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Get ready to 'Make A Difference'

Dear fellow Rotarians, it gives me great pleasure to greet you with this, the first issue of my DG newsletter for the Rotary Year 2017-18, the year of 'Making A Difference'.

'Making a Difference' is an expression often heard in Rotary. As Rotarians, we are making a difference' every day in many ways, through initiating and sustaining various kinds of meaningful services. 'Making a Difference' is also the driving force which has brought about all the developments in human history.

There is no room for complacency and always room for improvement. Let's get back to basics together, and we can all make really big differences to the lives of those we serve, if we are fully united at the club level, the district level and the global level.

With our services, through joint efforts and cooperation of all of our clubs, we can scale up selected projects to increase their impact, thus making our services more visible. In fact, what we do deserves more visibility and public awareness. Let's strive for that.

The greater impact, visibility and public awareness will help us to engage members and recruit more new members. With stronger membership, we will have more resources to further enhance the scale of our services and hence the virtuous circle effect will continue, meeting the three Rotary International Strategic priorities, namely, Support and Strengthen Clubs, Focus and Increase Humanitarian Services, and Enhance Public Awareness and Recognition of Rotary.

How do we do this? To be more specific, this year we will scale up our water service projects in China significantly. This is possible because the very positive impact of the project has gained the trust and full support of the government and other parties, and as such, the future construction of water purification systems in schools of selected provinces will be jointly financed by the government and overseas Chinese, besides just the Rotary clubs in District 3450.

It is likely that the number of similar systems to be constructed in the coming Rotary year in China may be equal to what we have constructed over the past 4-5 years.

In response to RI President Ian's appeal that every Rotarian is to plant a tree before the next Earth Day of 22nd April 2018, we are going to launch a large tree planting project in Hong Kong. This is expected to bring about significant impact besides some good visibility of Rotary work.

A number of community projects of large scale, each of which involves a host club and many supporting clubs, are also being planned. District management stands ready to facilitate and complement the implementation of such projects.

One emphasis from RI President Ian is regarding Peace. Six international peace conferences will be held by RI in six different places around the world. Our District is considering to organise the very first regional peace conference to enable young persons from different cities of the region to meet and jointly explore subjects like how to start up new businesses, how innovation may help in this regard, how sustainability may be instituted in various ways, and how peace may be achieved through service.

Exchange between people of different cultures is also considered an effective means of promoting peace and harmony. Cultural exchange will enable people to experience different cultures, broaden their international understanding thus helping to build good will and foster peace. Plans are therefore in hand to organise cultural exchange groups with other Rotary Districts.

In view of the ageing population in Hong Kong and other places, we have set up a District Health Care Committee. Apart from complementing the work of the government and the private sector in various health areas, one main emphasis is to continue our work on promoting organ donation in the community. This will not only be done in Hong Kong, but also in other parts of our District and beyond. This will further enhance the visibility of our District and help highlight the role of Rotarians in such an important life-saving and ever evolving subject.

All of the the above represents just a brief illustration regarding how we are going to 'Make a Difference'. I look forward to having many more pleasant surprises from our 'Making a Difference' team of Presidents.

Colleagues of Rotary Information Centre will help, as usual, in inviting clubs and district officers to submit articles and selected pictures on some key rotary events which have taken place in District 3450 during 2017/18. Our deadline for submission will always be the week after each end of month.

Yours in Rotary



HW Fung
2017-18 District Governor
Rotary International District 3450



A night to remember for all - The District Installation



It is always the big night of the year, when we all prepare to stage the main event – say farewell to those Presidents who have devoted the past year to serving for clubs and District, and say hello to the incoming leaders who are getting ready to do their best.

Saturday July 8th 2017 was no exception. As grand and celebratory as the District Installation should be, as District Governor, Mr. HW Fung and his team of Presidents of Rotary Clubs in the district shared with Rotarians, friends and guests their vision and mission for the coming Rotary Year, and pledged their commitment and passion to ‘Make a Difference’ through the services they would organize and implement during the year.

