



THE 96TH ANNUAL ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

DAILY

Bulletin

Saturday-Sunday, 18-19 June 2005 • CHICAGO



HOC Events

Whether you're a museum buff or a sports lover, looking for a night on the town or a quiet evening with new friends, the Host Organization Committee (HOC) has an event to interest you. Get your heart pumping before the convention begins with the Race to the Finish Walk/Run and enjoy Chicago's scenic lakefront while helping to eradicate polio.

If you'd rather do your sightseeing one sight at a time, then Monday night's Centennial Celebration at the Field Museum, including dinner and access to the museum exhibits—without the crowds—might be for you. Tickets are going fast for Tuesday night's White Sox game against the Kansas City Royals, or you may prefer to take one of the dinner cruises the HOC is offering that evening.

The Host Organizing Committee has also planned a wide range of tours to local places of interest—stop by the HOC Ticket Sales Booth on Level 2.5 of the Grand Concourse in the South Building for details.

Don't miss the parade

The greatest celebration in Rotary's history kicks off Saturday with the centennial parade, a rare event commemorating the organization's landmark century. Beginning at 1000, the two-hour procession along Columbus Drive, between Balbo Drive and Monroe Street, will feature more than 150 entries, including floats, musicians, and ethnic groups marching in traditional costumes. Rain or shine, bring your club banner and join the fun.

Convention Count

36,663 Registrants / 150 Countries

* as of 16 June

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

RI president welcomes convention goers

I am pleased to welcome so many members of the Family of Rotary to the city of Chicago, where Rotary began. All year, as my wife Mary and I have traveled to Rotary countries around the world, we have felt a sense of building anticipation. And now we are all here, together in Chicago, to *Celebrate Rotary* and its first 100 years of success.

The convention lasts only a few days, and there is so much to do that it is hard to fit everything in. I urge you all to remember that fellowship is one of the main reasons that Rotary was founded, and a big part of why our convention is such a special experience.

As you rush from one exciting event to the next, take the time to meet your fellow Rotarians. At least once, sit down for a meal with someone you don't know—it could be the beginning of a lifelong friendship.

A Rotary convention is truly a microcosm of the Rotary world, and one way to visit almost every Rotary country in just a few days. At this convention, we have registrants from some 150 nations, and booths and exhibits that will stretch your mind and fire your imagination. There is no better way to *Celebrate Rotary* than by learning about countries and cultures far from your own, while enjoying the friendship of the world's largest family.

Glenn E. Estess Sr.
President, Rotary International



CENTENNIAL TIMELINE EXHIBIT

Take a walk through time and learn how Rotary International has evolved over the past 100 years by visiting the Centennial Timeline exhibit located on the concourse outside the plenary hall (*Hall B1 on Level 3 of the North Building*). This museum-quality exhibit, developed especially for the convention, immerses visitors in Rotary's rich history with instructional displays and interactive elements.

Following the timeline illustrated in the *Historical Review of Rotary*, the exhibit is divided among four quarter centuries:

1905-30, 1930-55, 1955-80, and 1980-2005. Each section highlights Rotary's contributions to humanity in chronological order using historical photographs, archival items, and video images to bring the past to life.

Turn your pennies into souvenir charms at the penny press located in the exhibit. For one dollar, convention goers can have a penny stamped with one of four Rotary-related designs: One Rotary Center, PolioPlus, The Rotary Foundation, and the Rotary wheel.

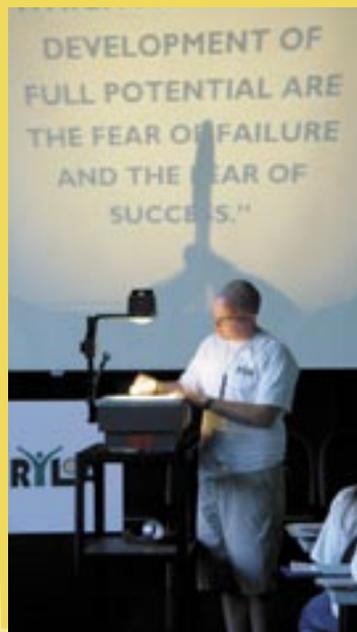
Celebrate Rotary rings in three opening plenary sessions

Rotarians will gather Sunday to *Celebrate Rotary* at the first plenary session. In his welcome address, RI President Glenn E. Estess Sr. will honor Rotary's century of service in the city where it all began and pay tribute to the humanitarian efforts of other service organizations. The five Rotary Centennial Bells, which traveled individually to clubs around the globe since departing from the 2003 RI Convention in Brisbane, Australia, will reunite onstage.

