e. a) about HIP b) a project or c) awareness of the issues. We will help you co-ordinate. We have lots of outstanding speakers. Go to our website for details

News & Events

Feb. 28, 2017 - Laurier Campus will be hosting a free Community Lecture Series titled "What is Reconcilation?". Amos Key Jr., First Nations Language Director of Woodland Cultural Centre will be guest speaker. Please email friendsandneighbours@email.com for further information.

New HIP Board Member (Rotary HIP - Board)

We are delighted **Diane Redsky** has joined the HIP Board as a director. She is a band member of Shoal Lake First Nation #40 and has won numerous awards for her outstanding work on Aboriginal children's and women's issues in Winnipeg, MB. She has created many programs that have helped build healthy communities and emphasis on safety, protection and well-being of women and girls. She currently is Executive Director of an organization Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata. She is our first Manitoba-based Indigenous director.

Other: We have a new HIP Brochure. It should be saved under our Resources tab (Rotary HIP - Powerpoint Presentations) by the end of this month. If you would like to use it, you may print and distribute to your networks.

Approved Projects: Check the HIP website (Rotary HIP - Approved projects) to see full project descriptions. We hope you or your club can support any of the projects mentioned as follows. We need much more financial support. Please join in. Not only will you help the project become reality and assist with the educational needs but you will learn a lot as well. We are also reviewing several new initiatives. When approved, we will be providing a brief outline with a link to the project. All of these projects have been approved by our project committee and have the full support of the Indigenous community.

HIP Membership: We would like you, your club and friends to become members. You do not need to be a Rotarian to join. You can join today by selecting (Rotary HIP - Become a Member) on the HIP website.

Charitable donations can now be accepted online through our website (<u>Rotary HIP - Make a Donation</u>) and the donor will receive a tax receipt immediately. You may designate funds to a specific project or to general projects focusing on education. Thank you for your continued support of our projects.

Our Message from HIP Chair, Chris Snyder

150 Plus

I was looking through a file for an idea to write about and I came upon a June email from **David Newman**, our Rotary HIP Director from Winnipeg. David had been at a Pathways to Reconciliation Conference for 3.5 days and had several takeaways.

One was, let's celebrate Canada's 150th as 150 plus. The plus was for the 10,000 years or so that Indigenous Peoples had lived in what we now call Canada. Said David, "over the years, the Indigenous Peoples have brought us values, philosophies, spirituality and a healthy Mother Earth".

He went on to say and I paraphrase "our lindigenous Peoples can guide all of us into Canada's future and become a harmonious and peaceful part of the diverse global human family. In so doing, proving we can get along with one another through understanding and goodwill. The result will be a culture of positive peace.

David was also the person who recommended Diane Redsky to our board. As previously mentioned, Diane heads an organization called Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata Centre. This is translated from Ojibway to mean "we all work together to help one another".

I personally do not know of any non-indigenous organization that has concepts in its name which identify what the spirit and work of the organization is about.

While we may carry it in our tag lines such as HIP's *Understanding the past, Moving forward together*, it does not carry the power of having it in the name. It certainly contrasts with the me (America) first approach south of the border. I, for one, like the Indigenous approach much better. May I suggest we look upon this as one of the pluses brought to us over 10,000 years by our Indigenous partners.

To our Indigenous forbearers, Thank You. Let's then think of our 150th celebration as David suggests as 150 plus.

Chris Snyder

Chair, HIP

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WASH Resources The following are some great WASH resources that you might find useful!

Centre for Affordable Water and Sanitation Technology

The Water Network

Faecal Sludge Management - Practical Action in South Asia

Partnership for Handwashing

Brochures and Presentations

Rotary Clubs can Win with WinS

WinS is the short form for WASH (Water, Sanitation, Hygiene) in Schools. At Hussey College, Nigeria, 1600 students have access to ONE toilet, and it doesn't even work. There is no water, no place to wash hands.

But your Rotary club could help. Partnering with Procter & Gamble, H2O for Life, and local Rotary Clubs in District 9140, WASRAG is seeking international clubs interested in helping provide toilets, water, hand washing & menstrual hygiene management facilities to schools in the Niger Delta.

If your Rotary Club is interested in making a difference, contact Nancy Gilbert

Peace through Water

In the northwest part of Kenya live the people of Turkana, who are in constant conflict with their neighboring communities.

The "TIPA" project is improving the quality of life of the people by providing the basics, in this case low drip irrigation, so partners can focus on ways to create peace.

The Rotary Foundation funding proposal was submitted by District 2490 Israel and Muthaiga Rotary Club District 9212 Kenya. (Read More . . .)

World Water Day -March 22 Plan Now!

Every year the United Nations observes World Water Day on March 22. The theme changes annually to put focus on a certain aspect of water. This year the emphasis is on Wastewater.

Use the resources at http://www.worldwaterday.org/ to increase the awareness of the need for clean water and to manage wastewater more effectively.

Rain Water to the Internet

True to its name Community Transformation Centers (CTC) are having a huge impact on schools and adult education in Papua New Guinea.

While providing clean water and sanitation, coupled with hygiene education, is the keystone, this project has expanded to have a significant impact on the lives of 100,000's of people in Papua New Guinea. (Read more . .)

Sanitation = Education in Belize

The Rotary Clubs of Fairbanks, Alaska and San Ignacio, Belize have worked together to complete 12 toilet facilities for over 1,000 students in the Cayo District, Belize.

The new washroom facilities have decreased absenteeism from 25% to almost nothing, due to the better health of the students by eliminating waterborne diseases.

This is a testimony to the joint impact of Rotary clubs and The Rotary Foundation. (To Read More . . .)

Rotaractors Making a Difference

Pure Thirst is a student organization at Duquesne University, where many members are Rotaractors.

Working with the Monroeville Club in the USA and the Arusha Club in Tanzania, they have an ambitious plan to dramatically change the water and sanitation needs of the Tanzanian village of Olkokola.

Having completed a needs assessment they have applied for a Global grant to update water piping, (Read More...)

More Toilets Needed Next Year!

Now is the time to start planning for World Toilet Day 2017, which will be on Sunday, November 19.

The UN has declared November 19 as World Toilet Day, so you can plan years in advance, but do not plan events past 2030, because by then the goal is to have toilets available for everyone!

