

To the Club Presidents of D5130

Barb's 'Official DG Visit'

Hi all!

One of the most rewarding experiences in being a Rotary District Governor is the official Club visit. Starting at the very end of July, and finishing up in December, I will travel the length and breadth of our District meeting with all of you, your Boards of Directors, and your Club members. Wow – am I excited about this! Here's some info on the visits:

Barb's role and responsibilities:

- I will meet with you and all of your Board members for an informal session where we'll discuss your club goals, the District's goals and RI's goals for the year. It will give me a chance to meet your club leaders, get to know them a bit, and hear their views. If your Board meets monthly to discuss club business, you'll need to schedule a separate meeting to accomplish that agenda.
- I will also attend a Club meeting where I will share RI and District goals with your Club members. We'll talk about Being the Inspiration and Doing What Matters for your members, your Club and your community. I will be the speaker/program for that day – so please allow 30-40 minutes on the agenda for this portion of the meeting.
- If you'd like to make the visit a hands-on project, a Q&A session or a workshop, we can do that too, just let me know and we'll put it together with you.
- Beyond the official Club visits, I'd like to be able to see your Club in action – so please invite me to your events! If I can get there, I'll be there! I want you and your Club to know how much your work matters to the District and Rotary!

Your role and responsibilities:

- You need to work with your Assistant Governor and Lieutenant Governor Valerie Hulseley to confirm the dates, time and locations of both the Club Board meeting and the Club visit.
- You need to let me know if there's anything going on at the Board level or the club level that needs special attention – I want to make sure that we give you and your club all the support you need to be successful.
- Your Assistant Governor should be invited to the Board meeting, Club visit and any social event that is part of my visit. The Assistant Governor will usually introduce me at the Club visit, but other arrangements are OK if you prefer.
- A social event, which is not mandatory, but certainly appreciated if it happens, can often be coordinated with other nearby Clubs. If you'd like to do a multi-club social, please coordinate the dates and times with Valerie. No Governor gifts or gift baskets, please.
- When overnight accommodations are needed, Valerie will work with you to get that done. If an overnight is required, it is customary for the club to arrange for hotel reservations and payment.

- You need to make sure that your Programs committee knows the visit date. There should be no other program at the Club Meeting for this week, but if you have a special recognition (Paul Harris presentation, new member induction, or any special presentation) I'd be delighted to present or participate, as you see fit.

Your AG's role and responsibilities:

- Whenever possible, the AG will accompany the DG on the club visits.
- The AG will help coordinate the visit schedule and any social activities for their clubs with Lt. Gov. Valerie Hulse.
- The AG will help finalize the dates and prep for the visit – it's a tricky calendar to do 47 visits over the course of just a few months.
- When doing the formal introduction, the AG can use the as much or as little of the DG bio as they wish – it's there as a guide, not a script!

A couple weeks before my visit, I'll call you to discuss how you think you'd like my visit to be and how it can support you and your Club. And yes, I'm willing to get my hands dirty...just give me a heads up so I can bring appropriate clothing and gear, whether it's for a club project or recreational event, or, like I said above, anything else you can think up.

And lastly, before my visit, Lt. Governor Valerie Hulse valerie.hulse@yahoo.com will be contacting you to verify the exact time and place for the club and board meetings, plus details of any overnight stays required.

Your AG will also contact you before my visit to assist with protocol and provide support. I'm really looking forward to visiting your club. If you have any questions, let us know. Thanks.

Yours in Rotary Service.

Barb Spangler

District Governor 2018-19

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