

Future Vision

Pilot overview

The Rotary Foundation Future Vision Pilot is a three-year test of the new grant structure offered in the Foundation's [Future Vision Plan](#). [One hundred districts](#) are participating in the pilot. Pilot districts will have a unique opportunity to help refine the new grant structure by providing input and receiving specialized Foundation support and service.

Grant structure

Pilot districts will work with Rotary Foundation [District Grants](#) and Rotary Foundation [Global Grants](#) for three years of the pilot. [Download the terms and conditions](#) for these grants. For more information, view the "[Choosing a grant](#)" interactive training module.

[Rotary Foundation District Grants](#)

District grants are block grants made to districts for up to 50 percent of their District Designated Fund (DDF). District grants offer the flexibility to respond quickly to immediate needs or to plan projects with clubs locally or in other countries.

[Rotary Foundation Global Grants](#)

Global grants support large international projects with sustainable, high-impact outcomes in the six areas of focus that correspond to the Foundation's mission.

Areas of focus

1. Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
2. Disease prevention and treatment
3. Water and sanitation
4. Maternal and child health
5. Basic education and literacy
6. Economic and community development

[Read more about the areas of focus.](#)

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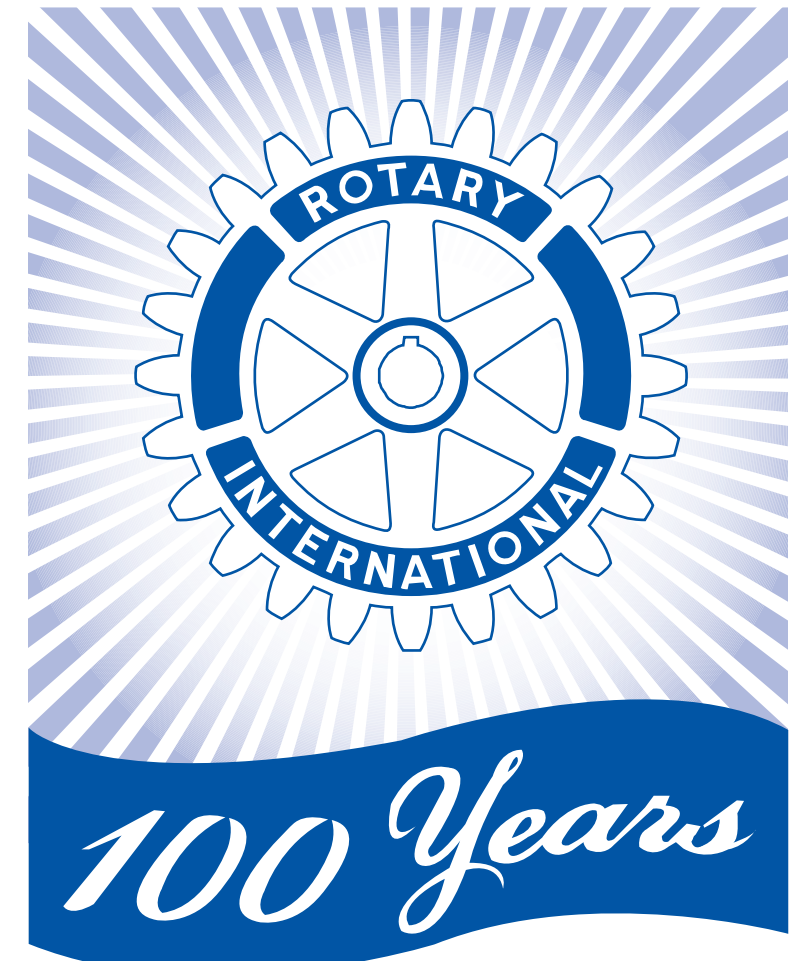
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MINUTES FROM 07/10/12

President-Elect Patrick Ward presided over the meeting in President Maura McLaughlin's absence.

Thanks to Conrad Welker, who gave the invocation and to Aime Moore who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Patrick the led the Club in the 4-Way Test and then asked Chris Price to introduce today's guests and visiting Rotarians. Rusty Edwards has as his guest Tyler Manning from North Carolina. There are no visiting Rotarians. Chris thanked our greeters today, Wes Brooks and Stan Causey.

Chris is also responsible for July program. He introduced Dr. Michael Garrett the Executive Director of Home of Hope.

Garrett reminded Rotarians that he and his two sisters were re-united in the Baptist Children's Village in Monroe, Louisiana in 1987 after all three suffered through a broken family and several foster homes. Garrett noted that he is very grateful for the people who helped him and his sisters achieve a better life. He also thanked the folks who one hundred years ago had the vision to create the Baptist Children's Village.

That experience is one that Garrett credits for his motivation and drive to build our area's Homes of Hope. He came to the Hattiesburg area in 2006 with this dream. In 2007 supporters raised \$230,000 in four months and purchased 42 acres of land near Purvis. In November 2009 the House Relief Parent's Duplex was completed. In July 2010 Dearman Cottage was constructed and the Homes of Home dream was coming true. Nick's Grocery, the commissary was completed in June 2010 and finally children were able to occupy the facility. Hope Haven Cottage, the girl's facility was occupied in July 2011. Today Homes of Hope serves 15 children.

Garrett points out that the children who live at the facility are not unlike any child. They've not been convicted of a crime. They are not juvenile delinquents. Instead, they are children that were born in difficult circumstances. Home of Hope is a facility that provides a safe and secure environment for occupants. Model Couples occupy both of their cottages and are there twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. They serve as model parents for the children, giving them an idea of what life is like in a normal family situation.

Homes of Hope targets younger children and sibling groups who need their services. On the average a foster child changes homes three times every fourteen months in Mississippi.

Homes of Hope is privately funded. The children attend public school and when they need to visit a dentist or a doctor their model couple takes them. The organization spends on the average of \$34 to \$35 thousand dollars each year on each child in their care.

When all three phases of the project are completed Dr. Garrett says the facility will be able to serve 42 children on campus with assistance also being provided to their children who are attending college.

Garrett invited Rotarians to attend the Homes of Hope Auction which will be held on August 11, 2012 at the Lake Terrace Convention Center. He also encouraged Rotarians to consider participating in their Operation of Hope campaign which will get underway in October. Each participating business will conduct some type of fundraiser for the project during that month.

For more information contact Home of Hope at (769) 456-7021 or visit their website at www.hohfc.org.

MEET OUR SPEAKER

Nathan Watson, Tradition Properties, Senior Vice President of Development



Nathan joined the Tradition team in 2008 and oversees residential, commercial, amenity and infrastructure development. He has been active in real estate development in New Orleans and South Louisiana for more than 20 years. His recent projects included an environmentally-sensitive residential development in New Orleans, a planned unit development on the New Orleans' north shore, and a 74-acre mixed-use development in downtown New Orleans. Nathan is member of the Urban Land Institute. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Architecture from Auburn University and a Masters in Business Administration from Columbia University. Nathan and his family reside at Tradition.

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Dan Davis is being proposed for membership by Tracie Fowler. Dan is the Manager of Marketing and PR with Southern Pines Electric Power Association

Also proposed for membership is Kevin Zemetis. Kevin is President of The Strategic Results Center and has been proposed by Scott Hummel.

If you have any questions or comments about those proposed, please see our Membership Chair, Scott Hummel.



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