



Arizona Rotary Tri-District Leadership Academy Synopsis

For Rotary Year 2008-2009

Recognizing the increasing demands on Rotary leaders' time, as well as each Rotary district's need to find the most capable and talented Rotarians within their widespread geographical boundaries, the Leadership Academy was created in 2004-05 by District 5510 as an exciting and innovative Internet-based approach to Rotary leadership training. In 2006-07, the Academy was expanded to become an Arizona Tri-District training program involving District 5490, 5500 and 5510. Through this vehicle, selected Past Club Presidents throughout these districts can obtain exceptional training at home, via their own computers, under the guidance of some of our most capable and experienced Past District Governors. They are able to work at their own pace and on their own schedules, within the guidelines of the program.

To this end, the following Internet-based courses will be offered during the 2008-09 Rotary year:

First Semester (September, October and November):

- **Leadership Beyond the Club** — a basic overview of district, tri-district, zone and international structures of Rotary
- **Collaboration and Funding to Meet Needs** — helping leaders to think outside the box regarding tackling and funding larger needs that are beyond the abilities and resources of a single club, and often require extending beyond a single Rotary year
- **Understanding and Utilizing the Rotary Foundation** — an orientation to the programs of TRF, how they relate to Rotary International, and how they can be accessed and utilized by Rotary clubs to accomplish their goals

Second Semester (January, February and March):

- **Building on a Heritage of Leadership & Accomplishments** — a review of whom your district's leaders have been and what your district has accomplished thus far as a pace-setter district for the Rotary World
- **Club and Membership Growth and Retention** — examining what attracts people to Rotary and the dynamics that build Rotary clubs and keep members interested and active
- **Rotary's Fiduciary Responsibilities** — what are a Rotary club's responsibilities to its members, its contributors, its community, the government and to Rotary International?

In addition, there is required participation in certain district meetings and some additional assignments such as the following examples to be completed:

1. An International Home Hosting Experience — involving one or more of the following:

- Hosting a Group Study Exchange team member or leader
- Hosting a Rotary Youth Exchange student
- Hosting a Rotary Friendship Exchange participant
- Hosting a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar
- Hosting some other visiting international Rotarian or Rotary leader

2. Tri-District Arizona Rotary Participation — involving two or more of the following:

- Participation in Arizona Tri-District PETS, SETS & More
- Participation in the Arizona Rotary Vocational Seminar
- Attending an Arizona Rotary Gift of Life-Arizona Board Meeting
- Hosting an Arizona Rotary Gift of Life-Arizona recipient child and parent

3. Rotary District Participation — involving three or more of the following:

- Attend a District Rotary Foundation Seminar or Dinner
- Attend a District Membership Seminar
- Attend a District Finance Committee Meeting
- Attend a District Club Assembly
- Attend a District Conference
- Serve as an Assistant Governor
- Write an article for the District Newsletter

A **Past Club President** must be nominated by one of the following:

- **Current District Governor, Past District Governor, Current Assistant Governor, Current Club President or a Graduate of the Leadership Academy**

Note: There is a \$100.00 class fee to cover costs of the program which is due with the Letter of Understanding and Nomination Form. Should you drop out prior to August 15, the \$100.00 will be refunded, but not after this date.