

THE DISTRICT NEWSLETTER



ROTARY DISTRICT 7030. ZONE 34

February 2020

RI President Mark Maloney's Monthly Message



Happy 115th birthday, fellow Rotarians and members of the family of Rotary!

Much has changed in the world since 1905. Then, the global population was roughly 1.7 billion. Today, it is 7.7 billion. There were 5 telephones per 100 people in the United States 115 years ago. In 2020, it is estimated that 96 percent of the U.S. population has a cellphone — and both China and India have more than a billion cellphones in use. In the 115 years since Rotary was founded, seemingly everything has changed except Rotary values. We began, and remain, committed to fellowship, integrity, diversity, service, and leadership. While our Service Above Self motto dates to 1911, the ethos behind those words had already been ingrained by Rotary's founders.

As the pace of change worldwide continues to accelerate, the need for Rotary service is greater than ever. It's one thing to read about service projects, quite another to see them in action and to see the grateful faces of people who have benefited from them. Rotary projects change lives and connect the world. And over the past year, I have seen some amazing Rotary projects in action.

Gay and I visited Japan's Fukushima prefecture last year. Few places in the world have had to deal with the kind of devastation that visited Fukushima in March 2011, when a tsunami touched off by an earthquake led to disaster at a nuclear power plant. But the story of Fukushima today is not one of destruction; it is one of hope and renewal. Rotary grants have helped improve access to medical and mental health care for victims of the disaster and reduced the isolation of these communities by sharing the experiences of people from other parts of the world who have also recovered from disasters. Our grants have also helped to foster self-motivation and encourage sustainable long-term community recovery across the region.

In Shanghai, I learned about the Careers in Care program. This helps migrant workers fill the need for skilled professionals in elder care facilities. After taking a course, trainees receive certification to boost their employment prospects, while the care industry benefits from an expanded talent pool. Rotary projects like this are successful because they address a local need, and they have the potential to attract local government funding to sustain their impact.

And in Guatemala, Gay and I went to Sumpango. Global grants there provide mechanical cows to produce soy milk; an improved water distribution system; water filters; clean compost latrines; family gardens; support for income generation; and training in WASH and literacy programs. The food items sold there not only provide nutrition to women and children, but also create a source of income for local women.

In every area of focus, and in every part of the world, Rotary projects are improving lives and helping communities adapt in a time of rapid change. As we celebrate another great year for Rotary, let us rededicate ourselves to strengthening the connections that make our service so impactful. We will make lives better as Rotary Connects the World

February 2020

Mark Daniel MALONEY, President, Rotary International

February is Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

Rotary Peace Fellowships: The Role of Rotarians

Rotary's commitment to peace and the generosity of Rotarians around the world combine to make the Rotary Peace Centers program distinctive and successful. Clubs and districts have the power to shape the next generation of peace leaders by recruiting and nominating peace fellows, and keeping them engaged after the fellowship ends.

Districts interview and endorse qualified candidates, which is required before The Rotary Foundation can consider a candidate. Clubs help by recommending and coaching qualified candidates. See the steps below:

Step one: *Recruit candidates*

Step two: *Support candidates*

Step three: *Interview and endorse candidates (districts)*

Step four: *Submit endorsements (districts) by 1 July*

Step five: *Receive results*

The Rotary Peace Centers Committee selects finalists and alternates in **October**. Candidates and districts receive results in **November**

To learn more visit <https://my.rotary.org/en/take-action/empower-leaders/support-peace-centers>

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Fellow Rotarians,

This month, February, is a month of celebrations. In many parts of the District, in the Aruba, Bonaire, Curacao, Dominica, French Guiana, Guadeloupe, Martinique, Suriname and Trinidad & Tobago, the annual carnival is celebrated. Grenada and St Lucia celebrate their Independence anniversaries. In Guyana, the Mashramani celebrations are more significant this year as this is the golden anniversary of the Cooperative Republic.

What we all celebrate, however, is the 115th anniversary of the founding of our august institution – Rotary International. Led by the esteemed Paul Harris, a few good men came together to form what, I am sure they would have never imagined, even in their wildest dreams, would grow to be the foremost service organization on the planet. From simple beginnings, Rotary now spans the globe – stretching across every continent, reaching into every country, every region – truly connecting the World!

