## **Rotary District 7090**

## **Rotary Foundation Newsletter**







District Foundation Chair 2024-27 Lisa Bishop Monthly message page 2

Anytime: Qualify for Global Grants online

Book a Club talk on Foundation

July 1-Goals set for Foundation not too late!!

On going-qualify for district and global grants online September 21-particpate for polio

October 9-Foundation
Office hours 5:30
October 21-cluster Funding
October 24 World Polio Day

November Foundation
Month

November 16-Foundation Celebration-

November 16 District Grant qualification in person

May 31-Have you checked your clubs giving's?

June 10- deadline for global scholarship applications to RI for September starting or 3 months prior to courses

June 30 -money to Foundation for year 2024-25 must be postmarked today and arrive by July 5



Assistant Governor Area 8, Scott Broda

"Participate to End Polio" Events held
Saturday September 21/24.

Grand Island, NY, and St. David's, ON



Paddle for Polio IPDG Scott Marcin



One of The Rotary Foundation seven areas of Focus



Receiving reinbursement for District Grant for \$2000 from DRFC Lisa



Find out how this tree will make a difference in the community of Pelham

## Book a Speaker

We have many speakers available to talk on The Rotary Foundation at your club meetings learn about Global Grants, District Grants, End Polio The Endowment Fund, Scholarships, Disaster Relief Fund, Every Rotarian Every Year

## **D7090 Foundation Happenings**



# THANK-YOU FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION Together, we plan for Rotary Ahead!

### End Polio Awareness & Fundraisers

<u>September 21:</u> Two "Participate to End" Polio Events <u>October 24 & 26</u> "END POLIO"~Light Up Niagara Falls

## Foundation Speakers & Monthly Office Hours

8 speakers available for inperson or virtual program at your club or area: The Annual Fund, End Polio, PHF Recognition, Awareness Fundraising, Endowments/Planned Giving Contact: DRFC Lisa Bishop delhipeople@sympatico.ca

Next Monthly Office Hours

<u>Wednesday Oct 9 @ 5:30 PM on Zoom</u>



## Greening Pelham

ROTARY DISTRICT GRANTS

DOING GOOD IN

YOUR COMMUNITY



Rotarians across District 7090 are continuing to implement their district grants. This month, the Rotarians of the Rotary Club of Fonthill reported how they united to protect the environment They provided trees, shrubs and mulch and taught youth and their families how to properly plant and care for their stock. Working together with the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, Town of Pelham and the Pelham Advocates for Tress and Habitat their District Grant and Club funds the project was a success. As you can see by the happy faces. The main focus of the grant was education about the importance of biodiversity and tree coverage to lower CO2 emissions, soil erosion, habitat protection.



A special thanks to the Rotarians at Fonthill Club for being People of Action and transforming their community by maximizing their own fundraising with district grant funds.

Is your club ready to access the tools and funding to realize their dreams? Sign up today for this year's grant management seminar on November 16 in Fort Erie. See information on page .

Please register for one of the District two events on September 21 to End polio



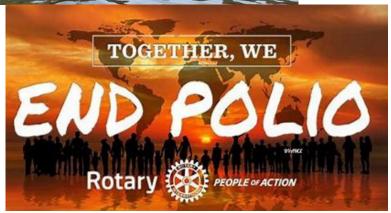












## **Paul Harris Fellows**



Hamilton AM Presents Paul Harris Fellow

PHOTO (L to R): PDG Anne Bermingham, honourees Lee Prokaska and Kathie Ward and President Celine Legret -photo by Mark Ewer

Hamilton AM club members welcomed three outstanding citizens; Nancy McMillan, Kathie Ward and Lee Prokaska who spoke of their personal involvement in Hamilton's Bright Run, a significant local cancer fundraising annual event. Bright Run is a non-competitive, family-friendly 1 km/5 km walk or run held at Christie Lake Conservation Area on the first Saturday after Labour Day

The Bright Run is a volunteer led event that has raised more than \$5.5 million since its inception in 2008 to fund local breast care research at the Juravinski Cancer Centre and McMaster University. Each of our guests shared their personal story and their path to becoming integral to the Bright Run operation.

In recognition of this tremendous example of volunteer leadership, Lee Prokaska and Kathie Ward were given Paul Harris Awards by the Hamilton AM club with Nancy to receive hers at the August 9, Starry Night fundraiser.



**DG Dave presenting to Ellen** 

Rotary Club of St. Catharines Lakeshore's
Ellen Wodchis was thanked by District
Govenor Dave Alexander at the recent
meeting. Ellen was given her Paul Harris plus
three pin







#### HATS OFF TO GENEROUS D7090 ROTARIANS!!!





Rotary Sustaining Member

Giving \$100 or more per year every year makes a Rotarian a Sustaining Member to the Annual Fund.

These contributions count toward Paul Harris Fellow, Multiple Paul Harris Fellow, Paul Harris Society, & Major Donor recognition.

This month we hear from Rotarian Annie Holtby from the Rotary Club of Fonthill on the importance of The Rotary Foundation to her.

