



Rotary International District 7090

Canada – United States “Best of Friends” District

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District Governor's Report to District Council

November 21, 2009

Official Club Visits: By the time the Council meets on November 21st, I would have visited 61 Clubs, with ONLY 12 clubs left. All visits except to two clubs in Amherst will be completed before Christmas. Paying an official visit to a club is required part of being a District Governor. And yet, it is also one of the most exciting and satisfying part of my year as a Governor. More than often, I am pleasantly surprised to see and hear club do some great projects that I was not aware of. In many cases, besides giving my message, I have had the opportunity to induct new members, give out Paul Harris Fellow Awards and even help hand out contributions to the community organizations on behalf of the club.

One of the exciting visits was to the Brantford Rotaract Club when PRIP Wilf Wilkinson was the guest speaker earlier this month. It was heartwarming to see the enthusiasm shown by the Retractors for Wilf and for Rotary.

District Duties & Meetings: Since July 1, I have been working closely with the District Treasurer to monitor and approve check requests as well as sign checks. I have attended many district committee meetings, as well as taken part in several other meetings via conference calls. I also attended two meeting of the Governor Advisory Committee meeting. The committee is comprised of the District Governor, DGE Karen Oakes, DGN John Heise and PDGs Ralph Montesanto, Art Wing, Dick Earne, Bob Bruce and Wally Ochterski. Besides attending meetings, I have provided support and input into matters affecting the operations of various district activities.

Starting July 1, I have also worked closely with Elisabeth Biers who is the editor of the District Newsletter. Elisabeth has done a phenomenal job of producing an attractive and informative newsletter every month. Many of you have complemented Elisabeth on a job well done.

I also work closely with our District Executive Secretary Pene who performs many administrative functions, provides support to the clubs and district chairs and maintains the District Web Site. The web site has a lot of useful information as well as current Rotary news. The clubs are always looking for information on various areas of Rotary and we would like them to use the District and RI web sites for this purpose. Adding content and improving the web site is always a work in progress and Pene would appreciate it if District Directors and committee chairs will take ownership of their respective pages and keep them current.

Rotary Leadership Institute: On October 31st, several District Rotarians attended an RLI Facilitators training in Burlington and are now qualified as RLI Faculty. We are going to begin offering RLI training sessions in the spring of 2010. Starting RLI training program in District 7090 is a major step towards significantly improving leadership skills and increasing Rotary knowledge among Rotarians in the District. RLI will go a long way in achieving the goal of creating and maintaining effective leadership in every club in the District. District RLI Committee Chair Dick Earne will provide a more detailed report on RLI and the training schedule that they are working on.

District 7090.District Conference: The District Conference last month was very well attended and a huge success. Barbara Guida, the conference chair, has provided a brief report on the conference. Barbara Guida and the Conference committee did a superb job. It was truly one of those “You should have been there” conference.

There is also an article and a write up by PDG Art Wing in the November issue of the District Newsletter as well so I will not repeat the details here. I would only like to say that The Rotary Foundation (TRF) was truly showcased Conference. The theme day sessions on Saturday highlighted the many TRF local and international community programs available to Rotarians.

I was also very please to see that twenty two clubs displayed their projects in the House of Friendship all day Saturday and during the Wine and Cheese Reception. All these projects were a visual proof that so much is done by clubs in our district, both in their own communities and all over the world with help of funds provided by member and club contributions to the Rotary Foundation. We are truly Making A Difference.

Group Study Exchange: On October 3, the GSE team arrived from Belize, District 4250 and spent a month in the district. Co-chairs Keith Lindberg and Bert Rappole as well as the rest of the GSE committee really worked hard and organized host clubs and events for the entire period of their stay. The team was on the Canadian side from Oct 5th to Oct 16th and they returned to the US and were hosted by the Amherst and Williamsville Clubs and attended the District Conference. On Oct 18 they went to southern & eastern parts of the district in the US. They departed from Belize on November 2nd.

They had a great visit and learned a lot about various educational programs, both formal and non formal in various parts of the district. They also visited many tourist and cultural sites and met Rotarians and their family members as they travelled from area to area. At least one service opportunity was born during their visit to Niagara on the Lake. As the result of their visit to the Red Roof Retreat, (a place for children with special needs), the Belize teachers were very interested in the operation of the school since they also have a definite need. The NOTL club is therefore paying the return flight to Belize for the operator of the Red Roof Retreat and a therapist to assist in setting up a similar program there.

The outbound team to Belize & Guatemala will be going District 4250 from Feb 15th to March 15th. The GSE committee has selected a great team which we can be proud of. The details of this team are given in a separate report by the GSE Committee.

