





# **GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER**



# JULY-CHANGE OF LEADERSHIP

Waddy Sowma District Governor 2017-2018





# **HANDOVER CEREMONY**





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# MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Dear fellow Rotarians,

At the beginning of a new year we like to look back at what the past year has brought us: being it lessons learned and our accomplishments.

But also we like to look ahead: make new plans to reach new goals.

### The theme for 2017-18 is: Rotary: Making a Difference

In the words of RI President Ian Riseley 17-18 we will answer the question "What is Rotary" with the theme Rotary: Making a Difference. "However each of us chooses to serve, we do it because we know our service makes a difference in the lives of others,... we know that the work we do will change people's lives- in ways large and small- for the better".

The best way we in District 7030 can give meaning to the theme of President Ian is by achieving the Presidential Citation and to focus on the District Goals.

We have set District goals that are aligned with the Presidential Citation Goals.

Our first priority is to build stronger clubs, with more members, that are engage and with more Rotary knowledge. Clubs which are vibrant and were we have fun; clubs which attract members but above all, retain members; Clubs which through their service show what Rotary is and that indeed Rotary is making a difference.

Stronger clubs will lead to more humanitarian service, the second goal of the district. Not only more, but more high impact projects for the community, in cooperation with the community and sustained by the community.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> goal is for the clubs to show the world our Rotary, our service to the community of which we believe will finally lead to peace.

But by doing all this we must not forget the heart of our funding system: our one-hundred-year-old Rotary Foundation. I encourage you to contribute more than ever to the Rotary Foundation. You should know, we and I mean the clubs in District 7030, received 3 times more from TRF through grants than the amount we have contributed.

### In 2017-18: The focus of the District is EDUCATION

Through education we can build a world where everyone is given equal opportunities. Education is an indispensable condition if we want to do away with the existing differences between social classes and genders. It opens a whole world of opportunities for the less fortunate so that they may have an equal shot at well-paying jobs. Through education we can help others realizing their dreams and build peace!

Like the Chinese teacher and philosopher Confucius stated:

"Education breeds confidence. Confidence breeds hope. Hope breeds peace." So for District 7030 we twisted the International Theme a little bit to reflect our focus:

### **ROTARY: Making A Difference through EDUCATION**

Today as District Governor I pledge to all the clubs in D7030 being it Rotary, Rotaract, or Interact, my dedication and commitment to work with you. I strongly believe that only together, as a team, we can and will make a more impactful and sustainable difference in the lives of those we serve.

My fellow Rotarians a happy and fruitful rotary year, let's go to work and do what we do best "Service above Self".

# **DISTRICT GOALS 2017-2018**

### SUPPORT AND STRENGTHEN CLUBS

- 1. Appoint Chairs for Membership, Foundation and update Clubs Officers listing
- 2. Appoint a Club Trainer not later than 1 July 2017
- 3. 100% of members should have an active My Rotary account
- 4. Set at least 10 goals in Rotary Club Central of which
  - Membership goals by August 1, 2017
  - Rotary Foundation goals by 1 August, 2017
- 5. Have a club Strategic Plan in place not later than 1 August 2017
- 6. Achieve a net gain in membership of at least 2 members of which 1 female member
- 7. Have President and Secretary elected by 31 December 2017 and report to Rotary International by 1 February 2018

### SERVICE

- Report volunteer hours and service project contributions in cash and in kind in Rotary Club Central
- 2. Carry out at least one project focused on the environment. Report in Rotary Showcase using the environment category
- 3. Carry out at least one project focused on education and literacy for children under the age of 12

### **ENHANCE PUBLIC IMAGE**

- 1. Update or develop your club website.
- 2. Have local media cover a club project.
- 3. Start and update regularly a social media account like Facebook.
- 4. Follow the Rotary Visual Guidelines

### SUPPORT THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

- 1. Fundraising Goal for D7030: USD 300.000
  - USD 100 per capita to the Annual Fund
  - USD 1000 per club to Polio Fund
  - 1 PHS member per club



# **FOUNDATION TALK**

Dear Rotary Friends,

A new Rotary year has begun under the leadership of DG Waddy SOWMA. The Rotary President invites us to Make A Difference

The FOUNDATION objectives are simple to achieve:

- USD 100 per member to the Annual Fund
- USD 1000 per club to the Polio Fund
- 1 Paul Harris Society member per club

DGN Trevor Blake and I are at your disposal to put in place innovative actions to achieve these fundraising goals.

Similarly, I invite all members of the Paul Harris Society to contribute their \$1,000 contribution by September 30, 2017: this will allow DG Waddy to be proud when he participates in the Zone Institute at Orlando in October 2017.

If you want to join the Paul Harris Society, PDG Elwin ATMODIMEDJO and I are at your disposal to inform and assist you.

Finally, the Rotary Foundation aims to DO GOOD IN THE WORLD. Your club surely has a project eligible for a district grant or a global grant! Do not hesitate to contact PDG Milton INNISS or myself: we will be very happy to assist you in your grant applications for the good of our communities. Keep in mind, however, that your club must meet the eligibility requirements to receive these grants.

