

## PEACE POLE PROJECT

As Rotarians, we refuse to accept conflict as a way of life. Through our service projects and community outreach, we are taking action to address the underlying causes of conflict. Sometimes, it's just a matter of using the right words.

A Peace Pole is a monument declaring the message "May Peace Prevail on Earth" in the language of the country in which it is planted and usually several other languages. Peace Poles were created 1955 in Japan by Masahisa Goi, in wake of the destruction wrought by World War II and the atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Devastated by the repercussions of war, Goi wished to spread a message of peace worldwide.

The power of the message lies in its capacity to bring people of various cultures, faith traditions and political ideals together as one united global heart and mind. **May Peace Prevail On Earth**, allows us to sincerely focus on our mutual desire to serve, create and manifest true peace on earth while transcending our differences and celebrating our common humanity.



Planting a Peace Pole is a simple yet powerful step toward opening the doors for peaceful community dialogue and every District 5500 club is encouraged to plant a Peace Pole in their community.

There are a lot of resources available ranging from designing a Peace Pole to planting it. Below are links to a few of the sites clubs can visit to help them with their Peace Pole project.

For further information, please contact our District Peace Committee Chair, Joe Daniszewski at: [joed57@hotmail.com](mailto:joed57@hotmail.com)

Order and get planting instructions at:

[www.worldpeace.org/peacepoleproject/](http://www.worldpeace.org/peacepoleproject/)

[www.peacepoles.com](http://www.peacepoles.com)

<https://www.heifer.org/blog/make-your-own-peace-pole.html>

<https://peace-pole.com/make-your-own/>

<http://shoppeace.org/peacepoleslands.aspx>

For personalized Peace Poles, visit:

[www.paintedpeace.com](http://www.paintedpeace.com)