Rotary UN Day: I attended the Rotary UN Day in New York City on Saturday, November 7th. I have attended the Rotary UN Day every year since 2001. Many Rotary leaders, hundreds of Rotarians, Youth Exchange Students & Rotractors take part in the Rotary UN day. This year the attendance was over 1600 participants. The organizers of the event select top club projects from all over the world in the area of water, literacy, Health and Hunger and alleviating poverty. These clubs and respective United Nations agencies do a presentation on how Rotary & UN are working together on achieving the UN Millennium Development Goals in each of these areas as outlined by the United Nations in the year 2000. This year one of the presentation was by the Rotaract Club of United Nations and one was by Interact Clubs from Miami and Paris. It was very exciting to hear what the youth and young professionals are doing to make the world a better place. It is a great experience to see how the United Nations and Rotary work together to meet many of the worlds humanitarian needs. I highly recommend that you go to the Rotary web site and read about all the projects that were showcased at the UN this year and how Rotary and the UN work together.

It has been a really exciting but busy five months for Sheela and I and we look forward the remaining club visits as well all the informal club visits throughout the year.



Pravin D. Suchak



District Governor Elect

Report to District Council

November 21, 2009

Greetings! Since we last meet at District Council in September, my Rotary involvement continues to expand with many opportunities for growth. Activities undertaken include the following:

- Participate in GSE team leader, and member interviews and selection process – best wishes to all the candidates, and a big Thank you to Co-chairs Keith Lindberg and Bert Rappole and the committee for a job well done.**
- Enjoy fellowship activities with our In bound GSE team**
- District Conference 2009 – full weekend of Rotary knowledge & fun – Congratulations to District Governor Pravin and the entire conference committee on a great Conference.**
- Attended Hamilton East Wentworth 50th Anniversary Celebration on behalf of District 7090 – an grand evening of fellowship and celebration of the past 50 years, and great enthusiasm for the time ahead.**
- Participated in Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) Faculty Training session**
- Attended Brantford Rotoract Celebration where many Rotoractors, Interactors, Rotarians, and friends of Rotary gathered to hear R.I. Past President Wilf Wilkinson share his stories of inspiration. A great evening of promise for the future of Rotary at so many levels.**
- Attended RLI session in Canandaigua, New York as a participant to further my understanding of the program. D7120 graciously welcomed myself and PDG Richard Earne (Chair of our District RLI venture) to their sessions.**
- Ongoing involvement with the District Trainers, PDG Bob Leek and Kevin Crosby to build upon the leadership training plans for our 2010-2011.**

In summary, I continue to be humbled by the endlessly hours of commitment given by our District Rotarians. It continues to be a pleasure to work with all of D7090 team. I thank you for the time and talent that you give to our District in Rotary Service above Self.

Respectively submitted,

Karen L. Oakes

District Governor Nominee's Report

NOVEMBER 21, 2009

John Heise

It has been a busy period since our September Council meeting. In addition to answering email inquiries and numerous phone calls I have:

- Attended the DG's visit with my own club;
- Continued to work on the 2009 District Conference Committee and attended the Conference; I was afforded the opportunity to watch the conference planning from the inside and took numerous notes during the actual conference;
- Organized the PDG luncheon on the Friday of the District Conference;
- Attended the Rotary Leadership Institute training in Burlington;
- Took two computer courses at the local community college to sharpen my computer skills in anticipation of being DG;
- Served as Secretary for the District Governor's Advisory Council phone conference call.

I have also been working on my team for 2011-2012. I am please to share that Ralph Montesanto and Kevin Crosby have agreed to serve as my District Trainers. Don DeMeo has also agreed to serve as Treasurer during my year.

SERVICE PROJECTS REPORT

District 7090 District Council meeting 11/21/2009

Community Service Committee:

DISTRICT 7090 DISASTER RESPONSE TEAM

The overall response of the team will focus on long-term assistance vs. immediate emergency response, for the reasons below:

- Localities have disaster coordinators, first responders, infrastructure to provide food, shelter, clothing, etc. in place or accessible. (EG “Shelter Box” is great in a locale where disaster has disrupted living arrangements, but the district footprint typically has schools, fire halls, community centers which can provide immediate shelter, food and potable water etc.)
- Red Cross, Salvation Army and other community service organizations are equipped for immediate response and usually have/can commit “feet on the ground” in a rapid response mode.
- Governmental entities usually discourage response from non-structured (IE NOT first responders, Red Cross, Salvation Army etc.) non-“professional” organizations during the initial phase of response to an emergency.

OBJECTIVE: “Plug the Gap”

Rotary should attempt to “plug the gap” i.e., provide complementary assistance to the “professionals” response.

Possible Services provided: Money, Counseling, Materials, Labor / Expertise, other. We can respond with hands-on, equipment and material, guided by local Rotarians, staffed by regional Rotarians and interested non-Rotarian volunteers. Consensus is that, once the initial food, clothing and shelter needs have been met, the “professional” organizations terminate their service or drastically scale it back. Rebuilding homes, cleaning up parks and public facilities is left to other resources – like Rotary (example cited was a group of California Rotarians who helped rebuild baseball fields for kids displaced by Katrina a few years ago – provided some semblance of return to normalcy for kids whose world had been turned upside-down).

PROPOSED ORGANIZATION:

District Team would be the central coordinating body for action/inquiries of the DG in the future, by providing a team which will address those disasters in a timely fashion.