More than 800 Rotarians, their families, friends and VIP guests attended the installation ceremony. We were very honored to have Secretary for Food and Health Professor Sophia CHAN as the officiating guest whose presence and inspirational speech imparted great encouragement to the new rotary leaders of D3450. The wonderful performances from Hong Kong Police Band and Yaumati Kaifong Association School Show Choir were also a great highlight of the evening.

2017-18 District Installation Organizing Committee Chair Dennis Chan

expressed his gratitude to District Governor H.W Fung for his trust and support and to every single member and advisor in the organizing committee for their valuable contributions, saying “Congratulations again to our District Governor H.W Fung, our district officers and all club presidents for taking up important new roles. Wish them all the best in their efforts of servicing the community and spreading the spirit of Rotary”.

The evening reached its finale with the District Awards, and congratulations to all the Presidents and District Officers who took to the stage to receive their honours.



The District Installation, 8 July 2017



Donors pledge US\$1.2 billion to end polio



On 12 June 2017, in Atlanta, Georgia, USA, global leaders and key donors took the stage at the Rotary International Convention. Standing shoulder to shoulder in front of more than 20,000 Rotarians, each pledged their support to end polio, committing a total of US\$1.2 billion to global eradication efforts.

The additional funding will go toward disease surveillance, outbreak response, and the vaccination of more than 400 million children annually. If realized, these historic pledges will drastically shrink the US\$1.5 billion funding gap that stands in the way of reducing polio cases to zero worldwide. In 2017, only eight cases of polio caused by the wild virus have been reported.

Read more: <https://www.endpolio.org/world-pledges-more-than-1-billion-to-end-polio>

Afghanistan: No new wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) cases were reported in the past week. The total number of WPV1 cases for 2017 remains five. The most recent case in the country had onset of paralysis on 19 June from Kandahar.

Pakistan: One new wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) case was reported in the past week, bringing the total number of WPV1 cases for 2017 to three. It is the most recent case in the country, and had onset of paralysis on 11 June, from Killa Abdullah, Balochistan.

Nigeria: No new cases of wild poliovirus type 1 (WPV1) were reported in the past week. The total number of WPV1 cases for 2016 remains four. The most recent case had onset of paralysis on 21 August in Monguno Local Government Area (LGA), Borno.

Weekending 27 July 2017

Wild poliovirus type 1 and Circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus cases

Total cases	Year-to-date 2017	Year-to-date 2016	Total in 2015	Total in 2014
Globally	8*	37	74	359
- In endemic countries	8*	37	74	340
- In non-endemic countries	0	0	0	19

*Representing 3 cases in Pakistan and 5 cases in Afghanistan

For more information, please visit www.endpolio.org/

Report from PDG Ada Cheng, Polio Plus Subcommittee Chair

Urging organ donation in Mongolia - PDG Kenneth

The Rotarian Forum on Deceased Organ Donation in Ulaanbaatar took place on the 8th of July. In Mongolia, there are about 600 patients on kidney dialysis treatment, plus many more patients who are suffering from terminal liver or heart dysfunctions; organ transplantation is their only chance of survival.

Many Mongolians die while waiting for organ transplantations so there is a tremendous need for organ donation. Currently in Mongolia, only organs from live donors are available as legislation that is essential for deceased organ donation is not in place. Deceased organ donation could significantly increase the supply of organs for transplantation as organs from one deceased donor could fill the needs of 8 individual recipients. The Parliament of Mongolia has recently passed an initiative to legislate laws governing organ transplantation and donation. This much-awaited bill is expected to pass later this year.

The Transplantation Society (TTS) - the oldest and most influential international institute of organ transplantation and donation is seizing this opportunity of helping Mongolia to build equitable deceased organ donation and it is also duty-bound to promulgate "The Declaration of Istanbul on Organ Trafficking and Organ Tourism", against this background TTS and the Mongolian Society of Organ Transplantation co-hosted the 2nd International Congress of Organ Transplantation (ICOT) in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. The title of this medical congress is "Strengthening Human Resources in Organ Transplantation".



With the aims of engaging Rotarians in Mongolia to assist in building an equitable infrastructure in organ donation, TTS has devoted the afternoon of 8th of July, the first day of the ICOT to the "Rotarian Forum on Deceased Organ Donation". With great effort from Assistant Governor Boldbaatar, more than 50 Rotary leaders and Rotarians in Mongolia attended this forum.

