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## The Object of Rotary

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster :

**FIRST.** The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

**SECOND.** High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

**THIRD.** The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

**FOURTH.** The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business, and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

## At a Glance

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| ROTARY             | INTERACT         |
|--------------------|------------------|
| Members :1,233,172 | Members: 495,880 |
| Clubs :35,533      | Clubs: 21,560    |

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|------------------|------------------|
| Members: 233,450 | Members: 210,500 |
| Clubs: 10,150    | Corps: 9,452     |



# Message from RI President

Ian H.S. Riseley, July 2017



**Dear Fellow Rotarians,**

There are as many reasons to come to Rotary as there are Rotarians – maybe even a few more. But each of us has stayed in Rotary because it adds something to our own lives. Through Rotary, we are Making a Difference in the world; and the more involved we become, the more of a difference Rotary makes to each of us. Rotary challenges us to become better people: to become ambitious in the ways that matter, to strive for higher goals, and to incorporate Service Above Self into our daily lives.

What kind of difference Rotary clubs and individual Rotarians make through their service will always be their own decision. As an organization, we are guided by the three strategic priorities our Board has set in our strategic plan: to support and strengthen our clubs, to focus and increase our humanitarian service, and to enhance Rotary's public image and awareness.

In the year ahead, our clubs will have the support of a greatly augmented array of online tools, including a refreshed Rotary.org, a simplified Rotary Foundation grant application process, an improved My Rotary experience, and a rebuilt Rotary Club Central. As we look to strengthen our clubs, two specific challenges stand out in our membership: our gender balance and our average age. To keep our clubs strong, we need to build a membership that reflects the communities we serve and that will continue to

develop knowledgeable leaders for generations to come.

For many years, one idea has stood at the heart of all our service: sustainability. Sustainable service means our work continues to have a positive impact long after Rotary's direct involvement has ended. We don't dig wells and walk away; we make sure communities can maintain and repair those wells. If we build a clinic, we make sure that clinic has a way to keep running without ongoing support from us. And when it comes to polio, we aren't working to contain it; we're working to end it.

Eradicating polio is the ultimate in sustainable service. It is an investment that will yield not just a long-lasting but a permanent benefit, on a global scale. It is and must remain our No. 1 priority until the job is done.

For 112 years, Rotary has made a difference to more lives, in more ways, than we can ever count or will ever know. Today, each of us bears a torch, its flame lit by Paul Harris, that has been passed forward from generation to generation, in Rotary: Making a Difference.

Ian H.S. Riseley  
RI President 2017-18

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*Speeches and news from RI President Ian H.S. Riseley at [www.rotary.org/office-president](http://www.rotary.org/office-president)*



# Message from RI President

Ian H.S. Riseley, August 2017



**Dear Fellow Rotarians,**

When someone asks you, “What is Rotary?” what do you say? I think we’ve all had the experience of being asked that deceptively simple question and finding ourselves suddenly at a loss for words. Even the most articulate among us have a hard time capturing the essence of our organization in just a few sentences. As an organization, Rotary has always had a difficult time conveying the scope of our work: not just what we do, but how we do it, and the value of what we contribute to the world.

As an accountant, I like numbers. They work in every language, and often they communicate complex information much more effectively than words. That is why, in this Rotary year, I am asking each club to provide Rotary headquarters with two numbers: the amount of money, both in cash and in kind, spent on humanitarian service; and the number of hours of work performed in Rotary’s name.

If we want these numbers to be useful, they have to be accurate. That means beginning now to accurately track the hours and the money that our clubs spend on their service.

The simplest way for clubs to provide this information at the end of the year will be by entering it every month on Rotary Club Central – a tool that has been completely rebuilt and relaunched to be significantly

more useful, and user-friendly, than it has been in the past. If for some reason (for example, limited internet access) your club is not able to connect to Rotary Club Central, please be in touch with your district governor, who will ensure that your information can be submitted through other means.

I cannot emphasize strongly enough that the goal of this effort is not getting the largest and most impressive numbers. There is not going to be any competition, recognition, or public use whatsoever of the numbers reported by any individual club. The goal is accurate and reliable numbers that we can present confidently in our public image work, in our membership materials, and to our partners – numbers backed by specific data, on the club level, that answer not only the question, “What is Rotary?” but the question, “What does Rotary do?”

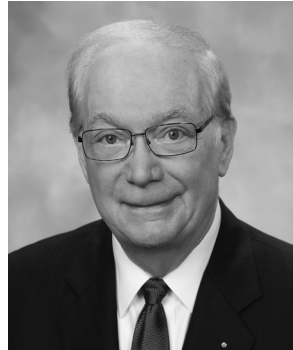
I strongly believe that with these numbers, we will be better able to demonstrate the value of Rotary: Making a Difference – which in time will enable us to make more of a difference, for more people, in more ways, than ever.

Ian H.S. Riseley  
RI President 2017-18



# Message from the Foundation Chair

Paul A. Netzel, July 2017



## The Foundation and the power of an idea

It seems like yesterday that I was 26 and a brand-new member of Rotary. When I missed my third meeting and failed to do a makeup, my sponsor sat me down and for the first time really explained the values of Rotary. I took his words to heart and haven't missed a makeup since. Now, 49 years later, almost to the day – as a proud member of the Rotary Club of Los Angeles (LA5) – I am honored and humbled to serve as chair of the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation this year.

The Foundation started with a simple idea: to do good in the world. One hundred years later, we know the story of what happened – as we have learned during this year's celebration of the Foundation's centennial.

During those years, Rotarians have raised and invested more than \$4.1 billion in thousands of programs, projects, and scholarships. In short, the Foundation is a living history of the power of one idea. A Rotarian shares an idea with his or her club, and – with the help of grant money from the Foundation – amazing things happen.

This is an exciting time to be a Rotarian. It's the first year of The Rotary Foundation's second century,

and we are on the verge of participating in one of the most amazing accomplishments in human history: the eradication of polio. Thirty-two years ago, PolioPlus began and served as a catalyst that engaged Rotarians and partners worldwide. Today polio is on track to become the second disease eradicated in human history. CNBC, a leading global media outlet, recently ranked The Rotary Foundation third on its list of the "Top 10 Charities Changing the World."

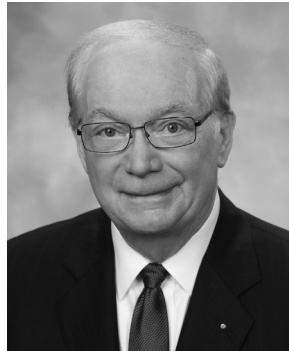
In the coming months I look forward to discussing our Foundation goals for the next year and beyond. Share your thoughts with me at [paul.netzel@rotary.org](mailto:paul.netzel@rotary.org). Ask yourself, "What can I do to help tackle an issue that's near and dear to me?" How will you engage the Foundation to help you? Remember, all it takes is one person with an idea – along with a great organization – and those timeless Rotary values I learned way back when. It seems like yesterday.

Paul A. Netzel  
Foundation Trustee Chair, 2017-18



# Message from the Foundation Chair

Paul A. Netzel, August 2017



## Talk to us; we'll listen

What does the chair of The Rotary Foundation Trustees do, anyway? What do the Trustees do? These questions are often asked of me in different ways. The Board of Trustees manages the business of the Foundation, the charitable arm of our organization that transforms your gifts into sustainable outcomes that change lives – both close to home and around the world.

One thing we do is listen. We listen to you, the members. Your voice comes to us through many different channels and connections with feedback, ideas, concerns, and recommendations.

We listen to our Rotary Foundation committees. We listen to our regional coordinators and advisers, to the district Foundation committee chairs, and to our district governors. We listen to our associate Rotary foundations which provide local tax benefits in seven countries.

We listen to our colleagues on the Board of Directors, to our trusted Rotary staff, to our incredible PolioPlus committees and our polio partners, to our Rotarian Action Groups and to the Cadre of Technical Advisers. We listen to feedback from our six Rotary Peace Centers.

Rotarians are the backbone of the Foundation, so

it's important to listen to you.

For example, listening to Rotarians' ideas at the 2016 Council on Legislation (COL) led to several significant reforms to enhance the membership experience. These reforms offer clubs more flexibility. For example, an exciting rules change allows a service project to count as a meeting. Importantly, Rotaractors can now become members of Rotary clubs while they are still in Rotaract.

How do these changes benefit The Rotary Foundation? The strength of the Foundation starts with our members, and we believe the new club flexibility options will attract and keep more members. What needs to be accomplished for Rotary to remain relevant today and for the generations to come? This is where the COL's three-year cycle is your opportunity to bring forward ideas to continue the evolution of Rotary. The deadline for submitting proposed enactments for the 2019 COL is 31 December. Share your ideas at: [on.rotary.org/COLproposals](http://on.rotary.org/COLproposals).

