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OCTOBER IS ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTH

The Rotary Foundation through your generosity funds global projects that are:

1. Building the capacity of entrepreneurs, community leaders, local organizations, and community networks to support economic development in impoverished communities;
2. Developing opportunities for productive work;
3. Reducing poverty in under-served communities;
4. Supporting studies for career-minded professionals related to economic and community development.

Please continue your support to our foundation and consider a gift (or additional gift on World Polio Day on October 24 or Giving Tuesday on November 29). Thank you for your generous support.

Thank you for all of the warm welcomes I have received during the initial phase of my club visits. It has been a pleasure meeting each of you and discovering the unique impact your club has in your community and in the world. How are we doing in attracting new Rotarians?

As always yours in Rotary service

Mike Chaffee

NOMINATIONS FOR DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2025-2026

MICHAEL CHAFFEE - DG 22-2023 →



Each year we call upon our clubs to explore with the members of their club the opportunity to serve as district governor.

District 6330 selects a district governor by nominating committee.

Nominations for district governor to serve during the Rotary year 2025-2026 are now being accepted until October 15, 2022

Members in good standing who are willing and able to serve as district governor and have served as Club President are eligible to be nominated. Qualifications and responsibilities of the Governor-Nominee as outlined in the 2019 Manual of Procedure Article 16.010 Qualifications of a Governor Nominee are:

Qualifications of a Governor-nominee.

UNLESS EXCUSED BY THE BOARD, THE PERSON SELECTED AS A GOVERNOR-NOMINEE SHALL AT THE TIME OF SELECTION:

- (a) be a member in good standing of a functioning club in the district;
- (b) have served as club president for a full term or as charter president for at least six months;
- (c) demonstrate willingness, commitment, and ability to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of a governor in section 16.030.;
- (d) demonstrate knowledge of the qualifications, duties, and responsibilities of governor as prescribed in the bylaws; and
- (e) submit to RI a statement that the Rotarian understands those qualifications, duties, and responsibilities, is qualified for the office of governor, and is willing and able to assume and faithfully perform those duties and responsibilities.

Nominations must also include a resolution adopted by your Rotary Club at a regular meeting naming the nominated candidate. The resolution must be signed by the Club Secretary and the club can only nominate one of its own members. The 2019 Manual of Procedure, Article 12 Nominations and Elections for Governors – section 12.030.3 Clubs Suggestions for Governor states: The governor shall invite clubs to submit their suggestions for nominations for governor. The deadline for suggestions is at least two months before the nominating committee meeting. The suggestions shall be submitted by a resolution naming the suggested candidate adopted at a regular club meeting and certified by the secretary. A club shall only suggest one of its own members.

Please send your club's nomination to be received on or before midnight on October 15, 2022 to:

Past District Governor Erin Shankie

10054 Shadybrook Lane, Grand Blanc, Michigan, USA, 48439-8317

or by scan and email to: elamb.rotary@gmail.com

Interviews will be held via Zoom on Saturday November 5, 2022

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Zones 28 & 32



Focus on Polio with Mike McGovern

October 11, 2022 6:00pm ET - 3:00pm PT

Join the Foundation Team and End Polio Now Coordinators as International Polio Chair, Mike McGovern presents the latest updates on Rotary's polio eradication campaign



This session is open to all District and Club leaders! [CLICK HERE](#) to join the meeting

Ingrid Neitsch

Zone 28 Regional Rotary
Foundation Coordinator

ROTARY ACTION GROUPS

Rotary Action Groups are independent, international, Rotary-affiliated groups whose members have expertise and experience in a particular area of specialization. Aligned with Rotary's priority to increase humanitarian impact, they use their knowledge and passion to help clubs and districts plan and carry out impactful service projects. Each group oversees its own governance, membership, and activities in accordance with RI policies.

JOIN AN ACTION GROUP

- Membership is open to any individual. Rotarians, Rotaractors, and Peace Fellows can serve in leadership roles.
- By joining a Rotary Action Group, you can use your professional skills to advise on meaningful service activities outside your own club, district, or country.
- Rotary Action Groups provide networking opportunities with likeminded individuals from around the world.

PARTNER WITH AN ACTION GROUP

Rotary Action Groups regularly collaborate with clubs and districts on service projects in their area of specialty.

