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District Governor's
Newsletter
NOVEMBER 1, 2016
Rotary Serving Humanity

My Fellow Rotarians,

We are now moving into November and it is Foundation Month. Please look at the Foundation articles further in the Newsletter and give some thought as to how you can support The Rotary Foundation this year and help us celebrate its centennial.

October was another busy month as we held our 2016 District Conference on October 21 and 22. Based on comments received following the conference, it was evident the mandate of the DC16 Team for a new, fresh approach and a program that would appeal to all ages was definitely met. **Rev Up Rotary** was the theme and it worked. From 50's dancing at the DG's Rock 'n' Roll Reception on Friday night to beats and break dancing at the closing dinner on Saturday evening, members of the entire Rotary Family were **revved up!** During Saturday, attendees lived *Rotary Serving Humanity* through making hand-tied fleece blankets for 360°kids and a Rotary Challenge that has raised to date over \$13,000 for Little Footprints Big Steps in Haiti.

Check out the great photos at the following links:

<http://www.rotary7070.org/PhotoAlbums/2016-district-7070-conference>

[facebook](#)

[Instagram!](#)

[Rotary Toronto West](#)

As one attendee wrote to say "My first observation was WOW! I couldn't get over how so many of the Rotarians were 20-40 in age". And continued with "The conference was organized around the theme of **Re-Ignite, Re-Charge, Re-Imagine**. The speakers in each section motivated those feelings as they were expert speakers; speakers who were living the experiences they shared with us....".

This amazing event could not happen without a lot of energy and hard work by dedicated people. And those dedicated people are the DC16 Team who worked together with another dedicated person, our Conference Chair, Sandie Butterill. My heartfelt thanks go out to all the DC16 Team for a very successful and amazing District Conference. I also extend a sincere thank you to our amazing and inspiring speakers; our sponsors; our 3R Hub participants; the Rotary Clubs of Cobourg, Toronto/DC17 and York for providing Hospitality Suites; the Sheraton Parkway Hotel and their staff for the venue, food and refreshments; and to you, Rotarians and guests for taking the time to enjoy fun, fellowship and learnings during the day and a half. I would also encourage those that did attend to share their experiences and learnings with members of their Clubs that could/did not participate. We hope this will motivate Rotarians to attend our next District Conference scheduled for November 3 & 4, 2017.

Congratulations to President C.P. Giri and members of the Rotary Club of Richmond Hill for a very successful community breakfast on Sunday, October 23 that featured Joe Roberts and his Push For Change Foundation. During his walk across Canada, Joe made a stop in Richmond Hill working with 360°kids to raise the awareness of youth homelessness in the area as well as acknowledging the assistance and support of Rotarians since he started his walk in St. John's, Newfoundland on May 1, 2016,

We enjoyed another successful World Polio Day this year thanks to the dedication of Jennifer Boyd and Rotarians throughout the District with various flag-raising activities. In Toronto, it was great to see the CN Tower and the TORONTO sign at Toronto City Hall all lit up in red, white and yellow.

For those of you attending the District Conference, you heard about the DG Membership Challenge, a promotion to assist the District in attaining their membership goal for 2016/17. More information on the Membership Challenge will be provided to all Clubs shortly.

I look forward to seeing all the Club Presidents and Club Foundation Directors at the District Presidents' Foundation Dinner on Wednesday, November 16 at the Oshawa Golf Club.

Yours In Rotary,

Jim

District Governor Jim Louttit at jvlrotary@gmail.com



From District Governor Elect Neil Phillips

My Fellow Rotarians,



Well I'm still feeding off the great energy and discussions at last weekend's District Conference. Congratulations to DG Jim and everyone on the DC16 Committee for doing such a fantastic job. For those who think of conferences as "same old, same old", and may not have ever attended a district conference...I encourage you to speak with those who attended. It's a great way to connect with friends, Rotary partners, and get energized with new ideas.

On that note, of course we'd love to see you at next year's conference



(<http://rotary7070conference.org>).

It's being held in Niagara-on-the-Lake, and earlybird registration is already up. Though I'm afraid the "Wine for a Year" promo was only available to those who came to DC16 and signed up: congrats to PDG Mike Cooksey on winning the libations. And thanks to all the Presidents-Elect, who brought a bottle as a donation for the draw.

A flyer is attached for the Rotary Express charter flight to Atlanta from Peterborough. If you're interested, Please contact them asap – if minimum numbers aren't met, it will unfortunately be cancelled. And if you are thinking of coming to Atlanta, I cannot stress enough how critical it is to book rooms sooner rather than later. The central hotels are already mostly full. Rotarian Mary Lach has some available at a second block she's holding for anyone interested (mlach@sunsations.com).



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

DGE Neil

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



At the 1917 Rotary Convention in Atlanta, President Arch Klumph announced his dream of creating a Rotary endowment fund. In 2017, we will celebrate the good work Rotarians have done over the past 100 years -- because one man dared to dream.

Join us in Atlanta! Mark your calendar at riconvention.org

Be sure to check out this video: [2016-17 RI President John F. Germ invites you to Atlanta](#)

Rotary International President John Germ's Monthly Message – November 2016



Dear Fellow Rotarians:

Looking back at the momentous 1917 Rotary Convention in Atlanta, it is difficult to see what could have been contentious about the words of then President Arch C. Klumph: "It seems eminently proper that we should accept endowments for the purpose of doing good in the world." Yet, at the time, support for the idea was far from unanimous. Some thought an endowment fund would create more trouble than it was worth. But Klumph's idea

received the support it most needed in the form of an initial donation of \$26.50 from the Rotary Club of Kansas City, Mo.

Nearly 100 years later, we recognize Klumph's idea as not only visionary, but revolutionary: It set in place the mechanism that allowed Rotary to become the vast force for "doing good in the world" that it is today.

In many ways, our Rotary Foundation is the foundation of Rotary as we know it. It has created a mechanism for cooperation and partnership among clubs and between Rotary and other organizations; it has enabled us to be ever more ambitious in our work and to reach for goals of historic proportions, such as the eradication of polio. It is impossible to quantify the good that has been done over the last century as a result of The Rotary Foundation. All we can know for sure is that Arch Klumph, if he could see it, would be proud.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at our international convention in Atlanta: the city where our Foundation was born. I hope a record number of Rotarians will be there to celebrate the centennial of our Foundation. In the meantime, there are plenty of other ways to celebrate! I encourage you to read more about the Foundation centennial at centennial.rotary.org. There, you'll learn about the history of our Foundation and find ideas for events and projects in your clubs and your community.

One of the most important ways we are celebrating the Foundation centennial is with a fundraising goal of \$300 million. Your gift to your Foundation is the best way of ensuring a strong second century for Rotarians Doing Good in the World and for **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 - November 2016 – Celebrate Rotary Foundation Month

Dear fellow Rotarians,



Back in 1956, the Rotary International Board of Directors designated a week in November urging all clubs "to devote a program to The Rotary Foundation." In 1982, the Board determined that the entire month of November should be dedicated to the Foundation.

Since then our Foundation has grown and flourished in ways that few Rotarians could have imagined. In 1985, Rotary took on its first corporate project – a bold campaign to immunize the world's children against polio and create a poliofree world.

Our humanitarian programs grew so rapidly that the Foundation could not process the volume of requests for grants efficiently. That led to the creation of a new grant model that supports global grants with greater and longer lasting impact and district grants which fund smallscale, shortterm activities. And we fulfilled Rotarians' longheld dream for a "peace university" with the launch of the Rotary Peace Centers.

Rotarian financial support has skyrocketed as well. In 1982-83, contributions barely totaled \$19 million. Compare that with 2015-16, when the figure jumped to \$265.6 million.

This November, we'll celebrate not just Foundation Month, but also The Rotary Foundation's centennial. The Rotary website offers many creative ideas for honoring this very special occasion, but there are three activities that I especially recommend.

The first is to hold an event for the entire community that spotlights the Foundation's 100 years of Doing Good in the World. Second, plan and sponsor a project that addresses a critical problem. It could be done from locally raised funds, or you might seek a global grant. There are so many options to choose from – from providing clean water, to ensuring basic education for girls in every part of the world, to tackling malaria or HIV/AIDS or any number of preventable diseases.