You are our greatest strength. Let me hear from you. I can be reached at [paul.netzel@rotary.org](mailto:paul.netzel@rotary.org).

Paul A. Netzel  
Foundation Trustee Chair, 2017-18

# Editorial

PP.Vanit Yotharvut, D.3360, RI

**Dear Fellow Rotarians,**

Rotary International Newsletter Group which consists of regional newsletters in 32 countries publishes newsletters in 24 languages with over 872,000 copies.

Thirty five years ago in 1983, the first issue of Rotary Newsletter in Thailand called “Rotary” was published with PDG Dr. Sumin Plueksikanont (3360) as its editor.

Rotary Newsletter in Thailand is part of Rotary International Newsletter Group. It’s a bilingual fortnightly color publication with 8,500 copies per issue.

Part of the content is specified by “the Rotarian” editorial staff while the rest is set by Thailand’s editorial staff.

Each country’s editorial staff meet regularly at the global and regional levels to exchange ideas and find ways

to improve the contents and the format of the newsletters.

From 1 to 4 November 2017, it’s Thailand’s turn to host this year’s regional editorial staff meeting at Rotary Center Thailand.

Editorial staff from 6 countries in this region are expected to attend the meeting in which representatives of The Rotarian will participate as instructors.

It will be a good opportunity for all participating editorial staff to discuss various topics and to cooperate in the exchange of information at the regional level in the future.

Yours in Rotary

PP.Vanit Yotharvut

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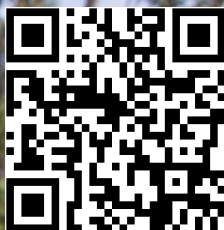
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Juliet and Ian H.S. Riseley grow flowers, fruits, and herbs in their garden. (Photography by Monika Lozinska)



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## RIP President-elect Sam Owori

# Rotary remembers Sam Owori for his 'quiet confidence,' integrity, and friendship

The Rotary flags in front of Rotary International World Headquarters in Evanston, Illinois, USA, and Rotary offices around the world fly at half-staff this week as friends and colleagues mourn President-elect Sam F. Owori, who died on 13 July from complications after surgery.

With an engaging smile and a calming voice, Sam put everyone he talked to at ease, says Hilda Tadría, a member of the Rotary Club of Gaba, Uganda, and a close friend of Sam and his wife, Norah. "I call it the 'Sam Smile,'" says Tadría. "It made him very approachable and easy to talk to. I think his smile is one of the things Rotary and his friends will miss most."

Sam, who had been elected to serve as president of Rotary International in 2018-19, would have been the second African Rotary member, and the first Ugandan, to hold that office. He joined Rotary in 1978 and was a member of the Rotary Club of Kampala, Uganda.

"No matter the situation, Sam was always upbeat, always joking around and putting everyone else in a good mood," says Tadría. One of the admirable things about Sam, Tadría says, was his love and devotion to his wife. They met in primary school in Tororo, Uganda. Sam described Norah Owori as beautiful, well-educated, and full of character.

"He adored Norah and always put her first," Tadría says. "They were best friends and partners for life. It was very sweet to see them together. They never left each other's side."

Sam was highly respected in Uganda, Tadría says, for his high integrity and consistent ethical standards. Those qualities, she says, are important in a Rotary president. "He was a man everyone could trust." She adds, "He preferred listening to speaking. It's one reason he was so well-liked."

### The road to president-elect

Like many members, Sam was invited to Rotary by a persistent friend. "I did not want to go," he cheerfully acknowledged years later. "I had no interest. But I had

# Rotary Information

By Ryan Hyland and Abby Breitstein

respect for my friend, so I went. And when I got there, I was in shock. The room was full of people I knew.”

The more Sam saw of Rotary’s good work, the more enthusiastic he became. He is largely credited with the tremendous increase in clubs in Uganda: from nine in 1988, when he was district governor, to 89 today. His friends called his enthusiasm “the Owori madness” — to which he mildly replied, “If it is madness, I would be glad if more people would catch it.”

Sam described himself as “an incorrigible optimist” who chose to see the best side of everyone and the bright side of any situation. Gentle in manner, unfailingly modest, and quick to smile, Sam is remembered as “Smiling Sam,” says RI President Ian Riseley.

John Smarge, who was selected by Sam to be his presidential aide, called Sam a “rock star” among Rotary members. “In just the two weeks he was president-elect, you could see how much he was loved,” Smarge says. “The Rotarians in Uganda view him as a national treasure.”

Smarge adds, “He spoke with quiet confidence and simple complexity.”

Sam brought an unyielding sense of right and wrong to his work as chief executive officer of the Institute of Corporate Governance of Uganda, to his previous work with the African Development Bank and other institutions, and to his work with Rotary.

Sam, who was one of 15 children, attributed his deep ethical sense to his upbringing, and particularly his father, who had been a school principal and then a county chief in Uganda. “He was a very strict disciplinarian,” Sam remembered, “and when he became chief, he ran that county like a big school — with a ruler. He insisted that everything was done the right way.”

Sam’s Rotary career spanned some of Uganda’s most difficult years, including the dictatorship of Idi Amin, who was deeply suspicious of Rotary and often sent agents to spy on Rotary meetings. “Sometimes people came as guests, and you wouldn’t know exactly where they were coming from or who invited them,” Sam said later. “We always welcomed them. We had nothing to hide.”

Prominent Ugandan Rotary members, including Sam’s own manager at the bank where he worked, were picked off the streets by Amin’s forces and killed. Many Rotary clubs closed and most members withdrew: from a high of 220 members, Rotary membership dropped to around 20.

One day, Sam recalled, a member was taken right in front of Sam’s club. “We had just finished our meeting and were standing in front of the entrance of the hotel. He got picked up right there in front of us. Two guys threw him in the truck of a car and we never saw him again.”

Undeterred, Sam was back at his meeting the next week.

An avid learner, Sam held a graduate degree in labor law from the University of Leicester, England; a business management degree from California Coast University; and a management graduate degree from Harvard Business School.

He served Rotary in many capacities, including RI director, trustee of The Rotary Foundation, regional Rotary Foundation coordinator, regional RI membership coordinator, and RI representative to the United Nations Environment Program and UN-Habitat. He was a member or chair of several committees, including the International PolioPlus Committee, the Drug Abuse Prevention Task Force, and the Audit Committee.

Sam and Norah became Paul Harris Fellows, Major Donors, and Benefactors of The Rotary Foundation.

Sam is survived by his wife, Norah; three sons, Adrin Stephen, Bonny Patrick, and Daniel Timothy; and grandchildren Kaitlyn, Sam, and Adam. Condolences can be addressed to Mrs. Norah Agnes Owori, c/o Institute of Corporate Governance of Uganda, Crusader House, Plot 3 Portal Avenue, Kampala, Uganda or via [sam.owori@rotary.org](mailto:sam.owori@rotary.org).

Memorial contributions in honor of Sam can be directed to the Sam F. Owori Memorial to Polio.

Rotary’s 2017-18 nominating committee will select a new president-elect, in addition to the president-nominee, during its scheduled meeting in early August.

*“Optimism is what brings us to Rotary. But Rotary is not a place for those who are only dreamers. It is a place for those with the ability, the capacity, and the compassion for fruitful service.”*

*Sam F. Owori, 1941-2017*



# the SOCIAL NETWORKER

Ian Riseley has spent his career making connections among friends, colleagues, and Rotarians. He brings that gift for putting people together to his work as Rotary's president





by Hank Sartin | photography by Monika Lozinska









## "TRADITIONALLY, I PAY FOR THE COFFEE."

Ian H.S. Riseley makes this pronouncement in such a serious tone that you believe it. Until, that is, his friend Kevin Harrison guffaws. Just who does pay for the coffee is never resolved, but the good-natured joking sets the mood for a walk along the banks of the Patterson River in the suburbs of Melbourne, Australia.

For the past five years, these walks have been a twice-weekly routine for a small group of Rotarian friends. It's a way to get "some much-needed exercise, coupled with the opportunity for us to resolve the problems of the world," says Harrison.

Whoever can make it on a given day – Richard Garner, John Williams, Nick and Maree Vinocuroff – comes along for the chance to bounce ideas off the others. And everyone always wants to know what Ian thinks. "He'll listen to an idea," says Harrison, "and over a period of five or six walks, we've got ourselves a project."

On a pleasant December morning, the conversation ranges widely. The friends discuss news including a recent earthquake in New Zealand, as well as business in their Rotary clubs: Sandringham, Hampton, Noble Park-Keysborough, and Chelsea.