It is worth noting that since 2010, TTS has been providing technical advises to China in the establishment of equitable infrastructures on organ transplantation, allocation and donation in accordance with international standards.

In 2012, the then Deputy Minister of Health of China Huang Jiefu came to HK and sought assistance from Rotarians of D3450 to help promote the newly established organ donation infrastructure in China, a working agreement spanning over three years was signed between D3450 and Ministry of Health of China, the subsequent efforts by our Rotarians have resulted in the construction and launching of the first online organ donor registration website in China, www.savelife.org.cn

At the Rotarian Forum, Past AG Enkhtuya delivered the welcoming speech and introduced President of TTS, Prof. Nancy Archer, Past President Prof. Phil O'Connell, President of the Korea Society of Organ Transplantation Prof. Curie Ahn and myself, as we were speakers at the forum. My presentation was about the essential role of Rotarians in Organ Donation and I also shared with the audience regarding our work in promoting organ donation in Hong Kong and the mainland of China.

Our fellow Rotarians in Mongolia have responded enthusiastically on the opportunity to assist in building an equitable infrastructure of Organ Transplantation and donation which ultimately would save the lives of many Mongolian. Organ Donation should be on the agenda during AG club visits in Mongolia.

With the vast network and resources within Rotary clubs in Mongolia, Rotarians are all set to "Making a difference in Organ Donation".

Rotary presents the 'Student Oscars' – RC Tolo Harbour

Rotary has always been great at nurturing talent, and The Rotary Drama Competition 2017 was another great example of this, as witnessed at the award ceremony organized by the Rotary Club of Tolo Harbour, and co-organized by The Education Bureau and Chung Ying Theatre Company. With the support of Educators, it took place at Sheung Wan Civic Centre on July 11.

Over 30 teams from secondary schools and other organizations displayed their acting talents during the first-round competition, with the 5 most outstanding teams making it into the final. Mr. Ko Tin Lung, Artistic Director of the Chung Ying Theatre Company, Ms. Lo Ka Ling, senior voice actress and Past District Governor Mr. Anthony Hung, had all been invited as the judging panel, and were very impressed by the performance of the final teams. An artist team from the Beijing Institute of Technology was also invited to perform soprano, as well as an amazing '8 hands on 1 piano' show.

Mr. Ko gave a very enlightening closing speech, with valuable professional advice for all the teams, inspiring Hong Kong's future stars of the drama industry.



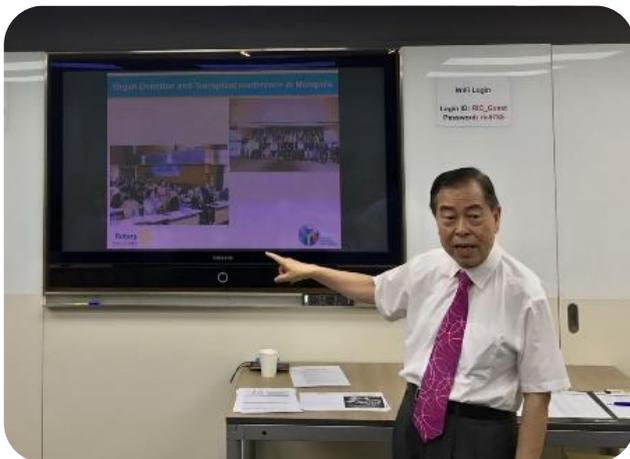
District Management Committee

The first District Management Committee (DMC) meeting kicked off on July 11, 2017 in RIC, convened by DS PP Norman Lee, with the opening remarks by DG HW Fung. AGs from seven areas, six from the DS team together with DGE YC Ho, DGN Wilson Cheng and many district committee chairs all attended the meeting.