#### How did you first decide to give to the Rotary Foundation?

One of the first revelations about The Rotary Foundation for me was its astute management of the Annual Fund to raise money to its max, initially investing all of your donation and letting it earn money

for three years before coming back, half to your district and half to the World Fund. All of the donation went to projects, the interest earned went to administration. Just lately 5% of the earnings also goes there. Still, The Rotary Foundation is rated as one of the top fundraisers in the world – for its transparency, its management of funds and projects, for its stewardship and direction to Rotary across the world. It made donating to the Annual Fund a very easy move and I eventually ended many other things I'd supported over the years – good causes all. TRF is MY charity and MY hero. Hundreds of valuable, needed and life changing projects get funded every year with the relevant District's Stewardship looking over the clubs' shoulders.

#### Is The Rotary Club of Fonthill an Every Rotarian Every Year Club?

Yes every member is committed to giving a minimum of \$100 Canadian to the Rotary Foundation. The minimum for EREY is \$25 US per member to the Annual Fund with the club averaging at \$100 to the Annual Fund.

#### Why it is important for you to be a sustaining member of The Rotary Foundation?

I like the commitment part. It's ongoing and can be used in whatever project is going to make a difference. I liked the concept of our club becoming a sustaining club.

#### Do you donate to other parts of the Rotary Foundation?

Yes I donate to the end polio now campaign. It's easy to do now by donating to the upcoming Rides for Polio on both sides of the Niagara River!

#### You also support other Rotary program tell us about them.

I support club programs like the Rotary Auction Niagara, planting trees, and supporting the extension of the Steve Bauer Trail. (It was one of Fonthill's first projects when the club was formed) Even as a visiting Rotarian to the Rotary Club of Indian Rocks Beach, I supported through my Florida years a fellow Rotarian who swam annually to support Seal Families who had lost their husband, partner, father, son in the line of duty. That Rotary Club of IRB took up a collection to send to the first big fire north of Edmonton years ago because it touched their hearts and Canadians were their partners in Rotary frequently, especially when doing their make ups in Florida at Jimmy Guana's initially or more recently at Crabby Bills. That's where I first met Lisa Bishop but that's another story.

two minutes ideas for club meeting

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

#### WHAT ARE DISTRICT DESIGNATED FUNDS?

District Designated Funds (DDF) are generated based on contributions to the Annual Fund.

Every year, each district's contributions to the Annual Fund-SHARE are divided up. First, 5% is deducted for operational costs. The rest is split equally, 47.5% each, between the World Fund and funding for the district.

As we've mentioned, the money is invested for three years before it becomes available to districts. Your district can ask for up to half of its DDF in a district grant each year, then use the funds for the grants and programs that matter most in your area.

This formula makes The Rotary Foundation an integral part of Rotary in our communities.

#### WHAT IS SHARE?

The SHARE system is how The Rotary Foundation distributes funds to districts.

When you contribute to Annual Fund-SHARE, the first 5% is deducted for operational costs. The remainder of the contribution is divided between the World Fund and District Designated Funds (DDF). The Trustees of the Rotary Foundation allocate money from the World Fund, and your district allocates DDF to the programs that people in your area want to support.

The name defines what the system does, because contributions are shared throughout the world.

#### HOW DOES THE ROTARY FOUNDATION USE DONATIONS?

The Rotary Foundation transforms charitable contributions into programs that fight polio and build peace, into humanitarian projects that change lives, and into scholarships and vocational training. The funds are also used for local projects that Rotary members feel passionate about.

As a global organization that operates in nearly every country, Rotary takes stewardship of its funds seriously and we've received a four-star rating from Charity Navigator for 14 years in a row.

The Rotary Foundation Cadre of Technical Advisers helps ensure that grant funds are spent properly. In addition, trained members oversee the use of funds at the club and district level







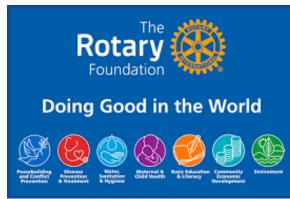












New members an introduction to The Rotary Foundation.

Here are 6 steps to familiarize new (and experienced) members with our Foundation.

- 1. Review current and past club Global and District grants with the new member and have the mentor take the new member on a tour of Rotary projects in the community.
  - 2. Explain Rotary's work in the effort to eradicate polio worldwide. www.endpolio.org/
- 3. Encourage new members to take basic Rotary Foundation courses at the Rotary Learning Center
- 4. Recommend they read the Rotary Foundation Reference Guide and then meet the new member for coffee to answer their questions. (found on district website)
- 5. Explain the impact of a gift to The Rotary Foundation and how to donate online or with Rotary Direct.
  - 6. Check our District Webpage for information on Rotary Foundation
- 7. Consider matching Paul Harris Fellow recognition points for new member donations for the first year. This can be done individually or by a club member



#### What is a named Endowment?

Create a legacy in your own name, or to honor a loved one, to see the impact of your gift and watch it grow over time. You can also make a commitment in your estate plans to support the causes you care about most. Each fund is tracked and reported to you and your district, so they are reminded of your generosity for generations to come.

