



THE 96TH ANNUAL ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

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Leading Rotarians bearing flags from countries of the Rotary world, RI General Secretary Ed Futa carries the Rotary flag in the two-hour parade kicking off the Rotary Centennial convention.

Ted Turner to address second plenary session

Entrepreneur and philanthropist Ted Turner will deliver the keynote address at the second plenary session, which commemorates Rotary's first century. Turner is an honorary Rotarian and media mogul, who has devoted much of his time and personal wealth to charitable causes.

Monday's retrospective features a discussion with David Forward, author of Rotary's official centennial book, *A Century of Service: The Story of Rotary International*. Rotarians will also watch a multimedia presentation, "Women in Rotary," followed by live interviews with Rosemary B. Aragon, chair of the District Permanent Fund Subcommittee and a past district governor, and Carolyn Jones, the first woman appointed to The Rotary Foundation Board of Trustees.

Following the introduction of his family, RI President Glenn E. Estess Sr. will review the year's accomplishments in his keynote address. During the preplenary entertainment segment, Rotarians will kick their heels to The King 'n' Trio, a folk music ensemble comprised of members of the Rotary Club of Grand Junction, Colorado, USA. The Chicago Children's Choir will perform at the interlude.

Convention Count

40,487 Registrants / 159 Countries

* as of 18 June

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

Message from the Convention Chair

For almost three years now, the 2005 Chicago Convention Committee, the Host Organization Committee, and the Chicago Convention Promotion Committee, together with our very professional International Meetings staff, have been working to make Rotary's centennial convention a very special event. Our goal was to honor Rotary's accomplishments of the past century, recognize the organization's prominent place in the world today and provide a forum to discuss the future. We also wanted to gather together as many Rotarians as possible, from all over the world, for a giant birthday party.



One hundred years is certainly a milestone worth celebrating, and this convention, the culmination of a yearlong centennial observation, provides a showcase for some of the year's outstanding activities. On display here, you'll find photos of centennial community and twin club projects, winning entries from the centennial poster contest, historical exhibits, and much more. On stage, there will be videos of some of Rotary's exciting work worldwide and first-person accounts from the Rotarians who spearheaded some of these projects.

As the birthplace of Rotary and the hometown of Rotary International, Chicago had rolled out the red carpet for its Rotarian visitors. I hope that all of you find time to enjoy the city's many attractions.

Wilfrid Wilkinson
Chair, 2005 Chicago Convention Committee

Plenary Sessions

Each day's plenary sessions focus on Rotarians just like you, who are doing great humanitarian work worldwide.

See video presentations of successful Rotary projects and hear reports from project participants on stage.

Whatever your service interest, the plenary sessions are sure to inspire, stimulate, and inform you!



With Rotarians from 159 countries gathering in Chicago to celebrate the Rotary Centennial, Rotary's internationality is on display to the world.

MONDAY'S WORKSHOPS AND SYMPOSIUMS

See your Program Book for times and locations.

Avoidable Blindness Workshop will include a discussion of how Rotary clubs are collaborating with vision-related professional associations to carry out successful eye-care projects throughout the world.

Canadian Computer-Assisted Literacy Solution Symposium will feature examples of lives changed through the use of Canadian "Academy of Reading" software.

Club Leadership Plan Workshop will present ways to strengthen Rotary clubs by implementing the Club Leadership Plan. Simultaneous Interpretation will be available in French and Spanish.

Developing a Peacemaker Committee in Your Club Workshop will provide an overview and details of mediation.

Health Concerns: A New Approach Symposium will focus on new hand-held computer software that can be used by Rotary medical volunteers.

The Global AIDS Pandemic: The Impact on Children and How Rotarians Can Make a Difference Symposium will explore the challenges and consequences of HIV/AIDS and how Rotarians can

help, both in the United States and in developing countries.

PLUS (Parkinsonians Learning Lifelong Useful Skills) Workshop will present exercises to benefit those suffering from Parkinson's disease and explain how Rotarians can implement new, low-cost programs in their communities.

Rotary's Literacy Activities 2004-05 Symposium will feature an overview of Literacy Task Force activities during 2004-05 and include reports of literacy projects throughout the Rotary world.

Service Above Self through Pursuit of Passionate Purpose Symposium will feature Rotarians from Colorado, USA, discussing ways that club and district leadership can use the "Pursuit of Passionate Purpose" approach to align members' passions with Rotary's ideal of service.

The Miracles of Microcredit Symposium will focus on the history of microcredit and ways clubs and districts can become involved in microcredit programs.

Water Resources Symposium will provide a question-and-answer forum with Rotarians involved in unique water projects. Simultaneous Interpretation will be available in French and Spanish.

Rotary One on View

A special exhibit, Selections from the Rotary One Archives, will be on view in the lobby of the Chicago Athletic Association, 12 S. Michigan Avenue, from Friday, 17 June through Wednesday, 22 June, 0900-1800. The exhibit will feature objects, articles, and letters from Paul Harris, Ches Perry, and other Rotary luminaries, as well as photographs collected by the club over the past 100 years.