As the group talks, Riseley listens. His entire life has been about putting people together, nurturing ideas, and guiding people with practical suggestions about what to improve and how. The new president of Rotary does it with such easy charm and self-deprecating wit that at first you might not realize how intensely focused he is.

Riseley's earliest exposure to Rotary was typical of what many newcomers to the organization experience: He wasn't sure what to make of it. In 1977, he was the owner of an accounting firm when one of his clients invited him to speak at the Rotary Club of Cheltenham. "My first question was, 'About what?'" Riseley recalls. His second: "What's a Rotary club?"

He gave a talk on income tax. "Nice people, laughed at the right places, stayed awake the whole time," he jokes. A few weeks later his client called again to invite him to a planning meeting for a new club in Sandringham.

"I said, 'I'm not really sure what Rotary does, but I'm happy to come along,'" Riseley says. "I actually missed the first meeting, but I got another call, and I went to the next one. The movers and shakers were all

there, so I thought, wow, what a group to be involved with."

Before joining, he consulted his wife, Juliet. Many of Ian's friends were also accountants, so she thought Rotary could help him meet people outside his professional circle. He became a charter member of the Rotary Club of Sandringham in 1978.

Riseley embraces the idea that Rotary is a place where people network and make professional connections while doing good in the world. "I'd love to say that it was the projects and things that Rotary did that won me over, but that's not correct," he notes. "It was being involved with people who obviously were the absolute business elite in the area."

Once he became involved in Rotary, it became central to his and Juliet's lives. "Maybe 15 years later I was considering doing my master's degree," he says. "I

**Previous pages:** John Williams (from left), Ian Riseley, Kevin Harrison, Richard Garner, and Maree and Nick Vinocuroff discuss Rotary ideas on the banks of the Patterson River.

**Opposite, clockwise from top:** Riseley (right) and Bob Richards (second from right) accept donations from visitors to the Bayside Farmers Market, sponsored by the Rotary clubs of Hampton and Sandringham. The market features produce, meat, flowers, and gourmet foods from local farmers and artisanal producers.

said to Juliet, 'What do you think?' and she said, 'Well, you'll meet lots of new people. Too many of our friends are Rotarians.' It was the rationale for joining Rotary – too many accountant friends – in reverse. Rotary is like that. Rotary grabs hold of you. Our daughter calls our involvement Rotarama. She says, 'Rotarama has got all of you,' and it's true. I think it happens to the majority of us."

the world.

For Riseley, it was a crisis of conscience. "Back in '78, it didn't occur to me that all these people are male. I just didn't notice," he recalls. But when membership for women became a contested issue, he says, "I thought to myself, how crazy is that? What sort of organization says no to half of the population? So I resigned. I said, 'I can't be a member of an organization that discriminates.'"

The president of his club suggested another option. "He said, 'Let me recommend that you don't resign. We encourage you to agitate from the inside to invite women to be part of Rotary.' I agreed on the condition that we had a vote at the club and that the club agreed with that stance." So they voted, and the members overwhelmingly supported the idea of women in Rotary.

Bob Richards, a close friend and a member of the Sandringham club, remembers Riseley's role in the discussion. "Ian was a persuasive advocate for the introduction of women. He'd say, 'We can benefit by diversifying our viewpoints and ideas,'" Richards recalls. Soon after Rotary officially changed its constitution in 1989, the Rotary Club of Sandringham welcomed several women as members.

One woman who didn't join the Sandringham club was Juliet Riseley; instead, she became the charter president of the Rotary Club of Hampton in 1995, bringing the organizational skills and remarkable memory for details honed during her career in library and information science.

She also brought the advantage of firsthand exposure to the workings of Rotary. "By the time I was president, Ian had already been a club president and was involved in Youth Exchange," she notes. "We'd been to a number of district conferences. You end up with information by osmosis, so when I was president, it was a bit easier for me."

And as Ian's roles in Rotary have in-

## "THEY'RE VERY SUPPORTIVE OF ONE ANOTHER, BUT EQUALLY INDEPENDENT."

Despite the Rotarama effect, Riseley's service hasn't been limited to Rotary. He has given his time and energy to the Sea Scouts, to sporting associations and school councils, to a local community advisory group. In 2006, the Australian government awarded him the Medal of the Order of Australia in recognition of his wide-ranging service to the community.

**R**iseley's enthusiasm for Rotary faced a challenge, however, when the question of admitting women as members arose in the early 1980s. The Rotary Club of Duarte, Calif., had inducted three women in 1977, and the club's membership in Rotary International was terminated the following year. In 1980, the Rotary Board of Directors and several clubs unsuccessfully proposed removing all references to members as "male persons" from the RI and club constitutions and bylaws. This brought fresh attention to the issue around

**Opposite:** Ian and Juliet Riseley love to sit on their back deck, which offers views of their garden. The evenings are filled with the scent of flowers and the song of birds. It's a perfect place to relax and reflect at the end of the day.











creased, so have Juliet's. He was governor of District 9810 in 1999-2000; she was governor of the district in 2011-12. As much as possible, she attends his events, and he hers. "They're very supportive of one another, but equally independent," says Carol Lawton, who just ended her term as governor of that district.

But that doesn't mean the logistics of their calendars aren't complicated. "They would often arrive at a function independently of each other," Richards says. "We used to joke: 'Ian, did Juliet know you were coming?' 'Juliet, did you know Ian was coming?'"

**D**uring an evening at their home in Moorooduc, a rural township in the heart of some of Australia's finest wine country, the Riseleys show off their gardens, with Juliet easily rattling off the names of the myriad flowers. There are also fruit trees and a pair of rescued goats, Vinda and Lulu. "We didn't name them," Ian is quick to clarify. He complains about the goats, but it's clear he's rather fond of them – despite their propensity to gnaw aggressively on the trees.

In the evenings, Ian and Juliet like to sit on their deck with friends and a glass of wine, often from one of the many vineyards in the area. One friend, David Lloyd, runs the nearby Eldridge Estate and has established a reputation for his pinot noir and chardonnay. But the Riseleys wear their knowledge of wine lightly. Their wine rack holds some bargain-bin bottles resting alongside some very fine vintages.

They have a habit of telling entertaining stories in a running dialogue, correcting, augmenting, and sometimes contradicting each other. "One of the things about couples," notes Juliet, "is that when they've been married for a long time, they have –" Ian jumps in: "Selective memory retention!" Back to Juliet: "It is absolutely true.

We have different versions of the same story. Fortunately, not too different."

Many of those stories are about their children and grandchildren. Jill, who lives in Melbourne with her husband, Scott, and their two sons, Will and Jack, is an expert in corporate social responsibility and has a master's degree from Cambridge. The Riseleys' son, Andrew, an attorney, and his wife, Bronwyn, met as graduate students at the London School of Economics. They have two children, Neve and Lachlan, and recently relocated from Singapore to Wellington, New Zealand.

But Juliet and Ian love to hear other people's stories as well. "Whenever you meet Ian, he wants to hear about you," says Geoff Tickner, a friend of many years and a fellow Rotarian. "That's always how a conversation starts. It's always, 'Haven't seen you for a while. What have you been doing?'"

When you talk to his friends and colleagues, you hear again and again that Riseley is a listener, someone you go to for advice. "If you've got an idea, you tell Ian, because he'll take it on board," says Helen Wragg, the 2016-17 president of the Rotary Club of Hampton. "And if it's a bad idea, he'll tell you."

John Barnes of the Rotary Club of Clayton says Rotarians seek out Riseley's guidance at every opportunity: "At meetings, you'll often hear someone say, 'I wonder what Ian thinks about this,' or 'Has anyone spoken to Ian about that?' He offers wise counsel."

Barnes recalls consulting with Riseley about his idea for a project involving Interplast, a nonprofit dedicated to bringing reconstructive surgery to people with conditions including cleft palates and severe burns. Barnes went to Riseley with what he describes as "a ridiculously ambitious scheme to get every Rotary club in Australia to help raise a large sum of money and fund Interplast projects on the investment interest."

**Opposite, clockwise from top:** Juliet and Ian feed Lulu the goat; the Riseleys are proud of the fruit trees in their gardens; Ian shares old photos of their children, Andrew and Jill





If Riseley, a district governor at the time, was skeptical, he didn't show it. "I suppose he didn't want to burst my bubble, so he said, 'I'll give you a hand,'" Barnes recalls. "He didn't put the kibosh on it."

Riseley made introductions and offered advice, and eventually, Barnes got support from all 21 of Australia's districts, then went on to add New Zealand's six. Rotary provides funds and volunteer support, and the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons provides the skilled surgeons who volunteer their services. "Interplast is a great example of Rotary partnering with another organization to meet a need," Riseley says.

"He was always interested, always wanted to know how we were doing, always wanted to look at our progress," Barnes says of Riseley. "If he saw something that wasn't working, he might come to me and say it gently. He's able to give you a valid course of action."

