



RLI International Newsletter

www.rotaryleadershipinstitute.org/
facebook.com/rliinternational

October 2016

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.

In Memoriam

RLI is saddened to announce the passing of the following:

Caroline Gifford of Illinois, USA, wife of Past R.I. Director Dr. Edgar "Ted" Gifford who is a member of the RLI Senior Leaders Advisory Board;

Takunori Sugitani, Immediate Past Director and Vice-Chair of the RLI Japan Division;

Marilyn Axler of District 7640, Southern New Jersey, USA, an enthusiastic supporter of RLI and a very active disseminator of Rotary news through social networking.

Quote of the Month

The 100th Anniversary of the founding of The Rotary Foundation is an appropriate time for the quote by the late Dr. Jonas Salk, co-inventor of the polio vaccine:

"There is hope in dreams, imagination, and in the courage of those who wish to make

gave the opening remarks, informing those present how RLI was initiated and expanded in Australia, New Zealand and Oceania. A participant in a RLI course, Mia Rolf spoke about her experiences in that course. PDG Michael Rabasca of New Jersey, USA, attended the Institute and that meeting as the representative of the International RLI and announced at that meeting how the RLI and History Fellowship are collaborating on the development of graduate courses in Rotary history for RLI. We commend Director Ahlberg and his "team" for an outstanding Institute.

An RLI Breakfast Has been Scheduled for the Madrid Institute

Seven R.I. Districts in Europe will participate in the Rotary Institute at Madrid, Spain the week of November 21, 2016. The principal Convener is R.I. Director Eduardo San Martin of Spain and Directors serving as Co-Conveners are Peter Offer of UK, Gerard Alloneau of France, Corneliu Dinca of Romania and Past Director Giuseppe Viale of Italy.

RLI will hold its Breakfast Meeting on Saturday, November 26 at 07:30 in the Monaco Room of the Hotel Eurobuilding. The event will be chaired by PRID Jacques di Costanzo of France, RLI Regional Chair for Western and Central Europe. We are pleased that Rotary International President-Elect Ian Riseley of Australia will be a speaker. RLI International Chair David Linett, PRID, will bring greetings at the meeting. The full program and further details will be announced in early November.

Reports from the Thessalonki, Greece Zone 20B Institute are expected to appear in the November RLI eBulletin

Around the RLI World

A group of RLI Trainers led by PDG Subhash Saraf, Secretary of the South Asia RLI Organization conducted graduate and faculty courses for 120 participants in Bangladesh. PDG Salim Reza is Chair of the RLI Bangladesh Division.

Senior Rotarians from District 3160 (Andhra and Karnataka, Central India) visited District 3131 (Pune India) for graduate and discussion leader training, a great example of districts working together to improve RLI.

Personnel

We urge RLI members to join the RLI discussion group on the R.I. My Rotary/ Discussion groups. The RLI site is called, "Rotary Leadership Institute/RLI". At the time of the writing of this eBulletin, 702 Rotarians have joined the site and 29 discussion topics have been opened. Any Rotarian may join the group.

**HELP ROTARY IMPROVE RETENTION RATES - SEND
ALL NEW ROTARY CLUB MEMBERS TO A RLI
COURSE DURING THEIR FIRST YEAR OF
MEMBERSHIP**

Updates Now POSTED

RLI will announce the posting of updates on its websites from time to time for the benefit of member districts and other interested Rotarians. Here are some current updates on its main website at www.rotaryleadershipinstitute.org :

Revised Division List, incorporating many changes for the 2016-17 Rotary year;

Updated RLI International Officers Listings;

**Reminder - The Annual Intl. RLI Financial Report for
2015-16 is available for viewing on the website.**

For further information, contact RLI Vice-Chair and Secretary, PDG Knut Johnsen at knutjohnsen@att.net .

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.”