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# Go forth from here and serve.

Wilfrid J. Wilkinson RI Past President

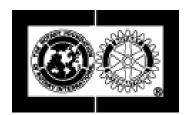
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# Future Vision BBQ— Get Ahead of the Game

Because this is an important year for the foundation and its transition into Future Vision, Rotary Club presidents, secretaries, foundation chairs and other Rotarians as well as their families are invited Saturday, September 22, 2012 as part of our Rotary District convention in the afternoon to an informal BBQ style meeting at the Rotary lodge. During this BBQ Rick Rogers, District Foundation Chair, and his team will introduce you to the differences between the works of the Rotary Foundation as it is today and the new Future Vision plan that will be in effect July 1, 2013.

You will hear about such issues as global grants, district grants, GSE in the future and how this will affect the clubs and districts.

This will also be an opportunity to learn and share about EREY, sustaining members, PHS and all forms of how we raise foundation dollars. This event will also address the different programs and fundraising.



# Future Vision — More Ways to Learn

To learn more about Rotary Future Vision, visit the Rotary International website at: www.rotary.org. Log on to member access and click on learn. There are good webinars on Rotary Future Vision for you to view at your own pace.



## Deadline September 30, 2012

### Reminder DISTRICT SIMPLIFIED GRANTS

Please note that the applications for the District Simplified Grant Program are due September 30, 2012. As the new Rotary year just started and summer comes to an end, it is important for your incoming leaders to keep this item on the front burner as they plan local and international projects for the coming year.

Club may request up to \$1,000 (USD) per project based on a 1:1 match of Club funds. All DSG funds are managed in US dollars.

Projects must meet the Rotary Foundation (TRF) requirements for a Humanitarian or Community projects as well as the following criteria, which will be familiar to you.

Projects must be:

- Focused on literacy;
- Self– contained (not part of a larger project);
- Identifiable as a Rotary Project (the Rotary Club's logo must be displayed in some way).

Projects which received a DSG in the past are eligible for continued funding.

Clubs must submit a DSG application by September 30, 2012. Applications forms can be downloaded from the district web site. Eligible projects must be completed by March 31, 2013.

Applications will be assessed on a first-come, first-serve basis. Approvals will be provided until the funds are exhausted. If any funds are left over after September 30, 2012, Clubs will be invited to apply for the remaining funds.

Please note that funding will not be forwarded to the Clubs until the project is complete.

Once an application has been approved, Clubs will have 60 days to provide a progress report and schedule for the project.

Within 30 days of the completion of the project, the Club must submit a final report, including copies of all receipts and invoices for the project. Upon receipt of the final report, funding will be forwarded to the Club within 30 days.

The district is responsible for reporting the use of all DSG funds to the Rotary Foundation by June 2013. Therefore, it is vital that Clubs submit their final reports on time. Failure to comply with TRF reporting requirements may result in a Club being excluded from TRF grants of any sort for another five years.

We look forward to receiving your applications. During the previous program in 2010-2011, eight projects were completed. For ideas on literacy projects previously funded by DSG, please refer to 2011 WCS newsletters, which can be downloaded from the district web site at ridist7810.org.

Instructions for where to send DSG applications are indicated on the forms.





Typical Batey House

"The Team trip can be considered both a work trip and a recreational visit to the DR."



Isla Saona



## CLEAN WATER WORK TEAM 2013 LA ROMANA, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (by Dr. Bob)

Following two very successful work teams from Rotary District 7810 to RD 4060 in 2011 and 2012, the next work team is planned for January 30 to February 6, 2013 (tentative). These teams travel in support of the BioSand Water Filter Program at the Good Samaritan Hospital in La Romana.

The Water Filter Program has been heavily supported through matching grants from the Rotary Foundation, sponsored by RD7810 and Rotary clubs throughout our district. The team travels to work daily with the installation team, actually installing the filters on the bateys, the villages on the sugar cane plantations where the cane cutters and their families live.

The work trip is the perfect opportunity to see exactly how our club, district and Foundation money is distributed; furthermore, it is an opportunity to "get our hands dirty" in support of the program itself and for the Dominican installation team members. We are also invited into the homes of the cane workers to install the filters, to meet the people who will be using the filters and who will enjoy the health benefits of clean water.

This year the program has expanded into areas of sanitation and hygiene, specifically in the installation of latrines and in hand washing education. Some "hands-on" in these projects in addition to BioSand filters installation are anticipated.