To learn more about the theme for 2017 and to access great resources to help you increase awareness visit: http://www.worldtoiletday.info/

Calendar Of Events

March 22, 2017 - WORLD WATER DAY http://www.un.org/en/events/waterday/
June 9, 2017 - Atlanta, Georgia, USA WORLD WASRAG Annual Meeting
November 19, 2017 - WORLD TOILET DAY http://www.worldtoiletday.info/

New Projects We love hearing about your projects and are delighted to relay these great opportunities for Rotarians to get involved in WASH projects! When posting your projects on the <u>wasrag.org</u> website, please remember to include the name of your Rotary club and District number. Contact us at <u>info@wasrag.org</u> if you need help with your posting. We have writers ready to help tell your story!

If you are going to the RI Convention in Atlanta: plan on attending the 9th annual WASRAG World Water Summit on Friday June 9th, 2017 - 08.00 am - 12.00 noon

This year's theme will focus on WASH and Women, showing how women and girls are elevating their communities through water, sanitation and hygiene programs More information and a link to the registration site coming shortly!

Wasrag needs your membership. Membership revenue helps cover our administrative costs, website upgrades, training, development of support materials etc. To check whether your membership has expired, email Anna

To submit stories and pictures our Newsletter, please email: <u>info@wasrag.org</u> to the attention of Wasrag newsletter editors Ian Rumbles and Terri Black.

*The Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group (Wasrag) is pleased to consider partnerships with any corporate supporter. Due to the unique attributes of water sources and water provision, acceptance of corporate support does not imply an endorsement of any particular water technology. Rotarians, Rotary clubs, and Rotary partners must evaluate any technology to determine if it is the best solution for the conditions where the program will be

implemented. Wasrag can provide guidance about where different technologies work best, but Rotarians and Rotary clubs must make the final decision about how to implement their programs.

The Water & Sanitation Rotarian Action Group is a group of Rotarians whose purpose is to support Rotary clubs to effectively plan, finance, implement, monitor and evaluate water, sanitation, and hygiene programs, where they are most needed in a collaborative, cost-effective, timely, and sustainable manner, true to the principles of Rotary International. Wasrag operates in accordance with Rotary International policy but is not an agency of, or controlled by, Rotary International.

REMINDER: DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE

From District 7070 membership Chair Virginia O'Reilly

At the District 7070 Conference this year, District Governor Jim Louttit issued this challenge to all Rotarians and their Rotary Clubs in District 7070. Where does your club stand on meeting this challenge?

The CHALLENGE!

A Club achieves 2 of the following goals:

- A net gain in membership. Small clubs (up to 50 members) must achieve a net gain of at least one member; Large clubs (51 or more members) must achieve a net gain of at least two members.
- Improve the member retention rate by at least 1 percent from last year, Or, maintain 100 percent retention.
- Induct new members under the age of 40. Clubs with up to 50 members must induct a minimum of 2 new members under age 40; Clubs with 51 or more members must induct four.
- The new members must create profiles on My Rotary.

And, a Club achieves 2 of the following goals:

- Hold a visioning session, and Develop a plan based on the session with at least 1st action timeline
- Do a club assessment, and hold an assembly with the entire club to share the findings
- Complete at least 2 changes to improve your club based on findings from a Visioning/Club assessment
- At least 2 members attend a District Membership Seminar.
- Every new member is assigned a mentor who, within 3 months of the new member joining the club, does at least 2 the following 3 things:
 - Meets with the new member to learn about what they are looking for in Rotary and how they can help get them connected and involved;
 - o Accompanies them to at least one make-up meeting;
 - o Joins them in at least one club activity (e.g., committee meeting, hands on project, etc.).

The **PRIZE!** \$5000 – Funds to be used towards a Community project. all clubs who successfully meet the challenge will be entered into a draw for the prize monies (e.g. 3 prizes of \$2500, \$1500, \$1000)

WHEN? July 1st, 2016 to May 31st, 2017

REMINDER: Rotary Foundation Grants Qualification Seminar

From: Lars Henriksson, District 7070 Rotary Foundation Grants Sub-Committee Chair

To ALL Rotary Clubs in District 7070

Every Rotary Club that wants to apply for Rotary Foundation Grant funds (Global Grants or District Grants) must be qualified. The qualification is for one Rotary year and must be renewed yearly. At least **two members of each Club** must take part in the Rotary Foundation Qualification Seminar, arranged by the District. This year's Seminar will be held on Saturday, February 11, 2017. Registration at 8.30 am, Seminar start at 9 am. Adjournment at 1 pm by the

latest. The venue will be at the Shrine Club, 1626 Simcoe St N, in Oshawa.

The program will consist of an overview of the Grants program, including changes for the 2017-18 Rotary year. Specific emphasis will be spent on project sustainability and stewardship of grant funds. There will also be presentations of successful District Grants and Global Grants projects with the objective of providing information on lessons learned. Finally, Rotary Clubs in the District, working on Global Grant projects, will have an opportunity to give a brief presentation of their projects in order to make contact with potential sponsors among the Clubs in the District.

In addition to have two members attend the Qualification Seminar, a Club that want to be qualified must also according to the Rotary Foundation sign an MOU with the District. The MOU must be signed by the current Club President and next year's President.

For more information on the seminar and other matters related to the Grants program, please contact PDG Lars Henriksson, tel. 416 489 8438, lars@norditrade.com. Clubs that want to present the Global Grant project/s they are working on should also contact Lars in order to be included in the program. See the last page for details.

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Lars Henriksson District 7070 Rotary Grants Sub-Committee Chair

REMINDER: District 7070 Rotary Foundation Million Dollar Dinner May 3, 2017

From Michael Bell, District 7070 Rotary Foundation Chair for 2017-18

My Fellow Rotarians,

District 7070 is hosting a Million Dollar Dinner on May 3, 2017 at a venue to be announced in Toronto.

Keynote Speaker: Rotary International President Elect Ian Riseley

A Million Dollar Dinner is a celebration event designed to recognize all Major Donors and Bequest Society Members whose outright gifts or commitments are \$10,000 or greater. Our goal is to show that District 7070 is committed to our Rotary Foundation by raising a minimum \$1 Million US Dollars in 2016-17.

