

Effective Communication: Basic approaches in communicating and building trustful relationships

Learning Goals:

- Communicating effectively while leading others
- Identifying methods to foster trustful relationships
- Understanding the role of an AG in club leadership and within the district leadership team

Have we accomplished these objectives?





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Group Discussion

How do you communicate

Why do you communicate with others?

What do you expect from others?





Leadership Communication Baldoni's Model

Narrative
Vision
Themes
Messages
Effects

Invite (to action)

Critical to answer the "Who and Why"!

Inform

Leadership Message

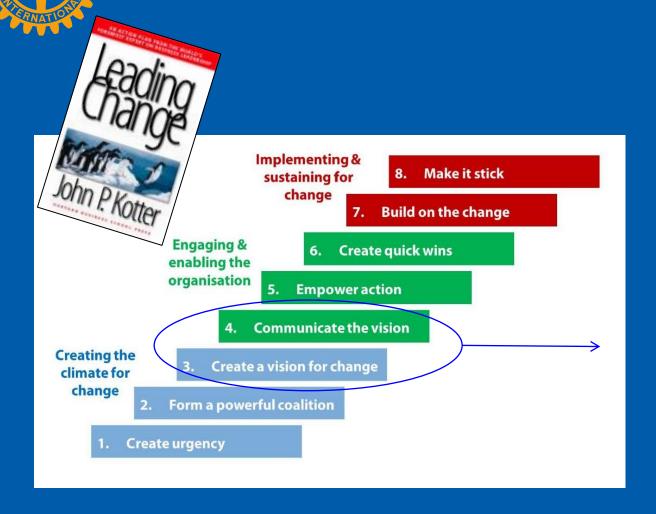
Involve
(seek input)

Ignite (imagination)

Clarity &
Credibility
(establish &
restore)



Kotter's Seven Principles For Effective Vision Communication



Simplicity

Metaphors, analogies, examples

Multiple forums

Repetition

Leadership by example

Explanation of seeming inconsistencies

Give and Take





Assessing an Organization or Club

- Club Assessment to Enhance the Club Experience
- People: structure, governance, culture
- Processes: planning, policies, workflow, roles
- Systems: Resources, tools, forms





Assessing an Organization or Club

Club Assessment to Enhance the Club Experience

- Why?
 - Make the club and district better
- How?
 - OAsk, survey, review, collect
- When?
- Who?





Assessing a Club and Communicating

- ☐Set Goals
- ☐ Set Short-term/Long-term Objectives
- □Define Standards
- □ Determine Performance Indicators





Assessing a Club and Communicating

- □Observe and Evaluate
- ☐Find Gaps
- □Communicate Needs
- □ Explore Solutions





Group Discussion

How can AGs help with assessing a Club?





Effective Communication Group Discussion

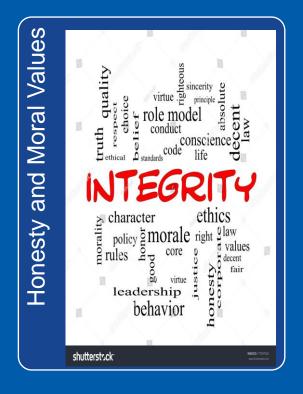
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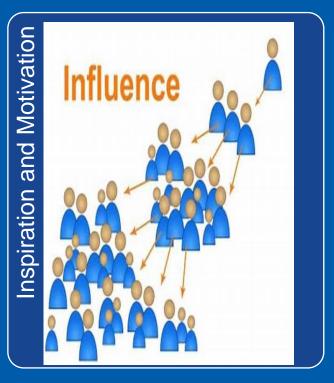


Effective Communication

Leadership Communication → It is all about influence











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Leadership Communication → It is all about influence

- The ability to share information
- The exchanging of ideas, thoughts, and knowledge
- Ensure a message is presented as intended and understood as expected





Effective Communication

EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION **DEPENDS MUCH** MORE ON YOUR TONE OF VOICE AND **BODY LANGUAGE** THAN THE WORDS YOU SAY. @blairsinger www.blairsinger.com





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- ☐ Power and Relationships
- Power comes from leaders
- Affirmation of power comes from followers
- Powerful relationships → Significance of the interactions

"Leadership is reserved for those who influence a group of individuals toward a common goal"





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- **☐** Addressing Challenges
- Crucial conversations framework
- LARA Method for Managing Tense Talks (Listen, Affirm, Respond, Ask)
- Addressing Conflict

"The quality of our lives depends not on whether or not we have conflicts, but on how we respond to them".

Thomas Crum





Levels of Conflict



Issue

- Misunderstanding
- Confusion



Disagreement

- Sarcasm
- Divergence



Struggle

- Unresolved issues
- Emotional arguments



Confrontation

People against each other



Combative

Fight, people leaving





Addressing Conflict





Group Discussion

- How can AGs support club leaders and collaborate with district leaders to grow Rotary?
- Channels of Communication in communicating with different generations





The Five I's of Leadership Communication

Why Do You Do What You Do?





The Five I's of Leadership Communication

- Inform
- Instruct
- Involve
- Inspire
- Influence





Effective Communication and Trustful Relationships

- Leaders Vs. Followers
- Communicators Vs Receptors
- Asking Vs Fixing
- Giving Vs Receiving
- Influencing Vs Telling





Group Discussion

Planning for the Year Ahead

- Setting Goals-How to support your club leaders
- Communicating within clubs and communicating within the district









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RESOURCES AND LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

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- AG Quarterly Forums (Next: April 30, 2025, at 7:00 ET)
- AG Institute at PETS (Under PETS leadership request)
- AG New AGs Workshops
- AG Action Zone: Winnipeg Sept. 18, 2025





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