The third activity I recommend is for every Rotarian to make a centennial donation. Let's never forget that The Rotary Foundation belongs to all of us. You and I provide the funding for just about every bit of good that our Foundation is doing in the world – and has been doing for an entire century. Let's make sure we continue that tradition for the next 100 years.

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 November 2016, **Rotary Foundation Month**, 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.

Has your Rotary Club committed, again this Rotary Year, to donating at least \$20.00 PER Rotarian to **PolioPlus**.

Has everyone in your Club, this Rotary Year, made that same 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 the Government of Canada is also matching your donation on a 2 for 1 basis. **Your one dollar becomes 5 dollars !** And we sure would like every Rotarian in District 7070 to do the same in 2015-2016. Yes, we are very close! You are making a difference !

Has your Club sent in your objectives to me and entered them in to Rotary Club Central, for the 2016-17 Rotary Year yet? Still 11 Clubs to report in. 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
Past District 7070 Foundation Chair
Past District Governor 7070 2006-2007
Past End Polio Now Coordinator Rotary International Zone 24
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ATTENTION : Disitrect 7070 Club Presidents,

Thank you for the support and follow-up with your Foundation Goals. There are eleven clubs to report in. If you could accomplish this, I, personally will be delighted. I look forward to greeting you on November 16 at the dinner.

Wednesday, November 16 is our **District 7070 Rotary Foundation Dinner** evening at the Oshawa Golf Club. It will be at 6:00 p.m. and it will be our pleasure to treat you to dinner. Every year we ask that you and your Foundation Chairs attend. If you find you have a conflict, please send someone in your place. **Be sure to notify me via email who from each of your clubs will be coming.** It will be an informative meeting. We have chosen good speakers and you will learn more about YOUR foundation. You will also have the opportunity to raise any concerns that you may have. Please let me know who is coming to the Dinner as soon as possible.

Thank you.

Regards,

Bill

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 Klingensmith 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"](#)

District 7070 Rotary Foundation Million Dollar Dinner May 3, 2017

From Bill Patchett, District 7070 Rotary Foundation Chair

My Fellow Rotarians,

District 7070 is hosting a Million Dollar Dinner on May 3, 2017 at the Woodlawn Inn , in Cobourg.

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.

It will be held at the Woodlawn Inn, 420 Division St, Cobourg, ON K9A 3R9 Phone: +1 800-573-5003 , in Cobourg

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

- An outright Major Gift of \$10,000 or greater. (Don't forget that all PolioPlus gifts are matched 2:1 by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and another 2: 1 by the Canadian Government, increasing your \$10,000 gift to \$50,000 for Polio Eradication Efforts).
- Make your gift via a 3-year pledge. So \$10,000 over 3 years is \$3,333 per year to establish a Major Donor - level 1 gift, with recognition at the time of your commitment not of the completion of the gift.
- Outright gifts of stock or other valuable items have a very unique tax advantages.
- Increase your existing Benefactor or Bequest gift commitment by at least \$10,000. Remember that legacy gift commitments of \$25,000 and greater provide an individual for an individual named endowment within Rotary's larger endowment fund. Yes, your name lives on forever.
- Make a new legacy gift commitment and become a Bequest Society member by adding a codicil to your will to include the Rotary Foundation (Canada) or change the beneficiary of RRSP' and life insurance policies. Copies of your legal documents are not required.

You all will be my guests. Please join us. Do let me know your intentions.

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 I need your assistance to make this dinner successful. Many thanks for your staunch support.

Stay tuned for more details as they become available.

Bill Patchett

District 7070 Foundation Chair

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November is Rotary Foundation Month

What is your Rotary Club doing in November to celebrate and focus on The Rotary Foundation?

The Rotary Foundation transforms your gifts into projects that change lives both close to home and around the world. As the charitable arm of Rotary, we tap into a global network of Rotarians who invest their time, money, and expertise into [our priorities](#), such as [eradicating polio](#) and [promoting peace](#). Foundation [grants](#) empower Rotarians to approach challenges such as poverty, illiteracy, and malnutrition with sustainable solutions that leave a lasting impact. Strong [financial oversight](#), a stellar [charity rating](#), and a unique [funding model](#) mean that we make the very most of your contribution. [Give](#) and become a part of Rotary's life-changing work!

In 2016-17, our Rotary Foundation turns 100. That's a century of Rotary members changing lives and improving communities all over the world. And that's definitely something worth celebrating.

Through our Foundation, Rotary members have supported thousands of projects to provide clean water, fight disease, promote peace, provide basic education, and grow local economies. We've also been a leader in the fight to eradicate polio worldwide.

The centennial is the perfect time to share this impressive record with the world. Join us in making sure that every Rotary member and people in every community know about the vital work of Rotary and its Foundation.

2017 Rotary Convention

We're marking the centennial with a year of festivities that began in Korea at the 2016 Rotary Convention and culminates at the Atlanta convention. [Register for the convention](#), 10-14 June 2017, so you can take part in the celebration:

- Plan to attend the Foundation's 100th birthday party
- Join past and current Rotary leaders and author David Forward for a book signing
- Visit The Rotary Foundation centennial exhibit in the House of Friendship
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Ways to celebrate

Here are just a few ways you can join in and commemorate this historic milestone:

- Plan a special Rotary Day and invite everyone in your community to participate. It can be anything from a concert to a race to a birthday party with a giant cake in the shape of the Rotary wheel.
- Hold a fundraiser in your community to support a Foundation grant project, the Rotary Peace Centers, or PolioPlus.
- Organize or participate in a global grant or district grant project.
- Promote your club or district projects that are funded by the Foundation.
- Dedicate some club meetings to Rotary Foundation topics.
- Challenge members to increase your club's contributions to the Foundation.

See more ideas for a Rotary Day event in the [Centennial promotion kit](#).

Publicize your events

Promote your centennial events and projects by contacting local media and by using #TRF100 on social media. List the events on [Rotary Showcase](#) for more exposure.

Celebrate World Interact Week

Join the party as we celebrate 54 years of service and leadership through Interact , October 31 through November 6. Show the world how your Interact Club makes a difference by taking part in our annual Video Awards, or join the conversation on social media.

[Learn more about how you can take part](#)

World Polio Day, October 24, 2016

Our Rotary District 7070 Facebook page and our District 7070 website photo album are filled with photos of District 7070 events on World Polio Day. In many cities all over the world, October 24, 2016 has been proclaimed World Polio Day in honour of Rotary's efforts to eradicate polio from the world. (including Toronto, Markham, Oshawa and also in the surrounding communities. The Regional Municipality of Durham has made the same Proclamation on behalf of the 10 Rotary Clubs in Durham Region . That is 20% of the entire District. On Oct 18, Dr Bob Scott, past chair of the International PolioPlus Committee spoke to the Rotary Club of Oshawa-Parkwood and 7 of the 10 Durham Region Rotary Club Presidents were in attendance. And at the meeting, the Rotary Club of Uxbridge presented Bob Scott with a cheque for \$4,200 CDN for the End Polio Campaign. In Toronto, on October 21 and 22, at our Rotary District Conference in at the Sheraton Parkway in Richmond Hill, Rotarians will be gathering to acknowledge October 24 as World Polio Day, and to reconfirm our deep commitment to Eradicate Polio from the face of the earth.

And right here in our own Rotary District 7070, in southern Ontario, flag raising ceremonies will be held in Markham, Richmond Hill, Ajax, and in other communities.

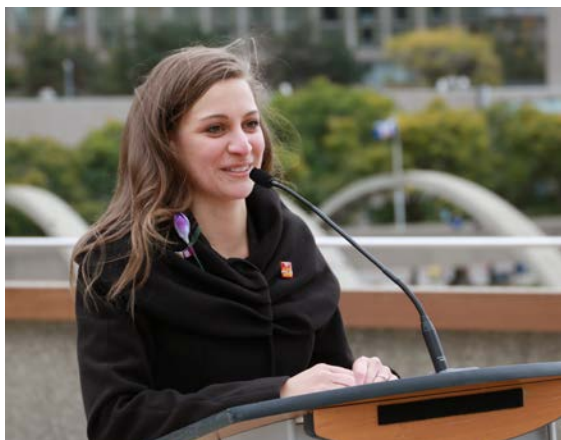
And there was a huge flag raising ceremony and speeches at City Hall in Toronto at 11 am on October 24.

