



Information Fact Sheet for District 5610, Zone 27 of Rotary International

The chief officer of a Rotary district is called the **District Governor**, and each of these 539 governors world-wide is considered an officer of the international organization. Typically, a district consists of about 45 Rotary clubs, or membership approximately 1500-2000. The governors serve one year, providing leadership and guidance to help clubs strengthen the programs of Rotary within the district. A **District Leadership Plan** allows for the appointment of assistant governors to help with this task. Within District 5610, we have ten assistant governors. The areas are geographically distributed so that the assistant governors can maintain frequent contact with their clubs without having to commit extensive traveling time. Assistant Governors serve as resource persons for their clubs as well as the liaison to the district. Specific contact information about the Assistant Governors may be located in the Leadership section.

Our District 5610 belongs to Zone 27 until 2019 when we will be merged with District 29. Additional training is offered at various locations for district governors as nominee and elect, each year. Additional training is offered to Foundation, Membership, Public Image and Emerging District Leaders. The zone website is found at <http://rizoness21-27.org>

Annually, the governor convenes a **District Conference**, lasting three days, to further Rotary's program within the district. The conference provides a venue for fellowship, for exchange of information and ideas, celebration, and for opportunities to help shape the direction and activities within our District. The conference can also legislate on matters of concern to the district and may consider special matters submitted to it by the RI Board. It is empowered to propose legislation for consideration by the triennial Council on Legislation.

Each spring, the District provides **Club and District Leadership Training**. This is a great time to learn more about how Rotary International operates, get updated information, and meet leaders from all around our district. A **District Assembly** is also held during this time to update operations of the district.

District 5610 has a number of committees who provide leadership and expertise on a variety of projects and activities. These committees are always seeking new members. If you're interested in learning more about any of the committees – or – if you'd like to become involved at the district level, please contact the committee chairperson or Governor.

Leadership: one year terms for each DG, with each year July through June

District Governor (DG)

District Governor Elect (DGE)

District Governor Nominee (DGN)

District Treasurer - 3 year term

District Foundation Chair, District Membership Chair, District Public Image Chair - 3 year terms each

District Executive Assistant - paid position to assist the leadership

10 Assistant Governors, with 4-6 clubs under their purview, geographically-based around the District, under direction of DG

32 ± District Committee Chairs or Co-Chairs, depending on duties assigned by the DG, managing various projects and duties

41 Clubs, each with their own President, board members and members in general

Clubs belonging to District 5610 are located in South Dakota, and portions of Iowa, Minnesota, and Nebraska.

2 Rotaract Clubs, 6 Interact Clubs

Dues: District dues are approximately \$40 per year, RI dues are approximately \$80 per year, per member, one-half payable in two billing cycles in July and January. The club treasurer pays these dues to District and RI separately. The club charges members for club dues to cover these dues plus the club's budgeted expenses, which may vary from club-to-club.

District Website: www.rotary5610.org contains information on District, links to RI, all the clubs' information, district projects grant forms, district newsletters archive, and information tabs. Registration site for District events.

Use the RI website www.rotary.org to update your club membership, list club leadership, and download RI dues invoice on Club Central. Research Rotary projects and grants on Rotary Showcase. Visit The Rotary Foundation to donate.

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