Rotarians from 9810 fondly recall the district conference during Riseley's year as governor. He saw that a bit of stagecraft was needed, so he drove onstage in a race car, and ever since, the district's governors have tried to come up with an equally dramatic entrance. Richards rode in on a quarter horse.

Riseley stresses that while fun is a vital element of the organization, Rotary must make a difference in the world. At the International Assembly in January, he noted that environmental degradation threatens us all and asked every Rotary club to plant a tree for each member as a gesture with both practical impact and symbolic power.

Rotary must also do more to welcome younger people, who he says face a number of competing demands. They are interested in service and eager to do good,

**"YOU'LL OFTEN HEAR SOMEONE SAY, 'I WONDER WHAT IAN THINKS ABOUT THIS.' HE OFFERS WISE COUNSEL."**

he stresses, but they need options. "We need to offer them an involvement that doesn't waste their time," he says.

That's one reason he enthusiastically supports the 2016 Council on Legislation decisions to give clubs more flexibility in membership and meetings. "If you want to meet every week, and it suits your club, that's great," he says. "But there are people who can't do that, for whatever reason. To me, the flexibility is really important."

Riseley also worries that Rotary needs to do a better job of communicating with people outside the organization. "We've grown up talking to ourselves, and there was an ethos for years that we didn't seek aggrandizement," he notes. "We haven't made enough effort in marketing ourselves to the outside world. One of the things I am absolutely petrified of is that when polio is gone, Rotary will not get the recognition that we warrant."

Ever the accountant, Riseley thinks one way to demonstrate Rotary's impact is to quantify it. "What Rotary doesn't do is calculate the value of its output. We've got 35,000 clubs around the world and they all do good things." He envisions asking every club to report how much money it spends or donates and how many volunteer hours it puts in so that Rotary can calculate the output: "I believe that not just the rest of the world, but Rotarians themselves, will be astonished at the value of what we do."

**Opposite:** Juliet and Ian have always enjoyed the natural beauty of the Melbourne area, including the beaches along Port Phillip Bay. When they lived closer to the water, walks along the shore were a regular occurrence.



# New directors and trustees take office

The RI Board of Directors has 19 members: the RI president, the president-elect, and 17 club-nominated directors, who are elected at the Rotary Convention. The Board manages Rotary International affairs and funds in accordance with the RI Constitution and Bylaws. Ten new directors and the president-elect took office on 1 July.

The Rotary Foundation's Board of Trustees manages the business of the Foundation, the charitable arm of Rotary that funds service activities. The RI president-elect nominates the trustees, who are elected by the RI Board to four-year terms. The trustee chair and three new trustees took office on 1 July.

## Directors



**Sam F. Owori,**  
President-elect  
2017-18

**Rotary Club of  
Kampala, Uganda**

Sam F. Owori is CEO of the Institute of Corporate Governance of Uganda, whose mission is to promote excellence in corporate governance principles and practice in the region. Previously, he was executive director of the African Development Bank, managing director of Uganda Commercial Bank Ltd., and director of Uganda Development Bank. He also has served as corporation secretary of the Bank of Uganda, the country's central bank.

Owori has been a member and chair of several boards, including Faulu Uganda Ltd. (now Opportunity Bank), the Uganda Heart Institute, Centre for African Family Studies, Mulago Hospital Complex, a theological college in Mukono, and the Kampala City Council.

He is vice chair of Hospice Africa Uganda and board member and chair of the audit committee of PACE (Program for Accessible Health, Communication, and Education) in Uganda.

Since becoming a Rotarian in 1978, Owori has served Rotary as director, Rotary Foundation trustee, regional Foundation coordinator, regional RI membership coordinator, committee member and chair, and RI representative to the United Nations Environment Programme and UN-HABITAT.

Owori's honors include the regional Service Award for a Polio-Free World and the Order of Merit from President Omar Bongo of Gabon for dedicated service to the African Development Bank.

Owori and his wife, Norah, are Foundation Major Donors and Paul Harris Fellows. Owori is also a Benefactor of the Foundation. They have three sons and three grandchildren.



**Basker Chockalingam**

**Rotary Club of Karur,  
India**

Basker Chockalingam is a managing partner at the manufacturing firm VNC, the retail distributor of Tata Steel for the state of Tamil Nadu. Recognizing his contribution to the growth of small industry, the state government honored him with the Best Small-Scale Entrepreneur Award in 1986.

Chockalingam has held high-level positions in several industrial groups and sports associations. He has received honors including the Vijay Shree Award, National Unity Award, Shiromani Vikas Award, and Hindu Gaurav Award for outstanding performance in a chosen field and in service of society.

A Rotarian since 1988, he has served as Rotary coordinator, committee member, and district governor.

Chockalingam is a Benefactor and Major Donor of The Rotary Foundation, and a recipient of the Foundation's Citation for

Meritorious Service.



**James Ronald Ferrill**

**Rotary Club of  
Martinsville, Va.**

Ron Ferrill retired after more than 33 years with DuPont, where he held a variety of engineering and management positions. He is involved in several religious, civic, and community service activities.

A Rotarian since 1967, he has served Rotary as RI president's representative, Council on Legislation representative, regional Rotary Foundation coordinator, and district governor. He also served as a Group Study Exchange team leader to Korea.

Ferrill has received The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and Distinguished Service Award, and the RI Service Above Self Award. He is a member of the Paul Harris Society, and a Foundation Benefactor, and he and his wife, Elaine, are Major Donors. (Ferrill is finishing Joseph Mul-kerrin's term.)



**Peter Iblher**

**Rotary Club of  
Nürnberg-Reich-  
swald, Germany**

Peter Iblher is a retired consultant. He served as managing director of a hospital group in Nuremberg, lecturer at the Bavarian civil servant university, head of

business development for the city of Fürth, and CEO of consulting companies in Basle and Munich.

A Rotarian since 1990, Iblher has served Rotary as RI president's representative, Rotary coordinator, Council on Legislation representative, RI training leader, district governor, manager of service projects, especially in India, and district vocational service committee chair.

He is a multiple Paul Harris Fellow and Major Donor to The Rotary Foundation.



**Keiichi Ishiguro**

**Rotary Club of  
Tsuruoka West,  
Japan**

Keiichi Ishiguro is chair of the Ishiguro Dental and Orthodontics

Clinic. He has served as vice chair and secretary of the Japan Dental Association, and as board member, chair, and adviser of the Yamagata Dental Association. He is chair of the Tsuruoka Comprehensive Planning Council. In 2014, he received the Order of the Rising Sun for achievement in dental health and hygiene.

A Rotarian since 1985, Ishiguro has served Rotary as RI president's representative, committee member and subcommittee chair, Council on Legislation representative, RI training leader, district governor, and district Rotary Foundation committee chair.

He is a multiple Paul Harris Fellow and a Benefactor of The Rotary Foundation.



**Robert C. Knuepfer Jr.**

**Rotary Club of Chicago**

Robert C. Knuepfer Jr. is retired from his position as senior partner of corporate practice

at the global law firm Baker McKenzie. He is a shareholder, director, and senior executive at Hallstar, a specialty chemical company with global operations. He is director of many corporate and civic organizations. A Rotarian since 1982, Knuepfer has served Rotary as RI president's representative, committee member, Council on Legislation representative, district governor, and club president. He and his wife, Nancy, are Rotary Foundation Major Donors.



**John C. Matthews**

**Rotary Club of  
Mercer Island,  
Wash.**

John C. Matthews was senior vice president of Costco Wholesale for

25 years. He also served in the U.S. Navy for 20 years before retiring as a commander in the supply corps.

Matthews is active on corporate and community boards, including the Seattle Chamber of Commerce, University of Washington Bothell advisory board, Mercer Island Presbyterian Church, Rotary First Harvest, and NW Reinsurance.

A Rotarian since 1988, Matthews has served Rotary as RI president's representative, committee member, RI training leader, Rotary institute convener, and district governor. He and his wife, Mary Ellen, are Paul Harris Fellows, Major Donors, and members of the Arch Klumph Society and Bequest Society of The Rotary Foundation. Together, they have established the John and Mary Ellen Matthews Endowed Rotary Peace Fellowship.



**Eunsoo Moon**

**Rotary Club of  
Cheonan-Dosol,  
Korea**

Eunsoo Moon is a dentist, CEO of Cheonan Moon Dental Hospital,

and chair of HAN-A Medical Foundation. He is director and chair of several organizations in Korea.

Moon has served Rotary as RI president's representative, RI training leader, Rotary coordinator and assistant coordinator, Rotarian Action Group Committee member, and district governor.

