



Rotary Leadership Institute

The Rotary Leadership Institute is a grassroots, multi-district leadership development program whose mission is to strengthen Rotary clubs through quality leadership education

April 2024

Join Us in Singapore 25-29 May 2024

Join in Sharing Hope with the World at the Rotary International Convention in Singapore, 25-29 May 2024. Every year the RI Convention offers workshops and speakers that impress, and this year is no different! Besides the obvious presenters like RI President Gordon MacNalley and RIPE Stephanie Urchick, we will hear about environmental issues, youth issues, and new club structures. Our own board member, Bryn Styles, will be presenting as well. The event wraps up with music from the Red Hot Chili Peppers!

The RLI Breakfast will be held 28 May from 7:30 am to 10 am local time. Join us at the Fairmont in the SKAI Suites for a full breakfast. We will be presenting awards and welcoming some special speakers. It is a wonderful chance to network with other RLI participants from around the world. Register using the link below.

Rotary Leadership Institute will have a booth in the House of Friendship - be sure to visit us at booth 2321 located between Peace Village and Rotary Village.

The RLI Breakfast will be held in the SKAI Suites on the 69th floor of the Fairmont. The fee is only \$ 40 USD for a full breakfast. There will be presentations and time to network. Seating is limited, register today!

[CLICK HERE for RLI Breakfast](#)

For more information about the Convention and to Register,

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The Rotary Leadership Institute is not an official training program of Rotary International.

Featured Division:

Taiwan

Moments of the 76th Reunion of the Rotary Leadership Institute
Taiwan Division

Date: February 18, 2024,

By: District 3482 Rotary Club of Taipak Kianseng, AG Computer

The 4th time gathering of the 76th cohort of the Rotary Leadership Institute to collectively review their learning journey over the 2-day course in mid-summer 2023.

During the "Get to Know Your 76th Classmates Again" quiz game meticulously organized by P. Gloria of Rotary Club of Taipei Rising Star & P. Bands of Rotary Club of Taipei Xiong Ying bringing back all the good 76th course memories.

Especially when Piao Pie who is our Class Leader from the Rotary Club of Sao reciting Taiwanese-style couplets and horizontal scrolls full of local flavor in his loud powerful voice, which cracked everyone up with laughter in the house.



Chair Stan gave a heartfelt sharing with everyone for the attitude of giving it all and being the goal achiever at Rotary club. As well as the best encouragement for all which the closest translation "Don't try so hard, the best things come when you least expect them to" - Robindranath Tagore
All of us also discussed what the future Rotary leadership would possibly be.

would never know when a single sentence would, a person, change your life when your affinities with Rotary. What we are passing on is both solid things and every kindness.

Reviewing the learning outcomes: "Walking with the wise, you would be extraordinary; associating with the great, you could reach the summit."

All the students sat with Principal Stan to share interesting stories, Principal's leadership skill and experience during the time we spent together at the Rotary Leadership Institute. Always received and inspired so much when interact directly with Chair Stan and all our classmates.

Reflection: The reunion of the 76th cohort always would be the warmest and most inspiring moment, looking forward to the future, we will keep on hand in hand and continue to be giving and contributing for Rotary, bringing positive changes to the world. Every tiny step that I am progressing in Rotary would get us better and more meaningful life.



Get Involved!

We are stronger together! Action opportunities for you:

Curriculum Survey

We want to hear from you!

The curriculum team is being work on the Graduate level courses and they have questions that only you can answer.

1. Do you offer Graduate level programs in your Division?
2. If yes, what Graduate topics do you offer?
3. Do you use curriculum from the rlifiles website?
4. Have you created your own Graduate programs? (Not on the website)
5. What topics would you like the curriculum team to create, or focus on ?

Send your answers and any related information to:
Newsletter@RotaryLeadershipInstitute.org

We look forward to serving you!



Dues are Due!

Dues were due in September. If you have not sent in your RLI Int'l dues, please do so today. Dues are \$100 per district.