Over the last 108 years, from the first ever service project, when the Rotary Club of Chicago installed public comfort stations in downtown Chicago in 1907, Rotary has engaged in a myriad of projects serving humanity, in particular the less fortunate, all aimed at making our world a better place. The lives touched, and changed, over this period are innumerable! While it is may be futile to attempt to enumerate the impact that Rotary has had, the staggering US\$4.6 billion committed by The Rotary Foundation for projects in the years since 1947, is indicative.

To mark Rotary's birthday, February is designated as Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution month. Peace and World Understanding has long been a focus of Rotary International. This is embodied in our guiding philosophy – the Object of Rotary, in particular the 4th Object, which is: the advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world of fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service. Rotary's persistent promotion of peace, goodwill and international understanding, and its track record in championing global humanitarian causes, can arguably be considered as second only to that of the United Nations. Indeed, Rotary, to some extent, influenced the creation of the UN, a perfect example of how, through its influence and advocacy, Rotary connects the World!

Rotary has developed an excellent program in furtherance of this object of promoting peace, with the establishment of the Peace Centers and introduction of the Peace Fellows program. This aims to develop a cadre of professionals to become the champions for peace both locally, in their communities, and at the international level. More recently, Rotary has partnered with the Institute of Economics and Peace on the Positive Peace Academy, which is aimed at helping Rotarians to improve their peacebuilding and development work in their communities.

During this month, clubs are encouraged to engage in activities aimed at promoting and pursuing peace. Elsewhere in this newsletter, you will find an invitation to nominate candidates for the peace fellowship programs. I also encourage individual Rotarians to take the Positive Peace course. Beyond this, let us continue our many humanitarian projects that address some of the root causes of conflict. This is the quintessence of positive peace!

February 2020
DG Trevor Blake, 7030



Rotary District 7030 is pleased to announce that PDG David Edwards, Rotary Club of Barbados, was confirmed as the **2020-2021 Chair of the Rotary International Membership Committee** by RI President Elect Holger.

Congratulations !!



**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
ROTARY!**

On 23rd February, clubs around the world will celebrate Rotary's birthday. We invite all D7030 Rotary, Rotaract, Interact and EarlyAct Clubs to submit photos highlighting how you chose to celebrate.
Please email them to D7030 PI Chair, PDG Lara at lara@regencytrinidad.com no later than 26th February.

Le 23 février prochain, les clubs du monde entier vont célébrer l'anniversaire du Rotary. Nous invitons tous les clubs Rotary, Rotaract, Interact et EarlyAct du district 7030 à nous envoyer des photos de leur célébration de ce jour, afin de les diffuser sur les réseaux sociaux du district.
Par mail à lara@regencytrinidad.com avant le 26 février.

District Governor's Schedule

January

08 – 11 Jan DG Visits Guadeloupe
27 – 29 Jan DG Visits Suriname
30 - 31 Jan DG Visits Tobago

February

01 – 04 Feb DG Visits Tobago East Clubs
19 – 22 Feb DG Visits Guyana

DG Visit to Guadeloupe in pics...



DG Visit to Suriname

District Governor Trevor Blake visited Suriname from January 26 to January 30, 2020. An organizing committee consisting of the three Rotary Club Presidents Dave Boëtius, Oliver Smith, Steven Tjin A Djie, our ADRR Janet van Klaveren and AG Djaienti had planned a full program, with the basic ingredients: Fellowship and Club-District-RI affairs, rounded out with various project and cultural visits. The attendance at the prestigious Vocational Excellence Award 2020 ceremony, a joint project yearly held in the Vocation month of January was the highlight of the visit.

Upon his arrival around midnight January 26, a welcome committee consisting of PDG Elwin Atmodimedjo, the three Presidents of the RC's and AG Djaienti were at the airport to welcome DG Trevor.