He and his wife, Hyunjoo Yang, are Arch Klumph Society members. Moon has received the RI Service Above Self Award and The Rotary Foundation's Distinguished Service Award and Citation for Meritorious Service.



**Brian A.E. Stoyel**

**Rotary Club of  
Saltash, England**

Brian Stoyel qualified as a music teacher before he moved to a teaching post

in Slough, then to Newbury as an independent school headmaster. He later established an education consultancy, providing guardianship for international students studying throughout the United Kingdom.

A Rotarian since 1981, Stoyel has served as president of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland. He also has served Rotary as RI president's representative, committee member and chair, and district governor. He is founder of Rotarians Eliminating Malaria in Tanzania and Rotarians Eliminating Malaria: A Rotarian Action Group, and is a trustee of the Jaipur Limb project.

He has organized Rotaract projects in Romania, Tanzania, Ghana, Bulgaria, Uganda, Malawi, and Benin.

Stoyel and his wife, PDG Maxine, are multiple Paul Harris Fellows, Benefactors of The Rotary Foundation, Major Donors, and Bequest Society members. He has received the Service Above Self Award, the Citation for Meritorious Service, and the Distinguished Service Award, and was an RI training leader.



**Gregory F. Yank**

**Rotary Club of  
O'Fallon, Ill.**

Greg Yank serves as business coach to six owners of small- to medium-size businesses.

He spent 25 years in health care executive management and leadership positions, serving twice as a hospital CEO and as president of a Catholic health system. For 11 years, Yank owned a business coaching/peer advisory board franchise called the Alternative Board (TAB). He is the principal of GY Consulting and Facilitation Services, specializing in business coaching, strategy, facilitation, strategic governance, and board development and education.

Yank is active in his community. He is a commissioner of the Metro East Park and Recreation District, advisory board mem-



## Trustees

ber for the Nielsen Healthcare Group in St. Louis, and board member of the O'Fallon-Shiloh Chamber of Commerce and chair of its strategic planning committee.

A Rotarian since 1978, he has served Rotary as Rotary institute chair for zones 30 and 31, RI training leader, membership coordinator, and district governor twice. He has traveled to Malawi, Ecuador, India, and Belize on Rotary projects.

Yank is a recipient of the RI Service Above Self Award. He and his wife, PDG Catherine, are Major Donors and members of the Arch Klumph, Paul Harris, and Bequest societies.



**Paulo Augusto Zanardi**

**Rotary Club of Curitiba-Cidade Industrial, Brazil**

Paulo Augusto Zanardi has been director of the transportation company Zalog Operadora Logística since 1984. He is also director of a geophysical company called WS do Brasil Inovações Tecnológicas Ltda.

A Rotarian since 1988, Zanardi has served Rotary as RI president's representative, zone coordinator, Rotary Foundation alumni coordinator, PolioPlus national adviser for Brazil, regional Rotary Foundation coordinator, Council on Legislation representative, RI training leader, and district governor.

Zanardi has received the Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and Distinguished Service Award. He and his wife, Luly, are Benefactors and Major Donors of the Foundation.



**Ron D. Burton, Chair-elect 2017-18**

**Rotary Club of Norman, Okla.**

Ron D. Burton retired as president of the University of Oklahoma Foundation Inc. in 2007. He is a member of the Cleveland County, Okla., and American bar associations and is admitted to practice in Oklahoma and before the U.S. Supreme Court. He is a founder and past president of the Norman Public School Foundation, and founder and past board member of the Norman Community Foundation.

Burton has been a Rotarian since 1979 and has served RI as president, director, Foundation trustee and vice chair, RI Board Executive Committee member, RI president's aide, committee vice chair and chair, task force member, and International Assembly group discussion leader, assistant moderator, and moderator. He has been a regional Rotary Foundation coordinator (RRFC) and Permanent Fund national adviser, and has served as assistant moderator and moderator of RRFC training institutes.

A recipient of RI's Service Above Self Award, he has also received The Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service, Distinguished Service Award, and International Service Award for a Polio-Free World.



**Brenda M. Cressey**

**Rotary Club of Paso Robles, Calif.**

Brenda M. Cressey is president and CEO of Office Support Systems, a telecommunications business in Maine. She has served in many volunteer capacities with civic organizations such as the American Cancer Society.

A Rotarian since 1989, Cressey has served as a regional membership and Foundation coordinator and RRFC training institute moderator, an Endowment Major Gift adviser, Council on Legislation representative, RI president's representative, 2012 International Assembly executive committee and partner moderator, RI training leader, and district governor. Cressey is a recipient of Rotary's Service Above Self Award and The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and Distinguished Service Award. Brenda and her husband, Dick, are Major Donors, Bequest and Paul Harris society members, and recent inductees of the Arch Klumph Society.



**K.R. Ravindran**

**Rotary Club of Colombo, Sri Lanka**

K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran is CEO and founder of a publicly listed company with a worldwide clientele in printing, packaging, and pre-media solutions. His company, Print-care PLC, is one of the largest producers of tea bag packaging in the world and is the winner of national and international awards of excellence. He serves on the boards of several other companies and charitable trusts in Sri Lanka and India. He is the founding president of the Sri Lanka Anti-Narcotics Association (a project of his club), the largest such body in the country.

A Rotarian since 1973, Ravindran has served RI as president, treasurer, director, and Foundation trustee. As his country's national PolioPlus chair, Ravindran headed a task force of representatives from the government, UNICEF, and Rotary, and worked closely with UNICEF to successfully negotiate a cease-fire with the northern militants during National Immunization Days. After the tsunami of 2004, which killed an estimated 35,000 people in his country, he chaired the Schools Reawakening project, sponsored by all the Rotary clubs in Sri Lanka, to build 25 new schools to benefit 15,000 children at a cost of \$12,000. In 2017 his government conferred on him the title of Sri Lanka Sikhamani (Jewel of Sri Lanka).



**Michael F. Webb**

**Rotary Club of Mendip, England**

Mike Webb is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, and senior partner in an accounting practice in the City of Wells, in southwest England. He is also involved locally and nationally as treasurer and trustee of a number of charitable and sports organizations. A Rotarian since 1976, Webb has served Rotary International as director, RI president's representative, committee member and chair, vice chair for the 2016 Council on Legislation and the Council on Resolutions, RI training leader, and district governor. He has served Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland as treasurer and president. Webb and his wife, Alison, are Major Donors and Paul Harris Fellows, and he is a member of the Bequest Society.

# Our Districts



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# D.3330 RI

By PDG.Somphop Thirasan  
RC of Kanchanaburi



DG.Dr.Peera  
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Farmpiboon

## The Vision of District Governor 3330

For year 2017 – 2018, which began on July 1, 2017, as a District Governor, I am determined to implement all three strategies of Rotary International to make a concrete move of the rotary clubs in District 3330.

**Strategy 1** Strengthening the club. By inducting members with ideals. “Service above Self”

**Strategy 2** Increasing humanitarian services, making donation and using of the Rotary Foundation fund to implement a project

**Strategy 3** Developing a good public image focusing on practical practice of Rotarians.

District Training Assembly 3330  
Year 2017 – 2018 on 19-21 May 2017

was registered with more than 700 Rotarians. These participants were from different roles such as club leaders, members and staff. This ensures that all levels of leaders in every club have understanding to carry out activities in accordance with the objectives from the Rotary International.

During the past few years, the project plans and every goal were recorded in the Rotary Club Central. And in this regard, My Rotary District Committee has been set up as a mentor to all clubs in the district. The training took place in many areas with an intention to cover the district area in club level.

For projects that continue from last year, there were short-term cultural exchanges for 2-4 weeks to various countries. It is still ongoing as it is a useful project.

This year, there are also two projects, “The Drop to Zero Project”, to eliminate polio from the world in 2020 and “The Environmental Campaign”, to encourage all members to grow one tree. For District 3330, we implemented Project 1 + 2 = Trees (One Two Trees) by inviting Rotary

family and other organization to plant two or more trees to make the world more livable.

“Intended to implement all three strategies of Rotary International for club progression in district”.

**I am determined to implement all three strategies of Rotary International to make a concrete move of the rotary clubs in District 3330.**









Rotary Club of Pra Pathom Chedi



Rotary Club of Phuttamonthon



Rotary Club of Phuket



Rotary Club of Ladluang



Rotary Club of Hua-Hin



Rotary Club of Suphanburi



Rotary Club of Suphannikar

Installation Ceremony D.3330



# D.3340 RI

By P.Patarawadee Apiwanason  
RC of Laemchabung



DG. Onanong  
Spouse Pradit  
Siripornmanut

In District 3340 Training Assembly on May 5-7, 2017, at Ambassador Hotel, Jomtien, Sattahip, Chonburi, club presidents and club committee participated in with an intention to learn and transfer the policy of District 3340 given by the District Governor. The policy was special emphasis on membership and being a Rotarian from inside out. Members should have a thorough knowledge of Rotary, ethics, ethics, and ideology of “Service above Self” which is a factor in strengthening the clubs. Another policy was to increase female members as RI President has mentioned “For the past 28 years, Rotarians have accepted female as members, but up to now, only 20 percent of female members have increased from 13 percent in 10 years ago. We would have to spend another thirty years to get a balanced proportion. It is a long time that Rotarians are waiting to catch up with the changing world. Therefore, this issue must be considered urgent. We have 539 District Governor Elects, 103 of them are female. We have to admit that they are great examples of women in Rotary.”

