



RLI International Newsletter

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The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is a multi-district, grassroots leadership development program of member districts organized into regional divisions throughout the world. It is not an official program of Rotary International and is not under its control. The RLI seeks to have Rotary Clubs in member districts identify those Rotarians who seem to have the POTENTIAL for future club leadership (not necessarily as club presidents) and provide those so identified with a quality education in Rotary knowledge and leadership skills for voluntary organizations.

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This issue concludes the RLI INTERNATIONAL eBulletins for the 2011-12 Rotary year. The next issue will be distributed at the end of August

Quote of the Month

...“what's important in Rotary isn't what we say. It's what we do and who we are.”

—Outgoing R.I. President, Kalyan Banerjee

Revised Curriculum for 2013-15 Posted on our Materials

RLI thanks the 30 member Curriculum Committee from five countries, chaired by PDG Gary Israel, Chair of the Sunshine Division and the Editor of the materials, PDG Bevin Wall, who is also Executive Director of the Zone 33 Division. Both did a great job for RLI.

di Costanzo Appointed as an R.I. Director for 2012-14.

Jacques di Costanzo of Marseille, France, the Chair of the RLI French Division of 14 French speaking districts, has been appointed by the R.I. Board of Directors to fill the vacancy caused by the untimely death of RIDE Jean-Marc Chateigner of France for Zone 11. Jacques will serve two years beginning July 1, 2012. Jacques is also a member of the RLI International Training Team and was the recipient of the RLI Outstanding Achievement Award at the New Orleans Convention.

More About RLI Breakfast at the Bangkok Convention

The highlight of the Annual Convention Breakfast was the speech by our friend (everyone's friend) Bob Scott. Bob based his thinking on the following quote by Aristotle:

“What are we to do?

Leadership and excellence then is not an act.

But a habit.”

As Chair of the International Polio Plus Committee, one would expect that Bob would talk about the achievements of the Polio Eradication campaign of R.I., but he did much more with that subject by showing the positive effects on our organization

We are also grateful to TRF Chair-Elect, PRIP Wilf Wilkinson for bringing us a message of the Foundation's goals and efforts for the coming Rotary year. He took time out of a very busy schedule to spend time with us.

RLI also thanks R.I. Director Ken Grabeau for a very interesting talk. He suggested that RLI could play a role in R.I.'s membership efforts this coming year. Ken has done a great job these past two years on the R.I. Board.

Welcome New Member Division/Districts

RLI is pleased to welcome the new **District 2230** Division that includes the countries of Poland, Belarus and Ukraine. The Agreement to form the Division was signed by DGE Leslaw Morawski and the Chair of the Division is Marek Lipinski who also serves as district trainer for Poland and Chair of the District Public Relations Committee.

RLI is also pleased to welcome **District 2220**, Western Russia, as a member of the Russia Division. Now both Russian districts are members of RLI. The Agreement of Membership was signed by Governor Alexander Borisov of Moscow. Chair of District 2220 RLI is Stephanie Tsomakaeva of St. Petersburg.

RLI is pleased to welcome **District 7010** as a member of the Shining Waters Division. The District is located in parts of Ontario and Quebec, Canada and its membership brings all of the Ontario districts into RLI. The Governor is Brian Menton of Gooderham, Ontario. We thank incoming R.I. Director Bryn Styles of that district for his support of RLI.

Divided and Merged Districts.

Two districts in the Main Line Division (Western Pennsylvania, USA) have merged. They are 7350 and 7370 and the newly merged district is 7360.

The Southern California and Nevada, USA Division lost District 5260 that was merged into non-member 5190.

Many more district members of RLI are scheduled for splits and mergers on July 1, 2013. They are part of R.I.'s program to merge undersized districts and divide large districts.

RLI Training Teams Working this Month in Finland and Peru

A meeting of Division leaders and a faculty orientation program in the Finland Division have been conducted in Oulu, Finland by PDG Knut Johnsen, RLI International Vice-Chair and PDG Nils Ove Jensen, RLI Regional Vice-Chair on June 28 and 29. Chair of the Division is PDG Leila Ristelli. More on these events in the next eBulletin

RIDE Celia Giay is Scheduled to Conduct a

Faculty Orientation in Peru

The new Peru Division has set a faculty orientation program in Lima, Peru with RIDE Celia Giay, an RLI Special Adviser and member of the RLI International Training Team. Upon receipt of Celia's report, we will provide more details in the next eBulletin.

declare their completion of the leadership and Rotary knowledge sessions of the RLI curriculum.” (Editor: Sounds pretty enthusiastic)

Personnel Changes

PDG Douglas Maymon of Florida, USA will assume the chairmanship of the RLI Sunshine Division on July 1 for a two year term. He succeeds PDG Gary Israel, who is completing his two year term. The Division includes every Rotary District in Zone 34 plus Puerto Rico and a district in Venezuela.

RLI PHILOSOPHY

“Having leadership skills does not alone assure good Rotary leadership. An effective Rotary leader must ALSO have Rotary knowledge, perspective about where Rotary has been, where it is now and a vision of what Rotary can be.”