On behalf of the District Foundation Committee 2017-18 of District 7030, I wish you a very good Rotary year!



PDG Hervé HONORE

# ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE INFO

As RLI Leader this year, it's my pleasure to start the new Rotary year by sharing information with you.

### **RLI Commission**

The District RLI Committee is a group of Rotarians (preferably former club or district leaders) who are willing to take charge of the organization of all RLI sessions in the District, in liaison with the AGs.

To complete the Committee, I need to appoint Rotarians to the following roles:

### Logistics Manager

The Logistics Manager must make sure to optimize the availability of the training rooms and that they meet the needs of the facilitators. This is a key position in the team and requires a person with exceptional practical administrative skills.

#### Head of Registration

The Registrar is responsible for organizing all necessary teaching materials for RLI sessions after the enrollment deadline.

#### Program Manager

The Program Manager is responsible for ensuring that the best available and certified facilitators are assigned to each RLI session.

#### Head of Promotion

The Promotion Officer is responsible for the marketing and promotion of upcoming RLI events in the District. She / he is also responsible for providing articles and photos of the latest RLI event for publication in the District Governor's Newsletter praising the success of the event and recognizing the participants, organizers, facilitators and especially new RLI graduates.

Do not hesitate to contact me if you are interested in one of these functions.

PDG Hervé HONORE D7030 RLI Director



# ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUE SCHEDULE

## **CHECK YOUR AGENDAS!**

After the RLI Sunshine Division's annual general meeting last weekend, in agreement with DG Waddy, we present the RLI sessions' schedule for the year:

Dates	Territory	Session(s)	Cluster of Territories	Proposed venue (TBD)
23/24 September 2017	Trinidad	Part 1-2-3	Trinidad – Suriname – ABC	Port of Spain – Goodwill Industries
28/29 October 2017	Guadeloupe	Part 1-2-3	Guadeloupe – Martinique – French Guiana	Le Gosier - Canella Beach Hotel
11/12 November 2017	St. Lucia	Part 1-2	St. Lucia – St. Vincent – Grenada - Barbados	TBD
December 16, 2017	Antigua	Part 1-2	St. Kitts – Montserrat – Antigua – Dominica	St. Georges - Tradewinds Hotel
13 January 2018	French Guiana	Part 1	French Guiana – Martinique – Guadeloupe	Cayenne – Maison du Rotary
23/24 April 2018	Suriname	Part 2-3	All territories of the District	Paramaribo – Hotel Krasnapolsky

We would like all new club members to participate in Session 1 and reach a target of 10% of District Rotarians attending RLI sessions this year.

PDG Hervé HONORE D7030 RLI Director

## **DEADLINE FOR APPLYING FOR A DISTRICT GRANT 2017 - 2018**

- 1. The deadline for the application for grants is 30th September 2017.
  - Applications must be submitted by email to the Grants Subcommittee Chair, copied to the Rotary Foundation Chair and the District Governor, using the prescribed Grant Application Form
- 2. The Club Memorandum of Understanding must be signed by the Club President and the President-Elect and has to be sent to the District Grants Subcommittee Chair no later than  $30^{th}$  June 2017
- 3. Eligibility for a grant is dependent on:
  - The club having paid its RI and District dues.
  - The club is up to date on previous grant reporting
  - The Club having contributed to the Rotary Foundation for the last 3 years
  - At least one (1) person from the Club having attended a grants management seminar in the preceding Rotary year.
  - The project being aligned to one of the Rotary Foundation's six Areas of Focus.
  - The Club having audited Financial Statements for the previous Rotary year.
  - The club having appointed a Rotary Foundation Chair before July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 and reported in Rotary Club Central.
  - Assign Foundation goals in Rotary Club Central before July 1st, 2017

# PRESIDENTIAL CITATION

#### HOW TO GET TO PRESIDENTIAL CITATION

Why should achieving the Presidential Citation 2017-18 be a MAJOR goal for the clubs in D7030?

If you look at the different goals of the Presidential Citation one can see that they are grouped according to the 3 strategic priorities of Rotary International.

Every club that achieves the Presidential Citation contributes to the long term goals, the strategic goals, of RI and strengthens the Rotary International organization.

I like to share my own experience how I approach this goal during my term as club president.

It was about winning the game, getting over the finish line and we came up with a game plan, a strategy, not after a few months, but from the start.

What did we do:

- 1. It starts with commitment: from the club and especially from the President.
- 2. At the start of the year we grouped the different goals according to their achievability with reference to the club's strength and focus:
  - a. easy to achieve, the low hanging fruits,
  - b. difficult but still possible to achieve
  - c. almost impossible to achieve
- 3. During the year we (the president) closely monitored the progress towards the goals and decided what actions we still had to take to get us over the finish line.

### REQUIRED ACTIVITIES

- Pay your July 2017 and January 2018 club invoices on time.
- Report volunteer hours and service project contributions in Rotary Club Central. This allows us to measure and publicize Rotary's impact around the world.