If you have questions, send them to:
Billing@rotaryleadershipinstitute.org

Submit Information

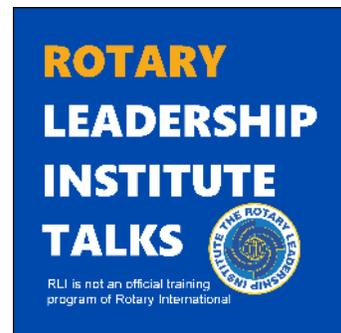
Please submit photos and articles for our newsletter to:

Newsletter@rotaryleadershipinstitute.org

Please include:

Your name, Division name, date, and the names of the people in your photo

RLI Has a Podcast!



Podcast Link: Click [HERE](#)

Thanks to all of you, RLI International is now hosting a podcast to share your wonderful ideas with everyone. !

And if your Division is doing something that could help everyone, let us know at

Newsletter@rotaryleadershipinstitute.org

Featured Division:

Bangalore

Bringing RLI to PETS!



On 9th March, at Bangalore we conducted an RLI fashioned Presidents Elect Training Seminar for 5 batches continuously for more than 5 hours with the Facilitators PDG Asoka, PDG Subramaniam, PDG George, Rtn Kumarappan and Rtn Suryaprakash going from hall to hall. It was indeed a good experience though tiring. The participants of District 3211 were highly impressed and went on to say that the RLI fashioned training on the 2nd day was the highlight of the 3 day programme.



Featured Division:



Heart of America

Highlights of the January'24 RLI-HOA Board Meeting

By Jeffrey Romine

On January 16, 2024 the RLI-HOA Board convened a quarterly meeting. Quorum was present. Highlights of the meeting included:

Curriculum Changes: Approval and announcement of a plan to introduce the new RLI Curriculum and to transition to it by April 1. **RLI Districts are encouraged to make the transition to the new curriculum by April 1, 2024.** Past RI Director and RLI Curriculum Chair Elizabeth Usovicz is planning to conduct in the weeks upcoming, two zoom meetings: (1) One to discuss the new curriculum with Regional and District Coordinators and (2) one for interested RLI facilitators. Be watching for announcements.

Increased Training: The Board discussed increasing the training opportunities and conducting some targeted training sessions. Three possible training topics were discussed: (1) The Closeout Process for RLI events (for District Coordinators) (2) Online RLI event training - Division wide (for Zone 30 & 31 Rotarians) and (3) Online Faculty training (for future facilitators). It is anticipated that you will hear more about this effort after the curriculum meetings have occurred.

Faculty Training: Greg Maciolek, Faculty and Training Chair, reported that he had conducted an-in-person training event for facilitators in his home of District 6780. He also indicates that he is ready to conduct training via Zoom to meet the needs of Districts where a small handful of individuals wish to be trained. The faculty training process involves (1) finding individuals knowledgeable about Rotary that are willing and capable of becoming facilitators, (2) live engagement in a session where individuals hear about and learn the importance of facilitating discussions and about the RLI program materials and (3) a successful abbreviated mock session where the prospective member of the faculty can demonstrate the ability to conduct a session. This last portion can be conducted at the District level. District Coordinators are encouraged to contact Greg if seeking facilitator training sessions. Greg can be reached via email at greg@gregmaciolek.com.

2024-2025 Budget: A budget for the 2024-2025 year was approved and will be included in the annual ballot for approval. At this time, it is not anticipated that the fees for either online or in-person session registration will change. The most significant change represented by the budget is the goal of attaining 600 registered sessions during the 2024-2025 year.

Voting Process: Each year in January, the Board nominates individuals to fill upcoming vacant positions on the Board. An electronic ballot with nominated names along with the upcoming year's budget is combined into a small packet and distributed to our electors: RLI-Member District Governors, HOA-RLI District Coordinators, HOA-RLI board members (which also includes all HOA-RLI Regional Coordinators) The ballot was distributed on January 29 and is due to be returned no later than the end of day February 29. Upon the conclusion of voting, you will be informed of the new officers and filled positions.