The team trip can be considered both a work trip and a recreational visit to the DR. We stay in private villas by special arrangement in Casa de Campo, the largest resort in the Caribbean. The mornings and afternoons are spent travelling to our work sites on the batevs and installing the filters. The evenings are used either for Rotary functions (the two La Romana Clubs meet Tuesday and Thursday) or local entertainment. One day we will make a special beach excursion to Isla Saona, a National Park seashore. Sunday February 3<sup>rd</sup> we travel to the old colonial capital city of Santiago for a RD4060 Project Fair. Many Dominican Rotarians exhibit their club projects at this Fair; this is an excellent opportunity for Rotary fellowship and international interchange. For golfers, it is an opportunity to play at Teeth of the Dog at Casa de Campo, consistently rated as one of the top 100 golf courses in the world.

The trip costs ~\$1300US. This includes room/board at the villa with a live in house staff of cooks and house-keepers, daily travel, travel to Santiago, and the beach excursion. Not included are liquor (we can buy this ourselves at a local store), airline costs and costs from the

airport to the resort. For the past two trips each team has consisted of members from around New Brunswick and Maine; thus, we do not all fly out of the same airport in Canada/US. We individually make our own flight arrangements, but do use a central travel agent and do coordinate arrival times in the DR. Destination airports in the DR are La Romana (LRM), Santo Domingo (SDO) and Punta Cana (PUJ).

The planning of this trip for next year is just beginning. There has already been considerable interest from clubs in our district 7810. The trip has been very successful in the past two years and interest has grown. The travel team consisted of 13 members for 2011 and 15 people in 2012. The team is open to Rotarians, spouses/ significant others, and friends. There is no plan currently to limit the team size; this depends on the interest from individuals/ clubs.

As said at the top of this communication, the tentative dates are January 30 to February 6, 2013. I do not anticipate a change, but will confirm the dates as trip planning progresses. These dates are more fixed by our host Rotarians in the DR and their activities than by us. Please let me know of your interest in joining this extraordinary Rotary team bobchagrasuexperience. lis@AOL.com



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# Mulongo Village

The Rotary Club of Lubumbashi and the Rotary Club of Moncton have been awarded a matching grant in the amount of \$25,000 from the Rotary Foundation in addition to the \$36,000 contribution from the Rotary District 7810, the Rotary District 9150 and the Rotary clubs of Moncton, Lubumbashi, Dieppe, Moncton West & Riverview, Sackville and Shediac.

These funds will help provide training, coaching, and support in learning and implementing new production strategies and basic technologies in agriculture, livestock breeding and community heath for the villagers located in Mulonga, Katanga, Democratic Republic of Congo.

A research revealed that Mulonga's villagers, women and young people including children, have a high rate of analphabetism (illiteracy) . The population are in general very poor. The major reasons for that are:

- No school, no health center, no industry, and the level of agriculture production is very low.
- The men run away, leaving their wives and children behind, and go look for jobs and a better life in big cities, where they stay for good and start another life.

The Rotary clubs involved in this project are very optimistic that they can help with the problems these women and children are facing.

The Rotary clubs involved have a great team with many years of experience in rural development, community development and agriculture.

The women will learn better and more sustainable agricultural techniques which will allow them to produce more corn, soybeans and pigs. Once they have more income, they will be able to buy school supplies for their kids and send them to school. The children will have food to eat, providing them energy to go to school which is several kilometers from their villages. Some people will earn income from full or part time jobs at the Farm-School Projects. And women participating at the center will also learn all the positive health benefits that soybeans have for their children and their own selves.

Mulonga village is located about 50km from the town of Lubumbashi near the DRC - Zambian border. The village has a population of between 500 and 1000 inhabitants. There is a strong support from the Village Chief, Bupe Mulonga, who has traditional power over all of the villagers and the land. He is the one who is trying to attract organizations to come and undertake activities for the development of his villages and his people. There is a lack of drinking water, lack of schools, lack of a health centers, no shops, no transportation system and no jobs at all. People rely 100% on small scale agricultural activities.

This will be a multi-year project that will provide dignity to farmers and stockbreeders and encourage the development of the land of Congo by working the soil and relying on the talents and skills of the community. It will also provide autonomy, community support, a better quality of life and a protection for the small farmers (growers) and stockbreeders of the DRC.



"Thirsting to Serve in honored to work with growing list of partners including Litehouse Foods to achieve the goal of providing safe drinking water"

Jim VanDyke,, President Thirsting to Serve

www.thirstingtoserve.org



"Tuition and school supplies are not eligible for funding under Global Grant"



#### JOIN THE LITEHOUSE CHALENGE

#### PLEASE NOTE: THIS CHALENGE IS OPEN TO USA CLUBS ONLY

Litehouse Foods is donating \$40,000 in salad dressing product.