Environmental issues that are affecting humanity, originally, we did not pack it in Rotary International’s policy. As in the year 113th of Rotary, Rotary International President Ian Riseley asked all Rotary clubs to plant at least one tree per person. District 3340 transferred the

policy 1-1Tree (113). Rotary begins planting from the start of Rotary year to World Tree Day on April 22, 2018. This is considered as an activity representing Rotary characteristics in 2017-18.

In Cooperation between four Districts, it has emphasized the construction of Nong Non Tai Project, Sakon Nakorn to commemorate His Majesty the Late King Bhumibol Adulyadej. His Majesty the Late King Bhumibol

Adulyadej was the patron of Rotary Clubs in Thailand. To follow his footprints, according to former Rotary President Bhichai Rattakul, the donation is for this purpose. District Governors and other former leaders presented this project in a District 3340 Training Assembly. There are donors both individuals and as clubs. Currently, the amount of donation was 2,446,970 baht (July 14, 2017).

At present, the mission of the Club Presidents and the Club Committee covers many aspects, especially in club management. One mission is to access the Rotary Club Central which is a must in order to adapt and develop in every dimension of the technological advancement. It is another issue that District 3340 must accelerate to advance rapidly.

“Would like to increase female members. Today there are only 20% female members, up from 13% in 10 years ago. “

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Rotarians have accepted  
female as members,  
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Rotary Club of Ubon, Moon River, Muang Warin, Lotus City-Ubon, Srisaket and Kantaraluk



Rotary Club of Eastern Seaboard



Rotary Club of Muang Khong Chiam

Installation Ceremony D.3340



Rotary Club of Roi-Et, Amnat Charoen, Yasothon and Muang Mukdahan





Installation Ceremony D.3340



Rotary Club of Sakon Nakhon



Rotary Club of Nakorn Rajasima, Suranaree Nakorn Rajasima, Korat, Buayai, Khunying Mo-Korat, Prathai, Khonburi Korat and Pakthongchai and Wangnamkeaw



# D.3350 RI

By PP.Thanongsak Wiboonma  
RC of Sathorn



Policies and Goals of Rotary District 3350, Year 2016 – 2017

## Membership Development

- Increase membership 15% from last year.
- Persuade every club to support or participate in forming a new club. The goal is to charter 5 new clubs.

## Service Projects

- Persuade every club in forming a Rotary Community (RCC).
- Persuade every club to participate in at least one Global Grant or a District Grant.
- Persuade every club to implement at least one project that emphasizes the importance of the environment.

## Public Image

- Promote Rotary public image and raise awareness in Rotary community by telling the club's intriguing story resulting in better change.
- Use Rotary branding for all types of communication to strengthen the image of Rotary.
- Update websites and other social media to publish the projects and inform club activities regularly.

## Rotary Foundation

- Persuade every Club President, Assistant Governor, and Donor Committee to donate 1000 USD.

## DG. Marasee Skunliew

- Persuade all club members to donate EREY (100 USD).

## Online Tools

- Set at least 10 goals in Rotary Club Central.
- Persuade club members to sign up 100% in using My Rotary.
- Publish at least one club project in the Rotary Showcase and Rotary Ideas.

## Club Service

- Pay Rotary International dues and District 3350 dues on time.
- Increase weekly club meeting scores by 5% from last year.
- Increase at least 50% of member participation in club activities.

## Projects that continue from the past year

- Engage partnership from foreign countries such as Japan, Taiwan and Korea.

## Cooperative Projects between Rotary Districts or Four Rotary Districts

- Make donation campaign for Project at Nong Non-Tai, Sakon Nakhon.
- Make tree planting campaign for the environmental responsibility.
- Coordinate helps when disaster strikes.

**“Use Rotary branding for all types of communication to strengthen the image of Rotary”**





Installation Ceremony D.3350



Rotary Club of Dhonburi



Rotary Club of Bangkok



Rotary Club of Phra Nakhon



Rotary Club of Sathorn and E-Club of District 3350





Installation Ceremony D.3350





# D.3360 RI

By PP Naratta Seemamgerm  
RC of Phrae



DG.Nithi  
Spouse Salaithep  
Soongswang

Rotary International President, Bhichai Rattakul said,

**“Every time we drink water, we must not forget the upstream of the stream.”**

When we talk about Rotary, we must not forget the origins of Rotary.

Participation with Rotary brings good opportunity for us. Based on my 25 years of Rotary service, I have an opportunity to do so. The most exciting moment was the time my spouse and I attended the INTERNATIONAL ASSEMBLY in San Diego. I remembered the theme of the Rotary International President, Dong Kum Lee “Make Dream Real”. He stated that.

**“It’s hard to describe the excitement and power of the Rotary International conference because the conference is the experience I have been waiting for since the end of each conference to the beginning of another ones. I know that I will meet old friends and new friends to learn the project from Rotary worldwide. And I would find out how to make my club service above self “**

I have seen the power of the conference as well. I got new friends and I can learn various Rotary projects. I have found the better ways to manage the project in my District. We do a palliative care program of “Tree Planting

for Environmental Protection” and continue the “Love Reading Love Rotary Project”, “Dengue Campaign in Community”, Mountain Plumbing Project”, “Clean Water Project”, “Noodle Pots Free from Lead”, “The Joint Project of 4 Districts In Remembrance of His Majesty the Late King Bhumibol Adulyadej, and “Nong Nong Tai Project”.

The project may not be as big as other big projects but we must remember that what we do is important to the

**“No matter how small or big the project is , everything we do is important because we work together with dedication, strength, mind and resources that we have”**

people we help whether the project is small or large. Everything we do is important because we work together with dedication, strength, mind and resources we have. Rotary is one of the leading media who makes a difference. Whether a Rotary member or a Rotary partner, each of us has our own gift. These gifts come in various forms such as talent, expertise and knowledge. We can share our gifts as we are a Rotary gift for humanity who making a difference to others in our world. This was in accordance with

the speech of the Rotary International President, Ian H.S. Riseley, 2017 - 2018.

**“Whether the job is big or small, it’s objective is to make better. No matter what the motive is, when we all join the Rotary, we will find satisfaction in Rotary that leads us to stand still. When time goes by whether week-by-week or year-by-year, we are still a part of Rotary: Making a Difference. “**





Rotary Club in Chiang Rai and Payao Province



Rotary Club of Sanpathong



Rotary Club of Khanu Woraklaksaburi and Kamphaengphet



Rotary Club in Nan Province



Rotary Club in Lampang Province

# Installation Ceremony D.3360



Rotary Club of Pitsanulok Province



Rotary Club in Chiang Mai Province



Installation Ceremony D.3360

Rotary Club of Chomtong



Rotary Club in Mae Hong Sorn Province, Fang,  
Chaiyaparak, Chiangdao



Rotary Club of Phrae, Song, Wiangkosai



Rotary Club in Uttaradit Province







## RIP Youth Exchange Mr. Sirawitch Chanthaburanon

Youth Exchange Student, District 3360,  
Rotary Club of Buddhachinaraj

June is the last month of Rotary's year and it's the saddest month for everyone in the Youth Exchange Program around the world with the massive loss of our youth exchange student from District 3360, Joe, Mr. Sirivich Chanthaburanon. Siravitch started his exchange journey in August 2016 to District 7360, Pennsylvania in the United States of America. And actually, he scheduled to go back to Thailand in July 2017, but a drowning accident at Frisco Beach, North Carolina, was a huge loss. Joe was a good young man. Everyone in The Rotary Club of State College Downtown, host family, and classmates were mournful with his loss. Todd Costello who was a host family father brought Joe back to Phitsanulok himself.

The Rotary Club of State College Downtown donated \$8,500 to the Rotary Foundation as Joe involved in the fundraising to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Rotary Foundation. It was a tribute to Joe and District 3360. "What Joe did was truly a service above self as the motto of Rotary". Joe will always be in our hearts.

