



## A New Beginning



July is the beginning of the celebration – Rotary's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our founding. As we all know from those 4 members in 1905 we have grown to be 1.2 million strong in 166 countries and 31,000+ clubs. July is a special month in the Rotary world. Clubs have new presidents who will serve for one year, districts have new governors who will serve for one year, and Rotary International has a new president who also only serves in this capacity for one year. This is somewhat unique – that we change our leadership each and every year.



*Governor Blair and Rotary International President Glenn Estess, Jr. and his wife Mary.*

How some may ask can we survive with such turnover? Those of us who have been around for a few years have witnessed this process over and over know that it works!! Presidents come and go but the clubs remain – in most cases stronger than ever. Each president strives to improve the club and its programs and hopes he or she can leave it in better shape than when he or she assumed office. It works!! The same goes for governors and the RI president. Non-members look at the process and just shake their heads in amazement that this works.

Why does it work? There is constantly a stream of new energy and new ideas coming forth with these changes. Some of the ideas may not work and they are quickly discarded while others proceed with astounding success. The good ones are probably kept and even shared with other clubs who may or may not try them. In this way Rotary continues to survive and grow in service. This is what it is all about!!

In the coming year I encourage each and every one of you to continue to support your own club projects as well as develop an international project if you do not already do one in your club. One of our goals this year is for all clubs to have at least one international project or participation in something international. You need not give up anything in your community to do this, just add something new in the life of your club. The rewards will be immense both for you as individuals and for your clubs.

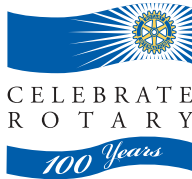
So as we Celebrate Rotary this year let's also go out and invite members of our communities to share our excitement and enthusiasm for Rotary and all of its wonderful work. There is a need for our continued good works now more than ever. It we are to get the work done, we need new members. So let's share and invite someone to join.  
**CELEBRATE!!**



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# Rotary International Theme 2004-05

**O**ur clubs are the heart of Rotary, the place where we first enjoy Rotary fellowship and become committed to Rotary ideals. Many clubs have rich histories to honor during our centennial year, but even the youngest clubs have reason to Celebrate Rotary. Let us all Celebrate Rotary by fostering the spirit of caring and concern among our club members. Continue the Family of Rotary committee to support membership retention efforts, and bring in enthusiastic new members to infuse our clubs with fresh energy to meet the challenges that lie ahead.



Rotary was founded during an era of corruption and scandal in the business world — not unlike that of our own time. Ethical standards have been a hallmark of Rotarians since the organization's early days, and the centennial is the ideal time to renew our commitment to honorable behavior in business and the professions. Let us Celebrate Rotary by helping to act as a conscience in the workplace and an example of integrity to our employees, our customers, and our professional colleagues.

Many of Rotary's greatest achievements have been at the grassroots level, where clubs are engaged in a broad range of projects to promote literacy, alleviate poverty and hunger, mentor young people, and beautify their surroundings—to name just a few of the efforts underway in more than 31,000 communities worldwide. During 2004-05, include your community in your centennial celebration through your club's Centennial Community Project and other special observances. Celebrate Rotary by publicizing your club's history of service to the community and launching ambitious plans for the future.

Rotary's internationalism enables Rotarians to form service partnerships and carry out cultural exchanges with clubs across the border or halfway round the world. Celebrate Rotary in 2004-05 by participating in the Twin Club program, sponsoring a Centennial Group Study Exchange or Rotary Volunteer, or sponsoring or hosting a Youth Exchange student. Plan on attending the Rotary International Convention in Chicago and join with Rotarians from dozens of countries throughout the world to Celebrate Rotary and its 100th anniversary. ♦

