



LA 2008

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION - 15-18 JUNE

LOS ANGELES - CALIFORNIA - USA

The LA2008 Host Organization Committee for the Los Angeles 2008 RI Convention is a collaborative venture of Rotary International Districts: 5240, 5260, 5280, 5300, 5320, 5330, 5340

See the Stars

Hot News from the
LA2008 HOC
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Come to the Convention... Stay after for the Fun!

Venga a la Convención y quédese un poco más para divertirse.

Venez pour la Convention, restez pour le plaisir.

Besuchen Sie den Jahreskongress --- und bleiben Sie ruhig noch ein Weilchen!

Venha à convenção, e fique depois para mais divertimento.

Venite per la convenzione. rimanete per il divertimento

Kom till kongressen och stanna kvar för nöjes skull

国際大会に参加しよう。滞在後も楽しもう！

국제대회에서 즐거움을 만끽하십시오!

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COUNTDOWN 2008

- 6/17-6/20/07 Rotary International Convention, Salt Lake City
- 7/1/ 2007-2008 Rotary Year commences; kickoff LA2008
- Register **NOW** to Attend!
- July 1, 2007: Launch Rotary's Wide World of Books

A Warm Welcome

The LA2008 HOC Host DGEs, Mayor of Los Angeles and L. A. Inc. (Los Angeles Convention & Visitors Bureau) welcome all Rotarians, Rotarian youth and their families from around the globe.

Los Angeles has hosted two past RI Conventions, in 1922 and 1962. As an integral part of the LA2008 Countdown, *See the Stars* will provide an intriguing look at how Rotary, Los Angeles and the world has changed.

Our publication will share fascinating facts about the City of Angels, its economy, lifestyles, fashions and contributions to the world.

LA2008 Host DGEs

- DG 5240 Jane McClenahan (RC Ojai West)
- DG 5260 Larry Jernigan (RC Lancaster Sunrise)
- DG 5280 David Moyers (RC Palos Verdes Sunset)
- DG 5300 Charlie Barr (RC Upland)
- DG 5320 John Brainerd (RC Newport Irvine)
- DG 5330 Mark Howison (RC Perris)
- DG 5340 Jim O'Meara (RC Carlsbad)

Register today at the
LA2008 Convention booth!

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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
LOS ANGELES

See the Stars at the HOST EVENTS!

The California Experience

Saturday, June 14 at L.A. Live and the Nokia Theater

The Nokia Theater, due to open in October 2007, is a part of L.A. Live, a sprawling entertainment and sports enterprise owned and developed by AEG's Philip F. Anschutz. This six-city-block area adjacent to the Staples Center, home to the L.A. Lakers basketball and Kings hockey teams, will comprise 4 million square feet and include apartments, ballrooms, bars, concert theaters, condominiums and restaurants. Movie theaters and a hotel and conference center will anchor the project. By the time of the 2008 RI Convention, L.A. Live will be completed and ready for Rotarians to enjoy the first of two unique Host Events.

The California Experience at L.A. Live and the Nokia Theatre will be the venue for street entertainment, live music and a classic car show before convention-goers enter the 7100-seat Nokia Theatre for a celebrity performance. Reserved seating will be in four price tiers, ranging from \$80 to \$140. *Take action: Register for the LA2008 Convention today and reserve your California Experience!*

International Family Reunion

Monday, June 16, 2008 5 p.m. -10 p.m.

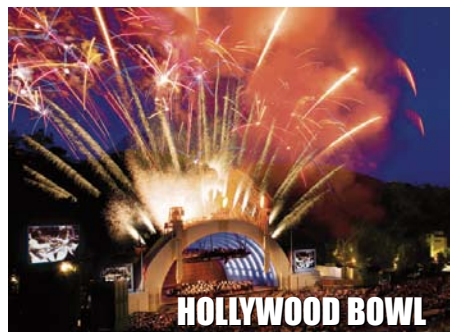
It's the ultimate insider's experience of the local culture, cuisine and lifestyle and always one of the most popular activities at a RI convention. Rotary clubs in the greater Los Angeles area host the Home-Host Hospitality events, giving you the chance to see and do things that the "locals" enjoy. You could travel to dinners in private homes. You could experience fabulous or intriguing mini excursions. You could see little-known locales accessed by private membership only, compliments of local Rotarians. Whatever your destination or adventure is, it is sure to be an unforgettable evening. More details will follow as we get closer to the evening's festivities.



Concert Under the Stars

Tuesday, June 17 at the Hollywood Bowl

The second Host Event will be the **Concert Under the Stars** at the world-famous, newly-remodeled Hollywood Bowl. The cost of each



seat in the general seating area will run between \$30 and \$80. Rotarian families and their friends can bring their own picnic dinners or order box dinners through the House of Friendship. Or they can savor the evening's concert of movie themes presented by the Hollywood Bowl Symphony Orchestra in luxurious comfort in a Garden and Terrace box for 4-6 people at \$250/person (with a gourmet dinner) or in a Pool Circle box for 4-6 people at \$500/person (with a gourmet dinner and wine).