Love

PP. Naiyana Khomson  
Youth Exchange Chairman  
Rotary District 3360





# Our Guest



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ชาวนั้นเป็นชาวสะเทือนใจเป็นอย่างยิ่งต่อ โครงการนักเรียนแลกเปลี่ยนเยาวชนและครอบครัวโรตารีของเรา

เราเข้าใจเป็นอย่างดีถึงกระบวนการบรรเทาความสูญเสีย ที่ท่านจะต้องเริ่มนับจากวันนี้  
เราขอให้ท่านทราบไว้ว่า บนเส้นทางแห่งความโศกเศร้าที่ท่านกำลังเดินอยู่นี้ ท่านมีเราอยู่ข้างๆ ท่านเสมอ  
ขณะที่ท่านและภาคของท่านกำลังนำความสงบกลับคืนมาสู่ตนนั้น  
เราขอให้คุณค่าของการบำเพ็ญประโยชน์และมิตรภาพที่ท่านเคยได้สร้างไว้  
ได้นำท่านไปสู่เป้าหมายนั้นด้วยเทอญ  
เราเชื่อเป็นอย่างยิ่งว่า นายสิริวิชญ์ จันทบุรานนท์ จะได้รับการจดจำไว้ในใจของทุกคน

เราทุกคนที่สำนักเลขาธิการใหญ่โรตารีสากลรู้สึกโศกเศร้ากับการสูญเสียในครั้งนี้  
ในนามของโรตารีสากล, คณะกรรมการบริหารโรตารีสากล,  
โรแทเรียน และเยาวชนแลกเปลี่ยนโรตารีจากทั่วโลก เราขอแสดงความเสียใจอย่างสุดซึ้งแก่ท่าน  
ครอบครัวของ นายสิริวิชญ์ และสมาชิกของภาค 3360 และ 7360

หัวใจของเราสองคนอยู่กับท่านในช่วงเวลาแห่งความสูญเสียครั้งนี้

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# Our District Calender

## 2017-2018 Meeting Schedule District 3330:

- |                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| 15 July 2017                  | – Interact and Rotaract Training for Area 16-30, Ratchaburi Province  |
| 22 July 2017                  | – Interact and Rotaract Training for Area 1-15 and 31, Nakorn Si Thammarat Province                           |
| 5 August 2017                 | – Rotary District Foundation Seminar, District Image Seminar and Club Trainer Seminar, Nakhon Pathom Province |
| 18-22 October 2017            | – RYLA, District 3330, Hat Yai District, Songkhla Province  |
| 11 November 2017              | – First Intercity Meeting, Area 1-15 and 31, Krabi Province   |
| 18 November 2017              | – First Basic Rotary Knowledge Training, Area 1-6, Hat Yai District, Songkhla Province                        |
| 25 November 2017              | – Second Basic Rotary Knowledge Training, Area 7-14 and 31, Phuket Province                                   |
| 28 November – 3 December 2017 | – GETs & Zone Institute, Taipei, Taiwan   |
| 9 December 2017               | – Third Basic Rotary Knowledge Training, Area 15-22, Hua Hin District, Prachuap Khiri Khan Province           |
| 16 December 2017              | – Fourth Basic Rotary Knowledge Training, Area 23-30, Nakhon Pathom Province                                  |
| 27 January 2018               | – Second Intercity Meeting, Area 16-30, Suphan Buri Province  |
| 6-8 April 2018                | – District Conference, District 3330, Surat Thani Province  |
| 23-27 June 2018               | – Rotary International Conference, Toronto, Canada  |

## 2017-2018 Meeting Schedule District 3340:

- |                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| 13-14 August 2017  | – Membership and Rotary Foundation Seminar, Khon Kaen Hotel, Khon Kaen Province |
| 11-15 October 2017 | – RYLA, District 3340, Toey Ngarm Beach, Sattahip District, Chonburi Province   |
| 25 November 2017   | – Intercity Meeting, Koh Chang, Trat Province                                   |
| 2-4 March 2018     | – District Conference, District 3340, Buriram Province                          |

## 2017-2018 Meeting Schedule District 3360:

- |                     |  |
|---------------------|--|
| 26-27 August 2017   | – Membership, Foundation and Rotary Image Seminar, Singharaj Hotel, Chiang Mai Province          |
| 12-15 October 2017  | – RYLA, District 3360, Youth Training Center, King Borommtrailokkanat Camp, Phitsanulok Province |
| 18-19 November 2017 | – Intercity Meeting, Fang District, Chiang Mai Province  |
| 17-18 March 2018    | – District Conference, District 3360, Chiang Mai Province  |





## 2017-2018 Meeting Schedule District 3350:

- |                    |  |
|--------------------|--|
| 1 August 2017      | – First Past District Governor Council Meeting, Asia Hotel, Bangkok  |
| 10 August 2017     | – Rotarians join in making sandal wood flowers for King Rama IX, Central Department Store, Rama IX Branch      |
| 19 August 2017     | – 2016-2017 Membership Seminar, Miracle Grand Hotel, Lak Si, Bangkok   |
| 20 August 2017     | – YE Inbound Orientation, Rotary Center Thailand   |
| 27 August 2017     | – Service Project Activity, Community Organizations Development Institute, Bueng Kum District, Bangkok         |
| 1-3 September 2017 | – District Training Assembly of Rotary Clubs in Cambodia   |
| 16 September 2017  | – District Governor Meets Presidents and District Committees, No.1, Westgate Hotel, Kanjanapisek Road, Bangkok |
| 19-22 October 2017 | – RYLA, District 3350, The Pine Resort Hotel, Pathum Thani Province  |
| 16 December 2017   | – District Governor Meets Presidents and District Committees, No.2   |
| 7 January 2018     | – Walk-Run for Polio Elimination, Ayudhya Province   |
| 10-11 March 2018   | – District Conference, District 3350, Ambassador City Jomtien Hotel, Jomtien, Pattaya                          |
| 21 April 2018      | – District Governor Meets Presidents and District Committees, No.3   |
| 26 May 2018        | – Citation from Rotary International President and District Governor   |
| 23-27 June 2018    | – Rotary International Conference, Toronto, Canada   |



## Names of the Project Coordinators "Thai Rotarians mourn the passing of King Rama IX to heavens"

Four District Governors jointly organized a bike riding activity from each district to Bangkok in order to lay the sandal wood flower for King Rama IX at the Bureau of the Royal Household on Sua Pa Road.

Names of the Project Coordinators

### District 3330

Organizing Chairperson: PP Orn-anong Kulkaew  
 089 4662953, 097 3565353

The Major Chairperson for the bike riding of Area 17-30  
 totaling 48 clubs:

DGE Lieutenant General Kanit Jamjuntra 081 9265800  
 District Secretary: PP Patchara Poonpokepol 081 8938611

### District 3340

Organizing Chairperson: President Dejvichai Dejburaam  
 Rotary Club of Srisaket 085 2011769

Coordinator: PP Sunat Thongsalab (Rotary Club of  
 Kantharalak) 085 7726983

T-shirt Reservation Person: President Yanipat Boondamrongsak  
 Rotary Club of Si Racha 092 9295642

### District 3350

Organizing Chairperson: President Vichai Cheevakanit  
 Rotary Club of Dhonburi 080 565551

Coordinator: President 113, District 3350

President Virat Ngarmkham (113, Rotary Club of Phra Nakorn)  
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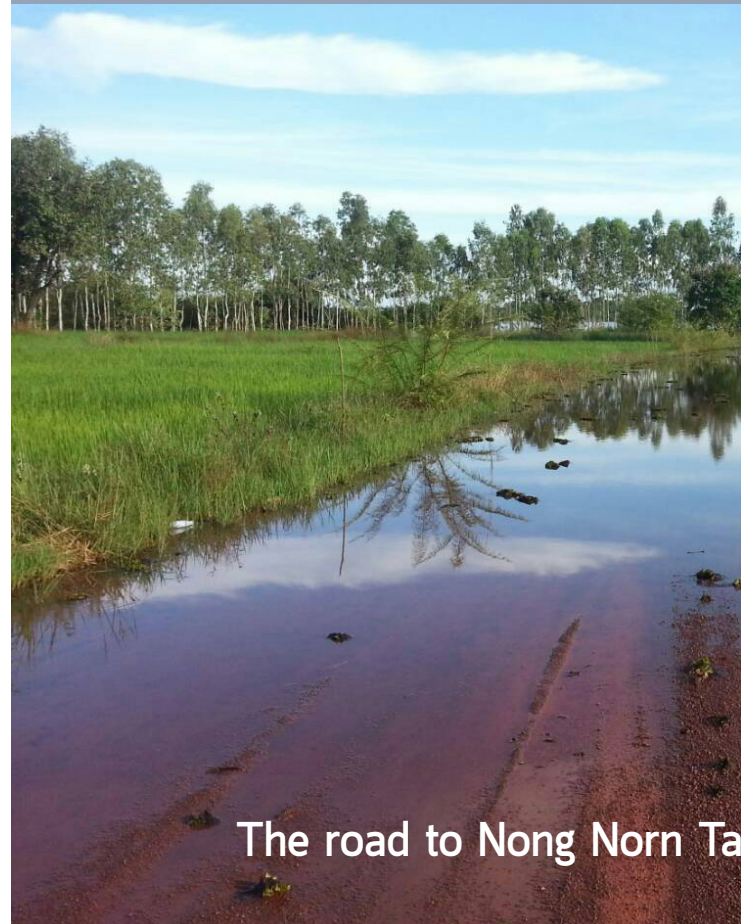
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### District 3360

Organizing Chairperson: President Vivat Panich-attra  
 Rotary Club of Mae Sai 098 2143211

Coordinator: Rotarian Busayarat Yanharn 085 8672002

## Progress of N



The road to Nong Norn Tai

The united effort of Thai Rotarians to implement the most important and worthwhile Nong Norn Tai Monkey Cheek Project to commemorate His Majesty King Bhumipol and to help solve draught and flood problems has resulted in continued donation to Rotary Thailand District Foundation. As of 24 July 2017, the total donation is 21,693,365.62 baht.