## WE ARE THE NEW CENTURY

## District 7190 Calendar

<b>July 1</b>	<b>2004-2005 Rotary Year Begins</b>
<b>July 8</b>	<b>Change Over Dinner</b> Glen Sanders Mansion, Rte. 5, Scotia, NY
<b>Aug. 24</b>	<b>Membership Seminar</b> Coburg Village, Clifton Park, NY
<b>Sept. 9</b>	<b>Gift of Life Golf Tournament</b> The Antlers Golf Club, Amsterdam, NY
<b>Sept. 20</b>	<b>New Member Orientation</b> Coburg Village, Clifton Park, NY
<b>Oct. 1-2</b>	<b>Scholar Orientation Seminar, Zone 31</b> Nashua Marriott Hotel, Nashua, NH
<b>Oct. 5-10</b>	<b>Zones 31 &amp; 32 Institute (DG, DGE, DGN, Trainer), Cambridge, MD</b>
<b>Oct. 23</b>	<b>District Foundation Seminar</b> TBA
<b>Nov. 6</b>	<b>Rotary Leadership Institute</b> Skidmore College, Saratoga, NY
<b>Nov. 12</b>	<b>Foundation Dinner</b> Marriott, Wolfe Rd., Colonie, NY
<b>Jan. 17</b>	<b>New Member Orientation</b> Coburg Village, Clifton Park, NY
<b>Jan 22</b>	<b>Mid-Year Assembly</b> TBA
<b>Feb. 18-25</b>	<b>International Assembly (DGE)</b> Anaheim, CA
<b>Feb. 25</b>	<b>Centennial Ball/Celebration</b> Glen Sanders Mansion, Rte. 5, Scotia, NY
<b>March 10</b>	<b>Centennial Bell in Albany</b>
<b>March 11</b>	<b>District Team Training Seminar</b> Camp Chingachgook, Kattskill Bay, NY
<b>March 11-12</b>	<b>Presidents-Elect Training Seminar</b> Camp Chingachgook, Kattskill Bay, NY
<b>March 19</b>	<b>Gift of Life Dinner Dance</b> Marriott, Wolfe Rd., Colonie, NY
<b>TBA</b>	<b>2005 District Assembly</b> TBA
<b>April 11</b>	<b>New Member Orientation</b> Coburg Village, Clifton Park, NY
<b>May 13-15</b>	<b>2005 District Conference</b> Sturbridge Hotel and Conference Center Sturbridge, MA
<b>June 18-22</b>	<b>2005 International Convention</b> Chicago, IL
<b>June 26-</b>	<b>RYLA Conference</b>
<b>July 1</b>	College of St. Rose, Albany, NY
<b>July 1</b>	<b>2005-2006 Rotary Year Begins</b>

PLEASE DO NOT SCHEDULE CLUB FUNCTIONS WHICH CONFLICT WITH THE ABOVE DATES FOR DISTRICT FUNCTIONS.

### For Sale

## District 7190 History

To get a copy send your name and address to:

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# Rotary Centennial Twin Club Program

As part of the Rotary Centennial celebration, Rotary International is encouraging clubs to participate in the Rotary Centennial Twin Club Program. In the Twin Clubs Program, two clubs from different countries establish strong ties and agree to team up to carry out a centennial-year effort, be it an international service project, Rotary Youth Exchange, or Friendship Exchange.

Dear Governor Blair,  
In support of Pres. Glenn's thrust for Centennial Club Twin Program, the 74 clubs in my District are keen to have a sister club relationship with clubs in your District. The size profile of my clubs is as follows: small (15 to 30 members) - 35, medium (31 to 60 members) - 25, large (more than 60 members) - 14. All these 74 clubs have projects in Pres. Glenn's focus areas, namely, health, water and literacy which they would like interested foreign clubs to co-sponsor.  
If any of the clubs in your District are interested, I would appreciate if you could give me the name, email and address of the Rotarian to contact.  
Hoping to hear from you soon.  
With my personal regards,  
Yours sincerely in Rotary,  
TONY QUILA  
Centennial Governor D-3830

**Please note:** Clubs who already have twin relationships are invited to report these established relationships as part of this Rotary Centennial activity and are encouraged to undertake a new joint program or project in honor of the centennial. It is not necessary to register if a club already has an established relationship, however, reporting an already established twin club relationship must be done using the downloadable [Twin Club Report Form](#) with copies to Governor Blair.

