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Your District 7090 Monthly Foundation Newsletter



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Hello Rotarians

Anytime: Qualify for Global Grants online

Dec 31 2022-deadline to apply for VTT

Feb 1- Peace Fellow Scholarship open

Feb 23-118th Anniversary of Rotary

April 15-District Scholarship Grant application due

April 15-District Grant report due

April 30 District Grant Application deadline

May 15 Peace Fellow deadline

June 15 Webnair foundation

June 30- deadline for global scholarship applications to RI

February 23, 2023 marks the 118th anniversary of the world's first Rotary meeting. On that date in 1905, four individuals, each of a different background and different vocation met for dinner in the spirit of friendship and fellowship.

In respect to the original four members, it is possible that Margaret Mead's famous quote applies more to them than anyone: "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has"

No matter what the size of your club you can make a difference. The best way is thru the Rotary Foundation by giving to the Annual Fund. The money comes back to Rotarians around the world to do good in the world. As well applying for a district grant or global grant for your club. Reminder District grant applications are due by April 30th for the year 2023-24. Great opportunity for your President Elect to get involved in a project now.

Please take a look at this months newsletter at great projects clubs have accomplished and remember grant reports are due soon.

With all the strive in the world our Committee has supported the use of \$5000 each of our global DDF to the Ukraine response effort, Pakistan Flood and Turkey Earthquake on behalf of the members of District 7090.

Yours in Rotary

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District Grants in Action

Giving It Your Best Shot

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The last day of the First Tee — Western New York was held Wednesday at C.C. Ring Elementary School in Jamestown. The program, which introduces golf and its inherent values, was held each Monday and Wednesday beginning in early July and included about 50 youngsters. In partnership with the Jamestown YMCA, First Tee — Western New York was staffed by Ray Maduro and volunteers, including Greg Leonard, president of the Rotary Club of Greater Jamestown AM. The organization provided and paid for the equipment the youngsters used. In photo above, volunteer Pat Traniello exchanges a high-five with one of the First Tee — Western New York participants.

P-J photo by Scott Kindberg



Is your club qualified for 2023-23?

AM Rotary Donates To YMCA

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Sarah Gilbert, Service Projects team member for the Greater Jamestown AM Rotary, is pictured presenting a check for more than \$3,000 to John Barber, vice president of operations for the Jamestown YMCA. They were joined by Kelly Dawson, treasurer; Greg Leonard, president; and Scott Johnson, rear, club Service Projects chairman. Money was used to purchase equipment and instructional materials for the First Tee Community Program, which teaches basic golf skills and principles such as fair play and good sportsmanship. Gilbert was the grant writer for an approved District 7090 Rotary Foundation grant that provided money to pay some of the costs. Johnson coordinated volunteer efforts of AM Rotary members and several other community volunteers to provide basic golf skills instruction to almost 50 students who attended a summer school program at Ring Elementary School in July and August. Submitted photo

Rotary Club of Jamestown AM

COOL DONATION!



The Rotary Club of Brantford-Sunrise donated \$5,000 towards a new walk-in freezer for the Raw Carrot Soup Enterprise, which operates out of the Paris Presbyterian Church. The cost of the \$30,000 freezer was covered by the Rotary Foundation Grant and an anonymous donor. Pictured from left to right are Jason Cherry, Brantford Rotary Club President, Rebecca Sherbino, Co-director and Co-founder of the Raw Carrot Soup Enterprise and Glen Christensen, Global and District Grant Committee Chair for the Rotary Foundation. See the full story on pages 4-5.

Photo by Cindy Whelan

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District Scholarships

Who can apply: Any graduating high school student residing in D7090, and pursuing post secondary education.

Clubs sponsor the student on the application.

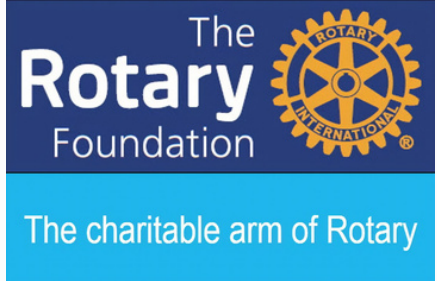
3 financial awards are provided: Two \$1,000USD and one \$1,500USD (household income must be less than \$37,000).

