

Governor's MONTHLY LETTER

June 2025



Governor's message

“Change the world with the Magic of Rotary!”

Rotary International District 2750, 2024-25 Governor **Chie Ito**

“The Profound Joy We Shared and Built — With Heartfelt Thanks”

Time has flown by, and we now find ourselves in the final month of the 2024–25 Rotary year. Under the leadership of RI President Stephanie A. Urchick and her inspiring theme, “The Magic of Rotary”, I believe each of you has created your own unique Magic of Rotary through your respective activities.

As Rotary continues to evolve and adapt to a changing world, our district adopted this year’s slogan, “Let’s fly up—with the Origin in mind,” along with the vision, “The Year of Challenging Change.” We can envision the future by returning to the origin. Then what is the origin? It is represented by the Object of Rotary, the Four-Way Test, and the Rotary’s Core Values. Guided by these principles, we embraced flexibility in other areas and moved forward with meaningful change. One such initiative was the restructuring of the President-Elect Training Seminar (PETS). Traditionally held in March, it was divided into two parts this year. The first session took place online in the autumn, providing early essential information to allow sufficient preparation time. The second session, held in person after the International Assembly and reflecting the RI President’s theme and directives, also included a fellowship gathering. This early and thoughtful preparation proved valuable, as it was reflected in the various service initiatives and club activities throughout the year.

Another significant change was the integration of three previously separate seminars—Membership Seminar, Public Image Seminar, and Rotary Foundation Seminar—into one consolidated event, the “Club Revitalization Workshop”. This joint approach allowed us to gain a clearer understanding of the virtuous cycle involving public image enhancement, membership growth and retention, and the promotion of contributions to The Rotary Foundation from a holistic perspective.

Holding the District Conference’s Plenary Session on a Saturday was also a challenge. It enabled greater participation from members who might otherwise be unavailable on weekdays, allowing them to spend more time, become more engaged, and feel inspired.

There were many other endeavors through which we embraced change,

and each of them was made possible only because of your understanding, support, and cooperation.

In my childhood room, there once hung a large-framed calligraphy piece containing the following words:

“The Path - Each person has their own path. Sometimes it’s wide, sometimes narrow. There are ascents and descents. There may be times of doubt. But if one sets their heart and walks with hope, the path will surely open. From that, profound joy is born. - Konosuke Matsushita”

This piece was a gift to my father from Mr. Konosuke Matsushita, the founder of Panasonic and a legendary figure often referred to as the “God of Management.” I was told that I had already memorized these words by the time I entered elementary school—perhaps I was a rather unusual child. When I wondered whether I could truly fulfill the heavy responsibility entrusted to me as District Governor, these words came back to me. With determination in my heart and hope as my guide, I prepared myself for the year ahead. When the Rotary year finally began, I was overwhelmed by the support and encouragement I received from so many of you. Thanks to that, I have been able to carry out my duties to this day.

Throughout my Governor’s Official Visits, the District Conference, and numerous other events, I approached each occasion with heartfelt intention. But it was you who made them more successful and meaningful than I ever imagined. Truly, this was the Magic of Rotary in action, and I came to fully understand the phrase, “From that, profound joy is born”.

As I reflect on this year, I am reminded that such profound joy can never be achieved alone—but only through thinking and acting together with all of you. This year has reaffirmed for me the power of Rotary, its beauty, and its enduring appeal.

I am sincerely grateful for the warm hearts and unwavering friendship you extended to me throughout this year.

Together with all of you, I look forward to continuing to create even more of “The Magic of Rotary” in the years to come.

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District 2750 Membership Report

ROTARY CLUB

Chiyoda Group

| Club Name | 24/07/01 | 25/4/30 | Variations |
|------------------------|----------|---------|------------|
| Tokyo-South | 185 | 183 | -2 |
| Tokyo-Shiba | 70 | 72 | 2 |
| Tokyo-Shimbashi | 45 | 43 | -2 |
| Tokyo-Akasaka | 51 | 51 | 0 |
| Tokyo-Minato | 39 | 41 | 2 |
| Tokyo-Azabu | 11 | 11 | 0 |
| Tokyo-Global | 13 | 18 | 5 |
| Tokyo-Sunrise Shiodome | 13 | 14 | 1 |
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| | | | |
| Subtotal | 427 | 433 | 6 |