Rotary Fellowships

Fellowships are a way for like-minded Rotarians to share personal, professional, or humanitarian interests outside of their clubs. Forty-six Rotary fellowships will be represented at the convention, from the Fellowship of Quilters and Fiber Artists to the Police Law Enforcement Professional Fellowship. Whatever your interest, there is probably a fellowship for you. Stop by the fellowship booths from 1200-1800 through Wednesday, 22 June. If you'd like to learn more about a fellowship that isn't represented, visit the Rotary Fellowships General Booth (327 and 329).

House of Friendship Entertainment Schedule

Monday, 20 June

- 0900 Rotary Men of Note
- 0945 Ron Reynolds
- 1000 Calabash Chorale
- 1100 Sloboda
- 1200 Taiko & Japanese Folk Music
Mayumi
- 1300 Maxwell Street Klezmer Band
- 1400 King 'n Trio
- 1500 Chicago Outskirts
- 1600 Ukrainian Youth Dance Association
- 1700 French Cabaret; Cancan/Tango

One of the most wonderful things about Rotary is that it allows you to be part of something so much larger than yourself."

—RI President Glenn Estess Sr. addressing the opening plenary session

CLUB AND DISTRICT PROJECTS EXHIBITION

Visit the *Celebrate Rotary Club* and District Projects Exhibition located in the House of Friendship (Hall C on Level 1 of the North Building) and learn how Rotarians are making our world a better place. The exhibition features humanitarian service projects focusing on such issues as literacy, education, AIDS awareness, and health.

Among the projects featured in the exhibition are:

Tsunami Rehabilitation — Schools into Smiles Project

Clubs in District 3230 (part of Tamil Nadu, India) have embarked on a project to adopt, renovate, and maintain 100 schools in underserved areas of India.

Adopt-a-Minefield's Night of a Thousand Dinners®

The Rotary Club of Toronto-Forest Hill, Canada, took part in Adopt-a-Minefield's fundraising dinners to raise money for mine action.

Georgia Rotary Club Responds to AIDS

The Rotary Club of North Dekalb, Georgia, USA, presented AIDS awareness programs to some 2,500 middle and high school students.

The exhibition is open 1200-1800 through Wednesday, 22 June.

SECRETARIAT AT YOUR SERVICE...

Today's At Your Service spotlights Public and External Relations, RI Archives, RI Programs, and The Rotary Foundation all located in the Secretariat Services area in the House of Friendship (*Hall C on Level 1 of the North Building*).

Public and External Relations

RI's Public Relations Division provides guidelines, tools, and resources to help your club or district achieve media success and effective public outreach. Find out about PolioPlus outreach efforts and talk to staff about Rotary's work with the United Nations and other nongovernmental organizations. The centennial has garnered more positive publicity for Rotary than ever before, and this momentum to share Rotary's story should continue into the new century of service.

RI Archives

The RI Archives contains historical materials related to Rotary and Rotarians. Often, the archives staff receives many copies of the same item, but due to space limitations, only a few of these duplicate copies can be stored in the permanent collection. So for the first time, the RI Archives is offering for sale back issues of *The Rotarian*, several out-of-print publications, and other historical items. Proceeds will be donated to The Rotary Foundation.

RI Programs

Is your club looking for a partner for your WCS project or interested in starting an Interact club? Knowledgeable Programs staff members are available to discuss club and district participation in Interact, Rotaract, Rotary Community Corps, Rotary

Fellowships, Rotary Friendship Exchange, Rotary Volunteers, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, World Community Service, and Youth Exchange. Program publications are on display, and limited quantities are available gratis for Rotarians to take home.

The Rotary Foundation

The Rotary Foundation staff can provide you with information on the various humanitarian, educational, and cultural exchange programs supported by the Foundation. Here you can learn about Matching Grants, District Simplified Grants, Ambassadorial Scholars, and Group Study Exchange programs along with the latest updates on PolioPlus and the polio eradication effort. Literature will be available on a range of Foundation topics, including the many ways that Rotarians can support the Foundation's vital programs through the Every Rotarian, Every Year initiative.

SECRETARIAT SERVICES AREA

Information Exchange Schedule

Monday, 20 June

- 0900 – Cultivating and Sustaining Grant Partnerships
- 1000 – The Open World Program
- 1100 – Rotary Volunteers
- 1200 – Service Above Self Video
- 1300 – Recruitment and Retention Strategies
- 1400 – Role of Assistant Governors
- 1500 – Member Access for Club Officers
- 1600 – Strategic Planning Team 2 Focus Groups
- 17:00 – Membership Development Club Assessment Tools (in Spanish)



CELEBRATE
ROTARY

100 Years

“My belief is that a Rotarian is not a person that only goes to a club every week for a meal. Being here in Chicago, being a part of the community is what Rotary is all about, a mix of everybody around the world.”

— Chris Knight, president of the Rotary Club of Ashby de la Zouch Castle, Leicester, England, and first-time convention goer



Rotarians and their families came to watch the Rotary Centennial parade, which featured Youth Exchange students from many countries.



UNOFFICIAL AFFILIATE EVENTS

Monday, 20 June

- RIBI Breakfast, Marriott Hotel, 0645-0900
- Asia Pacific Breakfast, Hyatt Regency Chicago, 0700-0830
- 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
- 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