Here are just some of the ways that you can get invited to attend this exciting event:

- if you are or become, between July 1st, 2016 and May 7th, 2017, a member of the Arch Klumph Society, Major Donor or Paul Harris Society, you will be our guest at this event.
- if you become a Benefactor or Bequest Society member between July 1st, 2016 and May 7th, 2017, you will be our guest at this event.
- if you make a donation of \$200.00 or more to the Polio Plus Program between July 1st, 2016 and May 7th, 2017 you will be our guest at this event.
- all donations between July 1st, 2016 and May 7th, 2017 earmarked for Polio Plus will be matched 5 to 1 from District Designated Funds up to a maximum of \$50,000 CDN
- if you are considering a gift to our Rotary Foundation and want further information please contact one of the following:

Mr. Bill Patchett patch@eagle.ca

or Ms. Carolyn Ferguson carolyn.ferguson@rotary.org mjbell925@gmail.com or Mr. Michael Bell

You all will be our guests. Please join us. Many thanks to all of you for your support.

To the Club Presidents and Foundation Chairs: please present this invitation to your club members. You know that we need your assistance to make this dinner successful. Many thanks for your staunch support.

Stay tuned for more details as they become available.

REMINDER: To All Rotarians in District 7070 - We Need Your Help

Dear Canadian Rotarians:

I am pleased to advise that the match funding from the government of Canada, C\$12 million in total, has been fully paid earlier than expected thanks to the continued generosity and effectiveness of Rotarians in raising funds, and doing so at a rate that was faster than projected.

We are now asking the government for a further commitment which would include a matching contribution to Canadian Rotarian club contributions. It's unlikely that an answer to our request will be heard until the next budget is filed (March 2017 or later).

MPs will soon be back in their ridings for the holiday break. We would encourage you to thank your MP for Canada's continued support and encourage Canada's continued leadership. Please <u>click here</u> to download documents* that highlight the rationale for Canada's continued support as well as the history of Canada's leadership and collaboration with Rotary in support of a polio free world. Please feel free to share these documents with your MP and/or use them as a reference for your outreach.

With the centenary of The Rotary Foundation, and the 150th anniversary of Canada, 2017 promises to be a great year. Our continued collaboration may also result in the interruption of polio transmission which would be a fantastic achievement to celebrate at the Rotary International Convention in Toronto in 2018.

Thanks for your continued work to END POLIO NOW.

*Documents are currently pending translation into French and will be provided as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Wilf

PRIP Wilf Wilkinson President, Rotary International, 2007-08 National Advocacy Adviser for Canada

REMINDER: ATTEND PRESIDENTIAL PEACE CONFERENCE IN ATLANTA

Join us June 9-10, 2017 for the Presidential Peace Conference at the Georgia World Congress Center. We'll celebrate our work on the underlying causes of conflict and our successes in making peace a priority, while also looking ahead to opportunities to continue our commitment.

- Learn more about the event
- Register for the conference

REMINDER: Send us your bestshot-ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST

SHOW US YOUR WORLD.

Only a few weeks remain to enter The Rotarian Magazine photo contest. If you entered before 1 January, we may not have received your entry due to a technical error. Submit your photo: http://on.rotary.org/PhotoContest2017

What makes a Rotarian? Someone who notices things other people miss. That is why your photographs are so compelling. Share them with us so that we can see the world through Rotarians' eyes.

Enter The Rotarian's annual photo contest for the chance to see your work in the magazine. The contest is open through February 15, 2017. Enter The Rotarian's annual photo contest for the chance to win prizes and have your photo featured in the magazine.

The contest is open from December 1, 2016 through February 15, 2017. For details, go to THE ROTARIAN PHOTO CONTEST

REMINDER: ROTARY SWEAT EQUITY TRIP INFORMATION Haiti

From Chris Snyder, Rotary Club of Toronto

Hello Rotarians and Friends,

We now have dates in place for our trip to Haiti Our scheduled date of departure is Tues March 28, 2017 and leaving Port au Prince Saturday, April 8th 2017. For those who cannot take the time, there is the option to leave at different times. These dates could change.

Our Work

In partnership with Emmanuel International and Oeuvre Baptiste de Bethesda, we will be working mainly at the Delmas School constructing 2 classrooms. This is a private school. Private schools in Haiti, as in other developing countries, are much different than in Canada. This school is for marginalized children and they exist as an alternative to the poor public schools. Our focus will be on building new classrooms but will also involve some teaching and considerable interaction with the children and teachers. Work will not be heavy and no one is asked to do more than they are capable of. Depending on time and people, we may also help to build a bridge linking the school with a church. The cost of the classrooms is about \$17,000 US and the bridge about the same amount.

Delmas is a school which runs from Standard 1 – Standard 8 As we all know, education is the basis for poverty reduction in the developing world. It should be noted religion is very important in Haiti, however, as we know from previous partnerships with Emmanuel, religion is played out by the good works Emmanuel does in their community. Daniel Jovin and Richard McGowan from Emmanuel will be with us for part of the time and will add considerably to our

Other Activities

Upon arrival, we will take time to get acquainted and start work on Wed. On the weekend, we will visit the rural areas and see the state of repairs from the earthquake and recent hurricane. We will also visit some of the other rebuilding sites.

It should be noted, we will be a distance from the area most affected by the hurricane. Cholera should not be an issue. One can protect oneself by drinking bottled water, eating only fruit and vegetables that have been peeled and taking proper medication such as Dukarol and staying out of swampy areas.

We will also connect with local Rotary clubs.

trip. Daniel's parents oversee the project in Haiti.

We plan on having local speakers who can help us learn more about Haiti. The quality and diversity will be in keeping with what we have done in previous trips.

In summary, we want people to get as much of the feel of Haiti as possible. We all know Haiti is the poorest country in the western hemisphere.

Accommodation and Contact Information

Our hotel will be the Luxcomfort in Port au Prince. We will have double rooms with showers and air conditioning. There is a swimming pool. Some meals will be at the hotel, however, many will be in restaurants nearby. If you wish a single room, this will cost an additional \$200. However, do not expect the food and restaurants to be at the same level as in Cambodia.

Baggage and Costs

Each person is allowed 100 lbs in 2 bags. No bag can weigh more than 50 lbs. The cost of the trip will require a donation of **\$4,000.00**. The above includes amounts for building supplies, cancellation and baggage insurance, meals, accommodation and transportation. It does not cover the separate weekend excursion, alcohol, out of country medical insurance, souvenirs and other personal expenses.

Cheques need to be received as follows:

Cheques in the form of a donation are tax-receiptable and are to be made payable to

EMMANUEL INTERNATIONAL

- •\$400.00 deposit with application(non-refundable)
- •\$1,800.00 dated January 3rd
- •\$1,800.00 dated March 1st

Tax receipts will be issued after the trip.