PDG Vincent To informed the meeting of an important development related to DG election concerning all Rotarians in the district - a new structure of the DG Nomination Committee was to be worked out to address the new rules set by RI. When the new structure has been worked out, a special resolution will be proposed and put to voting by all clubs in District 3450. PDG Ada Cheng introduced the new Group Cultural Exchange committee and presented the major activities. PDG Eugene Fong presented a fund raising event of "THE ONE" as well as some new initiatives of the membership committee. PDG Jones Wong spoke on Rotary Community Corps (RCC) and appealed to all clubs to consider to set up one. PDG Jason Yeung explained the functions of the Health Committee and PDG Jason Chan provided some updates about the Foundation contribution and arrangements for the grant application in the new rotary year.

All AGs presented important projects and activities in their respective areas. Important district activities throughout the year were reviewed. Some important district projects as well as interesting fellowship events were presented. DG visit to Mongolia has been scheduled to take place in end August. The DS team is busy planning for the DG visit to clubs in Hong Kong and Macau in September and October while there are still a few club installation events in July and Aug.

All in all, it was a fruitful meeting with a lot of topics covered. A Fellowship dinner was arranged after the meeting, and everyone enjoyed the night.



The First JPM

On 25 July 2017, the first Joint Presidents Meeting for Rotary Year 2017-18 was held at Craigenpower Cricket Club, Causeway Bay. There were altogether more than 76 participants joining the first JPM, comprising District Governor HW Fung, Past District Governors, District Governor Elect, District Officers, Presidents, Past Presidents and other representatives sent by their Club Presidents. Presidents or their representatives from 61 clubs enjoyed fellowship among "classmates" and district officers. Having delivered the opening remarks, District Secretary (Committees) Norman Lee convened the election of JPM conveners. Finally, the following Convener Core Team was formed, i.e.

- Conveners : President Menza Chu, Rotary Club of SoHo Hong Kong
 President Sezen Chong, Rotary Club of Happy Valley
 President T.K. Wong, Rotary Club of Kowloon West
- Secretaries : President Jane Fung, Rotary Club of Kingspark Hong Kong
 President Emba Leung, Rotary Club of Kowloon North
- Treasurers : President Ambrose Wong, Rotary Club of Metropolitan Hong Kong
 President Ned Au, Rotary Club of The Peak

President Menza took up the role as convener to chair the meeting right after the election. District Governor HW and District Officers shared and promoted recent district projects and events. President Alexandra, President Brian and President Rickson also took the opportunity to promote their meaningful service projects. Fellow Presidents also shared their viewpoints on how to arrange the JPM effectively and efficiently. The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 pm, followed by fellowship. We are looking forward to a fruitful Rotary Year ahead. Together, let's make a difference.

President Menza Chu
 Convener of JPM
 Rotary Club of SoHo Hong Kong
 (2017-18)



Members get Members

The 2017/18 District Membership seminar

Membership is always an important topic among Rotarians, making the District Membership seminar an important event in our calendar. Especially as August is the month for Membership & Extension within Rotary.

This year the District Membership Seminar was held on July 29, the last Saturday in July. The aim is to support and encourage membership activities at club level, and to provide a chance to inspire and share ideas for growing and engaging club membership. It was tailor made into a half day seminar with a delicious breakfast and light lunch buffet at the Regal Hong Kong Hotel, with 78 hungry and engaging Rotarians in attendance.

PDG Eugene Fong, Chair of the District Membership Committee, was invited to give a brief introduction on "Strategy on Membership Growth & Retention", with some updated figures from the previous Rotary Year. He also presented ways to develop strategies for making clubs more flexible, and create a culture of innovation in clubs. PDG Eugene introduced the pilot run of Corporate Membership while DDS Sally Ho, Chair of the District Membership Seminar provided a step by step guide on how to sponsor and charter a Satellite Club to all.

DGE YC Ho led the session on "Strategies for Attracting New Members", which proved to be both interactive and fruitful. He emphasized to all not to be afraid to invite potential members to think about joining Rotary. PDG Peter Wan shared some useful tips on "Best Practices for Engaging Members", and his session invited many questions, right up to the lunch hour. PDG Peter recommended us to use Rotary tools and resources to understand why members had left the club. AG Keith Chow, Vice Chairman of the District Membership Seminar, concluded the session with a brief summary.

All participants treasured the time and experience devoted to the seminar, as they carried their dishes of delicious food and their coffees back to the room for a 15 minute session of Q & A, led by PDG Eugene after all the presentations were finished. He concluded the seminar at 1:00 p.m. sharp with a vote of thanks and requested that all participants pass the information of today's seminar to all club members.