Roger Climpson, a well-known Australian television personality and a Paul Harris Fellow, will serve as master of ceremonies for all plenary sessions. Convention Committee Chair Wilfrid "Wilf" Wilkinson will call the convention

to order, followed by a special flag ceremony and a video message from UN Secretary General Koffi Annan.

Jazz/R&B artists Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis Jr. will headline the closing entertainment segment that includes performances by the Jellyeye percussion group and the Trinity Irish Dancers. Before entering the plenary hall, attendees must present a seating ticket, which they will receive from the RI registration booth. The 1300 opening session will repeat at 1630 and 2000.



The 2005 International RYLA, 16-18 June, is underway on the IIT Campus. At left, RYLarian Scott Campbell from San Jose, California, USA, makes a point about leadership on the overhead projector. Below, RYLarians share a moment of fellowship.

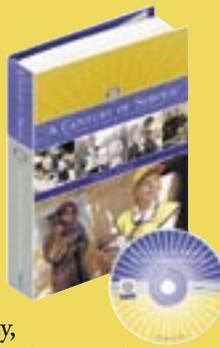


Centennial book signing

Current and past RI presidents, along with author and Rotarian David C. Forward, will gather for one final time on Monday, 20 June, from 1500-1630 to sign copies of *A Century of Service: The Story of Rotary International*, the inspiring history book commissioned by RI for the Rotary Centennial. The signing will take place in Room E354B on Level 3 of the Lakeside Center Building. Don't miss this last chance to take home a one-of-a-kind keepsake of Rotary's centennial year.

Please note only one book per person will be signed and signings will be limited to the first 500 people.

A Century of Service is available for US\$25. A limited-edition leather-bound volume is also available for \$100. Copies can be purchased Saturday, 18 June, through Wednesday, 22 June, at the Secretariat Services Area in the House of Friendship, located in Hall C on Level 1 of the North Building. **BONUS OFFER:** Receive a free CD version of the book and centennial luggage tag with every book purchase while supplies last.



SECRETARIAT AT YOUR SERVICE...

Each year, Rotarians attending the RI Convention can meet RI and Rotary Foundation staff and learn about the many services provided by the Rotary International Secretariat at the Secretariat Services area in the House of Friendship. Staff from **Membership Services, Public Relations, Publications, and The Rotary Foundation** are available to answer your questions and direct you to publications of interest.

Inside this bookstore-like space, you'll also find a computer-training section and small theater that will be used for information exchanges on various topics. Visit the Secretariat Services area and learn more about the following:

Membership Services

Representing a number of regions, staff from Club and District Administration, Leadership Education and Training, and Membership Development are on hand to answer general questions about Rotary and discuss various issues.

Publication Sales

Rotary's newest publications, DVDs, and CDs are available for purchase in a variety of languages. Featured items include the 2005-06 *Official Directory*, *A Century of Service: The Story of Rotary International*, the 2004 *Manual of Procedure*, and *The Rotarian Video Magazine DVD*.

Rotary World Magazine Press

Staff from *The Rotarian* and other official magazines that make up the Rotary World Magazine Press can explain how to submit material for publication and discuss ways the magazines can assist clubs in planning their programs. Free copies of *The Rotarian*

and many regional magazines are also available.

In Monday's At Your Service: RI Archives, RI Programs, Public and External Relations, and The Rotary Foundation.

