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ALZHEIMER'S/DEMENTIA

http://adrag.org

Alzheimer's/Dementia Rotarian Action Group - *Provides information and support to Rotarians as they address dementia and Alzheimer's related issues in their local communities.*

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BLINDNESS PREVENTION

www.rag4bp.org

Rotarian Action Group for Blindness Prevention *- For Rotarians interested in the prevention of blindness and the promotion of eye health.*

CHAIR: Shehzad Ahmed, Pakistan. rotary@promark.com.pk (Member, Rotary Club of Lahore Garrison.)

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BLOOD DONATION

www.ourblooddrive.org

Global Network for Blood Donation, A Rotarian Action Group - *An international network of Rotarians involved in blood donation projects that inspire other clubs and districts to ensure that local blood banks are adequately supplied.*

CHAIR: Cees Smit Sibinga, Netherlands. c.sibinga@planet.nl (Member, Rotary Club of Groningen-West)

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VICE CHAIR: Daniel Long, USA. ddlong1244@aol.com (Member, Rotary Club of Plano Sunrise, TX.)

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SECRETRAY: Michelle Johnson, USA**.** michellejohnson@carterbloodcare.org (Member, Rotary Club of Fort Worth-South)

CHILD SLAVERY

www.racsrag.org

Rotarian Action Group Against Child Slavery - *Encourages Rotarians to support, promote and work with anti-slavery bodies in developing programs, campaigns and projects to end child slavery.*

CHAIR: Mark Little, England. mark.little@btinternet.com (Member, Rotary Club of Norwich St Edmund.)

VICE CHAIR: Mark Doyle, South Africa. mpdoyle@mweb.co.za (Member, Rotary Club of E-Club of Southern Africa)

SECRETARY: Harry Payne, England. harrypayne1@btinternet.com (Member, Rotary Club of Burnham-on-Crouch & Dengie Hundred.)

TREASURER & VICE CHAIR: Stephen Sypula, England. stephen@racsrag.org (Member, Rotary Club of Stevenage Grange.)

DENTAL VOLUNTEERS

www.ragdv.com

Rotarian Action Group of Dental Volunteers - *Provides humanitarian dental service throughout the world and promotes awareness of opportunities for service in the vocation of dentistry.*

CHAIR: Ovidiu Cos, Romania. cosovidiu@zappmobile.ro (Member, Rotary Club of Alba Iulia Ploiesti.)

DIRECTOR: Gordon R. McInally, Scotland. Gordon@mcinally.org.uk (Member, Rotary Club of South Queensferry.)

DIRECTOR: Eu-Soo Moon, Korea (Rep). moondental@hanmail.net (Member, Rotary Club of Cheonan-Dosol.)

DIABETES

www.ragdiabetes.org

Rotarian Action Group for Diabetes - *Works to educate and assist Rotarians in addressing Diabetes through a strong commitment to education, identification, and treatment of the disease, especially among children.*

CHAIR: C. Wayne Edwards, USA. wayne@ragdiabetes.org (Member, Rotary Club of Tallahassee.)

VICE CHAIR: Dr. Massimo Massi-Benedetti, Italy. massi@HIRS-research.eu (Member, Rotary Club of Foligno.)

TREASURER: Dr. Larry C. Deeb, USA. lcdeeb@attglobal.net (Member, Rotary Club of Tallahassee.)

DISASTER ASSISTANCE

www.dna-rag.com

Disaster Network of Assistance Rotarian Action Group - *Works to develop an interactive network of Rotarians, Rotaractors, and their spouses, and other Rotary affiliated groups to assist with disaster preparedness, communication, and recovery on a worldwide basis.*

CHAIR: Barry Rassin, Bahamas. barry@rassin.org (Member, Rotary Club of East Nassau)

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TREASURER: Philip H. Lustig III, USA. phil.lustig3@gmail.com (Member, Rotary Club of Boca Raton Sunset)

ENDANGERED SPECIES

www.endangeredrag.org

Rotarian Action Group for Endangered Species - *Works to mobilize Rotarians and provide global awareness and focused action in the continuing struggle to preserve and protect endangered species.*

CHAIR: John Glassford, Australia. john@glassford.com.au (Member, Rotary Club of Coolamon)

VICE CHAIR: Philip Merritt, USA. papa354@gmail.com (Member, Rotary Club of Mabalacat Clark)

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FAMILY HEALTH & AIDS PREVENTION

www.rfha.org

Rotarians for Family Health & AIDS Prevention - *Works to improve the lives of vulnerable children affected by HIV/AIDS, and strengthen the overall health of their families. RFHA mobilizes Rotarians to provide care, nutrition, education and life skills to mitigate the consequences of the HIV/AIDS pandemic.*

CEO & FOUNDER: Marion Bunch, USA. marion@rffa.org (Member, Rotary Club of Dunwoody.)