Contact a group to:

- Tap into the technical expertise of their members for planning and implementing a community, service, or global grant-funded project.
- Connect with potential project partners, both within and outside of Rotary.
- Receive help fundraising for projects.
- Customize a group's signature project framework to implement locally.
- Enhance your clubs' or district's impact and strengthen communities.
- Invite local members of Action Groups to join your District's Resource Network.

TAKE ACTION: www.rotary.org/actiongroups

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ACTION GROUPS

**34,000+ ACTION
GROUP MEMBERS
GLOBALLY**

IN 2021, ACTION GROUPS:

SUPPORTED

2400



SERVICE PROJECTS

**CONNECTED MEMBERS
ACROSS**



150

COUNTRIES

\$968,000

**IN HUMANITARIAN
PROJECTS**

ROTARY ACTION GROUPS

Do you have expertise and a passion to serve in a particular area? Visit the website of the relevant Rotary Action Group to learn more and to join.



Addiction Prevention	www.rag-ap.org
Alzheimer's and Dementia	http://adrag.org/
Basic Education and Literacy	www.litrag.org
Blindness Prevention	www.rag4bp.org
Blood Donation	www.ourblooddrive.org
Clubfoot	www.rag4clubfoot.org
Community Economic Development	www.ragced.org
Diabetes	www.rag-diabetes.org
Disaster Assistance	www.dna-rag.com
Domestic Violence Prevention	http://www.ragfamsafe.org
Endangered Species	www.rag4es.org
Environmental Sustainability	www.esrag.org
Family Health/AIDS Prevention	www.rfha.org
Food Plant Solutions	http://foodplantsolutions.org
Health Education and Wellness	www.hewrag.org
Hearing	www.ifrahl.org
Hepatitis	www.ragforhepatitiseradication.org
Malaria	www.ram-global.org
Menstrual Health and Hygiene	https://www.ragmhh.org/
Mental Health	http://ragonmentalhealth.org
Multiple sclerosis	www.rotary-ragsa.org
Peace	www.rotarianactiongroupforpeace.org
Polio Survivors	www.rotarypoliosurvivors.org
Refugees	https://www.ragforrefugees.org/
Reproductive Maternal Child Health	https://rotaryrmch.org/
Slavery Prevention	https://ragas.online/
Water, Sanitation, & Hygiene	www.wasrag.org

START A NEW ROTARY ACTION GROUP

If you would like to learn how start a new group, refer to [this guide](#). All groups are subject to approval by the Rotary International Board of Directors.

EXAMPLES OF ROTARY ACTION GROUPS IN ACTION

- The Rotary Action Group for Reproductive, Maternal Child Health works with clubs in Germany, Austria, and Nigeria to reduce mortality rates among mothers and newborns at hospitals in rural Nigeria.
- Rotary Action Group for Family Health & AIDS Prevention sponsors an annual event to provide preventive health care services, including HIV testing and counseling, to thousands of people in hundreds of sites across Africa and beyond.
- The Rotary Action Group for Community Economic Development connects clubs and districts with microfinance institutions to help poor people establish income-generating activities.

RELATED RESOURCES

- Rotary's Area of Focus
www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/document/589
- Rotary Action Groups Officer Directory
www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/document/714
- Rotary Action Groups Annual Report
www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/document/713
- Community Assessment Tools
www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/document/578
- Lifecycle of a Project
www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/take-action/develop-projects/lifecycle-project

FIND OUT MORE

Email: actiongroups@rotary.org

Reconnect Week

During Reconnect Week (3-9 October), Rotarians and alumni from across the globe will come together to share their experiences, grow their networks, and exchange ideas for staying engaged with Rotary. Learn more at [#ROTARYRECONNECT](#)

ALL MEMBER SURVEY: LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD

The all-member survey, arriving in inboxes in October, helps us learn about our members and their experiences so we can continue to build a stronger Rotary. Make sure you receive your copy of the survey by [updating your email address in My Rotary](#).

RECONNECT WEEK 2022

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JOIN THE PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY

Your membership Can Support:

- Eradicating Polio.
- Promoting Peace.
- Fighting Disease.
- Providing Clean Water.
- Saving Mothers and Children.
- Supporting Education
- growing local Economies.
- Responding To Disasters.
- Protecting The Environment.



**In DISTRICT 6330 we now have 116
members of the PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY**

For more information, please contact our
District PHS Chairman Jamie Pole:
jamiepole@hotmail.com



ShelterBox Update

October 2022



EXCLUSIVE EMERGENCY UPDATE: PAKISTAN FLOODS

Join ShelterBox Canada on Thursday, October 13th, 2022 at 12PM EDT for an update on the devastating floods in Pakistan.