Regional Teams:

A team of committed Rotarians represents the geography of our District. These individuals function in a liaison capacity with the local communities’ First Responders. Team would be probably seven or eight people, each representing a couple of District 7090’s 17 “areas”.

Local Club Teams:

In case of disaster, the regional team member will work **through the local Rotary Club** (where the disaster happened) to contact local governmental agencies to see what assistance would be beneficial on a near term basis. Guess is that this would normally be “donate to community responders like fire companies, Red Cross etc.” but would be open to community needs as voiced by the community leaders.

PROCEDURES:

As the dust settled, this individual would, following a loose-knit set of procedures (to be defined as outlined below), again, working **through the local Rotary Club**, identify longer term community disaster-recovery needs where District 7090 can help.

A procedural document (living document) will be developed to establish the guidelines, areas of consideration/concentration for the team to be developed. This should include any and all recommendations of procedures we would need to follow in responding in the future (EG how do we “qualify” hands-on worker Rotarians who cross an international border to do volunteer work – cite situation in response to our district’s Pass Christian, MS outreach in recent years) (How do we get equipment/donated materials etc across borders?) (How do we deal with “turf” in a given situation (taking jobs from local workers)))?

It was agreed that committee members who have anecdotes and experiences to rely on would contribute those to Jos Nolle, who has an available Technical Writer/documentation person who could help summarize these for our document. This raised the question of funding/budget for our committee. While this should be done at “no cost to Rotary” (EG travel expenses, etc.), there might be ancillary expenses incurred in setting up/operation of such a group that will be necessary to cover. Jos graciously agreed to utilize his writer for a short duration without being financially reimbursed. We would hope that the district will provide a small amount of money to underwrite such an expense.

In response to the most recent local “disaster” (Gowanda), Robb McLeod and John Crawford of our committee have been in touch with local individuals “on the ground” and will be reporting to the district as viable projects are identified.

Vocational Service Committee:

Committee Chair Andrea Aldinger continues to work on developing a “Best Practices” guide for district-wide Vocational Service. She submitted an excellent article to the October District Newsletter and continues to function as a guest speaker at different clubs throughout the district on Vocational Service.

Rotary at Work Day:

Jen Middleton – Rotary at Work Day is an opportunity to renew your commitment to this timeless message of compassion and generosity of spirit by participating in Rotarians At Work Day. Rotary at Work Day is one day in April that the whole Rotary world does something of service in the community. It is my goal that by the year 2011 every club in the district of 7090 participate in Rotary at Work Day. The next date is April 25, 2010. Created in District 5340 in 2006 Rotary at Work day is quickly expanding across the world, imagine if 32,000+ Rotary clubs participated in this event how much of a difference it would make. <http://www.rotariansatwork.org/index.html>

International Disaster Relief/R.A.D.A.R:

The past few months have seen more natural disasters in a few months time than we have seen in past years. The Shelterbox organization had to use most of their stocks and they need our financial help now to re-stock so that they can again respond next time within days of future natural disaster. We ask that all clubs consider supporting this excellent international Rotary relief effort. (Some clubs are joining together within their areas to combine donations).

Jos Nolle has engaged our District into a large fundraising effort for an HIV/AIDS program in Malawi implemented jointly between Dignitas International and Rotary Districts 7070, 7080 and 7090. The representatives of the three Districts have committed to jointly raise \$1.5 M over the next three years (which is 25 % of the overall expenses of the program). He will be promoting a large fundraising event in mid-late October 2010 at a venue such as the Shaw festival. More details will be available early in 2010 about the program AND the fundraiser(s).



"Service Above Self"

Rotarians at Work Day

First Rotarians at Work Day: 2006

Next Main Event Date: April 24, 2010

What is Rotary at Work Day?

Rotarians at Work Day is a day when Rotarians do something of service in the community. In the past Clubs have done tree planting in a greenbelt, fixed a park, painted someone's house, help out at a shelter, help someone in need, build a ramp for someone with a disability, something concrete and tangible. The ideas are endless!

Who Participates?

At least 14 Districts spanning 8 countries have agreed to participate in the coming years.

District 7090

- Rotary Club of Brantford
- Rotary Club of Brantford – Sunrise
- Rotary Club of Welland

My Goal: By 2010 to have at least 8 clubs from district 7090 to participate in Rotarians at Work Day!

Imagine....

The results when 32,000+ clubs around the world bring together members on Rotarians at Work Day to perform a variety of hands-on community service projects. One cannot help but be awed by the potential.