Yamanote East Group

| Club Name | 24/07/01 | 25/4/30 | Variations |
|----------------|----------|---------|------------|
| Tokyo-West | 178 | 181 | 3 |
| Tokyo-Josai | 59 | 59 | 0 |
| Tokyo-Seinan | 29 | 35 | 6 |
| Tokyo-Harajuku | 13 | 13 | 0 |
| Tokyo-Suginami | 34 | 34 | 0 |
| Tokyo-Jingu | 30 | 29 | -1 |
| Tokyo-Ebisu | 99 | 99 | 0 |
| Tokyo-Hiroo | 33 | 36 | 3 |
| Tokyo-Shibuya | 36 | 37 | 1 |
| Tokyo-Roppongi | 55 | 57 | 2 |
| Tokyo-Atago | 39 | 39 | 0 |
| | | | |
| Subtotal | 605 | 619 | 14 |

Tama Middle Group

| Club Name | 24/07/01 | 25/4/30 | Variations |
|---------------------------------|----------|---------|------------|
| Tokyo-Tachikawa | 114 | 119 | 5 |
| Tokyo-Koganei | 41 | 42 | 1 |
| Tokyo-Kokubunji | 41 | 43 | 2 |
| Tokyo-Mitaka | 36 | 40 | 4 |
| Tokyo-Akishima | 47 | 47 | 0 |
| Tokyo-Kunitachi | 43 | 43 | 0 |
| Tokyo-Tachikawa Kobushi | 95 | 96 | 1 |
| Tokyo-Inokashira | 26 | 27 | 1 |
| Tokyo-Akishima Chuo | 54 | 54 | 0 |
| Tokyo-Musashi Kokubunji | 44 | 44 | 0 |
| Tokyo-Koganei-Sakura | 29 | 30 | 1 |
| Tokyo-Kunitachi Shiroume | 14 | 13 | -1 |
| E-Club of Tokyo Peace Wing | 26 | 29 | 3 |
| Tokyo Peace Wing Next Satellite | | | |
| Subtotal | 610 | 627 | 17 |

Ginza/Nihonbashi Group

| Club Name | 24/07/01 | 25/4/30 | Variations |
|-------------------------|----------|---------|------------|
| Tokyo-Ginza | 171 | 169 | -2 |
| Tokyo-Nihonbashi | 201 | 203 | 2 |
| Tokyo-Tsukiji | 58 | 61 | 3 |
| Tokyo-Nihonbashi East | 35 | 34 | -1 |
| Tokyo-Chuo | 187 | 183 | -4 |
| Tokyo-Nihonbashi West | 49 | 48 | -1 |
| Tokyo-Ginza New | 72 | 78 | 6 |
| Tokyo-City Nihonbashi | 31 | 26 | -5 |
| Tokyo-Chuo Shin | 58 | 57 | -1 |
| Tokyo-Akebono | 19 | 20 | 1 |
| Tokyo-Sanno | 40 | 40 | 0 |
| Tokyo-Barrier Free Mind | 27 | 31 | 4 |
| Tokyo-Imagine Join Us | 21 | 25 | 4 |
| Subtotal | 969 | 975 | 6 |

Yamanote West Group

| Club Name | 24/07/01 | 25/4/30 | Variations |
|-------------------------------|----------|---------|------------|
| Tokyo-Setagaya | 38 | 48 | 10 |
| Tokyo-Meguro | 31 | 36 | 5 |
| Tokyo-Seijo | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| Tokyo-Crosscity | 90 | 89 | -1 |
| Tokyo-Jonan | 10 | 13 | 3 |
| Tokyo-Yamanote | 76 | 78 | 2 |
| Tokyo-Seijo Shin | 21 | 21 | 0 |
| Tokyo-Aoyama | 24 | 32 | 8 |
| Tokyo-Jiyugaoka | 14 | 14 | 0 |
| Tokyo-Yoneyama Yuai | 33 | 33 | 0 |
| District 2750, Tokyo Yoneyama | 35 | 34 | -1 |
| Tokyo Daikanyama | 30 | 31 | 1 |
| | | | |
| Subtotal | 412 | 439 | 27 |