Featured Division:

Chili



Featured Division:

French



Featured Division: South India



RLI Parts 1 and 2 were conducted by Rotary club of Pondicherry Eves of District 2981 on 16 and 17th of March at Pondicherry. There were 2 batches of 25 Rotarians each. PDG Subu, PDG Asoka, PDG Dr George, PP Priya Govindaraj, PP Reji Jose and PP Pethaperumal were the facilitators for the 12 sessions. DG Senguttuvan , RLI Chair Ravi and organising Chair Stella did a great job organising a very good RLI programme in their District.

Another excellent RLI completed in Zone 5. We are going to Srilanka for RLI parts 1 and 2 during the coming weekend. We will be completing one or more RLI programmes in all the 11 Districts of Zone 5 Southern Division by the 3rd weekend of April, for this Rotary year.

All the 11 Districts in the Division have paid their Annual certification fees too !!!!



Zone 5

New Focus for RI Training

Rotary International has changed the focus of the Learning Center to a “learning model” instead of a “training model”. This change is designed to shift the experience to one focused on the participant rather than material. Although their material is static, this approach is more in line with Rotary Leadership Institute. And we are glad to hear it!

Bob Morrow, a member of the Curriculum team reached out to RI with a couple of questions about the new program. Here are their responses:

1. How does this new initiative affect Rotary Leadership Institute?

Since RLI is an unofficial program of Rotary International, our team does not manage the resources and learning materials available or the structure of the programs. However, as we noted in the webinar, participant-centered learning is an active instructional approach vs a passive and use of this model would be highly effective as an approach for the RLI sessions. Rotary’s shift to a learning model from a training model has been an ongoing process and had begun being implemented long before it was made official with title changes. Implementing this shift and putting participants at the center of the learning experience empowers them to take ownership of their learning and development.

2. Have the District Governors-Elect been briefed on this before the meeting that was held on Tuesday?

Yes, following the changes that were approved by the RI Board in early 2023 and took effect on 1 July 2023, this information has been shared with district leaders through similar webinar presentations and email communications. This has also been shared on social media, in our Learning in Action Newsletter, in our learning center courses and leader’s guides.

If you are leading and no one is following, you are just taking a walk,

-A Malawian proverb

New Podcast Episode!

A new episode of RLI Talks is available on our podcast!

Learn about delivering RLI programs online and how one division has been successful.

Podcast Link: Click [HERE](#)

Time to Share

What makes your RLI Division special? Working together makes all of us stronger. Share your strengths so that others may grow. Consider sharing your mistakes so others don’t make them.

RLI is an amazing program changes the lives of Rotarians. Help us all grow. Send in your stories today.

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Please watch future issues of this newsletter! We will be printing interviews with Board members.

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www.rotaryleadershipinstitute.org

To access curriculum files:

www.rlifiles.com

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Include the quantity, your name and mailing address.

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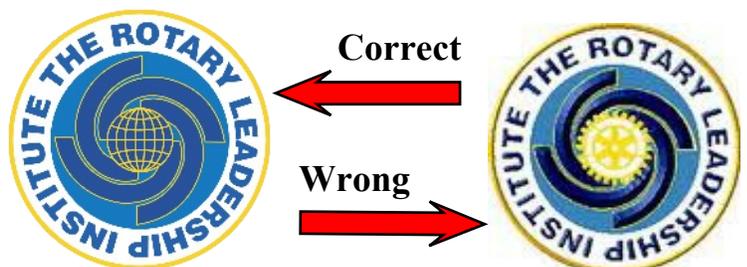
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RLI Talks Podcast

<https://open.spotify.com/episode/1jFBxTLhLtfioDIOtVe0xV?si=Ukxkb3DxQueNYz5I-eLz2g>

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