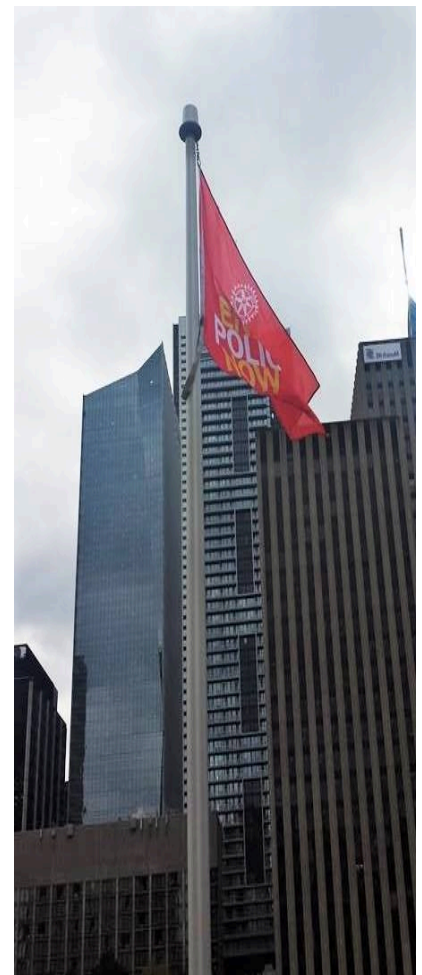
The CN Tower, the world famous Toronto sign at City Hall in Toronto, and the University of Toronto – Scarborough campus, on October 24, were all lit up in red, white, and yellow , the colours of the End Polio Now campaign, to raise awareness to our cause and efforts in eradicating this disease.

Roger Ashby of CHUM FM spoke about World Polio Day Several times on the radio and spent 5 minutes discussing with Marilyn at 7am. CBC French Radio did an interview with our Rotary District 7070 World Polio Day Chair Jennifer Boyd in English and with JR Blot from (Toronto Twilight) in French. CP24 covered it in their feed all day running it around the bottom of the screen. Breakfast Television also had it running along the bottom of their screen during their segment.

Many City of Toronto councillors tweeted and had the media release on their website. They included: Michael Ford, Norman Kelly, John Campbell, Vincent Cristani, Chin Lee, Carmichael Christin Greb, Paula Fletcher and Mayor John Tory.

Thanks to the efforts of Jennifer Boyd, our District 7070 World Polio Day Chair.









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 [67th annual Rotary Adventure in Citizenship Program](#) 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 [clicking here](#) or download the Club Registration Form by [clicking here](#).

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/Coordonnatrice du programme

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Did You Know????

That Past District Governor, and our Assistant Zone 24 East Public Image Coordinator, Brian Thompson was on Rogers Cable TV 10, in Oshawa, and appeared on Rogers "Daytime" on October 5 with host Denise Marek, to talk about Rotary's battle against polio.



Brian showed the Rotary International "This Close" promo, and he also showed some pictures of immunizing kids in India on the National immunization Day that he and Karen participated in last year, as well as the Toronto-Don Mills Rotarians who climbed Mt Kilimanjaro, this year, to raise over \$100,000 to fight polio.

If YOU want to see or download the RI "This Close" Public Service Announcement that he showed, YOU can access it here:

<https://vimeo.com/51087896>

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7070 CONFERENCE - OCT 21 & 22, 2016

Rotarians came from all parts of District 7070 to the Sheraton Parkway for one fantastic District Conference 2016. Congratulations to District Governor Jim Louttit and his Conference Committee for a job well done.

Here are some of the highlights. Be sure to see our **Rotary District 7070 Facebook Page** or to our **District 7070 Wensite 2016 District Conference Photo Album** for **140 photos**. Lots of fun, friendship and Rotary Servicing Humanity !!

Friday evening started with DG Jim's Rock 'n Roll Reception and the hospitality suites for even more fun and friendship.

Saturday morning started with the **Rotary Exchange students** brining in the flags of their home countries – always a colourful site. Very proud of the students, every year.

Rotary Coordinator for Zone 24 east, **Lynda Ryder** brought greetings from **Rotary International President John Germ** and she introduced two of the most influential and dedicated District 7070 Rotarians from right here in southern Ontario, who received a warm welcome.

Dr Bob Scott, Past Chair of The Rotary Foundation and past Chair of the International PolioPlus Committee gave us a brief update on the status of polio in the world and encouraged us all to tune in to the livestream event on endpolio.org from the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta on World Polio Day.

Wilf Wilkinson, past President of Rotary International, talked briefly about the Rotary Peace Scholar Program, both the two year and the 3 month programs.

OUR SPEAKERS:

First we were Re-Ignited.

Ashley Murphy talked about turning our life into strengths with her message of “Rock your differences, own them and be you”. Her own story and that of her family of 10 kids – 8 of whom have special needs – served as an inspiration to everyone. She told us about being extraordinary through learning to be accepting of ourselves and our differences. She talked about the importance of finding ourselves, our community and our voice. And she, herself, HIV positive, fights the stigma of HIV/AIDS and raises her voice to inform and educate. For more about Ashley, see <https://www.poz.com/article/ashley-murphy-26821-4147>

Morgan Wienburg encouraged us all to re-ignite Haiti by talking about her work with **Little Footprints, Big Steps (LFBS)**. Raised in Whitehorse, Yukon, throughout her youth, Morgan volunteered with non-profit organizations and developed an all-consuming interest in human rights. In 2010, six months after a 7.0-magnitude earthquake struck Haiti, this high school valedictorian traded her snow boots for sandals and set off for the devastated country. What was meant to be a short trip changed her life – and countless others – forever. Morgan volunteered in an orphanage and found the conditions to be appalling. She witnessed children that were neglected, beaten, and starved. In some cases, children were used as slaves or sold, as if they were property. Although it was sorely needed, the children were denied medical attention. Morgan discovered that children had been sent to the orphanage by their parents in the mistaken belief that their children would be offered food, education, and loving care. Morgan began to work towards reuniting children with their families. In 2011, Morgan co-founded Little Footprints, Big Steps (LFBS). Morgan continues to live in Haiti, leading the organization with integrity, creativity and perseverance. Forging partnerships and collaborations with other non-profits and with Haitian government; spearheading initiatives and piloting programs; hiring and guiding Haitian staff; managing the program administration; tirelessly pouring love and encouragement into all of the children and families that come her way.

If that was not enough, she then told us about the effects of Hurricane Matthew which has wiped out so much that she has done and the immediate rebuilding efforts she is facing with her two homes for the children. The Rotary Club of Whitby works very closely with the RC of Les Cayes and Whitby Rotary members travel there to assist. Her story and the rebuilding touched many in the room. So much so that Rotarians and Rotary Clubs at the Conference pledged, right on the spot, \$12,000 to help her rebuild to help the children. If you want to help, Ray Richardson of the Whitby Rotary Club can be reached at raysroad@aol.com and at 905-430-2351. And be sure to see: <https://www.littlefootprintsbigsteps.com/>

Next came Re-Charging:

Andrew Arifuzzaman talked about **re-charging Rotary and re-charging the community**. When placed-based anchor institutions, such as the U of T Scarborough, focus on what's around them, and grassroots community groups like the 5 Rotary Clubs in Scarborough, come together to create a vision – great things are happening. Andrew shared with us how the work of the Scarborough institutions and the **Scarborough Community renewal Organization** is converging to bring a new energy and pride back to Scarborough and its future. He talked about how the University plays its role in leveraging change and investment to help make the eastern GTA a great place to live, work, and play. For more info see: <http://www.renewscarborough.ca/40-2/scarborough-community-renewal-campaign/>

Annu Gaidhu talked about Healing from the Inside, Out: Recharging Through Mindfulness, Meditation & Yoga.