Prepared By: DDS/CP Sally Ho- District Membership Seminar Chair



From RC Tolo Harbour - an education program that's flying high

With the full support from the Education Bureau for the last two years, the Hong Kong Inter-School Drone Competition has attracted over 100 secondary school teams to participate each year. The competition encourages participants not only to think innovatively to explore future drone applications, but also gives them the opportunity to create DIY designs for their own drones during designated missions/tasks.

The upcoming launch of the 3rd HK Inter-School Competition will take place at 10 am on the 7th of October at City University. We look forward to seeing you there.

To further promote this new innovative technology, we were delighted to unveil the very first of its kind: The Drone in STEM/AERO Education Park at Lake Egret in Tai Po.

At the opening ceremony of the Education Park, we organised a Drone Flying Show where current students and a professional team performed for the first time in Hong Kong. This unique display was truly the highlight of the day, receiving widespread attention from media from all over the city. Media was also eager to find out about possible future drone regulations, addressing current public concerns on safety and privacy.

A big thank you to the full support from DG HW Fung and PDG Anthony Hung together with District Youth Leaders including DS Vincent, Rotaract Deputy-chair Menza, RAAS Deputy-chair Wendy. We would also like to thank President Ann, PE Joseph and other Rotarians.

All Education Sponsoring Rotary Clubs and friends are welcome to contact RC Tolo Harbour about the Education Park in the hope that we can strengthen relationships and give support to sponsoring clubs at universities and secondary schools. I fully appreciate DG's suggestion and we have already received funding support from several presidents on a matching basis.

We will be extremely grateful to receive the US\$1000 sponsorship from as many of you as possible by late August.



Training tomorrow's leaders today



On July 29, 2017, the District Interact Training was held at Theatre 1, Meng Wah Complex, The University of Hong Kong. Over 100 Interactors, Teacher Advisors, Principals, Rotaractors and Rotarians including DG HW FUNG, DGE YC HO, PDG Anthony HUNG, CDS Eddie WONG and some other District Officers joined the Training.

After the Interact Song led by Ice HO, Vice Chair of District Interact Council 2016-17, our Masters of Ceremony, PP Alex C H LAI, Chair of District Interact Committee and PP Jenny WONG, District Interact Committee Member started to introduce our program.

DG HW FUNG was the first Speaker. He sang the Rotarian version of "You Raise Me Up" first and then shared with our audience some lessons about youth development and the involvement of interactors in community services.

Our Guest of Honour was Mr. Leslie TANG Wai-kong, JP, Commissioner for Census and Statistics, The Government of HKSAR. He told a few stories about statistics and life to inspire our audience.

DGE YC HO shared his Rotary Moments. CP Alvin LAM shared his journey from Interact to Rotaract and from Rotaract to Rotary. President Clarice MAN shared with us about the Rotaract Club of The University of Hong Kong, HKUSU (Rotaract Club of HKU).

After the Networking and Refreshment Break, PP Daniel TSOI, Vice Chair of District Youth Committee and Past District Interact Chair and IPP Connie LEUNG, District Interact Committee Member spoke about "What is Interact and How to run it?". Jose LUI, District Interact Representative 2016-17 shared his experience in his Interact Club and the District Interact Council. Ice HO and her team members shared about their service work in their Interact Club of ELCHK Yuen Long Lutheran Secondary School. Mr. CHAN Wang-Leung, Teacher Advisor of Interact Club of Tsang Pik Shan Secondary School, touched, moved and inspired the audience with the challenge of himself and the students in a newly formed Interact Club. Last, but not least, PP Alex HUNG, our special guest, also shared his experience with young people.

Special thanks are given to Rotaract Club of HKU, who kindly booked the venue for us at students' rate and provided helpers for the Reception Desk, Refreshment Break, Light and Sound Control and Stage Management.

To sum up, it is a breakthrough in the sense that Rotarians and Rotaractors worked together to create a relatively big training event from which Interactors, Teacher Advisors and Rotarians could benefit.