This is a great opportunity for Rotarians to reach out to their local high schools and not only introduce the scholarship opportunity, but to introduce ROTARY and INTERACT to our communities!

[www.rotary7090.org/committees/foundation/district scholarship](http://www.rotary7090.org/committees/foundation/district%20scholarship)

<https://portal.clubrunner.ca/50043/Documents/en-ca/64d6e965-665b-4219-a1cf-c85d26e940f0/1/>

A FOUNDATION MOMENT



An effective practice to keep fellow members informed and engaged is to share short Foundation infomercials in your meeting.

To have someone from the Foundation Committee attend your club please contact us

The Rotary Foundation is the engine that transforms and supports projects that change lives in our local communities and around the world.

WHAT ARE MAJOR DONORS?

Major Donors are people who have contributed at least US\$10,000 to The Rotary Foundation.

You receive Major Donor recognition as an individual or couple when your cumulative personal outright giving has reached that level, regardless of how the gift is designated to be used. Major Donors can choose to receive a crystal piece and a lapel pin or pendant at each new recognition level.

More than 30,000 people have become Major Donors since the program began.



WHAT IS OUR GRANT MODEL DESIGNED TO DO?

Our grant model is designed to produce sustainable results that align with The Rotary Foundation's priorities and the areas of focus, engage members, and deepen their connection to Rotary. This means we:

- Focus our service efforts where they'll have the greatest impact by addressing genuine needs that are relevant to communities
 - Offer program options to help people achieve both local and global goals
 - Simplify Foundation processes to help more people take part
 - Give people more decision-making power at the club and district levels to increase their commitment
 - Communicate clearly about our work to enhance Rotary's public image
- The Rotary Foundation is continuing to make a difference in our world!

Are you or your club interested in a forming polio Plus Society in District 7090?

If there is interest our District will start a polio Plus Society. Please email to sandichard@gmail.com to let me know of members interest

What is the Society?

As a member of the Society you pledge to donate a minimum of US\$100 each year until the world is certified polio free. This is a great opportunity to do good in the world.

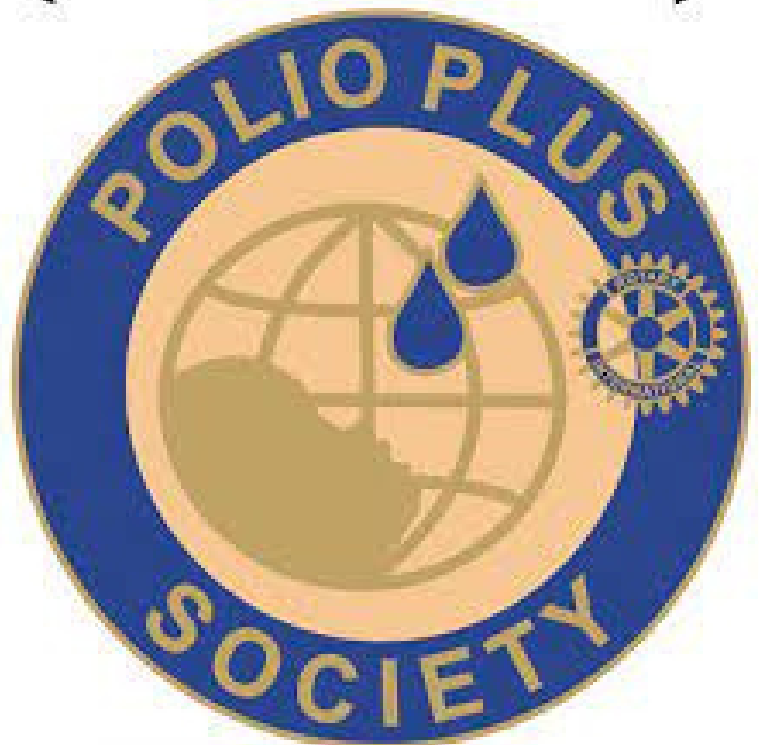
Joining the Society is a 2 step process.

