



PDG – Karen Oakes

Karen was invited to join the Rotary Club of Delhi in the fall of 1995. The Rotary Club of Delhi is situated at the west end of District 7090 on the Canadian side of the border. Karen served as Club President for a 2 year term 1999-2001.

Active at the District level, Karen has served as a member of the Rotary Foundation Committee since 2002, including Chair of the District Permanent Fund from 2004-2008. In keeping with her commitment to The Rotary Foundation, Karen is a multiple Paul Harris Fellow, a Charter member of our District Paul Harris Society, and a Benefactor. Karen was deeply honoured to receive The Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service in 2007.

The opportunity to serve as Assistant Governor from early 2003 – June 2006 was of immense value for Karen to witness firsthand the diversity and commitment of each and every Rotary Club in our District. Further invitations to serve on the District Training Team continued to deepen Karen’s understanding and respect for Rotary.

The path to District Governor in 2010-2011 was filled with many wonderful experiences and valuable opportunities in Service to Rotary. The journey continues with the appointment as District Foundation Director for the three year term commencing on July 1, 2012.

Karen is a lifelong resident of Norfolk County and a long term employee of BMO, Bank of Montreal, with recent retirement in July 2010 now opening new doors in Rotary work. Karen has deep ties to her Norfolk heritage, and has served on various boards in local communities. Karen’s partner of some 23 years is Wolfgang Lindemann. Wolf and Karen enjoy their country home and special time with family and friends.