Annu is best known for her authentic, non-judgmental teaching style and compassion centered self-love practices. She is instrumental in weaving ancient wisdom teachings of yoga into a modern day practice aimed at serving people at all levels. Annu is dynamic in teaching Vinyasa, Hatha, Yin, Power Yoga and Meditation. She is committed to finding key approaches to encourage the growth of the physical and spiritual self; helping others inspire thoughts into action in creating a life you deserve.

Currently, Annu is based out of Toronto but continues to teach workshops, internationally at retreats, and recently was seen on stage for Toronto's biggest [Yoga Conference and Show](#). Annu is the reigning Miss India Canada 2014 and is honoured to be an ambassador for young woman across India and Canada with her new title. She discussed best practices in mindfulness, meditation, yoga, and social-emotional learning to help advance mental health and well being for youth, educators, and community leaders to promote positive change. These practices provide a blueprint for developing yoga inspired self-care practices as a unique approach to service work in to helping people feel motivated, inspired, connected and engaged through living in a conscious, sustainable and joyful way. And she practised on us with a 5 minute session.

Rotarians practiced mindful breathing exercises, meditation, and simple yoga poses which helped in releasing mental tension, improve the physical condition of the body, establish emotional balance, and cultivate self-awareness. It really worked. Life is becoming more hopeful for some Tibetan refugee children in India, thanks to the passion, ingenuity and drive of fourth-year Child and Youth Care student Annu Gaidhu. Her work with her nonprofit [Healing Hearts Project](#) to help the monastery in Tibet undertake development projects related to food, shelter and recreation, is really remarkable. For more, please see: <http://www.ryerson.ca/fcs/people/spotlight-on-people/annu-gaidhu/>

Joe Roberts – Push For Change

We had a live Skype feed with Joe Roberts as he was walking in Toronto on Day 175 of his Push For Change. Joe, a former homeless addict who transformed his difficult life to become a successful businessman, has personally experienced the power of possibility thinking in the face of some of life's biggest obstacles, and he is dedicated to sharing this possibility mindset with others who go through challenges. His 18 month walk across Canada with a shopping cart to raise money and awareness for youth homelessness is truly remarkable. He walked across Durham Region on Friday, ending up in Whitby where the 10 Rotary Clubs of Durham region gave him a cheque for \$10,000. And on Sunday, Joe attended the Rotary Club of Richmanond Hill's breakfast. For more about Joe's remarkable journey and his program, see: [Push For Change](#).

And then time to Re-Imagine

Dr. Ritika Goel talked to us about **Re-imagining Healthcare in Canada: Building a truly Universal System**. She works as a family doctor in Toronto with some of the most vulnerable members of society. She works with people who experience homelessness, and immigrants, refugees and undocumented people. When politicians make up theoretical policies, she sees the real impacts. Her clinical work with Inner City Health Associates is based at the Inner City Family Health Team (ICFHT) working with the residents of Seaton House, and Sistering, a women's drop-in centre. Inner City Health Associates (ICHA) is group of more than 60 physicians working in over 40 shelters and drop-ins across the City of Toronto. [ICHA](#) provides primary, mental health and palliative care to those who do not otherwise have access to care. In Ontario, over 500,000 cannot access basic health care and one in four families go without following their medical prescriptions because they cannot afford the drugs. We serve people living on the street and in shelters as well as those who are precariously housed. ICHA is funded by the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long Term Care through an alternative payment plan. Her clinical work has always been focused on serving marginalized populations, including her work with migrants at the Scarborough Community Volunteer Clinic for the Uninsured, where she serves as a board member and volunteer physician. Ritika is involved in medical education relating to poverty and health as part of the Ontario College of Family Physicians' Poverty and Health Committee. Ritika has been involved in health-related activism since medical school. She is currently an organizer with [Health for All](#), a migrant justice organization that believes in access to health for all people, irrespective of immigration status. She is also a founding member of [Students for Medicare](#), as well as an active steering committee member of the [Medical Reform Group](#), both of which advocate for the maintenance and expansion of a publicly-funded, not-for-profit healthcare system in Canada.

Dr. Marilyn Fitzgerald asked us to **Re-imagine the World Through Sustainable Economic Development** and talked about her book: *If I Had A Water Buffalo – Empowering Others Through Sustainable Lending*. She designed and conducted original in-field research focused on economic and community development taking place in 2 Central American countries. The results are published as her dissertation The Unintended Consequences of Humanitarian Aid. Her book, *If I Had A Water Buffalo*, is in its second publication in 2014 with a forward written by Dr. Muhammad Yunus, the 2006 Nobel Peace Laureate. Marilyn conducted formal project evaluations in Romania, Indonesia, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Bangladesh, New York City, and Detroit. She talked about microfinance projects and their sustainability in these countries and also right at home. It works there too. Here is a great vimeo : <https://vimeo.com/62110509> and on Youtube at : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qy8TXzmGAjs>.

Kim Katrin Milan asked us to **Re-Imagine and to learn, Commit & Reimagine: Creating Change**. She used her personal experiences and case studies, social media, and current events to outline practical ways for us and our

organizations to make diversity and equity a greater consideration. By shedding light on the issues facing people of different social locations, she emphasized our relationship of interdependence and the importance of leveraging one's privilege to increase accessibility for others. She believes that the grass is greener where we water it. She inspired us to engage in our responsibility to make the world more ethical by taking a firm position on equity and diversity. Her intersectional approach to human rights reframes the golden rule so we treat others the way they WANT to be treated, rather than how WE want to be treated. She helped us achieve greater consciousness around diversity in all aspects of daily life. For more on Kim, be sure to see: <http://www.kimkatrinmilan.com/>

In the afternoon **Rotarians created blankets and put together kits for kids to go back to school for 360 Kids.** Because that is what we do.

360°kids began over 26 years ago as two separate agencies that were developed to address the needs of the communities of York Region. The Markham Neighbourhood Support Centre was developed to respond to the needs of young families with children who sought support and ways to learn about childrearing. Youth Housing Markham provided safe and supportive housing for youth who could no longer live at home. A volunteer committee worked to create two group homes that would support 13 homeless youth. These two agencies eventually amalgamated in 1998 to form Pathways for Children, Youth and Families of York Region Inc. The organization continued to offer programs and supports to both families and their children and to homeless and at-risk youth in York Region for many more years.

In 2013 the organization was selected by the Region of York to deliver programs and support services to at-risk youth in the new Community Housing Hub being built by the Regional Municipality of York in Richmond Hill, Ontario. This new role, along with a variety of other new initiatives, motivated the organization to change its name to 360°kids. The name 360°kids references the comprehensive approach that the organization takes to assisting at-risk youth, recognizing that these kids need a wide range of supports to help them rebuild their lives. This holistic approach is enshrined in our slogan: Surrounding kids in crisis with care. 360°kids serves over 1,300 families, and over 2,800 youth, each year from every corner of the world and this number will grow significantly with the new facility in Richmond Hill. Our staff represent many cultures and experiences and have earned a reputation as leaders in offering high quality, innovative programming to the people we serve. See : [360 Kids](#)

RE-CHARGE:

Dinner was excellent. And during dinner, we heard and were entertained by **Michael Prosserman and The Road Ahead** with his **Unity Dancers**. By the time Michael Prosserman (aka "Bboy Piecez") was three, he was already standing on his head while watching Saturday morning cartoons. By high school, Michael was accepted into Cirque Du Soleil, featured in the major motion picture "Honey", and travelled the world as one of Canada's top break-dancers winning over 22 International competitions. Michael has overcome a chronic neck condition while juggling taking care of his mother with a serious mental illness. Michael took his anger and turned it into art. Through words and performance, [Unity Charities'](#) story of the transformative impact of dance in achieving life-changing outcomes for our youth. Break dancer Michael Prosserman (aka Bboy Piecez), felt the transformative impact of his performance and saw the potential with others. Mike talked about his success in achieving life-changing outcomes for kids. He focused on the simple yet powerful philosophies that built UNITY: the power of story-telling; building a plane while flying it; being surrounded by people smarter than you; and building new roads instead of accepting the inevitable roadblocks that exist. What a performance he and two of his Unity artists gave in B Box and dance. He sure Refuelled us and got us Ready to Rev Up Rotary. See more at <https://piecez.ca/> .