#### SUPPORT AND STRENGTHEN CLUBS

Having members with different perspectives and backgrounds fuels innovation and gives your club a broader understanding of your community's needs. To strengthen your club and its ability to make a positive difference, involve members, use their unique skills and interests, and give them a voice in the club's future.

Increase club membership, diversity, and engagement.

### Achieve at least 4 of the following goals:

- Set at least 10 goals in Rotary Club Central.
- Update or develop your club's strategic plan.
   Report your achievement in Rotary Club Central.
- Achieve a net gain in membership. Clubs with up to 50 members must have at least one more member listed in Rotary's records on 1 July 2018 than they did on 1 July 2017; clubs with 51 or more members must have at least two more members listed in Rotary's records.
- Achieve a net gain in female members. Clubs with up to 50 members must gain at least one female member; clubs with 51 or more members must gain at least two female members.

- Achieve a net gain in members under age 40.
   Members who were born after 1 July 1977 and join between 1 July 2017 and 1 July 2018 count.
   Clubs with up to 50 members must gain at least one member under age 40; clubs with 51 or more members must gain at least two members under age 40.
- Engage members in activities outside regular club meetings. In Rotary Club Central, either record at least one club social activity or indicate that more than 50 percent of your club's members participated in club service activities.
- Sponsor or co-sponsor a new Rotary club or a Rotary Community Corps to expand Rotary's reach in your community. To sponsor an RCC, complete the Rotary Community Corps organization form and submit it to RL Clubs that sponsor new Rotary clubs will be reported when the new club submits the application.
- Sponsor or co-sponsor an Interact or Rotaract club to involve young people in Rotary.
   Report by submitting the Interact and Rotaract Sponsorship and Co-Sponsorship form to interact@rotary.org or rotaract@rotary.org.

## FOCUS AND INCREASE HUMANITARIAN SERVICE

Through local and international service projects, clubs address global humanitarian challenges by promoting peace, fighting disease, providing clean water, saving mothers and children, supporting education, growing local economies, protecting the environment, and ending polio.

Make a difference in your community and across the globe by engaging Rotarians, young people, Rotary alumni, and the public in Rotary programs, our six areas of focus, and Rotary Foundation giving opportunities.

#### Achieve at least 4 of the following goals:

- Sponsor, or have club members participate in, a polio-related fundraising or awareness event.
   Find resources at endpolio.org. Report your achievement by posting the event on Rotary Showcase, using the polio category.
- Partner with The Rotary Foundation by sponsoring at least one project funded by a global grant or a district grant. Find out how at www.rotary.org/grants.
- Carry out at least one project focused on the environment. Report in Rotary Showcase, using the environment category.
- Make a bigger difference by working together. Collaborate with other Rotary clubs in your region to increase a project's scope and visibility. Report in Rotary Club Central or Rotary Showcase.
- Include the family of Rotary in sustainable projects. Involve Rotaractors, Interactors, Rotary Community Corps members, or Rotary alumni in club projects and events. Report in Rotary Club Central.
- Help Rotary do more by increasing your club's total giving to The Rotary Foundation by at least 10 percent over 2016-17, as calculated in your local currency. Report in Rotary Club Central.
- Increase the number of members who give US\$25 or more to any Rotary Foundation fund.
- Attain a minimum Annual Fund contribution of US\$100 per capita.
- Use Rotary's crowdsourcing platform, Rotary Ideas, to contribute to a project or seek resources for your club's local or international projects.

## ENHANCE ROTARY'S PUBLIC IMAGE AND AWARENESS

A positive public image improves your club's relationship with your community and attracts prospective members.

Enhance your club's public image and build awareness of Rotary in your community by telling compelling stories about club activities that are making a positive difference.

#### Achieve at least 4 of the following goals:

- Use Rotary's brand guidelines, templates, and other resources in all your communications to strengthen Rotary's image. Find them at www.rotary.org/brandcenter. Report in Rotary Club Central.
- Regularly update your club website and social media accounts to showcase club activities and illustrate Rotary's impact both locally and throughout the world. Report in Rotary Club Central.
- Host and promote a community event to support World Polio Day, and register it on endpolio.org.
- Engage your community by hosting at least one networking event for local professionals, community organizations, or Rotary alumni. Report in Rotary Club Central.
- Establish or continue a partnership with one or more corporate or government entities or nongovernmental organizations and work on a project together. Report in Rotary Club Central.
- Host a community forum or seminar about an issue that's important in your community, high light your club's work to bring people together to find solutions. Report in Rotary Club Central.
- Have local media cover a club project, event, or fundraiser. Report in Rotary Showcase or Rotary Club Central.
- Promote peace and develop future leaders by sponsoring or hosting at least one Rotary Youth Exchange student or sponsoring at least one participant in a RYLA event. Report in Rotary Club Central

# **CLUB'S HANDOVER CEREMONIES**













































# **COMING**





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2018 DISTRICT CONFERENCE PARAMARIBO, SURINAME APRIL 25 – 28

WEBSITE: WWW.DISTRICTCONFERENCE7030.COM



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JUNE 23 – 27
WEBSITE: WWW.RICONVENTION.ORG

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