World Community Service Committee Report 11/21/09

- The **District World Community Service Committee** met on Nov. 19th in St. Catharines.
- Promoting WCS – The committee discussed success to date of the outreach to District 7090 clubs to introduce them to the services and focus of the WCS committee. The PowerPoint presentation which Chairman Dave has put together will add a script which committee members can use to introduce the UN Millennium Development Goals to the clubs as they present WCS. PDG Bob Bruce provided a fact sheet which the members can use to explain Rotary's responses to the 8 UN goals in more detail.
- Secretary Sue Dolan presented a report from Paul Muck and the Akron-Newstead Rotary Club. They have committed to support the Centro Cristiano Cultural of Guatemala in three outreach programs in Guatemala City:
 - Water Filtration Project – they will be placing a new, highly efficient water filtration unit in clusters of three homes each to provide safe, potable water to the residents.
 - Vegetable Farming – Guatemalan diet is limited to staples like corn and beans, with few fresh vegetables available, creating nutrition deficiencies and leading to chronic health issues. They have determined through pilot projects that such vegetables as radishes, carrots, cucumbers, beans onions, tomatoes and lettuce can be grown in framed "tables" which can be built at a low cost in the region. They propose to fund the material costs of the tables through the efforts of CCCG. (A committee suggestion will be forwarded to modify the "tables" to include plastic covering to encourage growth and minimize moisture loss).
 - An initial grant has been secured from a Washington State based foundation to assist in building a health clinic in the village of La Curvina. The Akron-Newstead project will provide funding assistance in equipping the clinic.

A motion was passed unanimously to make this a WCS approved project

- Secretary Sue Dolan presented reports from Jos Nolle regarding international volunteer opportunities in Malawi and a review of his activity in the multi-district HIV/AIDS programs.
- PDG Bob Bruce provided information about a hands-on service project which PDG Bob French of District 7040 is heading up in El Salvador/Guatemala in January of 2010. PDG Bob will disseminate information about the project to the District.
- A discussion ensued regarding the amount of hands-on activity which is available to district Rotarians, but minimally publicized. It was determined that the sponsors of district approved WCS projects will be asked to provide information regarding possible Rotarian involvement on-site with their specific projects. The information will be posted on the website and distributed district wide.
- Roger Crysler provided an update on the campaign to End Polio Now. He specifically noted the upcoming Itzhak Perlman performance with the New York Philharmonic at the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, Avery Fisher Hall, in New York City on Wednesday, 2 December, at 7:30 PM. Tickets are still available, ranging in price from \$70 to \$200 US, with a special combination of premium ticket and a reception with Mr. Perlman (a polio survivor) for \$500 US.

District 7090 – PR Director Report for 2009 – 2010

1) District 7090 received an RI PR grant for 2009 – 2010, but at a lower amount than requested.

- a) Our District requested \$8,981 from RI to go with a District match of \$2,994, for a total of \$11,975.
 - i) **The District received only \$4,000.00, less than half of what we requested.**
 - ii) The PR Director awaits word from the District Governor on the amount that the District will provide and whether we should run the radio PSAs in either both countries, or one country. This information is necessary to determine how to modify the PR plan, based on the total available to spend.
- b) Options for the reduced funding:
 - i) Run the radio PSA campaign in only one country.
 - (1) This option allows good reach and frequency, but it reduces coverage in the country that doesn't get the PSA campaign. The US radio station, WBEN, does penetrate Southern Ontario, but this shouldn't be considered a substitute for running PSAs on Canadian stations.
 - (a) Reach (total audience X demographic %) if run in Canada would be 108,529 with 19,500 impressions.
 - (b) Reach (total audience X demographic %) if run in USA would be 67,520 with 30,000 impressions.
 - ii) Try to get the radio stations to provide airtime at ½ the original budget.
 - (1) This option allows PSAs in both countries, but will substantially reduce the frequency and impressions. We will have to renegotiate the offers with the stations if we select this option.

2) Original PR plan highlights

- a) Focus is on a radio campaign. This will enhance the impact of the past two years' billboard campaigns.
- b) The plan also will include use of "real" public relations activities. These include press releases and story pitches to all media channels, including print, TV, and online.
- c) The plan also will include options for individual clubs, or groups of clubs, to piggyback on the District's campaign. This will enlarge the scope of the program, providing greater geographic and demographic coverage, as well as more frequency.

3) The PR Director delivered the first two PR Webinars for clubs and District officers and committee chairs.

- a) Once we know the funding for the PR Grant, we will hold two sets of Webinars:
 - i) First Webinar set will ask clubs for ideas and will get feedback on the plan.
 - ii) Second Webinar set will be to work with all clubs in the District to help the clubs that want to piggyback on the radio PSA campaign do so successfully.

4) The PR Director took almost 400 photos at the District Conference, capturing all key speakers and many activities.

- a) These are visible on the free Kodak Gallery website at:

<http://www.kodakgallery.com/gallery/creativeapps/slideShow/Main.jsp?token=959976037113%3A1124956970>

The PR Director's 2009 – 2010 strategy details comprise the remaining priorities.

