



## FIVE REASONS TO ATTEND THE 2017 ATLANTA CONVENTION

1. **Meet the most inspiring people in the world** — Meet Rotarians from *more than 130 countries*. . . A unique opportunity to connect with old friends, make new ones, and share your club's current and future projects.
2. **Strengthen your club and your passion for Rotary**— Speakers will help you to discover more ways to get the most from your Rotary membership and to make your club stronger. In the House of Friendship—*where the Rotary world comes together*— you'll find new ideas, learn best practices, and share project successes
3. **Join The Rotary Foundation celebration**—Celebrate with thousands of your fellow Rotarians at *The Rotary Foundation's 100th Birthday Party*.
4. **Enjoy special events offered by the Host Organization Committee**— Go to <http://www.rotaryconvention2017.org/welcome> for information to and to register for many special events including a *3K Run/Walk to End Polio Now, a Candlelight Vigil to End Slavery & Human Trafficking, a Tour of the CDC and much more!*
5. **Attend the Zone 28-29 Party at the World of Coca-Cola**—Join over 600 of your old and new friends for a fun celebration on Sunday evening where we will have this amazing venue all to ourselves for a night of food, fun and fellowship. Go to [www.atlanta2829party.com](http://www.atlanta2829party.com) to register.



It's not too late to sign up for **The Rotary Foundation's 100th Birthday Party** taking place on Wednesday afternoon in the House of Friendship. Celebrate with cake and ice cream for \$26.50 per person (the amount of the first gift to The Rotary Foundation).

To register, go to [www.riconvention.org](http://www.riconvention.org) and click on the "Register" button. Your registration should come up (you might have to sign in). Then you can just add the "Session" called Birthday Party and pay the additional amount with your credit card. You must be registered for the full Convention to sign up for this event.

## **Zones 28-29 Northland Party**

### **"THE REAL THING"**



## **NEWS FLASH . . . .**

Although the Zone 28-29 Party had sold out, because of the high demand, **we were able to secure room for an additional 200 people!**

But don't wait! **Register now** at [www.atlanta2829party.com](http://www.atlanta2829party.com). Next, **take a photo** of you or your club participating in a Rotary activity while drinking a Coke and send your photo to [holly.callen@gmail.com](mailto:holly.callen@gmail.com). Then come see yourself on one of the screens in the Tasting Room during the PARTY!

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THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

**ATLANTA 2017**  
ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

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### **IMPORTANT DATES**

**June 10—14, 2017 —  
Rotary Atlanta Convention**

**March 31, 2017— last  
day for \$415 registration**

**June 9-10, 2017—  
Presidential Peace  
Conference**

**June 11, 2017, 7-10 pm  
—Zones 28 & 29 Party**

### **USEFUL LINKS**

**Registration—[http://  
www.riconvention.org/en/  
atlanta/register](http://www.riconvention.org/en/atlanta/register)**

**Zone 28-29 Party info—  
[http://zones28-29.org/  
SitePage/atlanta-party](http://zones28-29.org/SitePage/atlanta-party)**

**Hotel Reservations—  
[http://  
www.riconvention.org/en/  
atlanta/accommodations](http://www.riconvention.org/en/atlanta/accommodations)**

**Host Organizing  
Committee & Events -  
[www.rotaryconvention2017.org/welcome](http://www.rotaryconvention2017.org/welcome)**

**Rotary Convention  
Facebook Page—  
[www.facebook.com/  
Rotary2017](http://www.facebook.com/Rotary2017)**

**Zones 28&29 Facebook  
Page— [https://  
www.facebook.com/  
groups/721091754721096/  
admin/activities/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/721091754721096/admin/activities/)**

**Convention Program  
Highlights—[http://  
www.riconvention.org/en/  
atlanta/program](http://www.riconvention.org/en/atlanta/program)**

## Speaker's Corner—Just Announced



**Johann Olav Koss**—Former Olympic Skier from Denmark; Founder of Right to Play Int'l.

### **Rajashree Birla**—

Chair of the Aditya Birla Centre for Community Initiatives & Rural Development; "Forbes" called her "the Grand Dame of Indian Charity"



The official opening of the **House of Friendship** will be 10:30 am on Saturday morning. You won't want to miss RIP John Germ & Judy as they make their grand entrance. (I can't tell you more. . . it's a secret. You'll just have to be there!)



**BREAKOUT SESSIONS**—Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, June 12-14

Your opportunity to dig deeper into the topics that interest you. Polish your leadership skills and get inspired with new ideas for projects, fundraising, strengthening membership and more.

Here are just a few of the topics you can choose:

- \* How you can help refugees
- \* Fighting Zika
- \* Inspiring your community's young people
- \* Staying healthy while traveling & volunteering
- \* New club flexibility options
- \* Building bigger and better sustainable projects

### **Update on the Zones 28 & 29 Registration Contest!!!**

The contest is heating up and the following Districts are currently "in the money" (as of 1/30/17)

1st— D- 6440    2nd—D-6450    3rd—D-5960    4th—D-5650    5th—D- 5950

Note that D-6440 overtook D-6450 this month. And D-5960 jumped ahead of D-5650.

Who will win the bragging rights next month?

Close, but not yet "in the money" - D- 7300, D-6380, D-7190, D-7280, D-5970



### **QUESTIONS?**

### **EMAIL AN ATLANTA PROMOTION COMMITTEE MEMBER**

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