More District 7070 Awards from 2015-16:

Past District Governor Michael Bell gave out some District Awards that were not finalized until the end of the Rotary Year.

The Basil Tippet Trophy Award , to the Club that has the highest percentage of membership retention (this year at 100%) was a tie to several deserving clubs. Congratulations to the Rotary Clubs of Agincourt, Toronto Don Mills, Toronto East, Toronto Humber, Toronto West and Toronto Sunrise.

The Wally Large memorial Award for the largest percent increase in membership went to the Rotary Club of Toronto Sunrise.

The Rotary International Development award for the highest growth rate of female members went to the Rotary Club of Toronto Willowdale.

The Rotary International Development award for the most new members went to the Rotary Clubs of Belleville and Etobicoke.

Congratulations to everyone.

District Governor Elect Neil Phillips and his team promoted next year's **District Conference 17 – Rotary Uncorked** - Nov 3 and 4 in Niagara at the Whiteoaks Conference Centre. For more info, be sure to go to:

<http://rotary7070conference.org/>

Thanks DG Jim and thanks Conference Committee. Fantastic !!!

Interactors - You Can Win a Trip to Vimy Ridge – April 7-16, 2017

From: Rotarian Nevine Yassar, Inter Country Committee

At the October 6 District 7070 Presidents Meeting, National Coordinator Canada for **Inter Country Committees** and Rotarian Nevine Yassar, made a presentation to the Club Presidents. She outlined the objective of ICC which is to set the formal framework for strategic, long term relationships and opportunities for Rotarians in both countries which form the Inter Country Committee to get to know each other, develop long term working relationships, and to assist each other with information about their respective countries, cultures and source of knowledge and expertise.

Inter Country committees encourage the establishment of twin clubs, friendship exchanges, World Community Services, Training Exchanges, Translation of materials, university internship opportunities. Examples of this is information regarding a scholarship offered to Interactors by the Vimy Foundation, as shown below. That is an excellent opportunity for our Interactors to be immersed in the French Culture and know more about the history of Vimy. We encourage Presidents to advertise this information among their Interactors as deadline is November 11 for applications.

She added that it is imperative to know that ICC acts more like the ambassadors of the "other" country, working to improve the knowledge about the "other", highlighting its social, economic, cultural, political, and Rotarian profile. For this purpose the vicinity with Embassies and diplomatic representatives is very beneficial to create opportunities for interaction and presentations shared with clubs.

Rotary's Inter Country Committee (ICC) between Canada and France was founded in March 2015 and is one of the activities of Rotary International. The Inter Country Committee is encouraging Interact students through their respective Rotary Clubs to participate in the VIMY Award program to celebrate the centenary occasion for VIMY in April 2017.

Interact Students can win a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to attend the 100th anniversary of the Battle of Vimy Ridge at the Canadian National Vimy Memorial in France. Young Canadians, aged 14-17, who demonstrate outstanding service, positive contributions, bravery or leadership are eligible to apply for the Vimy Foundation's annual Vimy Pilgrimage Award. This is a fully-funded immersive educational program in France and Belgium to study Canada's tremendous First World War effort.

Applicants are required to submit a motivation letter (500-word maximum) outlining the reasons why they are worthy of the award. In choosing award winners, the Award Committee will put great weight on the enthusiasm and excitement displayed in the motivation letter. Applications must also include two letters of support by a teacher, guidance counsellor or principal; service club; community, provincial or federal organization; or a member of the community. All applications are due November 11, 2016.

Scheduled for April 7-16, 2017, the program will include interactive education and visits to significant First World War battlefields, cemeteries, and memorials including the Canadian National Vimy Memorial. The 2017 visit to Vimy will be a unique occasion: on April 9, students will be joined by thousands of others from Canada and around the world to mark the 100th anniversary of the historic battle.

And 17 Canadian students will be chosen to participate along side students from Belgium, Great Britain, France, and

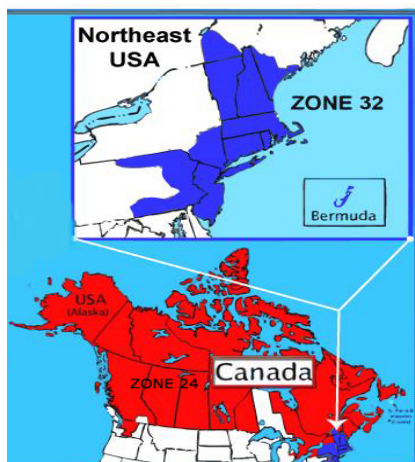
Germany, for a truly international educational experience. Please visit the enclosed website for more information

<http://www.vimyfoundation.ca/programs/vimy-pilgrimage-award/>

To learn more about Rotary's Inter Country Committees, please go to <http://www.rotary-icc.org/>

Ever hear of "Zone" in Rotary? What is it??

From Past District Governor Brian Thompson



The Rotary World is divided into multiple areas called "Zones", and they are all numbered. The zones are further divided into districts, and both of these vary in geographical size, depending on the number of Rotarians and clubs in each.

Take a look at the map of Zone 24 (ours) and 32 (our partner zone) to get an idea of how varied they can be;

You can find out more here:

<http://portal.clubrunner.ca/50077/Page/about-zone-24-32>

In the last few weeks, you may have heard our District leaders talking about the Zone Institute in Winnipeg, Manitoba September 29 – October 1, 2016 (and from September 26- 28 , the pre-institute training). As you may know, Winnipeg, is the city that made Rotary "International", chartering the first club outside of the United States. It is here that our District leaders celebrate, educate and motivate themselves to an even greater level of service.

The Zone Institute is like a district conference ... on steroids. Ours is held annually, somewhere in Zone 24 or 32 (they alternate) and its primary purpose is to train district governors, governors-elect, and governors-nominee. The Institute is vital to the training of a District Governor, and attracts top Rotarians internationally ... for instance, this year's institute included Rotary International President John Germ, Past RI Treasurer Michael Colasurdo, RI Foundation Trustee Bryn Styles, as well as our current RI Director, Dean Rohrs, to name just four among many. In fact, Dean was the Convenor of the Winnipeg Institute this Fall ... it's part of her responsibility as a Director. Many of the instructors and presenters are Past District Governors.

The Institute and Pre-Institute also train other district leaders, including trainers, membership chairs, etc.

Best wishes,

Brian

PDG Brian Thompson

Co-District Trainer (2016-17)

Assistant Regional Public Image Coordinator – Zone 24E (2016-18)

Secretary, Host Organizing Committee, 2018 RI Convention - Toronto

An update on the Toronto 2018 Rotary International Convention

From: Michele Guy & Michael Cooksey, Co-Chairs Toronto 2018 HOC



There are just under 20 months to go before the 2018 Convention in Toronto will be taking place at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre and the Air Canada Centre. During the course of the run up to 2018, which sometimes feels like a marathon and other times seems more like a 100 yard dash, we would like to keep you abreast of what preparations are taking place.

You may be aware that the journey to Toronto 2018 all began in 2010 when a bid proposal was submitted to Rotary International for Toronto to host the 2018 Rotary International Convention. In 2011 Toronto was selected as the site for 2018. Since being selected a lot of behind the scenes activities have been taking place.

There are 3 major stakeholders involved in the organizing of every Rotary Convention.

- The Rotary International Convention Staff based in Evanston (RI Staff)
- The Rotary International Convention Committee (ICC)
- The Rotary International Convention Host Committee (HOC)

Members of the RI Staff are responsible for the overall planning, logistics, planning and execution of a successful convention. Staff have already visited Toronto on several occasions and are well on their way to fulfilling their mandate. All major convention venues have been booked, blocks of hotel rooms have been set aside and Keynote Speakers as well as Major Entertainment Acts are being sought out.