Individual club meetings were held on the following days with each club hosting a full day with the DG. Club affairs, signature projects on the focus areas, Diabetes and Youth at Risk, were discussed and new developments within RI were presented by the DG. Through the website RCC club progress was discussed at length. A welcome card was developed and used by all eight clubs as their opening slide when making their presentations to the DG. This was being recognized and much appreciated by DG Trevor Blake.

On Monday January 27, the guest club was Rotary Club of Paramaribo Residence (RCPR). Starting with a plantation tour in the Commewijne district both a public (Open Air museum Fort New Amsterdam) and a private museum (Wederzorg) was visited. A project visit was held at a primary school in the outskirts of the capital as a kick-off for RCPR for their signature project to donate secondhand furniture to primary schools nationwide.

On Tuesday January 28, RC of Paramaribo Central (RCPC) hosted the meeting, with a museum tour at the Rumhouse of SAB as a treat. In the afternoon a project visit was held at the Betheljada, a shelter for children with multiple disabilities, adopted by RCPC.

On Wednesday January 28 it was RC of Paramaribo's (RCP) turn to host our DG. Lively presentations were given on the club project. As a complete surprise to Rtn Michelle Hollum, teamleader of the Diabetes projects, she received a PHF, pinned by DG Trevor Blake. At lunchtime PDG Henri Guda, PDG Cees Dilweg and Past AG Joseph Nouh Chaia joined the board for a lunch meeting. In the evening RCP was the hosting club for the big event, the Rotary Vocational Excellence Award 2020, granted to Mrs Emmy Hart, a lady dedicated her entire life to the education and uplifting of "Youth at risk", specifically boys in the age between 12-16 years through her foundation RUMAS. As DG Trevor rightfully stated in his speech "Mrs. Emmy Hart is the champion of Youth at Risk".

The joint Cultural Night of the Rotaract and Interact clubs of Suriname was amazing. Coordinated by ADRR Janet, Presidents Samuel Blankendal, Daryl Dankoor and Rolinzo Huur of the three Rotaract clubs, together with Presidents Chanaya Doeabri and Morijah Atmodimedjo from the two Interact clubs, the young leaders gave an unique performance. In a sublime manner two Interactors sang the national anthem of St. Kitts. The DG was visibly moved. Since the theme was cultural, the DG received a pangsi (wrap) in the colors of the flag of Suriname. Excellent presentations varied with musical performances by our youngsters ended in a spontaneous dance party. DRR Anya Blankendal came straight from the airport to join the party!

Last but definitely fun, the clubs threw a home hospitality party where roughly 60 Rotarians, Partners in Service, Rotaractors and Interactors joined.



DG Visit to Tobago Clubs

District Governor (DG) Trevor Blake arrived in Trinidad from Suriname on the morning of Thursday 30th January 2020. He then boarded a flight to Tobago at 11.30am to begin his official visit to the Rotary, Rotaract and Interact clubs in Tobago.

The first meeting was with the board members of the Rotary Club of Southwest Tobago and their Interact Club members.

This was followed by a board meeting with the Rotary Club of Tobago and their Rotaract club members.

Following the meetings everyone was treated to some wonderful hospitality at the home of Rotarian Rena of the Rotary Club of Southwest Tobago. A visiting Rotarian from the UK, Jo Hudaly from London, was also present at the function.

On Friday the DG had a courtesy call with the Chief Secretary of the Tobago House of Assembly Hon. Kelvin Charles. The DG was accompanied by the Assitant Governor and the club presidents.

The two Rotary Club presidents then hosted the DG for lunch where our intrepid DG, when offered a choice of chicken, fish or agouti, chose the latter.

After that it was off to board the flight to Trinidad to visit the East cluster clubs there.



Rotary Club of Southwest Tobago and Interact Club of Southwest Tobago meet with the DG



Rotary Club of Tobago and Rotaract Club of Tobago meet with the DG





Miami (Half) Marathon 2020

On Sunday 9 February 2020 was the yearly Miami (Half) Marathon. A group of more than 25 Rotarians /Rotary Members and partners in service from all Rotary Clubs in Suriname participated in this event and linked it to charity: Rotary Suriname Runs for Charity.