Regardless of the choice of seating, food and drinks, Tuesday night will be a once-in-a-lifetime all-Rotary International event at the Bowl, and a night to remember for everyone for years to come.

TAKE ACTION

Register for the LA2008 Convention today and reserve the seats of choice for the Concert Under the Stars!

FIVE Great Reasons for Attending the LA2008 RI CONVENTION

To the world, L.A. conjures glittering images of Hollywood's storied reputation — neon-lit theaters and nightclubs, Oscar ceremonies, and the myriad celebrities whose names are inscribed in five-pointed stars along the Walk of Fame. But the City of Angels is more than an entertainment Mecca with palm trees and ample sunshine. It's an international hub for the arts, fine dining, fashion, and seaside recreation.

People from everywhere also come here to partake in its esteemed commerce, higher education, and scientific research. Above and beyond the business and academic opportunities ... there is much fun and fellowship to be enjoyed by all who attend. District and Club leaders will also appreciate the following benefits to be realized by attending the 99th Annual Rotary International.

1) Membership Development

- Attending a convention helps your club retain members because Rotarians become more committed once they feel the full impact of Rotary's international scope and power.

2) Service Projects

- Visit booths displaying club and district projects from around the world
- Connect with Rotarians and learn about what they did and how they did it, without starting from the ground up
- Learn about other project models and get inspired through networking groups, such as the Rotary fellowships and action groups
- Rotary Shares! Take information back to your fellow Rotarians in your home districts and clubs
- Meet Rotarians you could partner with on an international project or exchange

3) The Rotary Foundation

- Visit staff at Foundation booths to gather information, take care of club business and ask questions
- Attend workshops such as the TRF Update and Polio Plus, the Foundation-focused plenary session
- Register for special TRF events such as the World Peace Symposium

4) Developing Future Club Leaders

- Expand your network of international contacts
- Meet senior Rotary leaders in an informal setting or at the various RI luncheons, especially the one for new club and district leaders
- Get to know people from your own district who are in attendance, and become more integrated into district plans

5) Club Administration

- Attend a special workshop and luncheon for incoming club presidents
- Exchange ideas with fellow leaders

You can do all of this and have fun getting to know the local customs, food, and entertainment at the House of Friendship or by participating in host events, which promise to be varied, economical and family friendly.



L.A. Does It Again! 1922 -1962 -2008



How To Get a Blinkie Star ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Don't miss out! "Blinkies" are HOT! HOT! HOT!

Register for the LA2008 RI Convention at the Convention booth and get your FREE gift here at the SLC2007 convention! The LA2008 Host Organization Committee (HOC) has a goal of 2008 registrations for the 99th RI Convention in Los Angeles by the end of this convention. Be an instant hit in your home club/district with this one-of-a-kind logo pin. **See the Stars! Wear a Star! See you in LA!**



ROTARY'S WIDE WORLD OF BOOKS

An LA2008 Convention Host Organization Commemorative Project
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July 2007:

Rotary's Wide World of Books Month

While you're thinking about your trip to Los Angeles next June, don't forget to add some special things to your luggage for a great cause — new books for kindergarten to 3rd grade students. You can be a star when you come to Los Angeles to See the Stars!

Literacy is one of the top priorities of Rotary International, and DG David Moyers of Los Angeles Host District 5280 has declared July 2007 as **Rotary's Wide World of Books/Literacy Month** and announced the most exciting international book drive in the world. The expected 35,000 Rotarians from around the world who attend the LA2008 RI Convention are asked to bring books in their own language, suitable for grades K-3, to contribute to this project.

Take action: Visit the RWWB exhibit at the LA2008 booth and plan to pack one or more books to bring in June, 2008.

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Rotary's Wide World of Books

Check-List for Your Club or District

- ✓ Visit the RWWB exhibit at the LA2008 booth at the SLC convention for brochures and information.
- ✓ Share this information with your club.
- ✓ Appoint a RWWB chair in your club now.
- ✓ Get your fellow Rotarians and Rotarian youth involved.
- ✓ Plan to involve club members, Rotaractors, Interactors, Youthactors, schools, businesses, organizations and communities.
- ✓ At your first board meeting, refer to your District and club calendars and decide on a convenient date for your club's RWWB book drive
- ✓ Our goal is to collect books from the 171 countries that Rotary International serves, with as many as 600,000 books collected during the Convention alone. A "Mountain of Books" will be created on the world map on the floor of the Los Angeles Convention Center during the Convention.
- ✓ Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors, and Youthactors are invited to plan and execute book drives throughout their communities to collect books for RWWB.