The future of youth

The 7th Sha Tin Student Ambassadors Program 2016-2017

The Sha Tin Student Ambassadors Program is a comprehensive support program for Government Departments, social welfare organizations, youth organizations and district leaders to provide participants with quality training to enable them to plan and implement meaningful community services, and the spirit of participation in social services. It was jointly organized by the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Sunrise and the Rotary Club of Shatin and supported by a number of other Rotary clubs.

Student Ambassadors are engaged in volunteer service activities under the training of professional social workers. After the completion of the event, the student ambassadors are invited to participate in sharing sessions, share their experiences and communicate with other schools. At the same time, the judges will score for each group, and present the awards at the closing ceremony.

The 7th Sha Tin Student Ambassador Program is different from the past. This time we went further, promoting volunteer services to the primary schools. We invited the secondary school students to design different events under the theme of Inclusion. There are 12 primary schools and 4 secondary schools participating, and with the total number of training volunteers adding to 180 people. The organizer also designed SHA SHA and TIN TIN mascots of the Sha Tin student ambassadors.





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- 1) RC The Peak Installation
- 2) RC Kai Tak Installation
- 3) RC Tsuen Wan Installation
- 4) RC Golden Bauhinia HK Installation
- 5) RC HK City North Installation
- 6) RC HK Northwest Installation

- 7) RC Causeway Bay Installation
- 8) RC Kwai Chung Annual Ball
- 9) RC Mandarin HK Annual Ball and Installation
- 10) RC Mid-level Installation
- 11) RC Happy Valley Installation



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12) RC Kowloon East Installation
 13) RC Kowloon West Installation
 14) RC City Northwest HK Installation
 15) RC The HUB HK Installation
 16) RC Peninsula South Installation

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 18) RC HK Island West Installation
 19) E-Club of Tamar HK Installation
 20) RC HK Financial Centre Installation



- 21) RC Kwun Tong Installation
- 22) RC Kowloon Tong Installation
- 23) RC New Territories Installation
- 24) RC Tai Po Installation
- 25) RC Peninsula Installation
- 26) RC Discovery Bay Installation

- 27) RC Admiralty Installation
- 28) RC HK Island East Installation
- 29) RC Lan Kwai Fong Installation
- 30) RC HK Sunrise Installation
- 31) RC HK South Installation



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- 32) RC Kowloon Installation
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- 34) RC Peninsula Sunrise Installation
- 35) RC Kowloon North Installation
- 36) RC Tsim Sha Tsui Installation

- 37) RC Tolo Harbour Installation
- 38) RC Shatin Installation
- 39) RC HK Bayview Installation
- 40) RC Kowloon Golden Mile Installation
- 41) RC SoHo HK Installation
- 42) RC Central Installation



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- 43) RC HK Harbour Installation
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- 45) E-Club of Lantau Installation
- 46) RC Metropolitan HK Installation
- 47) RC Amizade Installation

- 48) RC Wanchai Installation
- 49) RC Kingspark HK Installation
- 50) E-Club of District 3450 Installation
- 51) RC Hong Kong Installation

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- 52) RC Macau Central Installation
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- 56) RC Bayview Sunshine HK Installation
- 57) RC Shenzhen Installation



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Top 10 Highest Average Attendance Percentage by Club

Area	Club	Average Attendance Percentage
1	Macau Central	92.00%
7	Peninsula South	86.40%
1	Penha	84.10%
2	Queensway	79.00%
4	Bayview Sunshine HK	76.24%
6	Kwai Chung	75.00%
2	Central	71.88%
4	HK City North	68.00%
5	HK Island West	65.00%
6	New Territories	60.00%

Upcoming Events

DG Visit to Mongolia

22-28 Aug 2017

PI Workshop

2 Sep 2017

District self drive tour
to Xinjiang

14-23 Sep 2017

New members'
Orientation

21 Oct 2017

Joint Interact Council
Inauguration

4 Nov 2017

District Rotary
Foundation Seminar
/Grant Management
Seminar (GMS)

11 Nov 2017

Foundation Alumni
Service Day and
Christmas Gathering

9 Dec 2017

International
Assembly, San Diego,
California, USA

14-20 Jan 2018