The ICC is responsible for the direction of the convention and how it aligns with the vision of Rotary International and its President Elect. Under the guidance of Rotary International President Elect Ian Riseley the ICC has been nominated and have met in Toronto this past August. The Convention theme "There is a world of opportunity waiting for you at the Toronto Convention" and tagline "Inspiration around Every Corner" were developed at the August ICC meeting as well as the choice of Convention Logo.

The HOC is where we all come in. Being responsible for the House of Friendship, two major cultural or entertainment events, home hosting and hundreds of volunteer Ambassadors the HOC is an integral part of the convention. Over the past 18 months we have laid the foundation of the HOC with the appointment of some subcommittee chairs. We have also solicited the financial support of Districts 7010, 7040, 7070, 7080, 7090 and 6330 to help finance the HOC activities during the lead up to the convention.

The HOC website www.rotary2018.org has been launched and over the next few months we will be expanding the website to provide up to date information on Toronto 2018 and enable on line HOC volunteering.

Over the next 6 months we will be looking for the help of every Rotarian in each of the Supporting Districts by volunteering to be part of an HOC Subcommittee, to volunteer to be a Convention Ambassador and by registering for the convention as soon as registration opens up in June 2017.

Should you be planning to attend the 2017 Rotary International Convention in Atlanta we would like to have you as part of our promotion team. Perhaps you might wear a Toronto 2018 T Shirt, help out at the Toronto 2018 Registration

booth or invite everyone you meet to come to Toronto.

2018 will be the 5th time the Rotary Convention will be held in Toronto. That makes our city the location of the most Rotary conventions in the world after Chicago.

Let's all work together to make 2018 the best convention yet.

Michele Guy & Michael Cooksey
Co-Chairs Toronto 2018 HOC

ROTARY NIGHT AT THE WHITBY DUNLOPS HOCKEY GAME - NOVEMBER 19, 2016



From: Ian Young, Past President Rotary Club of Oshawa

ANOTHER NIGHT OF ROTARY FUN AND FELLOWSHIP IN DISTRICT 7070

It's **ROTARY DISTRICT 7070 NIGHT** on the 19th of November at the **Whitby Dunlop (of the Ontario Hockey Association Senior AAA Division) hockey game.**

Game time is 6:30 p.m.

Arena: Iroquois Park Iroquois Park Sports Centre; 500 Victoria St. W ; Whitby, ON L1N9G4 ;
905-668-7765

Whitby is located along Hwy-401, approx. 55 km east of Toronto.

From Hwy-401 Westbound: Hwy-401 to Brock St. (exit 410) in the town of Whitby (not Brock Road that is located in Pickering, a little west of Whitby). Exit ramp ends at Consumers Dr., so turn left on Consumers and proceed approx. 200 meters west to Brock Street. Turn left on Brock St. and proceed south approx. 0.75 km to Victoria Street. Turn right on Victoria St. and proceed west approx. 0.5 km to Henry Street. Turn right on Henry St. and proceed north approx. 150 meters to Iroquois Park entrance. Turn left into Iroquois Park and watch for arena on the right.

From Hwy-401 Eastbound: Hwy-401 east to Brock St. (exit 410). Turn left on Brock St. and proceed south approx. 0.3 km to Victoria Street. Turn right on Victoria St. and proceed west approx. 0.5 km to Henry Street. Turn right on Henry St. and proceed north approx. 150 meters to Iroquois Park entrance. Turn left into Iroquois Park and watch for arena on the right.

All Rotarians in District 7070 may purchase tickets at a very special rate of \$10 per ticket (33% discount) .

ALL children/grandchildren of Rotarians will be admitted free of charge.

Come on out about 5:30 pm for some Rotary Fun and fellowship in the bar overlooking the ice surface.

A great place to meet and greet old and new Rotarians and their families. This is an ideal place to meet all of the Rotarians from your neighbouring Rotary Clubs and enjoy a refreshment with them, before the game, during, or after the game.

District 7070 Exchange Students are also invited and welcome to attend.

The Rotary Club of Oshawa's exchange student, Club President Margaret Wallace and District Governor Jim Louttit will drop the puck for the ceremonial faceoff on the red carpet prior to the hockey game.

This event is open to all District 7070 Rotarians and guests..

A great opportunity for Rotarians from neighbouring Rotary Clubs to get together with friends and kids and enjoy Whitby Dunlops Hockey.

Prior to the Game, Ian Young will escort all interested Rotarian children / grandchildren into the Dunnies' dressing room at about 6 pm just prior to their warm up and they will also have a chance to "high five" the players on their way out to the hockey game.

The game usually ends about 8:30 pm

Here is a link to the Whitby Dunlops website <http://mlhwhitby.pointstreaksites.com/view/mlhwhitby/schedule-1191#2016-10-30&view=month>

If your Rotary Club would like to purchase some tickets and have some fun and fellowship with Rotarians in the Durham Region, please give him a call at 905-723-4287 or email him at gazeboian@gmail.com

Here is a P.S From Ian:

Just heard from District Governor Jim, and all is set up! Please note that should Rotarians not contact me, they should tell the ticket agent at the game that they're a Rotarian in order to get the discount.

Also, remember that children/grandchildren will be admitted free of charge AND (probably most importantly) the bar will be open at 5:30 p.m. for networking/fellowship.

If the your Rotary Club wants a table set up in the lobby to promote Rotary in the District prior to the game to answer fan questions or hand out pamphlets, please let me know as I'll have to make sure the Town staff set one up.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Many of you may know Ian Young, the owner and President of the Whitby Dunlops Hockey Club. Not only is Ian a current member and a past President of the Rotary Club of Oshawa, Ian was one of the best goal tenders in Canada.

A retired investment advisor, Ian has plenty of connections in the local sporting and business communities. And he knows a thing or two about hockey, too. Playing behind the likes of the legendary Bobby Orr, and Wayne Cashman, he led the Oshawa Generals to the Memorial Cup final in 1966 and seemed destined for NHL greatness himself before a Mickey Redmond slapshot left him all but blind in one eye.

He went on to coach with the Generals for several years, including with the 1990 Memorial Cup winning team, became entrenched in the community, and jumped at the opportunity to revive the Dunlops .

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;
 - Accompanies them to at least one make-up meeting;
 - 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)

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July 1st, 2016 to May 31st, 2017

SHELTERBOX News For

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ShelterBox has a team on the ground in Haiti following Hurricane Matthew, the most powerful storm to hit the country in generations.

The Category 4 hurricane tore through Haiti on Tuesday October 4, causing massive destruction to the country still recovering from the earthquake that struck in 2010. The death toll is nearing 1000 and it is estimated that **350,000 people are in need of assistance in Haiti alone.**

Even though the storm has passed in Haiti, the devastation and destruction is not yet over. Communities are experiencing flash-flooding and mudslides that continue to rip houses apart. Communications are still cut off to some remote areas, but officials have said that parts of the south of the country have suffered between 90-100% damage. The first cases of cholera have been confirmed, and medical facilities are overwhelmed by the amount of people wounded by the hurricane.



ShelterBox has aid stored in Haiti and Panama and a ShelterBox Response Team, including Canadian Andre Bloemink, is in Haiti and is working with local Rotary contacts to assess the extent of damage firsthand.

Our team in Haiti have found that there is a real need and desire for Haitians to help Haitians as best as they can. We believe that communities recover faster when they work together. This is why we don't just deliver emergency aid, but materials like ShelterKits that contain the tools people need to rebuild their lives and homes. We work with people to provide the exact tools they need, along with the training to help strengthen communities for the future.

We believe that no family should be without shelter, and our

teams will go to the ends of the earth to support communities who need it. **As a Rotary Project Partner, ShelterBox remains the best Rotary way to support the families affected by disaster around the world.** Rotary Clubs from coast to coast continue to make the work we do possible, 365 days a year.

ShelterBox is committed to the families affected by Hurricane Matthew in Haiti and throughout the region, and to other disasters around the world, but we can't do it alone. **We need your help.** Please donate online, by phone or by sending a cheque to our office (address and info below).

Thank you so much for your continued support of ShelterBox Canada, our work would not be possible without the dedication of Rotary Clubs across the country. Together with Rotary, we have ensured hundreds of thousands of families have shelter and supplies after disasters.