From the Strategy Planning Session held Saturday 2/21/09 - Appendix #3		
Desired Future Outcome Workplan (2009 – 2010)		
We have increased awareness and understanding of Rotary in our clubs and communities through effective district and club public relations		
Outcome	Completion Date	Success Measures
Develop PR portion of district Website	September 30, 2009	Site is active
Responsible person(s) Paul & Penny		
Issue at least 1 major press release per month at District level starting July 1, 2009	June 30, 2010	One release/month
Responsibility of PR Committee (District)		
Unique Rotary training for club PR directors/boards reps have participated in webinar/area meetings	June 30, 2010	33% of clubs
Responsibility of District PR Committee		
Recruit 5 effective members to District PR Committee (with PR understanding), in place by ...	July 1, 2009	Committee in place
Responsible person(s) Pravin & Paul		
Each club designates person responsible & active for club PR and communications	October 1, 2009	Personnel in place
Responsibility of District PR Committee		
Broadcast (via e-mail) a 'Rotary Minute'/word games commencing to club presidents on a weekly basis - Rotary trivia, etc. - make it fun	July 1, 2009	Starting 7/1/09
Responsibility of District PR Committee		

- a) PR portion of District website is in place and updated regularly.
- b) Issued a press release for the District Governor announcing the District Conference, inviting non-Rotarians.
- c) Conducted two PR webinars, both with the title: "Bait the Hook for the Fish, Not the Fisherman."
 - i) These covered the importance of using language and messages that non-Rotarians will understand when we publish press materials.
- d) Still need to recruit more PR members, especially someone in Canada who can help distribute releases to, and work with, media in Canada.
 - i) Talking to one excellent prospect from Canada. Fingers crossed.
- e) Not sure how clubs are doing with PR representation. Will explore this issue.
- f) No action on "Rotary Minute" project at this time.
 - i) To do this, we will need more people on the PR Committee so that we can delegate.
 - ii) Weekly content development will be a substantial task.



Rotary Now DVD Sales through 9/30/09

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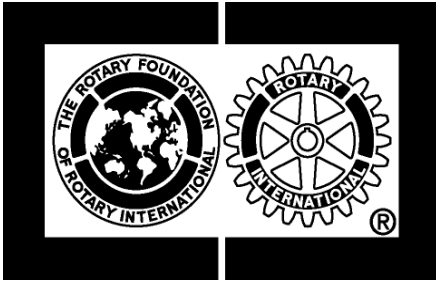
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	Units Sold	Net Income to District
First Q	267	\$510.29*
Second Q	25	\$191.12
Third Q	102	\$976.72
TOTAL Q1 – Q3	394	\$1678.13

* Revenue for 1st Q was offset by cost of producing initial supply of 500 DVDs





District 7090 Rotary Foundation Committee District Council Report

November 21, 2009

Art Wing, District Rotary Foundation Director

This has been a busy fall season for Our Rotary Foundation District 7090 team.

The **District Conference** highlighted Our Rotary Foundation programs with key speakers such as our own Grants chair Roy Sheldrick outlining his work in Haiti and the very key relationship of his success to the support of our District Rotary Clubs, District Foundation committee and Our Rotary International Foundation. PDG Doug Vincent from neighboring District 7080 outlined the difference that One Rotarian can make with the support of Our Foundation.

Carl and May Vahl (Olean RC) showed a vivid video of their water well work this year in Niger with the support of Rotary Clubs around our District.

The Rotary International Presidents Representative praised our District for the quality, quantity and diversity of our involvement with Our Foundation both locally and internationally.

The Group Study exchange program was highlighted with presentations by last year's GSE team who visited Paraguay and the inbound team from Belize who were in the midst of their visit to our District.

The many and varied displays in the House of Friendship demonstrated Foundation donations in action and many conference delegates had the opportunity to discuss projects with our local Rotarians who are involved both locally and internationally with Our Foundation supported projects.

On the Saturday evening at the Our Foundation dinner, we had the opportunity to recognize some significant individuals who have contributed to the success of Our Rotary Foundation District Committees with a **District Foundation Service Award**

They are as follows:

Richard Adams RC Buffalo	Area Foundation Representative
Robert Artis RC Clarence	Group Study Exchange
Roger Crysler RC Ancaster	Polio
John Tiebert RC St. Catharines South	Ambassadorial and Peace Scholars
Cheryle Slattery RC Welland	Ambassadorial and Peace Scholars
Keith Lindberg RC Niagara Falls	Group Study Exchange

Paul Harris Society new members

Kevin Davis RC Brantford Sunrise
David Greenfield RC Lockport

Bequest Society Level 2 Richard Sterne RC Brantford

In addition, Past RI Director Monty Audenart presented, our District with our first

Rotary Centers Peace Builder District award. The award was received by PDG Bob Bruce under whose leadership the District Foundation committee was encouraged to support the Peace Scholar concept with an annual donation of \$25,000.

The **Saturday evening auction** of special Rotary theme stools was vigorous and active under the leadership of Dominic Cortese (RC of Clarence) who helped to raise **over \$3,000** for Our Rotary Foundation.

The conference committee under the leadership of DG Pravin is to be commended for their support and emphasis on Our Rotary Foundation

Goals for 2009-2010

Information Goal:

1. Increase the use of the District web site to:
 1. post the monthly Club Annual Fund contribution report
 2. post the status of the District Grants to clubs
 3. post the monthly Club Polio contribution report

Process incomplete –implementation over the next few months

2. Increase the number of Area Foundation meetings with the Area Representatives, Club Foundation Chairs, Club Presidents and Presidents Elect.