ShelterBox Canada invites you to an exclusive emergency update for Rotarians concerned about the floods in Pakistan. Join us on **October 13th, 2022 at 12:00PM EDT** to hear from on-the-ground response team member Dave Nichols and ShelterBox Canada's Executive Director, Stephanie Christensen. **[REGISTER HERE](#) - LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE.**

The floods have affected around 30 million people, claimed 1,200 lives, and injured almost 5,000 people. The first of ShelterBox aid has arrived in Pakistan and we have more on its way. Aid includes tents, water filters and carriers, mosquito nets and solar lights.

Panelists will give an overview of the disaster, how it has evolved, how ShelterBox is responding, and how you can help. Questions are welcome from Rotarians and can be submitted to megschmieder@shelterboxcanada.org

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ShelterBox and Rotary are official project partners in international disaster relief. ShelterBox is a registered charity independent of Rotary International and the Rotary Foundation.



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An evening of Scotch Mist



**A Nosing & Tasting
of very fine Whiskies**

A five-course dinner

Auction

5:30 PM Social

6:30 PM Dinner

**Saturday,
October 15, 2022**

**Best Western
Arden Park Hotel**

Jacket & Tie

BRIDGING THE WORLD OF ROTARY: TRINIDAD & CANADA



A Trinidad & Tobago son of the soil is breaking barriers across the Rotary world. Encouraging and fostering the Ideal of Service as a basis of worthy enterprise, Canada's Rotary fraternity is set to embrace District 7030 Past Assistant Governor, Kenneth Boodhu

The Caribbean is renowned for its sparkling beaches, unbelievable blue waters, Soca/calypso music, limbo dancers and laidback lifestyles. And it is also amongst these Islands In The Sun that District 7030 in Zone 34 comes alive in The World of Rotary. The Rotary Club of Global Passport in our own District 6330 has welcomed its first Caribbean member

Rotarian **KENNETH "KEN" BOODHU** hails from the twin island state of Trinidad & Tobago. Well known for its famous Carnival the islands sit just north of the Republic of Venezuela. Also known around the World as The West Indies, District 7030 stretches from the island state of St Kitts/Nevis in the Caribbean Sea, working its way southward to include St Lucia, Antigua, Dominica, Barbados, St Vincent, Grenada, Trinidad & Tobago, continuing to the South American Coastline to include Guyana, Suriname, and French Guiana. This Rotary diaspora also takes in Martinique, Guadeloupe, and the Dutch grouping islands of Aruba, Curacao, and Bonaire. Here we have the most diverse District in the Rotary World, and where at a District Conference you converse in English, French and Dutch.

KEN started his Service to Community at The Rotary Club of Sangre Grande in 2006. He served as President on three occasions before transferring to The Rotary Club of Arima, an area where he currently resides with his Partner in Service, Indra, and two sons, Rajiv and Sanjiv. The younger of the siblings, Sanjiv, is Secretary of the Rotary Club of St Augustine. At Arima, Ken also had the distinction of serving as Club President.

During the Covid crisis, with Rotary activity almost at a standstill throughout the island, Ken discovered Global Passport online and a new exciting Rotary challenge beckoned. Within a short space of time, he was invited to become an Honorary member of the club. There was to be no turning back, and Ken was admitted to full membership in February of this year. Today he is delighted to be recently nominated as President Elect of Global Passport for 2023/24.

In the wider field of Rotary, Ken was appointed as Assistant Governor in District 7030 during the years 2014/15 and 2015/16. Additionally In 2019, 2020 and 2021 he served as District 7030 Rotary International Conference Promotions Chair, Houston /Texas Convention being the last port of call.

In addition to his Rotary calling, Ken has served on several Trinidad & Tobago Government School Boards, stints at the Ministry of Social Welfare, headed Chambers of Commerce entities on numerous occasions and is well known throughout the Caribbean for his involvement as an actor in several international movies and Television productions. As a stage actor he has over one thousand performances to his credit, initially entering the field of drama at Queens Royal College in Port of Spain, and spanning a 50-year period, including appearances in United States of America.

Con conversationally fluent in English, French and Spanish he is a Paul Harris Fellow and declares that as a member of Rotary Club of Global Passport in District 6330, his Rotary Journey the World Over has only just begun.

