ROTARY DISTRICT 5550 NEWSLETTER

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District Leadership Seminar

Well…we've been asking you to save the date and that date is quickly arriving. The District Learning and Development committee is putting the final touches to the District Leadership Seminar to be held in Russell, Manitoba, March 27-29th. On Friday afternoon there will be two sessions, one for new incoming AG's and the other will be a tech session facilitated by Jo-Anne Dalton of the South Eastman club during which she will de-mystify the workings of the new Clubrunner Nova.

The entire weekend will be dedicated to exploring how Rotary's Action Plan can help your club grow and **"Create Lasting Impact"** So, if you are an incoming club president, an up and coming leader in your club, or a Rotarian who would like to learn how your efforts can help to develop a stronger Rotary, please register to attend….and….we'll have a ton of fun!!

For complete details of the weekend and to register, please go to www.rotary5550.org, click on the "Upcoming Events" link and then the DLS link.

Looking forward to seeing you in Russell!

District Conference

Speaking of time flying, the District Conference in Neepawa, Manitoba will be here before you know it. Plan to attend for the fellowship, to meet new people, and to explore one of the most beautiful towns in Manitoba.

Not only does the conference have four amazing keynote speakers: Paul Samyn, Mark Chipman, Niigaan Sinclair, and Ramesh Farris, but there will be lots of entertainment and great food. Remember – please bring an item from your club to add into the silent auction (proceeds going to Polio Plus) and if possible, bring a new or slightly used winter jacket for the New Comers Coat project. Registration and full details available at www.rotary5550.org and click on the 2026 district conference...

Looking forward to seeing you in Neepawa!

Speaking of Clubrunner

Have you ever wondered why you don't get some of the emails being distributed to district members via Clubrunner? Thanks to Jo-Ann Dalton, our district communications director, we may have found out why. Apparently some of the email servers used by recipients refuse to accept messages from Clubrunner. If you suspect that emails from Clubrunner are being block, please ask you club administrator to confirm that your correct email is entered or check with your email server.



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District Meetings

Check out the calendar at www.rotary5550.org for all district meetings and events.

District 5550

District 5550 of Rotary International covers an area from Northwestern Ontario, through Manitoba, and most of Saskatchewan.



Club Visits

What a special occasion! There's just something special about being present during the charter meeting of a new club. Congratulations to Ope Allen and all of the new Rotarians in the Rotary Club of Winnipeg Golden



Gwen and I also had the pleasure of joining in with Dave Roberts, Paulette Connery, and a number of club members at the noon meeting of the Portage la Prairie club.



Looking for an adventure, looking for something completely new, looking to meet people from all over the Rotary World? Then plan on attending the International Convention in Taipei, Taiwan from June 13th – 17th, 2026. To register and get full details, log into MyRotary, click on the Events & Connections link, and then the 2026 Conference.

February is Peace and Conflict Prevention Month. With that in mind, has your club ever considered identifying and nominating a Peace Fellow. If so, now might be the time to engage in the World Peace Partners district committee. The District is looking for new committee members and anyone interested can contact Co-Chair Sonja Susut – s.susut@sasktel.net

Peace Fellow Candidates

The rotary Peace Centres will accept applications for 2027-28 Rotary Peace Fellowships from February 1st, 2026, through to May 15th, 2026.

All About Rotary

Thinking of doing a presentation to share what Rotary is all about? Check out the amazing powerpoint presentation prepared by PDG Fred Wright and Communications Chair, Jo-Anne Dalton:

https://portal.clubrunner.ca/50018/Documents/en-ca/8af2a544-b173-4a77-80fc-f324765648c8/1/