Tama East Group

| Club Name | 24/07/01 | 25/4/30 | Variations |
|----------------------|----------|---------|------------|
| Tokyo-Fuchu | 48 | 49 | 1 |
| Tokyo-Chofu | 66 | 68 | 2 |
| Tokyo-Tama | 16 | 19 | 3 |
| Tokyo-Inagi | 23 | 24 | 1 |
| Tokyo-Musashi Fuchu | 37 | 42 | 5 |
| Tokyo-Tamagawa | 24 | 24 | 0 |
| Tokyo-Tama Green | 14 | 13 | -1 |
| Tokyo-Chofu Murasaki | 64 | 69 | 5 |
| Tokyo i City | 18 | 19 | 1 |
| | | | |
| Subtotal | 310 | 327 | 17 |

Keihin Group

| Club Name | 24/07/01 | 25/4/30 | Variations |
|-------------------------|----------|---------|------------|
| Tokyo-Haneda | 54 | 55 | 1 |
| Tokyo-Shinagawa | 39 | 42 | 3 |
| Tokyo-Omori | 29 | 26 | -3 |
| Tokyo-Shinagawa Chuo | 24 | 24 | 0 |
| Tokyo-Denenchofu | 34 | 34 | 0 |
| Tokyo-Konan Marine | 9 | 8 | -1 |
| Tokyo-Osaki | 26 | 30 | 4 |
| Tokyo-Kamata | 63 | 61 | -2 |
| Tokyo-Keihin | 26 | 25 | -1 |
| Tokyo-Denenchofu Midori | 18 | 25 | 7 |
| Tokyo-Shirokane | 20 | 21 | 1 |
| Tokyo-Takanawa | 17 | 18 | 1 |
| Subtotal | 359 | 369 | 10 |

Tama South Group

| Club Name | 24/07/01 | 25/4/30 | Variations |
|----------------------|----------|---------|------------|
| Tokyo-Hachioji | 59 | 68 | 9 |
| Tokyo-Machida | 67 | 70 | 3 |
| Tokyo-Hino | 33 | 34 | 1 |
| Tokyo-Hachioji West | 110 | 118 | 8 |
| Tokyo-Machida-Naka | 26 | 29 | 3 |
| Tokyo-Hachioji East | 34 | 36 | 2 |
| Tokyo-Hachioji South | 83 | 85 | 2 |
| Tokyo-Machida-Salvia | 42 | 43 | 1 |
| Tokyo-Tobihino | 26 | 28 | 2 |
| Tokyo-Machida East | 27 | 29 | 2 |
| Tokyo-Hachioji North | 46 | 47 | 1 |
| | | | |
| Subtotal | 553 | 587 | 34 |

Pacific Basin Group

| Club Name | 24/07/01 | 25/4/30 | Variations |
|-------------------------|----------|---------|------------|
| Guam | 47 | 44 | -3 |
| Saipan | 42 | 38 | -4 |
| Tumon Bay | 68 | 56 | -12 |
| Northern Guam | 22 | 22 | 0 |
| Pohnpei | 15 | 15 | 0 |
| Palau | 14 | 13 | -1 |
| Guam Sunrise | 14 | 14 | 0 |
| Truk Lagoon | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| E-Club of Pago Bay Guam | 25 | 21 | -4 |
| Subtotal | 257 | 233 | -24 |

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| Total in Japan - 89 | 4,245 | 4,376 | 131 |
| Total in 2750 dis. - 98 | 4,502 | 4,609 | 107 |

ROTARACT CLUB

| Club Name | Number of active members |
|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Tokyo Fuchu | 5 |
| Tokyo West | 18 |
| Tokyo Hino | 0 |
| Tokyo Ginza | 24 |
| Tokyo Shinagawa | 6 |
| Tokyo Hachioji | 7 |
| Tokyo Shinagawa Chuo | 5 |

| Club Name | Number of active members |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Tokyo Akishima | 4 |
| Tokyo Denenchofu | 8 |
| Tokyo Nihonbashi | 17 |
| Tokyo Orchid Setagaya South | 12 |
| Shibuya | 11 |
| Marianas | 27 |
| Chuo Univ. | 81 |

| Club Name | Number of active members |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Saipan | 11 |
| Tokyo Ebis | 17 |
| Tokyo Central | 8 |
| Tokyo Vision | 10 |
| Rotaract of the ICU | 12 |
| Total in Japan - 16 | 233 |
| Total in 2750 dis. - 19 | 283 |