CHAIR: Joan Firkins, Canada. jfirkins@shaw.ca (Member, Rotary Club of Oak Bay, Victoria.)

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FOOD PLANT SOLUTIONS

www.foodplantsolutions.org

Food Plant Solutions Rotarian Action Group - *Encourage and empower local communities to use our global data base that highlights their traditional foods based upon their nutritional needs as a sustainable solution for hunger and malnutrition.*

CHAIR: **Una Hobday,** Australia. unahob@gmail.com (Member, Rotary Club of Hobart.)

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HEALTH EDUCATION AND WELLNESS

http://www.hewrag.org/

Health Education and Wellness Rotarian Action Group – *Works to improve world health through health promotion and disease prevention, works with local Rotary clubs and districts to build sustainable local Health Fair programs.*

CO-CHAIR: Jane Little, USA. rotaryjane@yahoo.com (Member, Rotary Club of Homer Downtown.)

CO-CHAIR: Sheila Hurst, USA. sheilahurst@mac.com (Member, Rotary Club of Redding West.)

TREASURER: Steve Yoshida, USA. steveyoshida@gmail.com (Member, E-Club of District 5)

SECRETARY: Will Files, USA. will@wfiles.us (Member, Rotary Club of Homer-Kachemak Bay.)

HEARING

www.ifrahl.org

Rotarians for Hearing Rotarian Action Group - *Provides Rotarians with information, expertise and encouragement to participate in cooperative, large scale projects to help the children and adults with hearing loss.*

CHAIR: Ellen Haggerty, USA. haggertyellen@yahoo.com (Member, Rotary Club of Pleasant Valley.)

VICE CHAIR/SECRETARY: Lyn Davies, Australia. davieslyn@msn.com (Member, Rotary Club of Terrigal)

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HUNGER AND MALNUTRITION

www.alleviatehunger.org

Rotarian Action Group for the Alleviation of Hunger and Malnutrition - *Provides nutritious food to the hungry and malnourished by creating and supporting Rotary projects and programs that enhance and sustain local food security.*

CHAIR: David Bobanick, USA. david@firstharvest.org (Member, Rotary Club of Mercer Island.)

PAST CHAIR: Barbara M. Feder, USA. barbfeder@gmail.com (Member, Rotary Club of Tempe.)

TREASURER: Charles Cotten, USA. ccotten@cableone.net (Member, Rotary Club of Greater Odessa.)

SECRETARY: Sharon Harrington, USA. sharonhfs@msn.com (Member, Rotary Club of Bullhead City)

LITERACY

www.litrag.org

Literacy Rotarian Action Group - *Works to increase the scale and effectiveness of literacy programs, as well as create a sustainable network of effective Rotarian literacy practitioners throughout the world.*

CHAIR: Barry Smith, USA. barry@pseinc.net (Member, Rotary Club of Sandy Springs.)

VICE CHAIR: Zakaria El Shafei, Egypt. z.elshafei@unitedoilpak.com (Member, Rotary Club of Cairo.)

PAST CHAIR: Noraseth Pathmanand, Thailand. noraseth@csloxinfo.com (Member, Rotary Club of Bangrak.)

TREASURER: Barry Smith, USA. barry@pseinc.net (Member, Rotary Club of Sandy Springs.)

MALARIA

www.remarag.org

Rotarians Eliminating Malaria: A Rotarian Action Group - *Unites Rotarians to reduce malaria morbidity and mortality through provision of goods, education and other interventions that lower infection rates.*

CHAIR: Brian Stoyel, England. ,brian@stoyel.co.uk (Member, Rotary Club of Saltash.)

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VICE CHAIR: Drake Zimmerman, USA. drakezim@gmail.com (Member, Rotary Club of Normal.)

MICROFINANCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

http://ragm.org

Rotarian Action Group for Microfinance and Community Development - Works to alleviate poverty by educating Rotarians in sustainable microfinance and community development, and facilitating partnerships with microfinance organizations to support the implementation of such programs.

CHAIR: Michael McCullough, USA. mcculloughmik@aol.com (Member, Rotary Club of Trenton.)

