Dear Fellow Rotarians,

 Congratulations to those of you who were recently elected to serve our club as officer or director for 2023-24 and to all of you who will continue to serve during our next Rotary year. We look forward to hearing new ideas, starting new projects, and achieving new goals as we work to fulfill the goals President Winn has set for this year.

 In a video testimonial yesterday, Past President Bill Wilson observed, “**In order to serve well, you have to be prepared.**” He went on to describe the benefits of participating in the **Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)** **as one way to you can prepare**.

 The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) event is a **3-part series of fast-paced, interactive courses offered to refine a Rotarian’s leadership skills and increase their base of knowledge in Rotary.** Courses are fun, topical, interactive, and geared toward busy business and professional persons who want to be more effective leaders in their vocation and club and more knowledgeable Rotarians.

 Every Rotary Club is encouraged to sponsor at least two candidates for every RLI event, which provides about six hours of instruction. Participants return to their clubs with enthusiasm, new contacts, fresh ideas, an increased understanding of their potential as Rotarians, and valuable skills impacting their potential leadership in their Rotary club and in their careers. Registration is quick and simple and you can register on-line.

 **Your first (or next)** **opportunity** to attend RLI is coming up soon—**Saturday, January 28 and February 4, from 8:00 am to 11:30 am with log in at 7:45 on ZOOM**. **Registration is FREE for Part I** and **only $15** (with a nominal processing fee for payment by card) for Parts II and III. **Just log on to rlihoa.org.** Go to **Upcoming Trainings RLI Parts I, II and III Online-District 6740** and select More info.

 We’re fortunate to have a number of local Rotarians as facilitators for our District 6740 RLI and some RLI graduates on our current Board. If you have **questions about the value** of attending RLI, just ask **Winn Stephens, Kim Johnson, Bill Wilson, Laurel Martin, and Chris Campbell** about their RLI experience.

 We hope you will choose to take advantage of this special opportunity to prepare yourself for service as a Rotary leader.

Best Rotary Regards,

Martha Riddell, Jack McAllister, Dean Hammond, and Judy Worth

District 6740 RLI Coordinating Committee