Three Area meetings (Area 16-Dunkirk, Area 3-Waterdown, Area 12-Middleport) have been held to date. The most effective has been combining Area Assistant Governor and Area Foundation meetings on the same evening.

3. Work to implement the Desired Future Outcomes Workplan for 2009-2010- the objectives are being dealt with throughout this report as updates in each area

Annual Programs Fund and Permanent Fund Sub-committees

Annual Fund Report for District Council

Bob Bruce, Annual Giving Co-chair
October 31, 2009

Congratulations to the Rotary Club of **Waterdown** for becoming the first club in District 7090 to surpass their Annual Giving Goal. The club has so far contributed 134% of its planned goal for the year.

St Catharines Sunrise has also surpassed its goal at 116% and Middleport at 100%.

November is Foundation month and clubs are encouraged to contribute at least some of their Annual Giving to the Foundation during this Month.

Several clubs have yet to set goals for the year: Cheektowaga, Kenmore, Lakewood-Chautauqua, Niagara Falls NY, and Orchard Park.

Collectively District 7090 clubs have contributed about 25 % of their planned goals that amount to \$250,000.

The Rotary Club of Dundas is in line to become a 100% Every Rotarian Every Year Club and a 100% Sustaining Member Club with 100% of current members having contributed a minimum of \$ 100.

As it is the membership list at the end of the current year that is used for these distinctions, it is premature to make a definitive declaration, but you can be sure that this club will be there!

Hamilton-East Wentworth has achieved Every Rotarian Every Year potential status as all of its current 21 members have made a personal contribution to the Foundation. Currently the club is just \$1 short of \$100 per member contribution, and again the final designation as a 100% EREY club is dependent upon all members at June 30, 2010, contributing.

The Rotary Foundation has asked all Rotarians to step up and make some personal contribution to the Foundation's Annual Giving Fund this year in order to assist Rotary to continue with all the humanitarian programs clubs undertake worldwide.

As the recession has caused the Foundation to curtail contributions to Matching Grants from the World Fund this year, this request is urgent as we continue to try to undertake programs and projects for those less fortunate in developing nations.

Annual Fund Goals:

a. Each club to target a club donation of a minimum of \$100 per member for a total of \$300,000

Of our 73 Clubs, 69 have filed Club Goals totalling \$256,021.

b. Work towards every Club qualified as an Every Rotarian Every Year Club-every member makes a personal

donation of some amount each year to the annual fund.

At the Conference, DG Pravin recognized a number of clubs who have committed to becoming EREY clubs during this Rotary Year

b. Increase Sustaining Members (\$100 per year) by 200.

Our District Profile indicates that at the end of 2007-8 we had 752 sustaining members.

We have given out pins and certificates to many sustaining members.

This year there is a new recognition item-an **Orange sticker** to be put on the members Club name badge in order to highlight those contributing at the club level. These stickers are available from the Area Foundation Representatives.

1. Increase the number of Paul Harris Society by 10.

As of the end of October two additional new members have joined the Society-bringing our total to 33 active members

Permanent Fund

PDG Joe DePaolo, Chair, Buffalo

The Permanent Fund committee has had two planning meetings since the last District council meeting. The committee members, Pene Towndrow, Tony Wellenreiter, Franco Olivieri, and PDG Wally Ochterski are finalizing details of a series of regional meetings.

Currently the Permanent Committee Fund is focusing on the Canadian side of the district, with the intent of taking the results and using them to create a similar program on the US side in the spring of 2010.

Our focus for the 2009-2010 is to begin to put in place the expertise that will be able to assist Rotarians to make planned gifts to the permanent fund.

Our strategy is to train a variety of professional advisors (lawyers, accountants, financial advisors, professional fundraisers and gift planners) on the ins and outs of making gifts to the permanent fund. From there, we will build on the momentum of the EREY and annual committee awareness programs to create the desire to support the perm fund.

We will be focusing on getting a wide range of Rotarians to commit to making small gifts, rather than counting on fewer Rotarians to make large gifts.

Goals: 2 professional advisor forums in January (Hamilton and St. Catharines), US forums in May/June, target of 15-20 advisors per event

Gift commitment goals still to be determined

Participants: Joe DePaolo, Wally Ochterski, Franco Olivieri, Tony Wellenreiter, James Cunningham, Penny Towndrow, Liz Palmieri, Alex Walczak (Brock University student volunteer)

Goals:

a. Increase Major Donors by 1 and Bequest Society Members by 2

1 new Major Donor realized and 2 new Bequest Society Members

b. Increase the Benefactors by 150 (making the Permanent Fund a beneficiary in your estate)

This is the easiest donation to make-it will come from your estate and will part of the legacy of the Permanent fund.

The Rotary Foundation Dinner:

The Foundation Dinner was held in conjunction with the District Conference this year on Saturday October 16 with awards and an auction as part of the program as indicated above

For 2010-11 The Foundation will be held in November 2010. Additional information will be forthcoming as dates and location are confirmed

The Grants Sub-committee

Roy Sheldrick, Chair

The committee under the dogged leadership of Roy Sheldrick with great assistance from PDG Bob Bruce has worked with our clubs to clear up the final reports due from the District Simplified Grants for 2007-8 and the final reports are now complete.