1 st Step, complete the Polio Plus Society Pledge Form

2 nd Step, make your donation. You can choose to donate in various ways, either by credit card online, or by check. If you choose a credit card, go to myrotary.org/donate and choose "Polio Fund". You can then:

Make a onetime donation of \$100 (or more) with your credit card by clicking on the "One-time donation" button and choosing the appropriate amount from the boxes

Rotarians and their friends who join the Society will be honored with a special pin, certificate and optional "End Polio Now" wristband which will be presented at a Club meeting. And you will receive Paul Harris Credit and Major donor Credit. Of course your donation will be matched 2 to1 by the Gates Foundation.



OUR BEST CHANCE TO ERADICATE POLIO IS NOW!



The Pakistan Flood Response Fund will help communities recover from the disaster that displaced people and destroyed crops.

It will accept contributions, including District Designated Funds until 31 December 2023

and distribute grants until 30 June 2024 or until the funds are spent.

Any unused money will be transferred to the general Disaster Response Fund.

District 7090 has approved \$5000 DDF to this effort

The Ukraine Response Fund will also accept contributions, including District Designated Funds, to support grants for districts affected by the war. It will operate on the same schedule as the Pakistan fund, accepting donations until 31 December 2023 and awarding grants until 30 June 2024 or until the money is spent. Any unused funds will also be transferred to the Disaster Response Fund.

Districts affected by the flooding in Pakistan or the war in Ukraine can apply for grants from the relevant fund to provide items such as water, food, medicine, shelter, and clothing. To learn more and help these communities, you and your members can:

Donate to the Pakistan Flood Response Fund or the Ukraine Response Fund

Contribute your District Designated Funds

Learn more about both funds and how to apply for disaster response grants

Fundraise among your colleagues, friends, and family using Raise for Rotary

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Turkey and Syria were struck by a devastating earthquake on 6 February that has killed tens of thousands of people, destroyed thousands of homes and other structures, and left people across the region without shelter in bitterly cold winter weather.

The Rotary world responded to this catastrophe immediately. RI President Jennifer Jones activated our disaster response efforts, communicated with the affected districts, and encouraged governors in those regions to apply for disaster response grants and share information about their relief efforts so that Rotary can amplify the calls for support.

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Volunteer opportunities



New York State District 7090 Cluster Fund-coordinator

Assist clubs in the USA side of our District 7090 coordinating a cluster global grant . For more information

<https://rotary7090.org/documents/en-ca/32f28a98-fde3-4d70-b356-e9ff8a8a5ae1/1/>

District Grants (club) Chair

The club grants chair oversees the club grants process, from qualifying clubs, verifying MOUs, answering questions from clubs re grant applications, oversees and coordinates the reviewers, is a tie-breaker on grant reviews, works closely with the Grants Chair and DRFC, and updates the D7090 grants module with all relevant information.

District Grant Reviewers

Grant reviews take place between February & May.

Reviewers may determine how many grants they would be willing to review which could be 3 - 5 applications. A reviewer is assigned a grant to review and they work with the club to ensure the application is in good order!

Two reviewers are required for each grant, with one being a lead.

Qualification required is "to do good in the world"!

Peace Fellow Endorser

After taking the Rotary international Endorser course you will be assigned usually 3 candidates from our District 7090. You will interview these candidates and write a report to RI on the candidate. You may also help the candidate with their application to the Peace Fellow programs. All reviews are done in June

District Scholarship Reviewer

Review applications from our District Scholarship program from high school students.