Projects related to Autism, Dyslexia and Diabetes will receive funds with the money that is raised with this project. The involvement of donors exceeded all expectations and they were able to raise around \$40,000 in total!

We will learn more about this amazing project at the District Conference!



District Conference 2020 Corner

DISTRICT 7030 CONFERENCE 2020 Update

Conference is just about 2 months away and we can hardly contain our excitement!

Let's see what happened since the last newsletter:-

1. Our Conference Theme is:- *Connected Through Service!* This theme speaks a powerful truth that can resonate with all of us as Rotarians. The very thing that connects us is in fact SERVICE. The service that we carry out locally as well as globally. It's the reason why we journey to conference after conference, year after year... it's this magnet that pulls us from diverse backgrounds and allows us to come together to change lives. We come to conference to share this service, to learn about this service and to give this service! So head to St. Kitts for #D7030Conference2020 so that we can continue to be #ConnectedThroughService;
2. The general agenda and daily timings are now available to help you plan your trip, check out the flyer attached;
3. LIAT Airlines came on board to give us special fares to fly to St. Kitts from multiple destinations. Be sure to take advantage of them by February 21st and call the number on the attached flyer to book your flights;
4. Reserve your hotel rooms by March 21st in order to secure the special rates at the Conference hotel - The St. Kitts Marriott Resort and Royal Beach Casino. Be sure to book through the conference website and not directly on the hotel website to gain access to these rates.

Stayed turned for:-

1. Conference feature speakers announcements
2. Detailed PETs & Conference Agenda
3. More info on nightly events (type of event, dress code, themes etc)

DISTRICT 7030 CONFERENCE 2020 Raffle Winner



Congratulations to **President Vanetta Rodgers** of the **Rotary Club of Antigua** the winner of our Registration Raffle!!! She has won a full refund on her conference registration fee. See you in St. Kitts Vanetta!



ROTARY DISTRICT 7030 CONFERENCE

DATE: 22ND - 25TH APRIL, 2020
VENUE: ST. KITTS MARRIOTT RESORT & THE ROYAL BEACH CASINO

FROM ORIGIN	FARE WITH TAX
ANTIGUA (ANU)	\$406.74 US
BARBADOS (BGI)	\$536.90 US
DOMINICA (DOM)	\$386.68 US
GRENADA (GND)	\$526.54 US
MARTINIQUE (FDF)	\$625.86 US
GUADELOUPE (PTP)	\$502.45 US
OGLE (OGL)	\$780.00 US
ST. LUCIA (SLU)	\$460.05 US
ST. VINCENT (SVD)	\$459.60 US
TRINIDAD (POS)	\$573.39 US

ELIGIBILITY: PASSENGER TRAVELLING TO ST. KITTS FOR ROTARY 7030 CONFERENCE
BOOKING PERIOD: 27TH JANUARY - 21ST FEBRUARY, 2020
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April 22-25, 2020



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www.districtconference7030.com/hotel

District Conference 2020 Corner..cont'd



8:00 A.M. - ONSITE CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT OPENS
8:30 A.M. - CALL TO ORDER
8:45 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. - MORNING SESSIONS
10:00 A.M. - 10:15 A.M. - MORNING BREAK
10:15 A.M. - 10:30 A.M. - MORNING SESSIONS (CONT'D)
12:30 P.M. - 1:30 P.M. - LUNCH
1:30 P.M. - 3:00 P.M. - AFTERNOON SESSIONS
3:00 P.M. - 3:15 P.M. - AFTERNOON BREAK
3:15 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. - AFTERNOON SESSIONS (CONT'D)
4:00 P.M. - CLOSE OF DAY 1
6:00 P.M. - P.E.T.S WELCOME EVENT

**P.E.T.S - DAY 1
APRIL 22, 2020**



8:00 A.M. - ONSITE CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT OPENS
8:30 A.M. - CALL TO ORDER
8:45 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. - MORNING SESSIONS
10:00 A.M. - 10:15 A.M. - MORNING BREAK
10:15 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. - MORNING SESSIONS (CONT'D)
12:30 P.M. - 1:30 P.M. - LUNCH
1:30 P.M. - 3:00 P.M. - AFTERNOON SESSIONS
3:00 P.M. - 3:15 P.M. - AFTERNOON BREAK
3:15 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. - AFTERNOON SESSIONS (CONT'D)
4:00 P.M. - CLOSE OF DAY 3
6:00 P.M. - HOST HOSPITALITY NIGHT