The Royal Irrigation Department witnesses the determination and cooperation of Rotary clubs in Thailand, the only private sector organization to implement this kind of project. Therefore, it will help provide some financial support to Rotary. Hence, we can be sure that we will start the ground digging on 5 December 2017. The work will be carried out during the coming dry season and will be completed before next year's rainy season.

In addition, we are confident that we will have sufficient budget to implement an add-on project, beyond our set target, which will greatly benefit people in the area.



# Long Norn Tai Monkey Cheek Project



## i Monkey Cheek Project



District 3340 offered help to the villagers in Sakon Nakhon Province.



Survival kits arrived in Sakon Nakhon Province.

During the council meeting of the 4 districts' past governors on 24 July 2017, an appropriate landscape of the project's surrounding area with a multi-purpose building for the community to use as meeting and vocational training rooms was discussed. In the future, Rotarians can also help provide vocational training to the villagers. Moreover, a statue of His Majesty King Bhumipol will be erected in this area.

DG Onanong Siripornmanut, District 3340, also proposed the Underground Water Bank Project so that the nearby communities with many hundred families can benefit from the water. To store water for use during the dry season by the villagers who live 4-5 kilometers away, 7-8 meter funnel-shape wells will be dug down to the underground water level. Many similar underground water bank projects have been implemented in the northeastern provinces by Nites Sasana Khun Research Institute under Luang Poo Sao Kantasilo Foundation and have proved to be successful.

### The more floods, the higher the Rotarians' spirit...

Tropical storm Sonca caused floods in the municipality and surrounding areas of Sakon Nakhon Province. Huay Sai reservoir levee broke resulting in overflowing water and very serious damage. Governor of District 3340, Rotarians in the area and those in other districts donated money and other necessities to help the flood victims. In addition, Rotary Center Thailand led by Past Rotary International President Bichai Rattakul sent Thai-Japan survival kits to help those affected by the floods.

Rotarians in Sakon Nakhon Province also provided assistance to the villagers in Akat Amnuai District near Nong Norn Tai. Photos of the floods around the Monkey Cheek Project were collected with the hope that once this Rotary project is completed next year, it will greatly help alleviate the villagers' problems.



## Message from Rotary Center in Thailand Chair



Dear Fellow Rotarians,

I'd like to say Happy New Rotary Year to all members and to congratulate this year's presidents and their committee members. I am sure that every club is determined to implement worthwhile service projects, and I wish you all great success.

At the moment, Rotary Center Thailand is improving its website to support mobile equipment including smart phones and tablets which are very popular now. Part of the work has already been implemented on line whereas the rest will be completed soon.

Lastly, Rotary International has already improved Rotary Club Central contained in its website, Rotary.org. Any clubs with difficulty in filling out their club goals can contact Rotary Center Thailand. We are willing to give you advice.

Yours in Rotary

(PDG Charn Chanlongsawaitkul)

## Number's Rotary

(25 August 2017 - [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org))

| District | Members | Clubs |
|----------|---------|-------|
| 3330     | 2,407   | 101   |
| 3340     | 1,675   | 67    |
| 3350     | 2,897   | 110   |
| 3360     | 1,379   | 68    |
| รวม      | 8,358   | 346   |

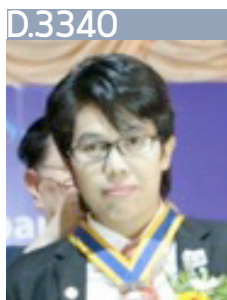
## Sub Editor Rotary Thailand Magazine



PDG.Somphop Thirasan  
RC of Kanchanaburi

Born in Nakhon Si Thammarat, he is currently the Vice President of Kanchanaburi Provincial Administrative Organization and an Honorary President of Kanchanaburi Provincial Industry Council. He is also a special teacher to various educational institutions.

Since becoming a member of Rotary Club of Kanchanaburi in 1996, he served as a District Governor of District 3330 in 2012-13. In addition, he took roles in District training, image enhancement, public relations and membership development. Currently, he serves as an International Assembly Training Leader in 2016 and 2017.



PP.Patarawadee Apiwanason  
RC of Laem Chabang

Rotary Club of Laem Chabang President, Chonburi in year 2016 - 2017, and also the class president in this year. She recently joined the editorial office of Rotary Thailand Magazine for the first time. The District Governor asked her to assist with support from PP.Kittichai Sirisanakul, a Secretary of District 3340 from the Rotary Club of Moon River, Ubon Ratchathani. They take an important role in Nong Non Tai Project and help relieving floods in the north eastern of Thailand.

Profession: Import - export products from China

Motto "Calm mind comes after you learn the state of having enough".

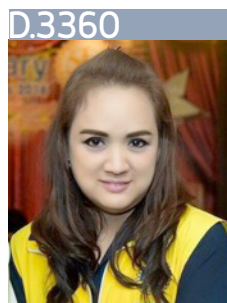


PP.Thanongsak Wiboonma  
RC of Sathorn

A musically talented architect, he is a Rotary lyricist who has been producing the annual Rotary Theme CD since 2011. He took roles to create, entertain and direct Bangkok RI Convention and Bangkok Rotary Institute for 2 times.

He was the President of the Rotary Club of Sathorn in 2012 - 2013. He won the Crown Prince Cup, and have been an Assistant District Governor for 5 times. In addition to being Chairman of the Rotary Music Board of 2017-18, he is also the director of District 3350 RYLA Youth Leadership Training Program and other important programs.

"There are many advances in information technology but Thai Rotarians are still lacking in management attention. Organizing valuable information of Rotary in Thailand which are over 87 years should be considered very much. Otherwise, the new history will be kept only with you."



PP.Naratta Seenamngern  
RC of Phrae

President of The Rotary Club of Phrae in 2014 - 2015 who has an important role in reducing the average age of club members. The club has won the highest percentage of new generation in District 3360. She currently serves as the Rotaract District Chairman, Interact District Chairman, a member of District Division Secretary, My Rotary Trainer, Public Image Committee and SAA. Incredibly, she still has time to work as the Principal for her Darunee English School.

"With great power comes great responsibility". When assigned by the Editor of Thai Rotary Magazine, PP.Vanit Yothavut to serve as a Sub-editor for District 3360, there were some worry at first, but with the help and coordination from everyone. The task was accomplished very well. It also makes me proud to see Rotary Thailand Magazine. Thanks to all Rotarians in District 3360 and Staff of Rotary Center in Thailand for cooperation and friendship.

If there're no people, there's no party. If there're no Rotarians, there's no Rotary.



# 1-1-Tree Project



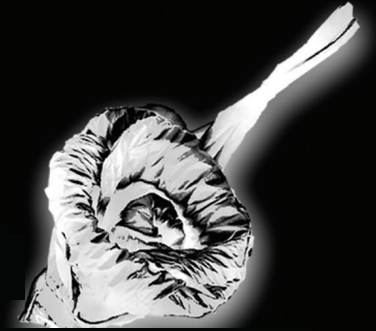
## Doing Good in the world.



The 1-1-Tree Project is an outstanding project of District 3340. Led by Rotary Club of Srisaket, Rotary Club of Roi Et and Rotary Club of Nam Phong, many trees have been planted in the northeastern part of Thailand.



# Rotary



## Thai Rotarians mourn the passing of King Rama IX to heavens

11-25 September 2017

Joint Bike Riding Activity of District 3330, 3340, 3350 and 3360  
Club members from each district rode their bike to Bangkok to pay  
their respect to King Rama IX and to lay the sandal wood flower at  
the Bureau of the Royal Household on Suapa Road.



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