2016-17 IPOTS / ROTS
Interact Presidents and Officers Training Seminar
Rotaract Officers Training Seminar
“Whatever Rotary may mean to us, to the world it will be known by the results it achieves.” Paul Harris
Founded in Chicago…
then expanded to the west.

1908  Rotary Club #2   SAN FRANCISCO
1909  Rotary Club #3   OAKLAND
1909  Rotary Club #4   SEATTLE
1909  Rotary Club #5   LOS ANGELES
1919
Rotarian Edgar Allen of the Elyria Rotary Club with several other Rotary Clubs of Ohio formed the Ohio Society for Crippled Children, the predecessor to the Easter Seals.
1925
Rotary Clubs established on Six continents

Over 2000 Rotary Clubs,
108,000 Members
1929  Rotary Youth Exchange Begins

Now, over 8000 students attend a year of high school abroad each year as Student Ambassadors for their communities.
1932 
Rotarian Herbert J Taylor creates The 4-Way Test

The worst times in the Great Depression

1932, GNP falls a record 13.4 percent; Unemployment rises to 23.6 percent. Industrial stocks down 80 percent. Since 1929: 10,000 banks have failed. GNP has also fallen 31 percent. Over 13 million Americans lost their jobs. International trade down by two-thirds.

Of the things we think, say or do
1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?
Rotarian Herbert J Taylor & The 4-Way Test

Five years later:
Company paid off $400,000 debt w/ interest…
AND distributed over a million dollars in dividends to stockholders -- all in spite of the Great Depression.

By early 1940's The 4-Way Test was adopted by Rotary International's board and became a vital part of Vocational Service Programs.
1938-1945

World War II forces the official disbandment of Rotary Clubs in 12 Countries... though several clubs still met in secret.

WWII Rotary Club Food Drive in Great Britain
Post WWII 1945-60
A time of unprecedented membership growth and unparalleled community participation.

Christmas Dinner for boys in need,
Rotary Club of Lebanon.
1962

First Interact Club Chartered
Involve youth: **International Call to Action**
Developing Leadership Skills
Meaningful Service
Making Friends
Having Fun.

The Original Interact Club
Melbourne High School Florida
1968
First Rotaract Clubs established

Rotary sponsored College or Community based Service Clubs for 18-30 year olds
1979, 1983-
Polio

Rotary sets Polio + goal to Eradicate
from The Philippines, then the World.

Over 2 Billion children have been immunized from Polio
A Polio virus infection of 200 people

• ~144 will have no visible symptoms.
• ~ 48 will have flu-like symptoms.
• ~ 7 develop Meningitis- infection of spinal cord and/or brain.
• ~ 1 develop Paralysis or weakness in arms, legs, or both.

~6% of polio victims with paralysis die because the virus affects the muscles that help them breathe.

19 confirmed cases = ~3,800 people carrying the virus
1977-89

Women in Rotary

1977    Duarte Rotary Club (California) inducts women, violating RI and Club Constitutions.
1978    Rotary International pulls their Charter.

1983-86

Lawsuit is filed by the Duarte club. The California Superior Court rules in favor of Rotary International, California Court of Appeals reverses the decision. The California Supreme Court refuses to hear case, Rotary appeals to the U.S. Supreme Court.

1987    U.S. Supreme Court rules that Rotary clubs may not exclude women from membership on the basis of gender.

Sylvia Whitlock, Rotary Club of Duarte California, becomes first female Rotary Club President.

1989    Women are welcomed into Rotary around the world.
1988

Rotary Community Corps Established

Committed to their community’s long-term development and self sufficiency.
Members of the Rotary Club of Kampala Central, Uganda, draw clean water from one of four boreholes serving the village of Naruvununa. Previously, villagers had to walk more than three kilometers (two miles) to fetch water and that water was contaminated. The Rotary Clubs of Warwick Avon, England, and Kampala Central each raised U.S. $4,585 equaled by a $9,170 Matching Grant from The Rotary Foundation to fund the project, which also included installing a rainwater-catch system.

1996

Rotary goes online at rotary.org
The Disaster Relief organization was founded by a U.K. Rotary Club, becomes Rotary Project Partner as a global source for disaster relief.
Rotary

1,235,100 members
35,247 Clubs

Interact

Rotary Sponsored Club
441,278 members
19,186 Clubs

Rotaract

Rotary Club Partner
201,342 members
8,754 Clubs

Rotary Community Corps

199,732 members
8,684 Corps.

A global network of over 2 million volunteers!!!
Our heritage defines who we are.
How does Rotary Serve Humanity?

- **End Homelessness**
  - Safe Water
  - Recycling
  - Nutrition
  - Health
  - Children at Risk
  - Safe Blood
- **End Poverty**
- **End Hunger**
- **Disaster Relief**
- **Help The Elderly**
- **Education**
- **Friendships**
- **Global Grants**
- **Preservation**
- **Disease Prevention**
- **Home Safety**
- **Youth Mentoring**
- **Literacy and Numeracy**
- **Ethics**
Rotarians are Role Models for the World

Rotary is asked to appoint representatives to:

- African Union
- Council of Europe
- Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
- Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia
- Economic Commission for Africa
- Economic Commission for Europe
- Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
- Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
- International Fund for Agricultural Development
- Organisation Interational de la Francophonie
- Organization of American States
- UNESCO
- United Nations Environmental Program
- United Nations Headquarters
- UN-HABITAT
- United Nations Office at Geneva
- United Nations Office at Vienna
- World Bank
- World Food Program
As a Rotary Service Club Officer
You are a role model too.

Developing leadership skills & personal integrity in yourself and in others.

Demonstrating helpfulness & respect.

Understanding the value of hard work and individual responsibility.

Advancing friendship, global peace and good will.

Promoting the ideals of the “4-Way Test” and “Service Above Self”.

Having Fun as a member & leader.
Service Above Self