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**IMPORTANT DATES**

**June 23—27, 2018 —Rotary Toronto Convention**

**April 30, 2018**—Last day to cancel for a refund (less a \$50 service fee)

**USEFUL LINKS**

**Registration**—<http://riconvention.org/en/toronto>

**Hotel Reservations**—<http://registration.experientevent.com/showROT181>

**Host Organizing Committee & Events**—<http://rotary2018.org>

**Rotary Convention Facebook Page**—[www.facebook.com/events/438387189858705](http://www.facebook.com/events/438387189858705)

**Convention Program Highlights**— <http://www.riconvention.org/en/toronto/program>

**TRAVEL TIP**

**Credit cards**—VISA and Mastercard are accepted at most restaurants, hotels and entertainment venues. You will be charged in CAN\$ and the bank will convert the charge to US\$ on your bill. Most cards charge a transaction fee when they convert bills from a foreign currency to US\$. However, there are many credit cards that have “no transaction fees” as a benefit of the card. Check with your credit card company to see if they offer this benefit. It will help you avoid surprises when you get your bill.

Join Rotarians from all over the world for **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

- \* Polish your leadership skills
- \* Find new projects or fundraising ideas
- \* Get inspired by ways to grow your membership
- \* Learn about teamwork, innovation and change management
- \* Explore flexibility options like E-Clubs or meeting schedules
  - \* Learn how to tell your story in person or online
  - \* Participate in conversations about the End of Polio

Go to <http://www.riconvention.org/en/toronto/breakout-sessions> and download the current schedule of Breakouts.

Seating for all sessions is first-come, first served. Some popular sessions will fill up. In May, check the Final Schedule online, note the time and room number of the Breakouts that interest you and **get to the room early.**

**LOOKING FOR A REASONABLY PRICED HOTEL ROOM???**

There are only a few rooms left in the Rotary allocation; however, there are rooms available along the GO Train route west of the city. The train is an easy way to get the Convention venues.



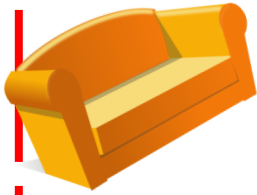
More info at <https://wethe4.com/2018/03/16/where-can-you-still-find-a-room-for-the-2018-ri-convention-in-toronto-at-a-reasonable-rate/>

**Toronto Fun Facts**

- **Toronto is Canada’s largest city with 2.6 million people.**
- **It was founded by British colonists in 1793 as the Town of York, and became the City of Toronto in 1834.**
- **Toronto is very diverse—49% of the residents identify themselves as a “visible minority.”**
- **July 1st is Canada Day with celebrations throughout the country. The biggest event is on Parliament Hill in Ottawa . . . About a 5 hour drive or one hour flight from Toronto. Stay for the FUN!**

## TALK CANADIAN (eh?)

**It's June in Toronto and you won't need to bring your **tuque****



**But after walking the streets of Toronto, you might want to find a nice, comfortable **Chesterfield** for a sit**

## **HOUSE OF FRIENDSHIP**

Be sure to spend time in the House of Friendship where you will find a variety of local vendors, Rotary-licensed merchandise, the Rotary Resource Center, booths showcasing Rotary Fellowships & projects, food, entertainment, and registration for the 2019 Hamburg Convention

The HOF opens at 9 am  
on Saturday, 6/22



### **Calling all PDG's for "An Evening with the RI Presidents"**

The Fellowship of **Rotarian** PDG's invites all PDG's for dinner and fellowship with the RI Past Presidents



**Don't miss this unique opportunity to dine with YOUR RI PRESIDENT, governor classmates and Rotary leaders from around the world.**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 22 at the Westin Harbour Castle Hotel**

**6pm Cocktails & Fellowship. 7-9:30 pm Dinner**

**\$75 (Seating is limited) - Register at <http://www.pdgsfellowship.org/>**



## **Need a hockey jersey for the Zones 28\_29 *Power Play Party***

Rotarian **Kyle Sabot**, President of D-5950 Rotary Club of Rogers, MN, will send you your own *unique* Rotary jersey **for only \$85!**



That's right . . . You specify **YOUR** name, **YOUR** Zone or **YOUR** favorite 2-digit number for the back of YOUR personal Rotary jersey. Go to <https://www.rogersprintpromo.com/product/rotary-hockey-jersey/>

and **ORDER NOW!** Don't wait . . . May 15th deadline!



If you are not yet registered for the **BEST PARTY OF THE YEAR**, go to [www.rotaryzone2829party.com](http://www.rotaryzone2829party.com) and sign up **TODAY!** Don't let this event sell-out without **YOU!**