Polio Plus

Endowment Fund

Stewardship Reviewer

GLOBAL GRANT *NEWS*

Cluster Grants Explained

Plan now for 2023-24

What is a Cluster Fund? In 2018 a dozen Rotary Clubs from the Niagara peninsula Region met to prove that “1+1=3”! With several International Global projects to select from, they voted and selected a project sponsored by the Rotary Club of Lincoln to train mid-wives for the highlands of Guatemala. Each member of the Niagara Cluster Group contributed \$1,000 US to the project. This became the seed for a budget of over \$80,000 US\$. At that time, the ‘Multiplier Effect’ of District 7090, The Rotary International Global Fund, and even the Canadian Government made this possible. In a country where the Infant death rate was 100 times more than in Canada, the Cluster Fund of Niagara has made a difference.

Since that time we have supported water and hygiene projects in Nepal and Guatemala; Educational Supplies in the Philippines; and last year we supported the Dunnville club with a fascinating roof rain water collection system in the severe drought area of Tanzania. The Cluster Fund system works!

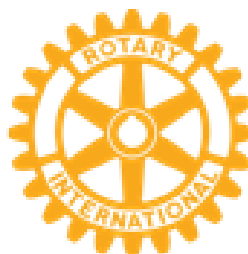
The Advantage of the Cluster Fund is that a smaller club can participate in a Global Grant with just a \$1000 US contribution. Without this support, a club would need \$12,000 US to allow the Multiplier Effect of Rotary to reach the \$30,000 US Global Grant threshold. One should also recognize that the Cluster Fund is a means for any club to participate in the Global Grant system that allows Rotary to do what it does best..... Improve the lives and support people around the world.

We are now very pleased to have permission from District 7090 to expand this idea to all of the Canadian clubs in the District. With 30 clubs in this half of the region, this will be a tremendous opportunity to participate in Global Grants.

The District is presently looking for support from the US side of the border to create a Cluster Group of their own. That border is not a barrier, but an advantage for District 7090. There is no reason that a Global Grant, with it’s larger budget; can not have a host club on one side of the river, being supported by a sponsor club on the other side. This means that larger funded projects can get RI support for a District 7090 project. Recognize that the sponsor club could contribute only \$500, with the Cluster contributing the rest of the funds for a project on their side.

Cluster Funds have made the difference.... The future is wide open to do more!

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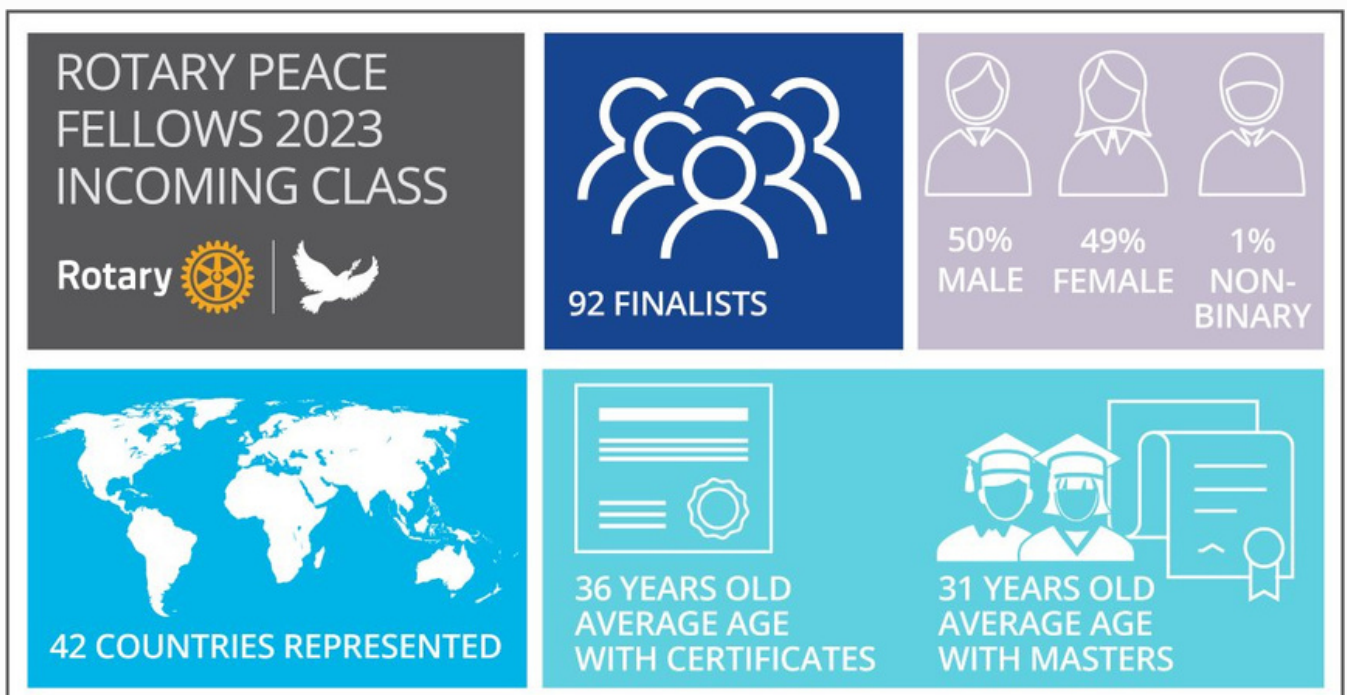