SECRETARIAT SERVICES AREA

Information Exchange Schedule

RI staff will present information exchange sessions throughout the convention in the small theater located in the Secretariat Services Area. Be sure to take this opportunity to learn about and discuss these topics with other Rotarians from around the world. A complete listing of all the topics, dates, and times is available at the Secretariat Services Booth. The schedule for Saturday-Sunday is as follows:

Saturday, 18 June

- 1500 – Service Above Self video
- 1600 – Feedback Session on New Membership DVD
- 1700 – Rotary and the UN (in Spanish)

Sunday, 19 June

- 0900 – Service Above Self video
- 1000 – How a Club Can Conduct New Member Orientation
- 1100 – Incoming Presidents - What you really need to know
- 1200 – Rotary and the UN (in Japanese)
- 1300 – Effective Public Relations
- 1400 – Strategic Planning Team 2 Focus Groups
- 1500 – Feedback Session on New Membership DVD
- 1600 – Web-based Recruitment Tools
- 1700 – How to Create a Viable Humanitarian Project

House of Friendship Entertainment Schedule

Saturday, 18 June

- 1200 Tamboula Ethnic Dance Group
- 1300 Ron Reynolds
- 1315 Jesse White Tumbling Team
- 1400 Sinful Saints
- 1500 Gintong Himig/Silayan Choir
Philippine Rondalla of Chicago
- 1600 Lira Ensemble
- 1700 Young Naperville Singers
- 1800 McNulty Irish Dancers
- 1900 In Full Swing

Sunday, 19 June

- 1000 Friends of Gamelan
- 1100 Minianka
- 1200 Ron Reynolds
- 1215 Thai Classical Dance School
- 1400 Bangra Society of Chicago
- 1500 Xilin Dancers
- 1600 Sones De Mexico
- 1700 Moscow Nights

Visit the House of Friendship

Meet fellow Rotarians and sample a variety of cuisines in the House of Friendship, located in Hall C on Level 1 of the North Building. This popular convention spot also houses booths hosted by various North American businesses, Rotary Fellowships, and RI licensed vendors. Other attractions include an Internet service area, an electronic message center, and a networking area for Rotarians involved in youth programs. Live entertainment will be featured on the House of Friendship stage each day.

The House of Friendship is open the following hours: Saturday, 18 June, 0900-2000; Sunday, 19 June, 0900-1900; Monday, 20 June, 0900-1800; Tuesday, 21 June, 0900-1800; and Wednesday, 22 June, 0900-1930.





CELEBRATE ROTARY

100 Years

“Rotary crosses geographic and cultural barriers like no other organization, and the convention is a living demonstration of how international Rotary really is.”

— Glenn E. Estess Sr., President, Rotary International



Rotary Time Capsule

Rotarians celebrating Rotary's bicentennial in 2105 will receive warm wishes from the Rotary time capsule, a Centennial Community Project of the Rotary Club of Marshfield, Missouri, USA. Located in the House of Friendship, the time capsule will hold letters from clubs outlining their achievements and future goals. All presidents and presidents-elect are invited to place their letters into the capsule and have their picture taken as they submit them. The stainless steel capsule was donated by the York Group, a division of Matthews International Corp.

Rotary World Choir highlights Interfaith Service

The Interfaith Service at 1000-1100 Sunday in the Vista Room, S406, will feature the Rotary World Choir, under the direction of Chungsam Doh, 2004-05 chair of the International Fellowship of Rotarian Musicians, and accompanist Annie Cleveland. The ceremony will include readings from the writings of five major religions: Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, Islam, and Judaism.

Centennial Stamp Cancellation

A cancellation stamp specially designed to commemorate Rotary's centennial convention is available at the International Fellowship of Rotary-on-Stamps booth. Members of the fellowship will be on hand to cancel your envelopes (limit five) Saturday through Wednesday during House of Friendship hours.

Postage stamps and Rotary Centennial envelopes are available at the RI Archives booth.