All proceeds will be used to implement Hydraid BioSand Filters in Honduras, Ghana, Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

Rotary District 6290's Thirsting to Serve is leading the promotion and distribution initiative.

#### The Program

Each gift box contains 3 12-ounce bottles of salad dressing. Each gift box is packed in a shipping carton containing 8 gift boxes totaling 24 bottles of dressing. The product is packed and shipped by volunteers from the Lowell Rotary Club and Interact Club. One carton will fund and provide a family safe water for 10 + years.

#### The Cost

Each gift box costs \$15.00 with 8 gift boxes delivered in a shipping carton. All shipping cartons will be shipped to you at a total price, including shipping, of \$120.

Cartons will be shipped to your mailing address via Federal Express Ground or UPS Ground. All cartons need to be shipped to a business address, since the freight cost is significantly lower than shipping to a residential address.

Complete the order form and return along with your check in the amount of \$120 payable to: *Thirsting to Serve – Lite-house Challenge*.

Mail to:

Thirsting to Serve, PO Box 287, Lowell, MI 49331.

All orders should be placed no later than October 31, 2012. Orders will be shipped to you from November 12 through December 14, 2012.



### **CRCID MEMORENDUM**

#### PLEASE NOTE: APPLICABLE TO CANADIAN CLUBS ONLY

Currently any literacy projects focusing on tuition, school supplies, etc., are not eligible for TRF funding because they are not "sustainable" under a Global Grant definition. CRCID members feel that the counter-argument is that sustainability is about getting an educated population that will possess the skills to be economically independent. This means getting as many children educated as possible. While education may be universally available to children in many countries, there are often costs involved, whether it be tuition fees, school supplies, uniforms, etc, that are not covered by the government. These costs are the family's responsibility, which discriminates against those families who need help the most – those living in extreme poverty.

For this reason, the CICRD members are asking Canadian clubs to sign a memorandum requesting the trustees of the Rotary Foundation to amend the criteria for basic education and literacy for global grants. If your club agrees with this proposed amendment and have not yet sign the memorandum, please do so and forwarded it to Julie Bernard, CICRD district representative.

"Every time a
Rotary club in
one country
helps a Rotary
club in another
to complete a
local project,
it's an example
of WCS"

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# Twitti Basic School in Lilayi, Zambia

The Rotary Foundation approved a matching grant in December 2011 where the Rotary Club of Chilanga and the Rotary Club of Fredericton would work together to provide 12 computers and 1 lounge suite to the Twitti Basic Scholl in Lilayi, Zambia. This is a new school being funded by a Canadian NGO.

Ultimately 11 computers and 1 printer were purchased

for the school with funds raised through the Matching Grant. The lounge suite was not provided due to escalating costs. One of the computer is a lap top and has been installed in the office of the headmaster.

Since the installation of the computers and printer, teachers have been trained in computer usage and the students have begun to use the computers as an educational tool. In the future the com-

puters will be beneficial to the community of Lilayi as adult night courses will be offered.

Mary NcKean (Rotary Club of Fredericton) spearheaded the project and established a partnership with the Chilanga Rotary members. Mary had the support of the members of the Rotary Club of Fredericton and 3 others clubs in district 7810.

Another successful story. Congratulation Mary!

# **World Community Service Chairpersons**

If you are not the World Community Service Chairperson for you club or if you are and your name is not listed below, please advise District Chair Julie Bernard.

## **Rotary Club of:**

Bathurst: TBA
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Calais: Robert Chagrasulis Campbellton: Surya Master

Caribou: TBA

Chatham: Veronique Arseneault

Dalhousie: Janet Cooper

Dieppe: TBA

Edmundston: TBA Florenceville: TBA Fort Fairfield: TBA

Fort Kent: Wally Desjardins Fredericton: Mary McKean

Fredericton North: Harriett P. McMeill Fredericton Sunrise: Jean Street

Gagetown: TBA
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Grand Manan: Daniel Mullen

Greater Moncton Sunrise: Sharon Hebert

Hampton: Virginia Stites

Houlton: Scott, White

Limestone: Dottie Martin Machias: Dale Miller

Mars Hill: TBA

Moncton: TBA

Moncton West-Riverview: Claire Archi-

bald

Newcastle: Patricia Perry

Oromocto: Malcolm (Buck) Matheson

Perth-Andover: TBA
Port Elgin: TBA

Presque Isle: Kevin McCartney

Rothesay-Kings: TBA

Sackville: TBA

Saint John: Heinz, Schaerer Shediac: Camille Belliveau

St. Stephen-Milltown: Richard L. Rogers

Sussex: Rick Fazari

Washburn: Cvnthia Richendollar

Woodstock: TBA