All cheques are to be sent to Julie Dunaiskis c/o ECC Group, 100 Simcoe St, Suite 110, Toronto, ON M5H 3G2. Please send in all cheques together, post-date accordingly and fill in the attached participant application form (<u>using your full name as it appears on your passport</u>) along with the waiver as soon as possible. EMMANUEL INTERNATIONAL will pay the airline and other expenses.

If you wish to make separate travel plans before or after, please review with Chris Snyder at (416) 364-0181 Ext. 2501, email snyder@eccgroup.ca or 905-990-1735. The cost of any changes are your expense. We will connect you with our travel agent if you wish. We are using Raptim, an organization used by Emmanuel that specializes in humanitarian travel.

Participation

This is a trip in which everyone participates. Many activities will be group activities, however, it is recognized there is a need for individual space. It is not intended that anyone receives special treatment. We will be working alongside local people. The main focus will be to build, however, as indicated, we will provide opportunities at other jobs at the hospital, in the schools and other organizations.

The schedule is important. It will be necessary for everyone to be on time. It is not fair for one person to hold up the entire group. Meals, flights, tours and meetings need to operate on schedule. Please act with the entire group's welfare in mind.

It should, though, be recognized things in Haiti do not always go as planned. Being flexible is a must.

Fundraising

We have found that friends and others wish to make donations to help with the building of the school. We will provide details at a later date. However, we will need to raise approximately **\$20,000** over and above our own donations. We will also bring other supplies such as clothes, sports equipment and school supplies. Details will be provided. Often it is better to buy these locally.

First Aid/Medical

Check with your family doctor to determine your personal needs for special medical precautions, shots, prescriptions, etc. Local travel clinics will advise on the specific needs. The big precautions are for Hepatitis A and B, influenza, Measles .I have had mixed comments on Malaria.

Your health is your responsibility as is out of country health coverage.

Pre-Trip Meetings

Will be held in advance and we will be in touch to schedule.

In Summary

Anyone who has ever been on one of these trips knows how special they are. The camaraderie with others in the group and the local people for many is the best part of the trip. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Chris or visit our website www.makeanimpact.ca.

Regards,

Chris

J. Christopher Snyder Coordinator, District 7070

100 Simcoe St., Suite 110 Toronto, ON M5H 3G2

416-364-0181 Ext. 2501 905 9901735 snyder@eccgroup.ca

REMINDER - ROTARY ADVENTURE IN CITIZENSHIP PROGRAM APRIL 30 TO MAY 03, 2017

My Fellow Rotarians,

The Rotary Club of Ottawa invites your Rotary Club to sponsor a student to participate in the <u>67th annual Rotary Adventure in Citizenship Program</u> to be held in Ottawa, the Nation's Capital from Sunday, April 30 to Wednesday, May 3, 2017.

This annual event provides a unique opportunity for a selected group of young Canadians to come together and gain a better understanding of our country. Through meetings with political leaders, senior officials and others, they learn a great deal about the workings of our democratic institutions. Please review the information sheet for a more detailed program and further instructions by clicking here.

We have included a video link to give you a brief overview of the program we offer. View video by clicking here.

Apply for a reservation in the 2017 Rotary Adventure Program by completing our online form by <u>clicking here</u> or download the Club Registration Form by <u>clicking here</u>.

Upon submitting your online reservation or after completing the downloaded form, please forward the \$650.00 registration fee by the deadline date of **December 16, 2016**. (Only the first 200 clubs can be accepted).

Thank you.

Margot Nicholls

Program Coordinator Rotary Adventure in Citizenship Program Rotary Club of Ottawa www.rotaryottawa.com admin@rotaryottawa.com 613-860-1521

REMINDER: Club of the Month:

From District Governor DG Jim Louttit, DG Elect Neil Phillips and DG Nominee Mary Lou Harrison

The "Club of the Month" is not a new concept to District 7070. In the past we have asked clubs to brag about them selves but we are a modest group.

In fact, it has been available to all Rotary Clubs in District 7070 all year. Where have you been for the last two years?

To encourage "Service Above Self" throughout the District, the District Governor and future Governors have decided to share stories about the clubs which exemplify our motto.

Do you think that your Rotary Club deserves to be named "Club of The Month"?

If so, please do some bragging and submit a one-page story about your Club (about 300 words), and add a few photos, and send it to District Governor Michael Bell. In your story, tell them a bit about the history of your club and some of your major accomplishments and how your club serves Rotary in your community and throughout the world.

The esteemed panel of the 3 G's (District Governor Jim Louttit, DG Elect Neil Phillips and DG Nominee Mary Lou Harrison) will make the decision, and it will then be entered on to the District 7070 website as "Club of The Month" and featured right here in the District Newsletter.

See more at: http://www.rotary7070.org/SitePage/club-of-the-month#sthash.LixNg61k.dpuf

REMINDER: Rotary Leadership Institute for 2016-17

No Charge to First year Rotarians

From Ted Morrison, Past District Governor and Chair of District 7070 Rotary Leadership Institute

To My Fellow Rotarians,

DUE TO THE VERY LOW REGISTRATIONS FOR BELLEVILLE ON SEPT 24, WE WERE FORCED TO CANCEL R.L.I. IN BELLEVILLE THIS YEAR. HOPE TO SEE YOU NEXT YEAR IN BELLEVILLE OR EARLY NEXT YEAR IN TORONTO.

THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT ROTARY AND SHARE YOUR IDEAS WITH OTHER ROTARIANS. AND IT IS A GREAT LEARNING EXPERIENCE FOR NEWER ROTARIANS. SIGN UP ONLINE TODAY.

FOR ALL ROTARIANS WHO HAVE JOINED A ROTARY CLUB IN DISTRICT 7070 IN THE LAST YEAR, OUR ROTARY DISTICT WILL PAY YOUR TUITION FEE FOR ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE PART ONE !!! ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS SIGN UP ONLINE ON THE WWW.ROTARY7070.ORG WEBSITE TODAY.

What Is The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)

RLI is a grassroots coalition of Rotary districts implementing a leadership development program for "potential" leaders of Rotary CLUBS. RLI believes that excellent CLUB leadership (all types of club leaders) is essential to the future of Rotary in a complex and fast changing world. Most Rotarians have not been exposed to the great scope of Rotary around the world and have not considered what leadership skills are necessary to move Rotary forward. RLI strongly believes that a good Rotary Club leader must know the evolution of Rotary, its current status and activities in the world and have a vision for what Rotary can be in the future.