#### Is there a minimum amount to establish a named Endowment?

Yes, US \$25,000. In cash or a bequest in your estate plans

#### Can I direct an Endowment to a specific program?

You can direct your Endowment to the Word Fund, SHARE, one of Rotary's 7 areas of focus or the Rotary Peace Centers

#### How can I support local projects?

Gifts designated to SHARE are split equally between the World Fund and District Designated Funds (DDF). The Rotary district of your choice uses District Designated Funds to participate in the Foundation's programs.

#### Can I direct an Endowment to more than one program?

Yes, an Endowment may be directed to more than one program depending on the value of the Endowment.

#### How do I include Rotary in my estate plan?

One of the most popular ways to include Rotary in an estate plan is through a will or codicil. Whichever method works best for you, please remember to use the official legal name The Rotary Foundation or The Rotary Foundation Canada.

Leaving a Legacy of Hope Rotary's Endowment Fund





Saturday Nov 16
Fort Erie Legion
11 a.m.-2
District Grant Seminar
Awards for 2023-24
Foundation Celebration

Save the date







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#### **DISTRICT GRANT FUNDS AVAILABLE**

#### Qualifying Requirements for Club Grants and Global Grants is now available!

#### **CLUB GRANTS**

How to qualify today in order to receive funds for projects in 2025 2026:

Receive up to \$2,000USD of matching funds for small scale, short term projects, either locally or globally by:

**Club Dues must be in good standing** 

Enter Goals for Foundation and Polio, and Foundation Chair in myRotary

A minimum of 2 ACTIVE members completes any online Foundation module, which can be found on the RI website>log into "myrotary">knowledge and resources>learning center>Foundation.

Module must not be one that has already been completed and must have a certification date later than July 1, 2024. Completion certificates are to be forwarded to: lezliemurch@gmail.com https://learn.rotary.org/members/learn/catalog/view/69

or

Two active members may attend the Foundation Seminar on November 16, 2024

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One member may doing a learning module course and one member attend the Foundation Celebration Seminar

Following the above requirements the MOU must be submitted to: lezliemurch@gmail.com

#### **GLOBAL GRANTS**

To be eligible to sign the Club MOU for Global Grants, and participate in global grants, including cluster funding, VTT (vocational training team), as a host, or as an international partner, and for a club to receive financial matching funds from the district (host club or international partner only), a club is required to qualify by:

Club dues must be in good standing

Enter Rotary Foundation and Polio goals, and active Foundation Chair assigned into My Rotary
Have a minimum of 2 ACTIVE members complete the online module, with at least an 80% score.

Completion certificates must be submitted to: lezliemurch@gmail.com

Grant Management Seminar:

Full Module: <a href="https://learn.rotary.org/members/learn/lp/101/Grant%2520Management%2520Seminar">https://learn.rotary.org/members/learn/lp/101/Grant%2520Management%2520Seminar</a>

**Grant Recertification Module:** 

https://learn.rotary.org/members/learn/course/internal/view/elearning/1079/grant-managementhttps://learn.rotary.org/members/learn/course/internal/view/elearning/1079/grant-management-recertification-2020-21recertification-2020-21

Note: if ACTIVE member has already completed the FULL online module and provided certification to the Grants committee, they may take the recertification course only.

ALL DOCUMENTS MAY BE FOUND: WWW.D7090 FOUNDATION

#### 2024-25 District 7090 Rotary Foundation Committee

Note: Many Committee members make great speakers at your club meetings

#### District Foundation Chair (2024-2027) -PDG Lisa Bishop

#### **Past Rotary Foundation - Sandi Chard**

#### **Fundraising Chair -PDG Frank Adamson**

Annual Fund - Annie Holtby
Paul Harris Society - Paul Lehman
Endowment Fund - Wolfgang Lindemann
Endowment Committee: AJ Block,
Bob Artis, Sandi Chard
Polio Plus Chair - Bill French

#### Stewardship Chair - Paul Saskowksi

committee: Michael Harrington Sandi Chard

#### Grants Chair - Lezlie Murch

Subcommittee:

Global Grants Chair- Lezlie Murch District
International Service Committee: Brad Wood
Global Vocational Training Team - Dan Smith
District Scholarships - Carol DeNysschen
Ontario Cluster Fund - Dave Berry
New York Cluster Fund-TBA

District Governor: David Alexander
District Governor Elect: Michele StarwaltoWoods
District Governor-Nominee: Aaron Carlson

District Grants Review Committee:
John Boronkay, RC Orchard Park
Margaret Andrewes, RC Lincoln
Don Lawrence, RC Amherst
Jim Ellison, RC LeRoy
Cameron Johnston, RC Brantford Sunrise
Lezlie Murch, RC St. Catharines
Ken Schander, RC Niagara on the Lake
John Teibert, RC St. Catharines South
Glen Christenson -Brantford Sunrise

Peace Scholarships Chair Bob Munroe



Lisa Bishop at delhipeople@sympatico.ca

Bold is Voting Members of Foundation Committee