UNOFFICIAL AFFILIATE EVENTS

Friday, 17 June

Devlyn Amigos Reunion Dinner, Union League Club, 1800-2200

Saturday, 18 June

Zone 22 Northern Lights Breakfast, Chicago Athletic Club, 0700-0900

Rotary Editors & Publishers Fellowship, McCormick Place, Room N228, 1100-1200

Friends of Rotary in Russia Meeting, McCormick Place, Room N228, 1400-1600

Sunday, 19 June

The Great "Northland" Centennial Breakfast [Zones 27,28,31,32], Navy Pier, 0800-0930

International Fellowship of Rotarian Convention Goers, Vista Room, S406, 1100-1145

Rotary Fellowships AGM, McCormick Place, Room N228, 1100-1230

Humanitarian Service Fellowship, AGM, McCormick Place, Room N228, 1300-1430

Esperanto Fellowship of Rotary International, McCormick Place, Room N228, 1500-1700

Rick King Reception, Hyatt Regency McCormick, 1800-2000

District 7300 Dinner, Chicago Downtown Marriott Hotel, 1900-

Monday, 20 June

RIBI Breakfast, Marriott Hotel, 0645-0900

Korean Breakfast Meeting, Hyatt Regency Chicago, 0700-0830

Southland Breakfast, Hyatt Regency Chicago, 0700-0830

Far West Breakfast, Lakeside, Hall D, 0700-0830

Iberoamerican [Latin American] Breakfast, Hyatt Regency McCormick, 0730-0845

PRLS (Potential Rotary Leadership Seminar) Leadership Development Program, Hyatt Regency McCormick, Conference Center 23bc, 0730-900

AGM Fellowship of Amateur Radio, McCormick Place, Room N228, 1200-1330

Reunion of 1996-97 Governors, House of Friendship, 1345-1445

Flying Rotarians Fellowship, McCormick Place, Room N228, 1400-1600

International Travel & Hosting Fellowship Board of Directors Meeting, House of Friendship, 1500-1700

Inner Wheel High Tea, Hyatt Regency McCormick, 1500-1700

Polio Survivors Fellowship, McCormick Place, Room N228, 1630-1730

Rotary District 7950 Reception, Holiday Inn, 300 E. Ohio St., 1730-1930

District 6440 "The Home District" Governor's Reception, Palmer House Hotel, 1830-2000

Tuesday, 21 June

Texas "Cowboy" Breakfast, Chicago Marriott Hotel, 0700-0830

Heart of America Breakfast, Hyatt Regency McCormick, 0700-0830

South Asia Breakfast [Zones 5&6], Chicago City Centre Holiday Inn, 0700-0900

All Africa Breakfast, Hyatt Regency McCormick, 0700-0900

French Breakfast, Hyatt Regency McCormick, 0700-0900

Asia Pacific Breakfast, Hyatt Regency Chicago, 0715-0845

PRLS (Potential Rotary Leadership Seminar) Leadership Development Program, Hyatt Regency McCormick, Conference Center 23bc, 0730-900

Rotary Leadership Institute, Hyatt Regency Chicago, 0800-0915

Rotarian Fellowship For Fighting AIDS, McCormick Place, Room N228, 1300-1430

Class of 97/98 Reunion [PP Kinross], Hyatt Regency McCormick, 1500-1630

Population & Development, McCormick Place, Room N228, 1500-1800

Past Training Leaders Reception, Hyatt Regency McCormick, 1700-1900

District 5150 Dinner, Bob Chinn's Crabhouse, 1800-2200

Class of 91/92 [PP Saboo], Gaylords Indian Restaurant, 1830-2000

ISUS Reception/Rotary Club of Dayton, Hyatt Regency McCormick, 1830-2030

Rotary World Fellowships Banquet & Ball, Hyatt Regency McCormick, 1830-2200

Friends of District 9790 Dinner, The Berghoff, 1900-2200

Wednesday, 22 June

Nordic Breakfast Meeting, Hyatt Regency McCormick, 0700-0830

International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians, McCormick Place, Room N228, 0730-0900

International Yachting Fellowship Luncheon, Columbia Yacht Club, 1200-1500

Fellowship of Rotarians for Mine Action, AGM-McCormick Place, Room N228, 1500-1700

Fellowship of Rotarians for the Prevention of Drug Abuse, McCormick Place, Room N228, 1730-1900