**CONFERENCE DAY 1
APRIL 24, 2020**



8:00 A.M. - ONSITE CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT OPENS
8:30 A.M. - CALL TO ORDER
8:45 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. - MORNING SESSIONS
10:00 A.M. - 10:15 A.M. - MORNING BREAK
10:15 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. - MORNING SESSIONS (CONT'D)
12:30 P.M. - 1:30 P.M. - LUNCH
1:30 P.M. - 3:00 P.M. - AFTERNOON SESSIONS
3:00 P.M. - 3:15 P.M. - AFTERNOON BREAK
3:15 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. - AFTERNOON SESSIONS (CONT'D)
4:00 P.M. - CLOSE OF DAY 2
6:00 P.M. - OPENING CEREMONY

**P.E.T.S - DAY 2
APRIL 23, 2020**



8:00 A.M. - ONSITE CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT OPENS
8:30 A.M. - CALL TO ORDER
8:45 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. - MORNING SESSIONS
10:00 A.M. - 10:15 A.M. - MORNING BREAK
10:15 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. - MORNING SESSIONS (CONT'D)
12:00 NOON - CLOSE OF DAY 4
12:00 NOON - 5:30 P.M. - FREE TIME
6:00 P.M. - CLOSING CEREMONY | FAREWELL FÊTE

**CONFERENCE DAY 2
APRIL 25, 2020**

More about Rotary and Peace and Conflict Resolution

Apply Now for the 2021 Rotary Peace Fellowship

Promoting peace is one of Rotary's main causes. The fully funded Rotary Peace Fellowship, which covers tuition and living expenses, increases the capacity of existing leaders to prevent and resolve conflict by offering academic training, field experience, and professional networking.

Up to 130 fellows are selected every year in a globally competitive process based on personal, academic, and professional achievements. Fellows earn either a **master's degree** or a **professional development certificate** in peace and development studies at one of the seven Rotary Peace Centers, located at leading universities around the world.

Applications for the 2021-22 academic term need to be submitted to Rotary districts **by 31 May 2020**. Please write to rotarypeacecenters@rotary.org with questions.

If you know someone who might be a good candidate for this fellowship, please submit a referral form with their name and email address.

Visit <https://www.rotary.org/en/our-programs/peace-fellowships> for more information.

6 Tips for Recruiting, Supporting & Endorsing Successful Peace Fellows

- ### 1 Use Your Network

Utilize the district's existing connections. Project partners and local organizations may be able to refer candidates from their staff or networks.

Consider recruiting unconventional candidates. Peace fellows come from a variety of professional and cultural backgrounds.

Have a connection with a local university? Ask them to help advise candidates on what universities look for in students.
- ### 2 Be Honest With Candidates

Talk with candidates about their experience and motivations, and be honest about their fit for the program.

Ask about their personal readiness to study abroad for an extended time. Consider asking:

 - How will they handle being away from family and friends?
 - How will they cope with the stresses of living in a different culture?
 - How will they adapt to an academic environment?
- ### 3 Review and Refine Applications

Ensure that candidates incorporate information in their essays about their goals, why the Rotary Peace Fellowship is the right fit for them, and, in return, what they can add to the Rotary community.

Review candidate résumés for clarity and to ensure they highlight relevant experience.

Help candidates eliminate language and grammar errors from their materials.
- ### 4 Work as a Team

Appoint a district Rotary Peace Fellowship subcommittee chair.

Establish a subcommittee to help with recruiting, mentoring, conducting interviews, and writing endorsements.

Create a plan to rotate the responsibilities of the subcommittee chair to preserve knowledge.
- ### 5 Be Consistent

Set an interview day or week that is publicized to clubs and candidates in advance.

Finalize a list of interview questions and a standard method for assessing candidates.

