



District Governors January Newsletter.

For circulation to all Rotarians in District 1220.

Dear Rotarian

Jill and I wish you all a very happy and prosperous 2010. This time of year we start to think of the longer days of summer. Plans start to be made for holidays in warm weather and interesting places. This year Rotary is meeting in Montreal. You can stroll cafe-lined streets, shop in pretty boutiques and indulge in world-class cuisine while you relax in the “old world” charm of a thoroughly modern Canadian City. You will meet many old and new friends and experience the amazing world of International Rotary.

Canada has many options for a holiday of a life time so why not make our Montreal Convention the centre piece of your plans for your holiday this year. Do not miss out, all details can be found on the RI Website plus I have appointed PDG Roy Parsons to be the contact if you have any queries. roy@royparsons.com

In December we all witnessed the world leaders meeting to agree a way to solve “climate change” with little or no progress. This problem will affect many third world countries and Rotary’s help will be needed even more in future years. Our focus on Water, Health and Hunger, and Literacy has become even more important. Working in these areas will attract more new members to join us.

Last year at this time plans were being made for your clubs programme for this Rotary year. It is now time to review these and ensure your club is fulfilling the priorities you set at your club assembly.

Most clubs have now made plans to support “Thanks to Rotary” the Rotary national promotion week around 23rd February. This is a great opportunity to gain the public recognition all our clubs have wanted for so long. Our “End Polio Now” story is unique to Rotary so we will all be telling the same story to the public and not just being seen as trustworthy people collecting for many local charities. Let’s all remember this year’s theme “The future of Rotary is in YOUR hands”. It is up to today’s members to ensure that the Rotary clubs continue to provide “Service above Self” for the next decade.

Yours in Rotary

Tony