Kenneth Boodhu



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FROM 4:30PM TO 7:30PM

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Rotary Club of Sarnia-Lambton After-Hours

We are so pleased to be able to host our 10th Annual After-Hours Rotary Trivia Night on October 21. We are EXCITED to welcome you back!

We are hoping to get this event back to what it used to be at a brand new location - the Dante Club! What won't change is the fun and excitement. We will still offer our silent auction, raffles, entertainment and light snacks.

Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register your team of eight.

The Rotary Club of District 6330 Passport
invites you to celebrate the Rotary Foundation with us!

Special Guest PDG Dennis Dinsmore
Meet our newest Paul Harris Fellows
While we enjoy the World's Greatest Meal



When – November 2, 2022
7:00pm EST on zoom

Contact Sue Storie sastorie.rotary@gmail.com for the link and for details.

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Date:
Oct 29, 2022

AQUABOX PRESS RELEASE

RESPONDING TO DISASTERS AROUND THE WORLD

SUPPORTING
GLOBAL
MEDIC

12,000 AquaBoxes
since the project
began in 2006

On October 29, 2022 the Rotary Club of Stratford will build 1,008 AquaBoxes to help support Global Medic as they respond to disasters around the world.

AROUND 40 ROTARY AND COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS WILL MEET AT JUTZI WATER TECHNOLOGIES TO CREATE THE AQUABOXES IN AN EFFICIENT ASSEMBLY LINE FASHION

The two pail two filter AquaBox system can supply a family of four with clean water for about a year, greatly helping disaster survivors to recover and put their lives back together.



The Rotary Club has now shipped over 12,000 AquaBoxes since the project began in 2006.



The Rotary Club depends on donations to buy the AquaBox materials and the hygiene and survival supplies shipped with every AquaBox. To view a Global Medic video showing our last build go to [YouTube Link](#). and consider making a donation [HERE](#)

“My goal this year is to continue to grow the district website to be both an attraction to visitors and as an easy-to-access source of information for Rotarians.”

Dennis Dinsmore

District Webmaster

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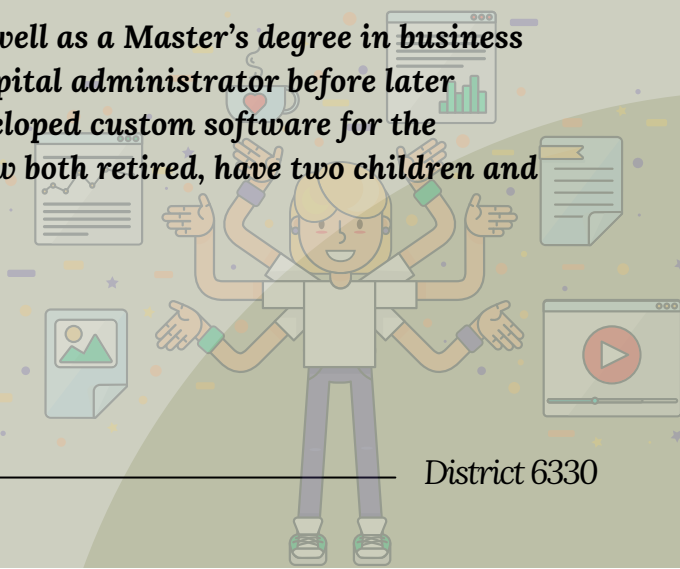
Rotarian Dennis Dinsmore is returning to his old job as our District Webmaster some 18 years after starting the district Clubrunner site in 2004. He has also served as webmaster for our Zone 24 as well as for his home club, Genesee Valley.



Dennis is a familiar face to many Rotarians, having served as District Governor in 2005-06, and later as Rotary District Foundation Chair then as the Council on Legislation rep two 3-year terms. From 2012 to 2015 he served as the Regional Rotary Foundation Chair for Zone 24 working with 17 Rotary districts across Canada, US, Bermuda, France and Russia. He is a Major Donor to the Rotary Foundation and is the recipient of the foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service.


His passion in Rotary is to support our Foundation in its efforts to eradicate polio. As a child, he was one of thousands of “Polio Pioneers” who were lucky enough to have received the first Salk polio vaccine in 1954. Some of his childhood friends who were permanently scarred by polio then and some Rotary friends who suffer from post-polio syndrome today were not so lucky and he feels he owes it to them to make our world polio free.