RLI provides a three day non-consecutive basic course in both Rotary knowledge and leadership skills, especially for voluntary organizations. RLI follows an adult learning approach with facilitated discussion led by trained Rotary facilitators.

The cost is \$70 per Rotarian per course. This cost covers course materials, coffee breaks and lunch. Usually the Rotary club covers the cost for their members to attend since the club will be the beneficiary of a more knowledgeable membership.

REMAINING Course for 2016-17:

Part I and Part II and Part III will be held on April 22, 2017 at a location to be announced in Toronto. Ontario (8:30 am to 4:00 pm)

Registrations are NOW being accepted for the remaining session for 2016-17 on a first-come, first-serve basis on line at the www.rotary7070.org website by signing in and signing up and paying your \$70 for your course. A minimum of 18 participants is needed for a course to run.

If you have any questions, please contact Past District Governor Ted Morrison by email ted.sharron@rogers.com or by phone 905-623-3810. Please do not be disappointed. Register TODAY.

REMINDER: Club Visioning - Where is your club going to be in 5 Years?

Rotary Clubs, like any other organizations, need to have a plan for where they are heading. In order to assist Clubs to develop a vision, the District has a team of experienced Rotarians who can facilitate visioning sessions. Since we started the program, five or six years ago, close to 40 Cubs have held sessions. A few Clubs have held two or three session, up-dating their vision on a regular basis.

Why do we need vision?

Visioning facilitation helps a Rotary Club to develop its own vision and then sets out the steps necessary to achieve that vision. It is worth noting that the result is not a vision set out by the District or Rotary International. Instead, the result is a vision designed and endorsed by the Club's own members. This vision will help to ensure consensus, continuity and consistency in the Club leadership and programming, to set the stage for future progress.

Further contact

If you are interested in holding a Visioning facilitation in your Club, or just have questions in general, please **contact PDG Lars Henriksson**, lars@norditrade.com , tel. 416-489 8483.

REMINDER: Mobile Business Directory of the Members of Rotary International District 7070

From Rotarian Rob MacArthur, a member of The District 7070 District Website Team

Are you a Rotarian in District 7070?

How would you like to advertise your business on our new mobile business directory for as little as \$10 for the first year?

Check out the site at http://www.rotarydistrict7070.mobi to register today!

Are you a consumer looking for a service or business owned by a Rotarian?

Check the site often to see our business directory grow.

Who wouldn't want to do business with a group of business owners that follow Rotary's Four-Way Test

Check out our Facebook link: 7070 Directory

www.rotarydistrict7070.mobi

The Rotary District 7070 Mobile Business Directory has been in operation for over two years. We have several District members listing their businesses. The Directory has had over 6,000 visits annually with a click through rate of over 6%. This means that 6% of those visits did something... they called a business... they clicked on the map to find the business... or they went to the businesses website. In the industry, over 6% is very good. The more members we have participating and sharing the directory, the more exposure it will have and the better success it will have. Any Rotary member of District 7070 can be on the directory for a cost of \$10.00. To look at the directory and to find out more about it, please go to www.rotarydistrict7070.mobi. You can also fill out the form to have your business put on the directory.

Is your business missing out on a opportunity? If you would like more info, please contact Rob McArthur at info@robmac.org.

Editor's Note: A very special Thank You to **Rotarian Rob MacArthur** of our District Website Team who has created the Mobile Business Directory of the Members of Rotary International District 7070

REMINDER: A Rotary District 7070 Speakers Bureau

From Rotarian Aziz Saleh, a member of The District 7070 District Website Team

Guest Speakers or Your Own Club Member Speakers:

Have you heard a good speaker at one of your weekly Rotary meetings? It may even be one of your own Rotary Club members who often are your best Rotary speakers.

How about sharing that speaker with everyone in District 7070.

Perhaps your Club is looking for a good speaker. This is your chance to help. The District 7070 Website Committee has created a Rotary District 7070 Speakers Bureau that we will post on the District 7070 website and we need your input.

Please send the following info:

Speaker's Name and Topic,

- Speaker's Contact information
- A short Speaker Biography

The Name of The Rotarian and your Rotary Club making the recommendation

To Rotarian Aziz Saleh at azizdsaleh@gmail.com

A very special Thank You to **Rotarian Aziz Saleh** of our District 7070 Website Team who has volunteered to put together the Rotary International District 7070 Speakers Bureau for you to use.

Get Connected, Rotarians !!!

Have you checked out the new Rotary website: www.rotary.org

Have you checked out the Rotary District 7070 website: www.rotary7070.org

Have you checked out the Rotaract District 7070 website: http://www.rotaractd7070.org/

Are you following us on twitter @rotary7070

Advertise your business on our new mobile business directory at http://www.rotarydistrict7070.mobi

Be sure to "Like" us on our Facebook Page: Rotary District 7070

Be sure to "Like" Rotary on their Facebook Page: Rotary International

Have you checked out your Rotary Club website and Facebook Page lately? Is it current?

When potential members inquire or come to your club, they check out your webiste.





District 7070 Foundation Qualification Seminar

The Rotary Foundation requires every Club that wants to apply for Global and/or District Grants to be qualified. Qualification requires the Club to do the following two things. They must have

- > at least two of its members attend a Qualification Seminar organized by the District, and
- the current Club President and Club President Elect sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the District.

The Qualification is valid for one year.

The D7070 Qualification Seminar for the 2017-18 Rotary year takes place

Saturday, February 11, 2017

0830 Registration, Coffee/Tea/Muffins

09.00 Seminar

Welcome, The Rotary Foundation, Rules & Regulations, The Grants Program, Global Grants, District Grants, Government of Canada funds, Stewardship

10.30 Coffee/Tea Break

10.50 Seminar continues

Case presentations, Q & A

12.30 Adjournment

Oshawa & District Shrine Club

1626 Simcoe St N, Oshawa

Registration

Registration for the seminar is done on District 7070 website, www.rotary7070.org

Attending Seminar is free!!!

For questions & additional information, please contact PDG Lars Henriksson, lars@norditrade.com

PROJECT LIFECYCLE KIT



DISCUSSION GROUPS, ROTARY IDEAS, AND ROTARY SHOWCASE



PROJECT LIFECYLE KIT

Rotary's Project Lifecycle Kit consists of Discussion Groups, Rotary Ideas, and Rotary Showcase — resources that can contribute to the success of any service project, from inception to completion. Use these tools for planning, supporting, and promoting all your Rotary projects.







