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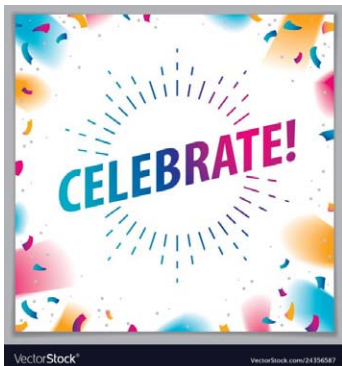


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A Time for Celebration and Inspiration

By Doreen Kelsey



District Conference is a special gathering, to which all District Rotarians are invited, to honor the service of club and district leaders during the year; to celebrate our accomplishments; and to become inspired for another year of Rotary Service. It's a different occasion than our district assemblies, which are primarily meant to be club and district leader training events. And the best thing about both is that these occasions provide the opportunity for us to get together, across a geographically-vast district, and enjoy the fellowship of our Rotary friends.

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Get to know your District Governor Nominee Designate: Steve Roberge

On October 1, 2023, the District Nominating Committee selected Assistant Governor Steve Roberge to serve as District Governor in 2026-2027. The nomination took effect on October 15, following the objection period.

Steve joined Rotary as a member of the Rotary Club of Coeur d'Alene in 2002. He served on the club's board of directors from 2002-2007 and as club president from 2007-2008.

Steve also serves as Co-Chair of the 2024 District Conference Committee and will complete his term as Assistant Governor this Rotary year.

Steve has been married to his lovely wife Denise for 43 years, and they are proud parents to three wonderful children and eleven adorable grandchildren!

Looking forward to serving, Steve states, "It is a great honor to be chosen to become a District Governor. Throughout my Rotary journey I have made many true friends and I have experienced countless fun and rewarding adventures with dedicated and giving Rotarians. Rotary holds a special place in my heart."



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An invitation to the charter night of the newest Rotary Club in our district!



The Rotary Club of Global Action for Refugees and Forced Migrants is hosting a charter event, and we are delighted to invite you to join us. The event will be held at the THRIVE INTERNATIONAL on (110 E 4th Ave, Spokane, WA, 99202), on December 14th, 5pm, and it will give us the opportunity to celebrate the founding of this vital organization that seeks to make a positive impact on the lives of refugees and forced migrants across the globe.

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District Conference Registration will open January 15th!



We are excited to announce registration for the District 5080 Conference &

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Celebration in Coeur d' Alene, Idaho is scheduled to open January 15th. All Rotarians and Rotaractors are invited to attend this amazing event.

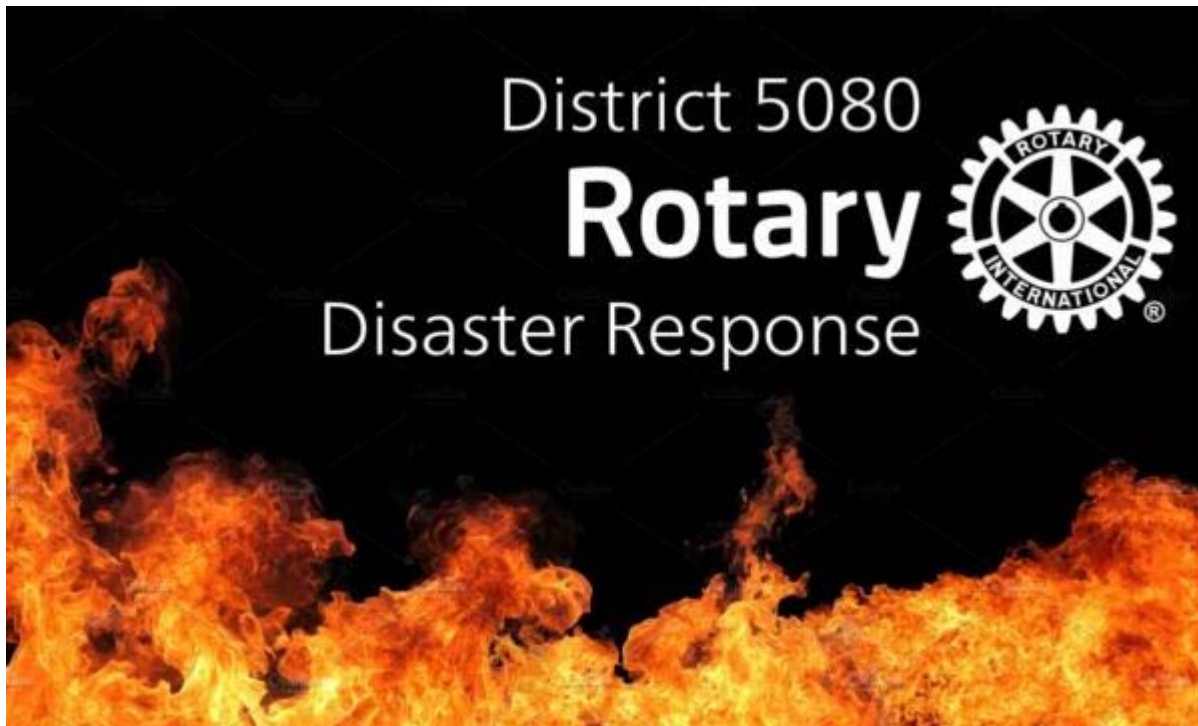
Mark your calendar for May 2nd-5th and watch your email for the registration link and a special promotion for early registration.

