



District 7090 Conference – Oct 21-23, 2021



Many different ways to plug in! **Recharge personally & professionally**

Come Thursday October 21 (7 pm to 8:30 pm) – to a Virtual Event.

- Interactive; designed so you can meet other Rotarians from other clubs
- Hear greetings from Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta
- Showcase your favourite drink and appetizer to fellow Rotarians in advance by registering it at this link - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7090sipsapps>
- Be featured in our Rotary Family Best Loved Sips and Apps that evening
- Hear from a powerhouse of panelists on a host of Rotary topics from re-engaging youth to ways to leverage foundation dollars. See flyer attached.

Friday October 22 (mid-afternoon onward) - Service and Social.

On Service:

- As many clubs as possible are encouraged to conduct a service project
- Make it more about giving time than giving money
- Work with your neighbouring clubs to increase impact by working together
- If Friday afternoon does not work, consider a Saturday project
- Ask your President or Assistant Governor what is planned in your area

On Social:

- In the Oct 22 evening, we hope there are 18+ District Conference Socials
- Book a patio or pub; a backyard or host a tailgate - whatever works
- Invite Rotarians from all the clubs in your area to gather together
- Use this opportunity to meet other Rotarians in your geographic area
- Post pictures to our Rotary District 7090 Facebook Page #tagthespirit

Saturday October 23 – Now VIRTUAL Conference

Note change to virtual is recent decision – no longer an in-person conference

9:30 am	Plenary Session – Welcome, Tribute to Karen Oakes
9:55 am	Break
10:00 am	Presentations in Breakout Rooms - 9 Amazing Options (see page 3) Each participant can self-select the presentation that they want to see and hear, during the break, post-plenary session. The list of breakout rooms is at the bottom of this document.
10:50 am	Move from Breakouts to Plenary Zoom
11:00 am	 Club Celebrations plus So Much More Includes... Key Note Speaker Valarie Wafer Vice President, Rotary International Board of Directors International Lead on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Initiative
12:00 pm	Conference Ends

Please register for any and all parts of the 7090 District Conference
Now Go to: <https://rotary7090.org/page/district-calendar-of-events/>

Presentations in Each Breakout Room

Breakout Room	Topic / Presenter	Description
1	Getting to know Cootes Paradise Marsh Presenter – Tys Theysmeyer, Head of Natural Lands for the Royal Botanical Gardens.	Cootes Paradise Marsh at the western tip of Lake Ontario remains as one of largest rivermouth marshes of the lake. Although impaired by two centuries of upstream land use changes and pollution, many watersheds improvements to inflowing waters are occurring, and a diversity of life continues to be found.
2	The Blue Box Program: Moving to a Circular Economy Presenter – Ryan Kent, Manager, Waste Management, City of Hamilton	Ontario's blue box program is changing to make producers of blue box material responsible for it. This presentation will provide an overview of the path the blue box program has taken to get to this point and what is expected to be achieved with this transition.
3	Creating Wetlands – The Saltfleet Conservation Area Wetland Restoration Program Presenter – Scott Peck, Deputy CEO, Hamilton Conservation Authority	Wetlands are critical from a flood control, natural environment, and recreation perspective. This presentation will highlight a local example of addressing flooding and erosion, increasing natural areas and promoting passive recreation use through the creation of wetlands on a landscape basis in the Hamilton Conservation Authority's watershed.
4	3P - Own Your Throne, Fats, Oils and Grease - Beware the Berg and Woodward Water Treatment Plan Upgrade Presenters - Lugene Donelson, Maegan MacDonald and John Helka, Hamilton Water, City of Hamilton	Come to learn about the perils of fat, oils, and grease and how they create problems in the underground sewer system. Owning Your Throne is the way forward!

	Fundraising Show & Tell: Virtual & New Ideas Presenter / Moderator – Lisa Bishop	Come and hear about virtual and new fundraising ideas currently in our district and beyond. Share your ideas with others! This is equal parts “show and tell”; “speed dating”; “fundraising ideas” and “grab and go” idea exchange. We are interested in fundraising because we are passionate about our club causes and club donations to The Rotary Foundation.
6	Rotary Peace Fellowship and Global Grant Scholarships Presenter – Gordon Crann Co-Host - Kathy Starodub	Join Gordon to understand peace fellowship and global grant scholarships, and find out how your club can sponsor a scholarship applicant.
7	Rotary Social Media 101 Rotary Style Presenter – Michele Starwalt-Woods	Social media is an important tool in spreading the word about Rotary and all that clubs do to support their communities and the world at large. Learn the in’s and out’s of social media and how to apply it to your club’s marketing efforts.
8	Getting a Satellite Club off the Ground Presenters – Kevin Crosby and Frank Adamson	Starting satellite clubs is a great way to grow Rotary. Discover the lessons learned from efforts to form several satellite clubs in our own district. Lots of opportunities for Q&A.
9	Bring the World to Your Club, through Rotary Exchange Programs Presenter – Jill Norton	Is your club new to youth exchange? Are you curious about how it all work? Then the Youth Exchange 101 session is perfect for you. Clubs and members who are veterans of the program need not attend. This session is for new members and clubs that want to know more about the program or are just getting started.