Discussion Groups

Rotary Ideas

Rotary Showcase

Discussion groups are the perfect way to find the information you need at any point in the life of a project.

Sign in to My Rotary and connect with other Rotary members by joining an existing group, or start a new one. Find others who share your interests, connect with project partners, and tap into Rotary's diversity of global perspectives.

Join a moderator-guided discussion about one of our areas of focus, get answers from experts to specific project-related questions, and so much more. Rotary Ideas (ideas.rotary.org) helps you achieve the club service goals entered in Rotary Club Central.

Rotary's crowdsourcing platform, Rotary Ideas allows Rotarians and Rotaract members to find what they need to make their project a success: project partners, funding sources, volunteers, in-kind donations. And non-Rotarians also can access Rotary Ideas to make contributions.

Projects are posted by Rotary club officers — the president, secretary, executive secretary, treasurer, membership chair, Foundation chair, or Rotaract adviser — or the Rotaract club president.

Rotary Ideas is particularly useful for finding a global grant partner — another club to join you in making your project vision a reality. And once you find your partner, you'll take the next steps using our grant application tool.

Once your project is complete, share your success story with Rotarians and non-Rotarians around the world through Rotary Showcase. Site visitors can search projects by district, by club, by area of focus, by project type, and more.

Project stories from Rotary Showcase are a frequent source of features in Rotary International blogs, newsletters, and other publications. And, of course, they inspire other projects.

The collective scope of reported projects is highlighted in Rotary Showcase's Impact Tracker, which displays the aggregate number of volunteers and volunteer hours, total cash contributions, and in-kind donations that made these projects a success.



HOW TO CONNECT PROJECTS TO PAYPAL

ideas.rotary.org



Check Online Contributions (PayPal) on the Add a New Project Listing page.

Which of the following contributions are you seeking for your project? * (select all that apply)

Online Contributions (PayPal)

Volunteers

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Partners

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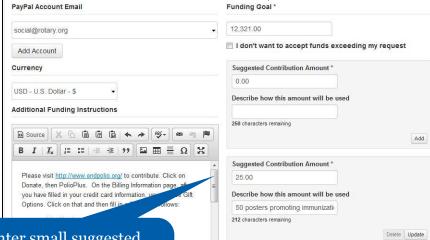




When you return to Rotary Ideas, your PayPal email address will be visible.

Enter the amount your project needs, up to a maximum of US \$50,000.

Add additional instructions here.



Enter small suggested contribution amounts and note how they will be used toward the bigger goal.







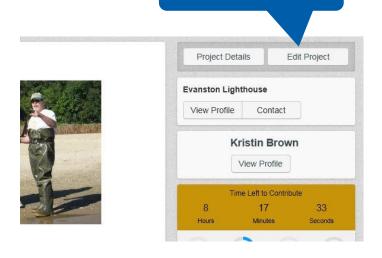
HOW TO EDIT PROJECTS IN ROTARY IDEAS



ideas.rotary.org





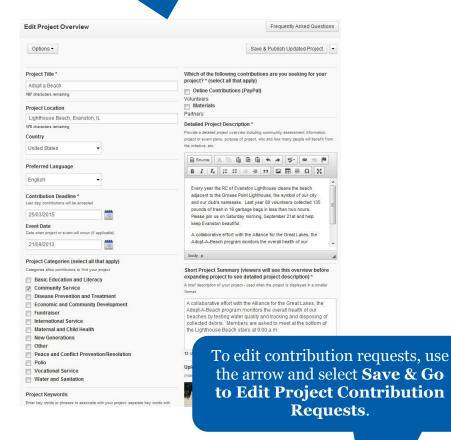


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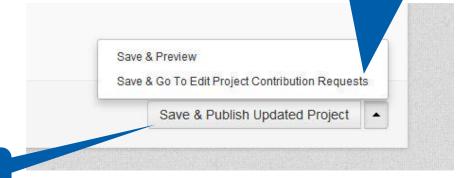


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CADRE: BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY (BEL)

3 MEMBERS | OPEN

This forum is for Basic Education and Literacy cadre members to discuss BEL project planning and implementation, and for Rotarians to seek BEL expertise.



CADRE: DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT (DPT)

3 MEMBERS | OPEN

This forum is for Disease Prevention and Treatment cadre members to discuss DPT project planning and implementation, and for Rotarians to seek DPT expertise.



CADRE: ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

3 MEMBERS | OPEN

This forum is for Economic and Community Development cadre members to discuss ECD project planning and implementation, and for Rotarians to seek ECD expertise.



CADRE: MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

3 MEMBERS | OPEN

This forum is for Maternal and Child Health cadre members to discuss MCH project planning and implementation, and for Rotarians to seek MCH expertise.



CADRE: PEACE AND CONFLICT PREVENTION/RESOLUTION

3 MEMBERS | OPEN

This forum is for Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution cadre members to discuss PCPR project planning and implementation, and for Rotarians to seek PCPR expertise.



CADRE: WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WAS)

3 MEMBERS | OPEN

This forum is for Water and Sanitation cadre members to discuss WAS project planning and implementation, and for Rotarians to seek WAS expertise.

CADRE: FINANCIAL AUDITORS

3 MEMBERS | OPEN

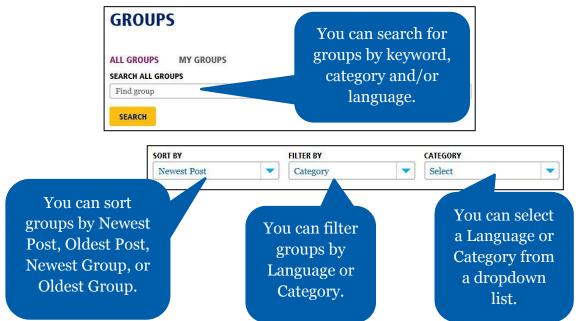
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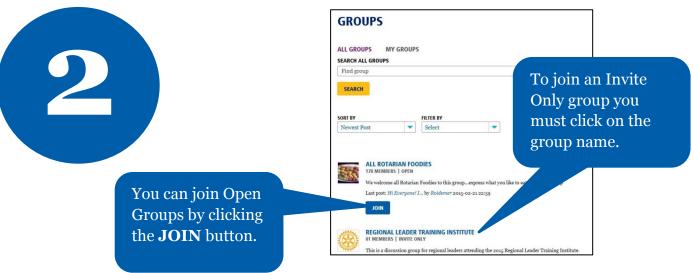
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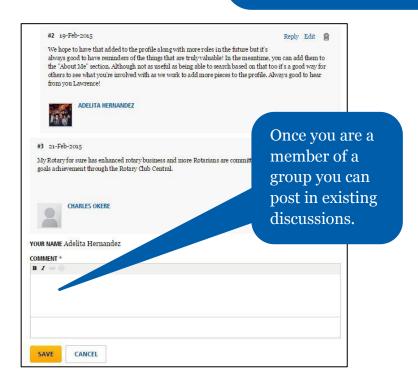














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HOW TO ADD A PROJECT TO ROTARY SHOWCASE

www.rotary.org/showcase







To add your project, sign in to My Rotary and under **Take Action**, click **Rotary Showcase.**

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Need more Rotary Showcase resources? Contact us at **social@rotary.org**.



