



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

District Governor Shelby Rhodes Weekly Newsletter September 13, 2021



Happy Monday Rotarians!

Can I ask a favor? It will only take one minute of your time. Seriously one minute. We need to get 100 people to “Follow” our District YouTube channel so we can have enhanced features. How do you do it? Simple: First, [CLICK HERE](#). Then, simply click the red “SUBSCRIBE” link. Takes one minute and will help your Rotary District improve video programming delivery. In advance, thank you!

Now, onto our weekly news:

CALLING ALL PAST PRESIDENTS!

Nominations are open for Rotary International District 7475 Governor for 2024-25 Rotary Year. PDG John Wilson of the Newark RC hosted a Lunch & Learn in July to go over the nominations process, Governor qualifications and had a panel of PDGs offer wisdom and insight. You can watch this video [HERE](#). Nominations, which be submitted by Clubs after a vote of the members, are due on Thursday, September 30. Please send nominations to PDG John at jbwilsonrotary@gmail.com who is also available to answer any questions.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE:

Congratulations to these Rotary Clubs for inducting new members in August:

Madison – 4
Morristown – 3
Somerville-Bridgewater – 3
Livingston - 2
Branchville – 2
Skylands – 2
Westfield – 2
Roxbury – 1
Randolph – 1
Branchburg – 1
Florham Park – 1
Nutley – 1
Old Bridge-Sayreville – 1
Somerset Hills – 1
Pequannock Valley – 1
Union – 1
Watchung-Warren -1

Growing our membership remains a focus of my year as your District Governor. I’m working alongside District Membership Chair PDG Barry Kroll, Governor’s Aide Marc Lebowitz and PDG Ray Freaney (our RI Zone membership guru) to develop tools and provide ongoing training opportunities to keep our membership growing. One example of that is our monthly Membership Lunch & Learns. Here’s the details for this month:

Friday, September 24 at 12 noon – Lunch & Learn: Membership - How to start a new Rotary Club, researching and creating cause-based Rotary Clubs and creating satellite Rotary Clubs will be discussed in detail during this online session. Presidents and Memberships Chairs are strongly encouraged to attend, but all Rotarians are welcome. Advance Registration Required. Sign-up [HERE](#) to attend this Zoom event.

Remember: Every Rotarian in our District is tasked with Membership. RI President Shaker says “Each one, Bring one” so let’s all bring a new prospective member to our next Club service project, fundraiser or social event. Show them what Rotary does, rather than tell them. I bet you can get more new members by showing rather than telling.

I only know two types of people on this planet: Rotarians and prospective Rotarians. Adopt this philosophy and your Club ranks will grow in membership and engagement.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL MOMENT:

What’s a Major Donor & Arch Klumph Society Member?

Major Donor – The Rotary Foundation recognizes individuals or couples whose combined giving reaches \$10,000, regardless of the gift designation. This recognition level can be achieved only through personal contributions. Since the Major Donor recognition began there have been more than 30,000 Major Donors.

Arch Klumph Society – Donors whose cumulative gifts total \$250,000 or more are recognized as Arch Klumph Society members. Recognition includes an induction ceremony with the donor’s picture and biography in the Arch Klumph Society interactive gallery at the Rotary International headquarters in Evanston, Illinois. Since the society’s creation in 2004, there have been over 700 Arch Klumph Society members.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, September 16 at 12 noon – Narcan Training – Narcan is a drug used to treat opioid overdoses and, in this session, attendees will learn how to administer the drug. Joe Rivera of PIK (Prevent is Key) will lead this Zoom-based virtual training session. Narcan kits will be available by mail or safe-distance delivery for those who complete this online training. Supplies are limited to 1 per person for the first 75 attendees. Advance registration required. Sign-up online [HERE](#). This event is proudly brought to you by the Community Connection Initiative of Rotary International District 7475.

Monday, September 20 at 7 pm - Member Orientation Program - For both NEW and EXISTING members. Learn about how Rotary works locally and around the world. Presenters are District Governor Shelby Rhodes, DGE John Shockley, DGN Sam Maddali and PDG Barry Kroll, District Membership Chair. Advance Registration Required. Sign-up [HERE](#) to attend this Zoom event.



Sunday, September 26 at 1 pm – International Peace Day Celebration –People worldwide have engaged in the International Day of Peace in diverse and meaningful ways. 2021 Peace Day celebration will include: meditation and Interfaith prayers; planting trees; musical presentations; feasts for peace (food from different countries); peace walks and flag ceremonies and engaging youth ambassadors in peace-building activities. This event is open to all Rotarians and guests. For more information [CLICK HERE](#) or contact PDG Tusli Maharjan by email at trmaharjan@gmail.com.

Tuesday, September 28 at 6:15 pm – District Leadership Meeting – This meeting will be held in person at the Park Avenue Club in Florham Park. It’s \$20 per person which includes dinner. District Leadership and Club Presidents are welcome to register [HERE](#). Advance registration required and the deadline to register is Tuesday, September 27. No late registrations will be accepted.

Wednesday, September 29 at 7 pm - District Public Image Committee Huddle - At this session, you’ll brainstorm what’s working and what’s not, and what your needs are for Public Image. It will be held online via Zoom. This session is open to all Rotarians, but is targeted to Club Presidents, Public Image Chairs and Webmaster. Advance registration required. Please sign-up [HERE](#). (THIS IS A NEW DATE.)

Friday, October 1 at 12 noon – Lunch & Learn: The Rotary Foundation – Our Lunch & Learn series continues with PDG Mike Hart (our Rotary District Foundation Chair) leads this online information session. We'll cover Polio/Covid Update, Global Scholar Australia, Peace Scholar and present 2021-22 Foundation Awards. Club Presidents and Foundation Chairs are strongly encouraged to attend this event which is open to all Rotarians. Advance registration required. Please sign-up [HERE](#).

FORE! – END HUNGER 3.6 GOLF OUTING



Monday, October 11 (Columbus Day) – End Hunger 3.6 Golf Outing – End Hunger 3.6 aims to provide meals to food insecure New Jersey residents. This charity event, to be held at Berkshire Valley Golf Course in Oak Ridge, will feature a dinner, contests, prizes, silent auction and a 50/50. You can bet it will be a fun day supporting a worthy cause. This outing is open to all Rotarians who are welcomed to bring family, friends, colleagues, and customers to enjoy a day on the greens. Advance registration required. Please sign-up [HERE](#).



SAVE THE DATE! - Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (aka "RYLA") – Jun 10, 11, 12, 2022 to be held at Drew University – Registration starts January 1, 2022.

CLUB NEWS:

I am pleased to share with you the news we have collected over the past two weeks from our Clubs. [CLICK HERE](#) to access this article on the District website. How does your Club get included next week? Simply email your news to Rotary7475news@gmail.com.

That's all for this week.

Be well + stay safe as we Serve to Change Lives together!