Sincerely,

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

HIP (Honoring Indigenous People): Highlights from the HIP Newsletter



HIP Website

Please look at our website (<http://www.rotaryhip.com/>) for regular updates. There are many links to other organizations and is a great "go-to" site. The Rotary HIP Facebook has been set up so "like us on Facebook". Pass it on to your Facebook friends. You can find the icon on our www.rotaryhip.com website. Pass on our news and activities to your friends and associates and get them involved.

Blog: There are a variety of news items that have been added recently. . Go to ([Rotary HIP - Blog](#)).

Photo Album : ([Rotary HIP - Photo Album - Rotary HIP](#)) : Several recent photos have been added

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 Dunaikis (julie@eccgroup.ca) and Janet McLeod (jmm@nexicom.net) to add to our list.

Reading: We have updated our reading list which can be found on our website [Rotary HIP - Reading](#)

Links ([Rotary HIP – Links](#)) : We have added a new links

Rotary News

On October 21, 2016, The Rotary Club of Toronto hosted a sold out luncheon with guest speaker, The Right Honourable Paul Martin. Mr. Martin spoke on Indigenous education, its importance, what it looks like and what we can do about it.



Carolyn Purden, Steve Smith, Susan Hunter, Rt. Hon. Paul Martin, Chris Snyder and John Andras
Rotary Club of Toronto Luncheon Oct. 21st

We were also honoured by the presence of The Honourable Bob Rae and his wife Arlene, The Honourable William Graham and the The Honourable Carolyn Bennett, Minister of Indigenous and Northern Affairs.

There were members of the Rangers present along with the Prince's Charities and some of their guests. One area Mr. Martin wants to focus on is early childhood education. We will shortly be discussing this with Mr. Martin and the Imagination Library - see link for detailed information ([Canada | Dolly Parton's Imagination Library](#)) . This program, which provides a book/month to a child 0-5 years is a great club project. HIP, OISE and the Native Child and Family Services of Toronto recently partnered to provide books to 200 children in the GTA.

The Rotary Club of Oakville Trafalgar recently awarded their first

Rotary Indigenous Scholarship (\$7,000/year) to an Indigenous Studies student. You can read the full details about the scholarship on our blog. The Club is looking for partner clubs so if you are interested, please contact Claire Conway (clairelouisconway@gmail.com).

The Rotary Club of Toronto Eglinton, through the Robert McLure Bursary program, has awarded four bursaries of \$2,500 each to First Nations students in the Health Science Program at Ryerson.

Ten members of The Rotary Club of Toronto recently visited the Mohawk Institute in Brantford. This institute was the first residential school in Canada and closed in 1970. It is being preserved to remind us of this sad part of our history. The Rotary Club of Brantford Sunrise has been active in its preservation. District 7080 is taking people there in early November. If interested, please contact Ingrid Sproxton (isproxto@hotmail.ca). You may wish to organize your own visit there or to a reserve or friendship centre close to you. The Woodland Cultural Centre organizes tours of the residential school on a regular basis - see link for further information ([Woodland Cultural Centre Tours and Workshops | Woodland Cultural Centre](#)).

If your club is or has held an event or been involved in an event or project, please email Julie Dunaikis (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 HIP representative speak at an upcoming meeting? If so, please contact Julie Dunaikis (julie@eccgroup.ca) with available dates and we will co-ordinate for you.

News & Events

New Appointments-HIP Director and District 7080 & 7070 Co-ordinators

We are delighted to advise that Dr. Suzanne Stewart has joined our HIP Board. Suzanne, a member of the Yellowknife Dene First Nation, avoided residential schools by being sent to Edmonton to live with relatives. In her late teens, she found herself on the street. By age 25, she had had enough, went back to school and earned a PHD. She is now a psychologist and Associate Professor of Indigenous healing in Counselling at OISE/University of Toronto, Special Advisor to the Dean on Aboriginal Education and Coordinator of the Indigenous Education Initiative. Suzanne is a powerful speaker and addressed the District 7070 Conference in 2015 and the Rotary Club of Toronto on National Aboriginal Day in June. Suzanne's knowledge of both reserves in the west and urban aboriginal culture combined with her education will be a great addition.

Irene Sproxton isproxto@hotmail.ca, member of the Rotary Club of Orangeville, is the new District Co-ordinator for 7080. Ingrid is passionate about First Nations issues and has lead the district Dart Program for the past few years.

Tom Sears tsears@sympatico.ca is the District 7070 Co-ordinator. Tom co-ordinated youth exchange programs for many years and is a veteran of many sweat equity trips to the developing world. Tom has visited fly-in communities in Northern Ontario and this summer had an eye-opening trip to Nunavut.

They will be working with clubs to find champions, meet with the local Indigenous communities and develop interest and projects. Please contact them or the HIP director in your district - Lisa Farano and Janet McLeod (District 7010), Fred Lawlor (District 7080), Penina Lam (District 7040), Kevin Webb (District 6330), John Andras and Chris Snyder (District 7070) or any of the Indigenous directors - see link ([Rotary HIP - Board](#)).

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.

HIP Membership: The HIP membership continues to grow. New members are always welcome. Check our website ([Rotary HIP - Friends and Supporters](#)) to see who is registered. Is your name listed? You can join today by selecting

([Rotary HIP - Become a Member](#)) on the HIP website. It is never too late!

Charitable donations can now be accepted online through our website ([Rotary HIP - Make a Donation](#)) 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.

Message from HIP Chair, Chris Snyder

The tragic story of Chanie Wenjack has been in the news of late largely because of the graphic novel *The Secret Path* written by Gord Downie and Jeff Lemire. It is based on a story that appeared in MacLean's magazine in 1967 ([Rotary HIP - Blog](#)). This story, novel and video trace Chanie leaving a residential school and trying to return home along the railroad tracks.

Hopefully this story will help to raise awareness of the horrible treatment of some Indigenous children to the point of taking action. If you want to see this video, go to www.cbc.ca or click on the link ([Watch now: Gord Downie's The Secret Path - Secret Path](#)). I would encourage you though to read the story first.

Sincerely, **Chris Snyder** Chair, HIP snyder@eccgroup.ca 416-364-0181 Ext. 2501

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 July 1, 2016, there are 1,207,913 Rotarians in 35,399 Rotary Clubs in the world. And, As of May 31, 2016, there are 216,062 Rotaract members in 9,394 Rotaract Clubs in the world and there are 465,474 Interact members in 20,238 Interact Clubs in the world.



World Toilet Day -19 Nov 2016

The United Nations estimates that 2.4 billion people do not have adequate sanitation. 1 billion of these people still defecate in the open. Poor sanitation increases the risk of disease and malnutrition, especially for women and children.

This year, World Toilet Day is focusing on the link between sanitation and nutrition. Lack of access to clean drinking water and sanitation, along with the absence of good hygiene practices are among the underlying causes of poor nutrition.

Water and Sanitation - WASRAG's raison d'être. In our early years the focus was often on water. Now however we've come to realize that sanitation is just as important, maybe even more so.

Such a basic human need - everyone visits the toilet several times a day. Yet, the impact of inadequate (or no)

sanitation, especially on women, is devastating. One in three women worldwide risk shame, disease, harassment and even attack because they have nowhere safe to go to the toilet. Some 526 million women have no choice but to go to the toilet in the open. Women and girls living without any toilets spend approximately 97 billion hours each year "finding a place to go".

This has to be an irresistible challenge for Rotarians! The very first Rotary public service project instituted in Chicago in 1907 was the construction of public toilets (often coyly referred to as "comfort stations" in those days!).

Help spread the word! There are some great resources to help you at [World Toilet Day](#). Is your club interested in getting involved in a sanitation project? Go to www.wasrag.org and click on "projects". There are several WinS (WASH in Schools) projects listed that are in critical need of support.