See you at the conference!

-Rotary District 5080 Conference team

5080 Disaster Aid Summary

By Dan Crawford



Hello All,

This summary will be a departure from my normal process as you have already seen enough of my emails regarding how we put things together to help fire victims. Instead, I want to focus on the amazing volunteers and to put into perspective what we faced daily for the last two months and what I have learned about fire response so that we can have a clearer understanding in the future.

The volunteers came from all walks of life, we had Rotarians answer the call from many clubs in the area. I particularly want to give many thanks to the Rotarians from Spokane 21, many of them came multiple times and I could not be more appreciative of their help. Spokane 21 was instrumental for bringing some hope and closure to this tragic event, I think of Diane. Diane had lived in her home for more than 50 years. She was heartbroken and devastated to say the least and the volunteers from Spokane 21 made a huge difference in her faith. The stories are numerous, and each had a common theme in that they were grateful for our presence and there is no better reward as a volunteer than to see hope return and a smile here and there.

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Consider an IRA Charitable Rollover to Gift Annuity

By James Bauer

IRA Charitable Rollover

Do you want to make a charitable gift to the Rotary Foundation but are afraid you may need the money in your retirement years? Now you can give money to the Endowment Fund of the Rotary Foundation and still receive the income from your donation. [Read More](#)

Foundation Year End Giving Guidelines

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The Rotary Foundation has distributed guidelines for year-end giving. These guidelines include dates for processing donations, so recognition can be made during the 2023 calendar year. These guidelines are available through this [LINK](#) to the District 5080 public documents' folder.

Programs of Scale: United to End Cervical Cancer in Egypt

Are you interested in Rotary's Programs of Scale? This multimillion-dollar initiative funds large-scale, high-impact projects that attract exceptional partners while making the most of the capacity, expertise, and enthusiasm of Rotary members.



Registration is still open for this opportunity to learn about how Rotary's Programs of Scale is increasing your impact by investing in member-led, evidence-based projects with demonstrated success. We hope you will join us for this important conversation!

Programs of Scale: United to End Cervical Cancer in Egypt
12 December 2023 | 10:00 CT
Live on Zoom [Read More](#)

WGIPPA President's message:

By Maria Kliavkoff



Maria discusses our responsibility to the earth with WGIPPA Conservation and Environment Action Team members Jen Dalrymple and David Savage. Watch it [here](#).

Rotary Youth Exchange equips future leaders



(This story comes from the Rotary In Review newsletter. BTW, you can sign up for Rotary newsletters in your particular area(s) of interest. You might be able to click [here](#). If not, go to your MyRotary and search for Newsletters.)