Plan how you will interview remote or at-large candidates using tools such as Skype or Zoom.

Discuss the subcommittee's endorsement decision immediately after the interview. Let candidates know the decision as quickly as possible.
- ### 6 Connect to Rotary

Explain your district's expectations for peace fellows' continued engagement with clubs, your district, or Rotary International.

Build a connection between candidates and a club or Rotarian mentor so they feel engaged with the organization.

Teach candidates about Rotary and its impact on community and international development.



Message from District Peace Fellowship Subcommittee Chair Debbie Roopchand

To make peace in the world, we need more Peacebuilders.

The Committee's Role:

By supporting Peace Fellows we can help advance peace around the world. Clubs and districts have the power to shape the next generation of peace leaders by recruiting and nominating Peace Fellows, and keeping them engaged after the fellowship ends. Our role as a committee is to recruit qualified candidates for the Rotary Peace Centres programme (<https://www.rotary.org/en/our-programs/peace-fellowships>)

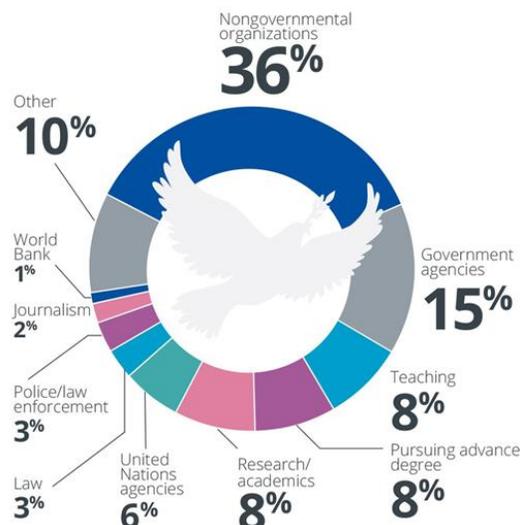
Aim:

To endorse at least two candidates for the Master's Degree programs and one candidate for the Professional Development Certificate program offered through the Rotary Peace Centres.

Status of District 7030:

While Districts are not required to contribute funds to the Rotary Peace Centres in order to endorse candidates, District 7030 is a recognised Peacebuilder District, having allocated \$25,000 USD of its DDF to the Rotary Peace Centres for the current Rotary Year.

Where Rotary Peace Center alumni work



District 7030 RYLA Camp 2020 Goes Urban In Curaçao The Future of Leadership



Rotary District 7030 typically holds a regional RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award) conference to develop future leaders for the Rotary family. The last one was in St. Kitts & Nevis in 2017. This year's RYLA conference will take place in Curaçao.

The 'Future of Work' movement, supported by the International Labor Organization (ILO), acknowledges that the world of work is changing, among others because of technology, demographics, globalization, diversity and the SDGs. Consequently, skills required for effective leadership in school, on-the-job and in volunteerism are changing. District 7030 RYLA 2020 addresses the challenges and opportunities that arise from these developments for the Rotary family.

Learning Objectives

At the end of District 7030 RYLA 2020, participants will have:

1. Learnt some of the leadership and communication skills needed for the future
2. Learnt about career opportunities for the future
3. Learnt about the Rotary and Rotary programs they might want to join
4. Made acquaintance with 50-70 young regional leaders
5. Supported several Sustainable Development Goals

Participants

Participants are age 14 to 30.

Date

Friday March 27- Sunday 29.

Program

The program follows the International RYLA Program

1. Information about Rotary programs to ensure transition to Rotary
2. Personal Development: Leadership (school and job), collaboration, communication, trust, conflict, also collaboration outside of group because of growing gig-economy.
3. Career choices and opportunities
4. Personal growth (self expression): art, dance, singing, etc.
5. Community service

Fee

International: Early Bird is **USD375** up to March 5; and USD450 thereafter. It includes registration, room and board in shared rooms.

More information at Facebook Event

You will find the program, information about the venues, etc. at [District 7030 RYLA 2020](#)

Registration

Register by clicking [here](#)



ROTARY DISTRICT 7030 CONFERENCE

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"CONNECTÉ PAR LE SERVICE"

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