Dennis holds a Bachelor's degree in engineering as well as a Master's degree in business administration. He worked for many years as a hospital administrator before later founding The Dinsmore Group, Inc. a firm that developed custom software for the healthcare industry. Dennis and his wife Eileen, now both retired, have two children and four grandchildren.



District 6330

STEPHANIE URCHICK

A portrait of Stephanie Urchick, a woman with shoulder-length blonde hair and bangs, wearing a dark blue top and gold earrings. She is smiling slightly and looking directly at the camera.

Dr. Stephanie Urchick is a member of the Rotary Club of McMurray, Pennsylvania and has served Rotary as an RI Director and Chair of the Board's Executive Committee, a Foundation Trustee, Chair of the Rotary Strategic Planning and TRF Centennial Celebration Committees, member of the Atlanta RI Convention Committee, RLTI Moderator, International Training Leader, Regional Foundation Coordinator, President's Representative, District Governor, District Delegate and Member-at-Large for three Councils on Legislation, and as a member of various RI Committees and in many club, district, and Zone roles.

A Rotarian since 1991, Stephanie has participated in a variety of international service projects, including National Immunization Days (polio prevention) in India and Nigeria, the building of an elementary school in Vietnam, water filter installation in the Dominican Republic, and mentoring new Rotarians in Ukraine. Securing mammography equipment and a biopsy unit for a hospital in Poland was the district-wide TRF matching grant that Stephanie coordinated with the Rotary Club of Krakow. In its commemorative book, the Rotary Club of Krakow noted Stephanie Urchick as one of the agents helping the re-birth of Rotary in post-Communist Poland. Currently, Stephanie is helping to partner clubs and districts in the U.S. with Rotary clubs in Kosovo and Albania for humanitarian and educational services.

Stephanie's professional background is in the higher education, consulting, and entertainment industries. She received her doctorate degree in Leadership Studies from Indiana University of Pennsylvania and has been recognized and awarded by The Rotary Foundation and numerous community and international organizations.

He is passionate about growing Rotary Membership through forming new and innovative Rotary, Rotaract and satellite clubs. He founded, co-founded, helped form and/or inspired dozens of new and creative clubs around the world including:

- The first ever Rotary Club in the world to serve veterans;
- The first ever Rotary Club in the world focused on ending human trafficking;
- The Rotary Club of Network for Empowering Women, which was featured in the North American Rotary Magazine;
- The Rotaract eClub for the Environment – the first ever cause-based, international, Rotaract eClub focusing on the environment, which was mentioned by Rotary CEO John Hugo in his closing remarks at the 2021 Rotary International Convention;
- The Rotary Club of Global Travelers, which was featured in the North American Rotary Magazine;
- The Kaleidoscope Rotaract Club, to serve those with Autism and their families, which he is a member of; and The Minnesota Pride Rotary Club.

TOM
GUMP

Tom was one of only 20 North American Rotary leaders selected by Rotary International Past President Mark Maloney and Rotary International Membership Staff to participate in a New Club Development Summit and was subsequently named as a Zone 29 Innovative Club Advocate. Tom is also one of only 500 Rotarians in the world to be named to The Membership Society for New Member Sponsors for bringing in more than 50 active members into his club, which puts him at the Gold Level of the Society. He was the winner of 2021 "Zones 28 and 32 Individual Membership Innovation Award," for promoting new cause-based clubs throughout the world.

Tom now inspires others around the world and helps them form their own new and innovative Rotary clubs. He speaks regularly on the topic of membership at Rotary club, district, multi-district, zone and international events. He spoke at this year's Rotary International Assembly and for the past few years has led and been a speaker on breakout session panels and workshops at Rotary International Conventions. He is on the PETS Alliance's list of "Popular Speakers" and recently served as a President's Representative to a district in the Philippines.

The North American Rotary magazine and other Rotary regional magazines have written about Tom. Tom's tips for attracting and retaining members and some of the clubs he has started have also been featured as part of cover stories. Rotary regional magazines have published articles by Tom. His articles have also appeared in Rotary's blog Rotary Voices.

Tom was an International Assembly Training Leaders in 2022 and will also serve in this capacity in 2023. He also served as General Chair of the 2021 Zones 25B and 29 Rotary Institute.

Tom is going to be a NOON ZOOM speaker for us – on May 10th 2023

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