

## **Rotary Leadership Institute – April 20, 2019**

### **The Mission:**

The mission of The Rotary Leadership Institute is to provide an educational opportunity for Rotarians identified as potential leaders by their club presidents. Each club president is asked annually to nominate club members as potential club leaders (not necessarily future presidents) in the years ahead. Courses will be given for the nominees to foster Rotary knowledge and leadership skills. It is hoped that these courses will also motivate the participants to be enthusiastic, creative and dedicated Rotarians. All Rotarians interested in learning more about Rotary are also encouraged to attend.

Those attending the three course days for their full duration will receive recognition of completion. Course methods will reflect the most innovative and participatory methods possible. Methods will include discussion groups, role-playing, problem solving workshops, group planning exercises, etc. Lectures are limited.

### **The Courses:**

The Institute offers a leadership development program in three full day sessions (Parts I, II and III), plus a Graduate level course for those who have completed all three of the previous parts. The courses are designed to provide Rotary knowledge and to develop leadership skills for voluntary organizations. Some examples of course sessions include Membership Development; The Rotary Foundation; Problem Solving Workshops; Effective Leadership; and many more.

### **When and where are the courses held?**

Courses are held at various locations throughout the year to accommodate the Rotary clubs in the member districts. All courses start with registration at 7:30 a.m. Classes are from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. – breakfast, lunch and a coffee break are included.

Our district has hosted courses locally over the years, including the 2012 Summer when Rotarians from throughout the District attended the Part 1 training. Additional courses are offered in New Jersey at various locations in the Spring, Summer and Fall each year. Information about these courses and a current schedule can be found at [www.rlinea.com](http://www.rlinea.com).

## **What teaching methods are used?**

The Institute believes in course sessions with as much discussion and participation as possible. Lectures are limited. Everyone participates during sessions. A course workbook containing an Institute Manual, session program agendas, faculty biographies and course outlines and materials, is provided to each attendee.

## **Who are the faculty?**

Faculty for the institute are drawn from all areas of the member districts and from outside the member districts. Many are present and past RI directors, present and past district governors, successful past presidents and those with experience in special areas. Our own District Governor Hal is a faculty member. Each new faculty member must attend an initial full day training program and various reorientation programs periodically. The results of evaluations help the Institute to improve the course content and instruction.

## **Why do we need a Leadership Institute?**

Rotary needs a constant influx of leadership as club officers, etc. since they change every year. It is difficult at the club level to learn enough about the exciting world of Rotary with its 1.2 million members throughout the world. Furthermore, leadership skills in voluntary organizations are often different from business leadership skills. It is important that club leaders have every opportunity for education because the success or failure of our clubs depends in large part on the quality of their leaders.

## **What are the costs?**

The current courses fees in our district are \$95 per registrant per day. In addition to meals and materials given to participants, fees also pay for meeting space, audio-visual equipment and promotional costs. The Institute recommends that clubs pay for their participants.

## **Should our Club participate?**

If your club cares about its future, it will want the best leadership possible. This is an outstanding opportunity for each club to improve the Rotary knowledge of its key people and to be exposed to new ideas of leadership. The exchange of ideas with other experienced Rotarians alone makes the courses worthwhile.

## **How do I register?**

Visit RLI page at [www.rlinea.com](http://www.rlinea.com) – go to West Orange – April 20<sup>th</sup> on the right, click more information to register.