Please spread the word about sanitation on World Toilet Day. You may have seen it before, but WASRAG Board Member Mark Balla's fantastic TED Talk is a great way of introducing the topic and would make a great club meeting presentation:

[Toilet Humor is Serious Business](#)

WASH in Ghana

The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) has pledged \$16.7 million and Rotary International \$2 million towards improving water, sanitation and hygiene to Ghana's most vulnerable communities. An estimated 85% of the population lack access to proper sanitation facilities. The same partnership from 2009-2013 improved WASH facilities for over 46,000 people. ([Read More . . .](#))

WASH in 2,222 Schools in India

UNICEF has joined with Rotary International to implement the Swachh Vidyalaya Initiative in Kerala, India. This year the goal is to implement 2,222 Sanitary Units in Kerala schools. Each unit consists of safe drinking water facilities, separate toilets for boys and girls, and a hand washing area for 15 students at a time. The taps are different colors and made from different materials to encourage washing before and after eating. Last year over 1,000 sanitation units were installed in the Kerala. ([... Read More](#))

Seawater into Drinking Water

Pervaporation is not a new process to desalinate water. However, the membrane for filtering the water has been expensive and complicated to manufacture. Now researchers have made a breakthrough using a fiber derived from wood pulp that is cheap and easy to make. Better still, it doesn't rely on electricity, making it a promising breakthrough for developing countries. ([... Read More](#))

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](#)

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 wasrag.org website, please remember to include the name of your Rotary club and District number. Contact us at info@wasrag.org if you need help with your posting. We have writers ready to help tell your story!

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: info@wasrag.org 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: 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 themselves 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.LixNq61k.dpuf>

REMINDER: Rotary Leadership Institute for 2015-16

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 THIS YEAR IN OSHAWA

OR 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 SINCE JULY 1, 2015: OUR ROTARY DISTRICT 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.

Courses for 2016-17:

Part I and Part II and Part III will be held on November 12, 2016 at The Oshawa Golf Club, 160 Alexandra Street, Oshawa, Ontario (8:30 am to 4:00 pm) REGISTER NOW

Part I and Part II and Part III will be held on April 22, 2017 at Seneca College (Finch Campus), Toronto, Ontario (8:30 am to 4:00 pm)

Registrations are NOW being accepted for the remaining two sessions 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 Clubs have held sessions. A few Clubs have held two or three sessions, 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.

The Process

The facilitation concept we use was developed by Rotarians for Rotarians. Today, it is being used by over 100 Rotary districts around the world. It starts with the Club setting a date for holding a session. A session takes about three hours, so sessions are typically held either in an evening or on a Saturday morning.

A couple of weeks prior to the date, members of the Club are invited to answer a questionnaire how they currently feel about their Club. This questionnaire is on SurveyMonkey and takes about 10-15 minutes to fill out. It is also possible to leave comments to the questions.

At the actual visioning session, the participants are told to place themselves five years ahead. In a workbook, that the facilitation team provides, the members are asked to state what the Club has done by then. In short, members talk about what the Club has done, not what it should do. There are no right or wrong answers for the workbook, which covers all aspects of a Rotary Club. Instead, at this stage members are encouraged to think boldly.

All statements from the participants' workbooks are put on flip charts. A Club session usually generates 30 – 40 sheets. These are then placed on the walls. The participants will have a two-step voting activity. For the second round of voting, the least popular statements in round one are eliminated, giving the participants fewer alternatives to choose from.

As a result of the voting session, a handful of statements from each category will stand out. They will form the basis for developing the Club's Action Plan – the most important part of the visioning process.

It is the Club's responsibility to develop the Action Plan. However, the District, and the Club's Assistant Governor in particular, would be happy to assist. The resources and experience in this field vary from Club to Club. Some are very familiar with these steps; others benefit from assistance from the District's facilitation team.

Our experience is that Clubs find it very useful to hold a visioning session. The format we use in the District seems to work very well. Probably because it was developed by Rotarians, to Rotarians. It is also fairly easy to administer and we have found that most participants really enjoy the session. Planning the future of the Club becomes a fun fellowship event.

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 The Four-Way Test

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

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.

If you have any questions, please contact any member of the District Clubrunner Committee.

Is your business missing out on an 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.

REMINDER - Your Invitation from PDG Doug Vincent to participate in the Rotary Day at the United Nations on Nov 11-12, 2016

Greetings Rotarians and Friends:

Once again, I am pleased to invite you to participate in our Rotary-**United Nations Day in New York City on Saturday, November 12, 2016**. In addition, on **Friday, November 11, Canadians can participate in a special Canada Session**, hosted by the Canadian UN Ambassador.

The Saturday meeting starts at 8am (registration) at UN Headquarters and will include presentations and panel discussions addressing key humanitarian issues of concern to both the UN and Rotary. Enjoy featured presentations from senior UN staff, affiliated NGO's and Rotary leaders, with panel discussions on our mutual goal of achieving peace. RI President John Germ will participate.

A separate Young Leaders program is planned and available only to Ambassadorial & Peace Scholars, Rotaract

Club Members and select Interact Club members. Be sure to encourage these individuals who may have an interest in global affairs. Note: The regular Youth Program is a separate registration at: riunday.org/registration.

Rotarians and Young Leaders can register at RotaryUNDay2016.eventbrite.com. I suggest you do this asap, since numbers are limited. Cost is: Rotarian US\$65 and Youth US\$50, including a box lunch. Note: UN tours are not available on Saturday, so those interested in this should do so on Friday morning [To reserve a guided tour Click Here](#)

For the **Canada Session on Friday**, please email me your complete name/address to: DougV@DougVincent.com by October 25, 2016. This is a separate registration from Saturday, which requires security clearances. If space allows, non-Canadian guests are welcome.

As usual, a **Saturday evening dinner** (cruise) November 11 is being planned. All Rotarians, UN Colleagues and friends from around the world are welcome to join us. Please email me if interested at DougV@DougVincent.com so I can send you the final details and pricing.

Accommodation is expensive in NYC . There are more economical hotels across the river about 30 minute bus ride away. Many stay at the Quality Inn or Marriott Hotel in, Lyndhurst, NJ and save over \$100. per night. Or if flying, the Comfort Inn in Queens is a convenient-to-subway location.

Join Rotary friends at the United Nations, meet our Canadian UN Ambassador and celebrate Rotary's role in the development of the UN back in 1945. It will be an exciting experience. Rotarians, family members and friends are all welcome.

Hoping you are having a wonderful summer.
With best regards,

Doug V

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Rotary Day at the United Nations is our annual event highlighting the critical humanitarian activities that Rotary and the UN lead around the world.

Organized by the [Rotary representatives](#) to the UN in New York and attended by more than 1,500 Rotarians, Rotary youth program participants, UN officials, representatives of humanitarian organizations, friends, and guests, this event showcases the many ways that clubs and districts can make a positive impact in their communities while addressing some of the most pressing international challenges.

RESPONSIBLE BUSINESS, RESILIENT SOCIETIES

In keeping with Rotary President John F. Germ's theme, Rotary Serving Humanity, and with the UN's Sustainable Development Goals, this year's Rotary Day at the United Nations focuses on how Rotary and the business world can work together to improve lives.

Responsible Business, Resilient Societies, this year's UN Day theme, centers on economic and community development. We'll address ways that Rotary, in partnership with the business sector, nonprofits, and the international community, is promoting stable and peaceful societies through equitable economic development.

HOW TO REGISTER

Registration information will be available in August. To learn more, visit [Rotary Day at the UN](#).

ROTARY RESPONSIBLE BUSINESS AWARD

The Rotary Responsible Business Award recognizes extraordinary Rotary members and business partners who have improved communities by providing employment opportunities, job training, mentoring, and innovation. District governors nominated Rotarians, Rotaractors, Rotary Peace Fellows, and business partners whose efforts in the community have had a measurable impact. Award winners will be announced in September.

For questions about the award, contact responsiblebusiness@rotary.org. And be sure to see the letter from past District Governor Doug Vincemt at the end of this newsletter for even more details.

RESOURCES & REFERENCE

- Watch a video from [UN Day 2015](#)
- Meet [Rotary's Global Women of Action](#)
- Discover Rotary's [history with the UN](#)
- Learn more about the [UN Sustainable Development Goals](#)

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

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 come to your club, they check out your website.



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