PAST CHAIR: Ashok Mulkraj Mahajan, India. ashokmahajan883@gmail.com (Member, Rotary Club of Mulund.)

CHAIR-ELECT: Wilf Wilkinson, Canada. wilfrid.wilkinson@rotary.org (Member, Rotary Club of Trenton, ON.)

TREASURER: Karen Somerville, Canada. amunn@pathcom.com (Member, Rotary Club of Toronto East.)

SECRETARY: Lawrence S. Wright, USA. lswright1@mac.com (Member, Rotary Club of Taylor, MI.)

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

www.rotary-rfmsa.org

Rotarian Action Group for Multiple Sclerosis Awareness - *Promotes MS awareness and encourages Rotarians to contribute to MS research and improve support available for people with MS*

CHAIR: Martin Taurins, Australia. taurins3@vegas.com.au (Member, Rotary Club of Gisborne.)

SECRETARY: Jacob Taurins, Australia. taurins2@vegas.com.au (Member, Rotary Club of Essendon North.)

VICE CHAIR: Bronwym L. Martin USA. bronwyn.d7450@gmail.com (Member, Rotary Club of Westtown-Goshen.)

TREASURER: Barry Wills, Australia. barwills@gmail.com (Member, Rotary Club of Gisborne.)

PEACE

www.rotarianactiongroupforpeace.org

Rotarian Action Group for Peace- *Works to advance world peace and prevent wars through projects oriented towards conflict prevention, peace building, peacekeeping and peacemaking.*

INTERIM CHAIR & CHAIR-ELECT: Brian Farr, USA. brianfarr@q.com (Member, Rotary Club of Salt Lake City.)

PAST CHAIR: Al Jubitz, USA. al@jubitz.org (Member, Rotary Club of Portland.)

TREASURER: Garbis Der-Yeghian, USA. mashdots@aol.com (Member, Rotary Club of La Verne).

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: Harry Anastasiou, USA. harry@rotariansforpeace.org (Member, Rotary Club of Portland, OR)

POLIO SURVIVORS AND ASSOCIATES

www.rotarypoliosurvivors.com

Rotarian Action Group for Polio Survivors and Associates - *Gathers and disseminates information to increase the contribution to the health of polio survivors and those involved with their health care.*

CHAIR: Ann Lee Hussey, USA. annlee001@yahoo.com (Member, Rotary Club of Portland Sunrise.)

SECRETARY: Alfred Bonney, USA. albonney2@gmail.com (Member, Rotary Club of Traverse City.)

TREASURER: Peter Klock, USA. pppy@aol.com (Member, Rotary Club of East Hartford.)

POPULATION GROWTH AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

www.rifpd.org

Rotarian Action Group for Population Growth & Sustainable Development - *Addresses the interlocking issues of overpopulation, unsustainable development and human suffering through maternal and child health projects.*

CEO: Robert Zinser, Germany. (Member, Rotary Club of Ludwigshafen-Rheinschanze.)

CHAIR: Rekha Shetty, India. rekhashetty123@gmail.com (Member, Rotary Club of Madras Temple City.)

TREASURER: Dolapo Lufadeju, Nigeria. dolaluf@gmail.com (Member, Rotary Club of Ibadan-Jericho Metro.)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: Melissa J. Willis, rfpd.hq@rifpd.org

PRECONCEPTION CARE

www.raghphc.org

Rotarian Action Group Healthy Pregnancies / Healthy Children- *Focuses on reducing maternal and child mortality by working with clubs and districts to address common health risks for future parents and babies.*

CHAIR: Paul Knyff, Netherlands. knijff44@gmail.com (Member, Rotary Club of Weesp - Vechtstreek-Noord)

VICE CHAIR: Jan Lucas Ket, Netherlands. dg2013-14@rotary-d1580.nl (Member, Rotary Club of Purmerend)

PROJECT DIRECTOR: Hans Steinhart, Netherlands. h.steinhart@planet.nl (Member, Rotary Club of Elsloo-Maaskant.)

WATER AND SANITATION

www.wasrag.org

Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group *- Assists clubs and districts with projects and programs to develop safe water and sanitation.*

CHAIR: Bill Boyd, New Zealand. bill.boyd@xtra.co.nz (Member, Rotary Club of Pakuranga.)

PAST CHAIR: F. Ronald Denham, Canada. ron.denham@atkearney.com (Member, Rotary Club of Toronto-Eglinton.)

TREASURER: Philip McFarlane, New Zealand. philip@kinship.co.nz (Member, Rotary Club of New Lynn.)

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