Recruit Rotary Peace Fellow candidates from your community

Districts and Rotary and Rotaract clubs play a key role in recruiting and recommending Rotary Peace Fellow candidates. Each year, The Rotary Foundation awards fellowships to leaders in peace and development to study at one of the Rotary Peace Centers at premier universities around the world. The fellows can earn a master's degree or a professional development certificate. The application is now open through 15 May this year, and selected peace fellows will begin their studies in 2024. [Find out who is eligible and what they need in order to apply.](#)

If you know any midcareer change-makers or any young professionals who have peacebuilding experience, help them apply for a fully funded Rotary Peace Fellowship. Connect with your district Rotary Peace Fellowship subcommittee chair to learn more about members' role in selecting peace fellows and get involved.

Since the Rotary Peace Centers program began in 2002, more than 1,600 fellows have graduated from our programs. They are now working on peace and development initiatives in more than 140 countries. Many serve as leaders in government, nongovernmental organizations, education and research institutions, peacekeeping and law enforcement agencies, and international organizations like UNICEF, the United Nations, the World Bank, and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies. Follow the Rotary Peace Centers Facebook page for updates about peace fellows' work.



District 7090 Rotary Foundation Committee

Members 2022-2023

District Rotary Foundation Chair - Sandi Chard

Past Rotary Foundation - Pat Castiglia

Fundraising Chair -Glen Christensen

Subcommittee:

Annual Fund - Annie Holtby

Paul Harris Society - Paul Lehman

Endowment Fund - Sandi Chard

Polio Plus Chair - June Mergl-sabbatical

Subcommittee:

Polio Plus Ride - PDG Frank Adamson

Stewardship Chair - Paul Saskowksi

Grants Chair - Lezlie Murch

Subcommittee:

Club Grants Chair - TBD

Global Grants Chair- Lezlie Murch

District Grants Mentor - John Boronkay

Vocational Training Team - Dan Smith

District Scholarships - Carol DeNysschen

Ontario Cluster Fund - Dave Berry

New York Cluster Fund-TBA

Voting Members from District Governors:

District Governor: Lisa Bishop

District Governor Elect: Scott Marcin

District Governor-Nominee: David Alexander

District Grants Review Committee:

John Boronkay, RC Orchard Park

Aaron Carlson RC Lockport

Shefali Clerk, RC Amherst South

Jim Ellison, RC LeRoy

Cameron Johnson, RC Brantford Sunrise

Lezlie Murch, RC St. Catharines

Ken Schander, RC Niagara on the Lake

John Teibert, RC St. Catharines South

Peace Scholarships committee

Chair-Liz Fisk-RC of Grimsby

Tony Agnello, RC Orchard Park

Kathy Starodub, RC Dundas Valley Sunrise

Bob Monroe, RC Hamilton Tonic

Allyson Wenzowski, RC Hamilton Tonic

Rotaract Member -Minnoli Aya, UB Rotaract Club

If you are interested in joining a committee, contact Sandi