In addition, over 50% of the District Simplified Grant final reports for 2008-9 have been received.

The completion of the above two items, allows the Grants committee to report this progress to the Rotary Foundation and apply for the District Simplified Grant funding of \$24,900 for the 2009-10 Rotary year.

For the 2009-10 year 10 clubs have been approved for a total of \$16,473 with 5 grants for local community projects and 5 for international projects. The is \$8,500 remaining to be allocated. See Attachment #

Under the new process, some clubs have already submitted their final reports and we are awaiting the release of the 2009-10 funds so the cheques may be delivered to the clubs.

Robert Munroe from the RC Hamilton has been added to the Grants committee

As reported in September, the Foundation suspended matching grants due to the lack of funds as a result of substantial unrealized investment losses.

The Grants committee has completed a process for helping clubs who would normally expect to receive Rotary Foundation support for their projects.

In summary, the Grants Committee has agreed to process the application as normal and if the application meets the Foundation criteria the Committee will provide an additional amount from our District Designated Fund up to as much as 50% of what the Rotary Foundation would have provided. See attachment # for examples of the process.

The issue of the Niagara-on-the-Lake final report on the matching grant from Rotary International has been addressed by the Club. Rotary Foundation has, as of Tuesday November 17, requested an independent financial review before the final report is complete and the file closed. The Foundation Director has notified all interested parties of the current status of this issue.

Group Study Exchange Sub-Committee

Bert Rappole, Jamestown, Co-chair
Keith Lindberg, Niagara Falls, Co-chair

Goal:

Host a GSE team from Belize in the fall of 2009 and recruit a GSE team to travel to Belize

November Report:

District 7090's Group Study Exchange Committee is pleased to announce the selection of the 2009-10 team to District 4250 in Belize and Guatemala.

The **GSE team leader is Doug Manly** of the Fredonia N.Y. Rotary Club. Doug brings with him a wealth of experience and skills including strategic planning, team building and training and development of managers. Doug is retired from Manly Ventures Ltd. Projects and has been active in venture capital projects and consulting in business and industry.

The **alternate team leader is Frank Ralabate** of the Williamsville Rotary Club, N.Y. Frank practices law in the Williamsville area and been involved in local community work such as the Community Baseball League. Frank is a Rotary past-president, club chair of GSE and has been a host for visiting GSE teams.

The GSE team is truly representative of our district with an excellent mix of both Canadians and Americans and will reflect our “Best of Friends” international uniqueness.

Team members are:

Molly Fitzpatrick of Amherst New York; Molly is Executive Director of Leadership Niagara in Niagara Falls, N.Y.

Krista Deverson of Hamilton, Ontario is a realtor with Royal LePage in Ancaster, Ontario. Krista is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Dundas.

Janet Bittner of Appleton, N.Y. is Assistant Manager of The Winery at Marjim Manor in Appleton

Michael Holden of Niagara Falls, Ontario is an analyst with the Ministry of Transportation in St. Catharines, Ontario and is sponsored by the St. Catharines Sunrise Club.

Team alternates are:

Bryan Fiume of Lancaster, N.Y. who is an administrator with the Erie County Government.

Patrick Braun is from Buffalo, N.Y. and is part of the New York Sustainable Agriculture Working Group.

During the next several months the team will prepare for their trip to Belize and Guatemala which takes place, February 15 to March 16, 2010.

The Scholarships Sub-committee

John Teibert, Chair, St. Catharines South

Steve Keefe, Assistant Chair, Westfield Mayville

Ambassadorial Scholars

The Trustees of the Rotary Foundation have approved the application for 2010-11 Ambassadorial Scholarship for Eve Williams from Buffalo. The sponsoring Club is Buffalo Sunrise. Eve has been assigned to the Makerere University, Kampala Uganda.

Outbound

2010-2011 Scholar – Eve Williams, sponsoring club – Buffalo Sunrise, counselor – Barbara Ochterski, School – assigned to Makerere University, Kampala Uganda

2009-2010 Scholar – Andrea Barton, sponsoring club – Brantford Rotary Club, counselor – Bruce Williamson,

School – London School of Economics, leaves October 2009

2008-2009 Scholar – Laura Cranna, sponsoring club – Rotary Club of Waterdown, counselor – Dr Corrie Giles,

School – University of the Witwatersrand-Johannesburg, South Africa, awaiting conformation of acceptance

2008-2009 Scholar – Jeff Dekker, sponsoring club – Rotary Club of Batavia, counselor – Mary Raymond, School

– Bond University, Gold Coast, Australia, completed,

Inbound

2009-2010 Scholar – Kei Okajima (from Tokyo, Japan), host Club – Rotary Club of Amherst South, counselor –

Mike Valentic (MillCreekHouse@aol.com), School – SUNY Buffalo, please contact Mike if you would like Kei to speak to your club

World Peace Scholars—None

The District Foundation committee has committed \$25,000 each of the last two year to this program but we need to work more diligently on recruiting a candidate for this program.

