

## ROTARY DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2023 – YANKTON, SD

September 28-30

### Thursday, September 28

#### Hillcrest Golf & Country Club, Archery Center, & Mead/Territorial Event Museum

1:00 Early Bird Registration *Hillcrest Golf & Country Club* Located at 2206 Mulberry Street, Yankton, SD

2:00 **District Leadership Meeting (*Hillcrest Golf & Country Club*)**

3:00 Break

4:30 - 6:30 pm - Welcome to Yankton, SD, and the National Field Archery Association (NFAA)! Free Archery Lessons for all Rotarians is available at the Easton NFAA Archery Center. Yankton is the U.S. Archery Capitol and home of the largest Archery Range in the United States.

6:30 **Mead Museum, Cultural and Education Center Tour, Evening Presentation & Dinner (*Dakota Territorial Museum*)** Our keynote speaker will be Bernie Hunoff, Editor and founder of South Dakota Magazine and 2020 Inductee into the South Dakota Hall of Fame. Bernie has written and co-authored 4 books on South Dakota and served in the State Legislature from 1993-1998 and again from 2009-2016. Bernie will be providing an evening of stories, travel tips, and history lessons of the Dakota Territory.

### Friday, September 29

#### Hillcrest Golf & Country Club

7:00 Registration opens

8:00 **General Assembly A - Conference Opening Session**

- 'Create Hope in the World' Rotary Video – RI President Gordon McInally
- Celebration Welcome & Introduction of special guests – RICH BURNS (5 mins)
- Introduction of the MC: MIKE VILLANUEVA (5 mins)
- Presentation of the U.S. FLAG – American Legion (5 mins)
- Welcome to Yankton. Mayor MIKE VILLANUEVA (3 mins)
- Rotary Song Leader JIM NYBERG (5 mins)
- Greetings from the **Rotary Club of Yankton** – JAMISON ROUNDS (5 mins)
- Club & District Administration assistance LINDA LIDDELL (5 mins)
- Opening Session 1 - Jason Browne - How We Create Hope in the World (20 mins)
- Morning breakout sessions Teasers & information: Breakout leaders (1-2 minutes each)

9:00 Intermission/Networking

9:15 **Roundtable Presentations #1** (*general assembly room*)

- **Wheelchair - Hope Haven and Rotary Club of Sioux Falls West (9:15-9:40)**

- **Education and Literacy - Rotary Club of Downtown Sioux Falls (9:40-10:05)**

- **Polio in Our District and in Our World (10:05-10:30)**

10:30 Intermission/Networking

10:45 **Roundtable Presentations #2** (*general assembly room*)

- **Ending Human Trafficking (10:45—11:10)**

- **Erasing the Stigma of Mental health (11:10-11:35)**

- **School of St. Jude - Pat Sutliff, St Jude School Ambassador (11:35-12:00)**

12:00 Intermission/Networking

12:15 **General Session B: Rotary Assembly Luncheon**

- 'Rotary Video Introduction' YouTube introduction video (1 mins) Pat Merryweather-Arges

- Rotary Song Leader Jim Nyberg (5 mins)

- Greetings from the Rotary Club of Yankton president – Mike Villanueva (5 mins)

- 4-Way Test Program & Winners. PAT SUTLIFF (10 mins)

- Giving Back by Paying Forward EHT Global Grant Presentation Makiko Nakasone (20 mins)

- Afternoon breakout sessions information & directions. Daisy Kamback and Linda Stephson (5 mins)

- 'Ways We Build Rotary' – JASON BROWNE

1:30 Intermission/Networking/Friendship Hall

2:00 Special Yankton Tour (2:00-4:00)

2:00 **Roundtable Presentations #3** (*general assembly room*)

- **Membership in Your Rotary Club (2:00-2:25)**

- **Foundation & Rotary Grants (2:25-2:50)**

- **Public Image and Public Awareness (2:50-3:15)**

3:15 Intermission/Networking

3:30 **Roundtable Presentations #4** (*general assembly room*)

- **Rotaract - Rotary Club of Downtown Sioux Falls (3:30-3:55)**

- **RYLA program & future (3:55-4:20)**

- **Youth Exchange (4:20-4:45)**

5:00 Social Hour/Networking\Friendship Hall

**6:00 Banquet Dinner Served**

**6:30 General Session C:** Rotary Assembly

- Rotary International President Gordon McNally Create Hope in the World (1 mins)

- Rotary Song Leader Jim Nyberg (5 mins)

- Rotarians of Distinction. Bruce Nearhood (20 mins)

- Roger Kozak Award – Rich Burns (5 mins)

**7:30 Conference Keynote Presentation – David Forward**

**8:30 Band and Dance**

**10:00 Conference Day Concludes**

### **Saturday, September 30**

**7:30 Polio Plus 1 Mile Fun Walk - Riverside Park Across the Historic Meridian Bridge and Return**

**Hillcrest Golf & Country Club**

8:30 Registration opens

9:00 **General Session D:** Announcements & Memorial

- Rotary Inspirational Video – YouTube (1 mins)

- Rotary Song Leader Jim Nyberg (5 mins)

- Memorial Presentation. VIVIAN ADAMS (15 mins)

- **The World of Rotary Presentations**

- 2024 International Conference WENDY FRANSEN (5 mins)

10:15 Intermission/Networking

10:30 **Roundtable Presentations #5** (*general assembly room*)

**- GSE Team From Australia Meet and Greet (10:30-10:50)**

**- RYLA testimonials - RYLA student attendees (10:50-11:10)**

**-School of St Jude Testimonials (11:10-11:30)**

**- Friendship Exchange Denmark and India (11:30-11:50)**

11:50 Intermission/Networking

**12:00 General Session E: Business & Rotary Speakers**

- District Membership Awards CARMEN HANSEN (5-10 mins)
- District Foundation Awards John Schneider (5-10 mins)
- Recognition of Conference Planning Committee members Rich Burns (5-10 mins)
- District Assembly Business items. JOHN SCHNEIDER (15 mins)
- 2024 District Conference promotion Bruce Nearhood (5 mins)
- Rotary Song Leader - "Let There Be Peace on Earth" Jim Nyberg (5 mins)
- Closing Celebration comments, Adjournment Rich Burns

**1:15 Adjournment & Box Lunch (eat in, or take out)**

Conference Locations:

**HILLCREST GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB**

2216 Mulberry St

Yankton, SD 57078

605-665-4621

**NFAA EASTERN YANKTON ARCHERY CENTER**

800 Archery Lane

Yankton, SD 57078

605-260-9282

**MEAD/DAKOTA TERRITORIAL MUSEUM**

82 Mickelson Drive

Yankton, SD 57078

605-665-3898