Ian McKay, Canada's ambassador to Japan, has followed a career trajectory that has taken him through some of the world's most important cities: New York, London, and Tokyo. Looking back on his career in finance, politics, and diplomacy, McKay – a former Rotary Youth Exchange student – says, "I can't overstate that the critical part of that whole journey was Rotary." [Read More](#)

Mahalo from District 5000



After a devastating fire destroyed the historic town of Lahaina in Maui, Hawaii, on August 8, 2023, Rotary District 5000 created a fund to help the survivors recover and rebuild. Rotary members from around the world responded in a big way. Click [here](#) for a short video message from District 5000 Governor Mark Merriam who provides an update on the fund and thanks the donors.

New video to promote RYLA

By Lynn Theresa O'Connor

There's a new video in the Brand Center that you and your club can use to promote RYLA. You can get it in the 'read more'.

Use the [Brand Center](#) to locate other useful promotional items! It's like a toy store in there. [Read More](#)

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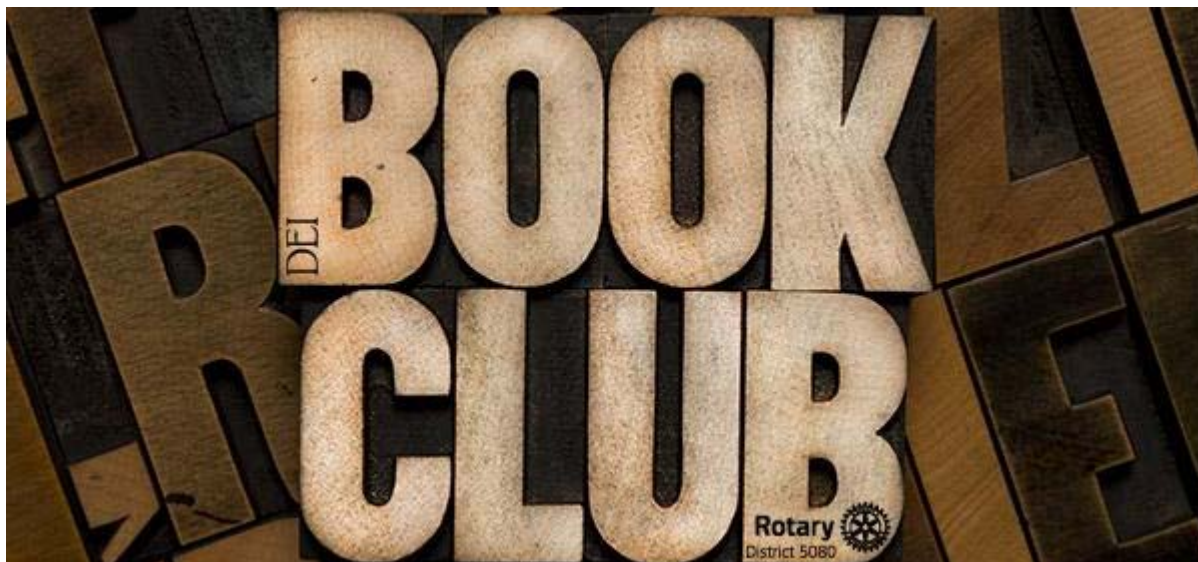
By Lynn Theresa O'Connor

Working with Rotary's Public Image? If so, please check out the new updated resource guide for useful links to materials and information that can help you make an impact with your message. Click below to access the guide on the [Public Image Page of the Zone 26 & 27 website](#). **(Lots of handy links here!)**



District 5080 DEI Book Club Schedule Books for

Winter Reading



The DEI Book Club has scheduled the following books for summer reading.

Pageboy, by Elliot Page, is to be discussed on January 24, 2024.

([Review: Elliot Page's book Pageboy has everything you want out of a celebrity memoir | CBC Arts](#))

We hope you can join us for the discussions. Note that there is no meeting in December.

To learn about these new books and other books discussed in past meetings, click on the link for the latest updated version of the [District 5080 DEI Book Club Readers Guide Flipbook](#).