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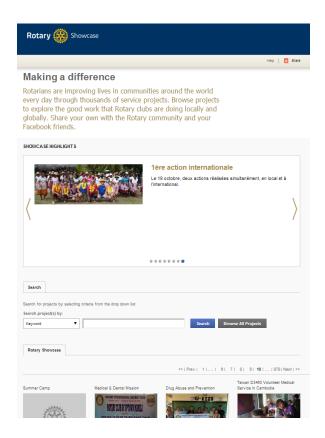
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WHY USE ROTARY SHOWCASE?



Rotary Showcase is an online application that allows Rotarians and Rotaractors to share stories of their clubs' successful projects with people around the world. In addition, project stories are a source for features in Rotary International blogs and newsletters.

The Showcase's Impact Tracker shows the impact of each Rotary project in terms of volunteers and volunteer hours, cash contributions, and in-kind donations. It also shows the collective impact of all reported projects.

Success stories posted on Showcase can serve as an inspiration and a model for other Rotary and Rotaractor clubs.

WHO CAN USE ROTARY SHOWCASE?

Anyone can browse Rotary Showcase and read the project stories posted there. Any Rotarian or Rotaractor who signs in to Rotary.org can post club projects.

HOW TO USE ROTARY SHOWCASE

Choice of Internet browser

Showcase works best with Chrome, Firefox, or Safari.

How to access Rotary Showcase

To post or edit projects on Rotary Showcase, sign in to Rotary.org. You will find Rotary Showcase under the **Develop Projects** section of the **Take Action** menu.



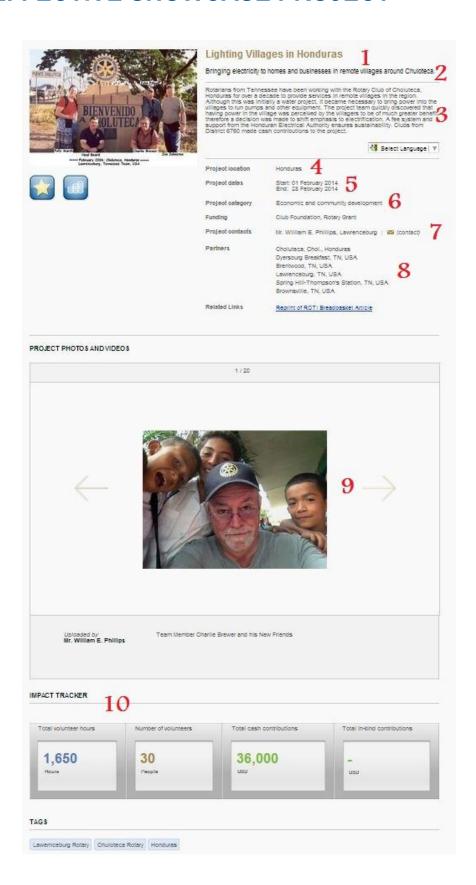
Project languages

Rotary Showcase is available in all supported Rotary languages; it will use your My Rotary profile or browser language, defaulting to English for nonsupported languages. You can change the interface language in the **Language Selector**. You can post your project in any language. A Google Translate tool on the project page will allow visitors to read about your project in the language of their choice.

ANATOMY OF AN EFFECTIVE SHOWCASE PROJECT

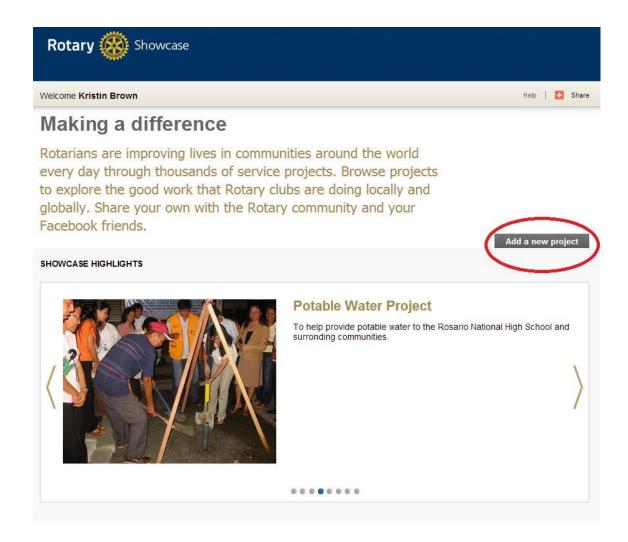
An effective project posted to Rotary Showcase should have all the following elements:

- 1. Title.
- 2. Project overview.
- 3. Project details.
- 4. Project location.
- 5. Start and end date.
- 6. Project category.
- **7.** Project contacts.
- 8. Partners.
- 9. Pictures and videos.
- **10.** Impact information.



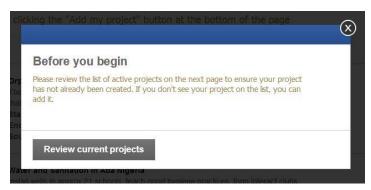
How to add a project

Once you have signed in, select **Add a new project**.



BEFORE YOU BEGIN

After you select **Add a new project**, you will see this window. The message prompts you to check the list of projects already posted for your club, in order to avoid duplication.

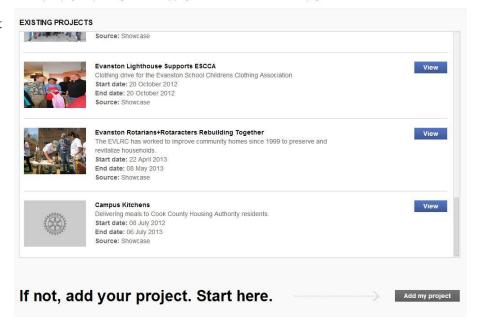


You must scroll through all projects listed before proceeding.