## Goals

- To emphasize the international avenue of Rotary service and friendship
- To enhance understanding of another culture

- To establish a long-term relationship with another club that will lead to complex ongoing projects
- To further international understanding and foster goodwill

## Program Criteria

- Clubs must be from two different countries, preferably from different continents.
- The program must involve personal participation of Rotarians.
- Clubs must report their informal twin club relationship by 1 December 2004 by completing the downloadable [Twin Club Report Form](#) with copies to Governor Blair

## Establishing a Relationship

Careful planning and clear communication is essential to establishing a strong relationship. Like any other worthwhile project, twin club programs take time and effort. Ensuring that each club has a clear understanding of its role and responsibilities in the partnership is key.

To formalize the twin club relationship, clubs may wish to sign a simple letter of agreement, which outlines the goals and length of the partnership. Some ideas for developing a strong relationship include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Undertaking an international service project
- Participating in a [Rotary Friendship Exchange](#) or [Youth Exchange](#)
- Planning and holding an international projects fair
- Organizing a [Rotary Youth Leadership Awards \(RYLA\)](#) event
- Exchanging project ideas or club program ideas
- Holding a video conference club meeting
- Capitalizing on visits by Rotarians who may be traveling
- Exchanging handicrafts and local products
- Using your imagination to come up with innovative ideas for building your twin club relationship



# Chicago Centennial Convention

2005 Rotary International Annual Convention, Chicago, Illinois, USA  
18-22 June 2005

"My kind of town, Chicago is my kind of town." — Frank Sinatra

## What's new this year?

The Chicago Centennial Convention will begin on Saturday, 18 June 2005, one day earlier than usual, to accommodate the Rotary International Parade in the morning and Host Hospitality in the evening. Combined Convention Registration and RI Ticket Order forms will make it easy for you to plan your convention itinerary.

## Your kind of town

What better place is there to *Celebrate Rotary* than in Chicago? In addition to being the birthplace of Rotary, Chicago is:

- the birthplace of the blues, the skyscraper, deep-dish pizza, the zipper, Cracker Jack, and roller skates.
- a mecca for sports fans, with seven professional teams, including the Chicago Cubs and the Chicago White Sox baseball teams, one of which will be playing at home during the RI convention.
- a shoppers paradise — from upscale boutiques and department stores along the Magnificent Mile of North Michigan Avenue, to colorful ethnic shops that line Chicago's neighborhood streets.
- home to some of the 20th century's most important architecture, including Louis Sullivan's Auditorium Building, Frank Lloyd Wright's Robie House, Ludwig Mies van der Rohe's Crown Hall, and buildings designed by Rotary Foundation alumnus Helmut Jahn and other leading contemporary architects.
- "Urbs in Horto" (City in a Garden), with 30 miles of lakefront beaches, parks, and golf courses — all open to the public.
- a city of neighborhoods, each one with its own ethnic flavor and tempo: African-American, Chinese, German, Greek, Irish, Italian, Korean, Mexican, Polish, Ukrainian, and more. To visit some of these colorful areas, sign up for neighborhood tours.
- a town that stays up late with live music of every type, theater, dancing, and late-night restaurants.
- holder of the following titles: world's largest illuminated fountain (Buckingham Fountain in Grant Park), world's busiest futures exchange (Board of Trade), world's largest collection of Impressionist paintings outside of Paris (Art Institute of Chicago).
- sister city to 22 other cities worldwide.

See you in Chicago!



## 'Rotary Lord of the Rings Movie Festival'

The Rotary Club of Schenectady, in collaboration with beautiful Proctor's Theater, is pleased to announce the 'Rotary Lord of the Rings Movie Festival'. This fundraiser will feature separate showings of each movie as well as a special one-day Lord of the Rings trilogy marathon. See it at Proctors on "the largest movie screen outside of Radio City Music Hall" in Dolby Stereo!

Movie showings are as follows:

- July 29 - The Fellowship of the Ring
- July 30 - The Two Towers
- July 31 - One-day showing of the entire Lord of the Rings trilogy
- August 1 - The Return of the King



Stay tuned for further details or contact Mark Sheehan at 372-1160, extension 351 for further information."

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