If you do not see your project listed, select **Add my project**.

Is your project already listed?

- · Include a project from other online systems on Showcase by clicking "Share"
- · Get more information on a project that has already been added by clicking "View"
- · Add your project by clicking the "Add my project" button at the bottom of the page



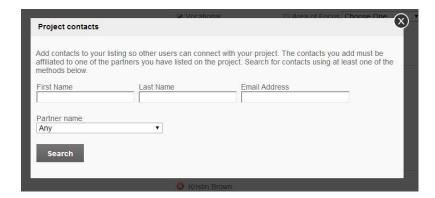
REQUIRED INFORMATION

- **1. Project title:** Choose a short, descriptive, compelling title. It is the first thing Showcase users will see.
- **2. Project overview:** Provide a short (maximum of 100 characters) description of the project. This is what users will see when browsing.
- **3. Tell us about your project:** This is where you write the detailed success story (1,000-character maximum).
- **4. Project location:** Country where the project took place.
- **5. Project dates:** The **Start date** is required but the **End date** is optional. If the project is complete, check the box.
- **6. Project category:** You must choose at least one from the drop-down menu..



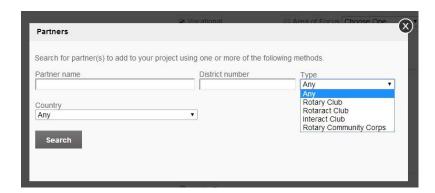
ADDING PROJECT CONTACTS

You can add members of your partner clubs as project contacts. Project contacts will have the same access to the project that you have, with the ability to edit or delete it.



ADDING PARTNER CLUBS

If you worked with other Rotary, Rotaract, or Interact clubs, or Rotary Community Corps, add them as partners.



ADDING PHOTOS AND VIDEOS

Under **Add Project Media**, you can upload up to 20 images as well as links to YouTube videos. (Only videos on YouTube are currently supported.)

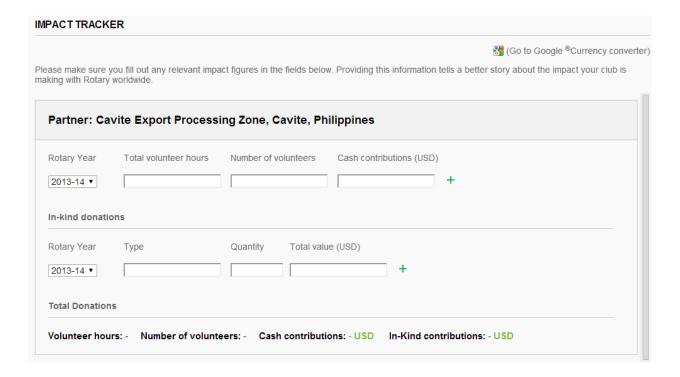


Once you upload the pictures, choose the image that you think best represents the project as the cover image. This will be your project's primary picture.



IMPACT TRACKER

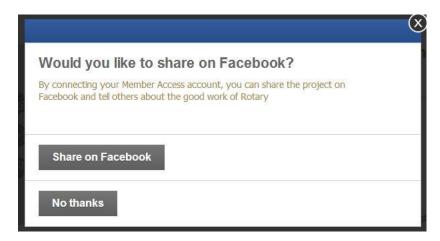
In the Impact Tracker, add the total number of volunteer hours and volunteers, cash contributions, and in-kind donations for the project. Totals are calculated for the project, and each project's impact data become part of the aggregate presented on the Rotary Showcase landing page, showing the cumulative global impact of Rotary and Rotaract projects around the world. For projects that span multiple years, clubs can add impact data for each Rotary year. When club presidents update their clubs' accomplishments, they can import Showcase impact data into Rotary Club Central. Once imported, data will be synchronized between Rotary Showcase and Rotary Club Central.



Once you have entered all project details, select Save.

How to share a project

You have posted your project on Rotary Showcase, but don't stop there! Now share your project with the world.



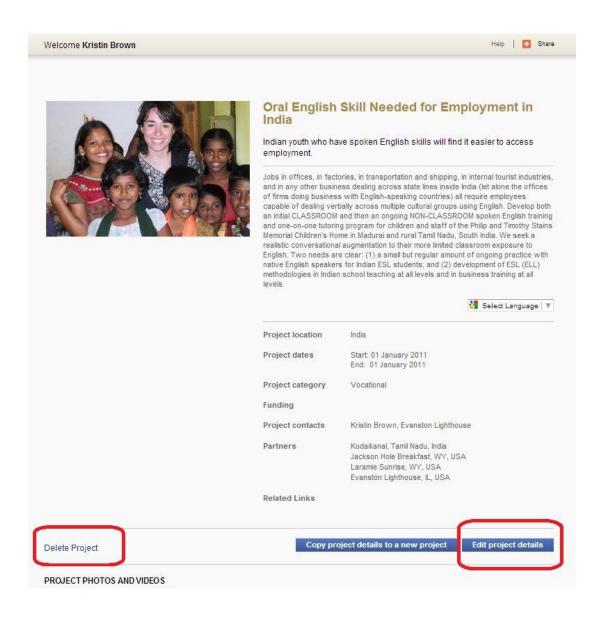
After you have saved your project's details, you will be prompted to share the project on Facebook. This simple step will allow your friends to see the project, and in turn share it with their networks. That will magnify the exposure of your club's project both within and beyond the Rotary world.

How to edit or delete a project

To edit or delete your project, find the project under the My Club Showcase heading and open it.

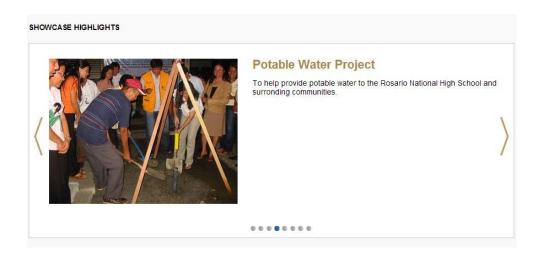
Select Edit project details to edit, or Delete Project to remove it.

Note that only project contacts and the current presidents of any project partners can edit or delete a project.



Featured projects

Rotary staff review all projects posted on Rotary Showcase. Projects with an inspiring story, effective images, and impact data may be featured on the landing page for 30 days.



Send your questions about Rotary Showcase to social@rotary.org.