Important Dates

Application Due Date – April 15, 2010

Interview Date – Saturday, May 29, 2010

The Polio Plus Sub-committee

Valerie Bailey-Phillips, co-chair, Caledonia

Carl Vahl, co-chair, Olean

Total For District: 7090

Club contributions to November 17 09 12,280.25

District November 2007 to November 17 2009 \$201,606.35

Both Co-chairs are eager to speak to any club about this very important Rotary Objective of eliminating Polio.

The Alumni Sub-committee

Bob Morrow, Chair, Dundas Valley Sunrise

Work in this area is making slow progress. We are working towards locating former GSE team leaders and team members.

Appreciation

The committee is very appreciative of all the work and support of our District Clubs and leadership team.

DG Pravin Suchak, DGE Karen Oakes, and now DGN John Heise are incredibly supportive of OUR ROTARY FOUNDATION and the Foundation programs and the committee is very grateful for their encouragement and ongoing support

Attachments

1. Monthly Club Contribution Report
2. Area Foundation Activity Report
3. District Simplified Grant Approved Application for 2009-10
4. How Grants will work without World Fund Contribution

Rotary Foundation
Monthly Contribution Report
1-Jul-2009 to 30-Nov-2009 (INTERIM)

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District: 7090													
26305	Akron-Newstead, NY, USA	0	\$4,200.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
4721	Albion, NY, USA	0	\$2,800.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
25380	Amherst East, NY, USA	0	\$3,000.00	42%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,250.00	
4722	Amherst North, NY, United States	0	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
4723	Amherst South, NY, USA	0	\$2,000.00	8%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	
28117	Ancaster A.M., ON, Canada	0	\$5,500.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
4689	Ancaster, ON, Canada	0	\$5,000.00	20%	\$0.00	\$1,019.42	\$1,019.42	\$0.00	\$467.29	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,486.71	
4724	Batavia, NY, USA	0	\$6,000.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,951.27	\$12,941.27	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,941.27	
4690	Brantford, ON, Canada	0	\$8,000.00	25%	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$2,000.00	\$100.00	\$610.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,610.80	
29643	Brantford-Sunrise, ON, Canada	0	\$5,200.00	8%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	
4725	Buffalo, NY, USA	0	\$17,500.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
30381	Buffalo-Sunrise, NY, USA	0	\$1,800.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$320.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$320.00	
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District: 7090													
30716	Caledonia, ON, Canada	0	\$1,400.00	100%	\$0.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,400.00	
4726	Cheektowaga, NY, USA	0	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
4727	Clarence, NY, USA	0	\$6,100.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
4694	Delhi, ON, Canada	0	\$1,200.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$362.96	\$362.96	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$362.96	
52949	Dundas Valley Sunrise, ON, Canada	0	\$6,000.00	17%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,007.01	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,007.01	
4695	Dundas, ON, Canada	0	\$4,000.00	99%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,972.60	\$0.00	\$3,025.21	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,997.81	
4728	Dunkirk, NY, USA	0	\$2,600.00	48%	\$0.00	\$1,150.00	\$1,250.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,250.00	
29662	Dunnville, ON, Canada	0	\$2,000.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
4729	East Aurora, NY, USA	0	\$2,900.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
28911	Eastern Hills Sunrise (Clarence), NY, USA	0	\$2,000.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	
52046	Ellicottville, NY, USA	0	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
4732	Falconer, NY, USA	0	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	
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District: 7090												
53345	Flamborough AM, ON, Canada	0	\$1,200.00	10%	\$0.00	\$24.27	\$115.02	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$115.02
28116	Fonthill, ON, Canada	0	\$2,500.00	97%	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$2,436.45	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,436.45
4696	Fort Erie, ON, Canada	0	\$300.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4733	Fredonia, NY, USA	0	\$3,200.00	44%	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$1,400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,400.00
4734	Grand Island, NY, USA	0	\$3,400.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,115.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,115.00
27868	Greater Jamestown AM, NY, USA	0	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
59744	Grimsby Noon, ON, Canada	0	\$1,200.00	83%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
4698	Grimsby, ON, Canada	0	\$1,800.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$184.37	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$184.37
28054	Hamburg Sunrise, NY, USA	0	\$1,000.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4735	Hamburg, NY, USA	0	\$2,600.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
23427	Hamilton "A.M.", ON, Canada	0	\$12,896.00	60%	\$0.00	\$9.71	\$7,764.54	\$0.00	\$205.61	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,970.14
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District: 7090												
4701	Hamilton Mountain (Hamilton South), ON, Canada	0	\$3,600.00	68%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,454.55	\$0.00	\$909.09	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,363.64
26582	Hamilton Sunset, ON, Canada	0	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4699	Hamilton, ON, Canada	0	\$13,000.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4700	Hamilton-East Wentworth, ON, Canada	0	\$2,500.00	83%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,079.99	\$0.00	\$945.46	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,025.45
4736	Holley, NY, USA	0	\$600.00	8%	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
4737	Jamestown, NY, USA	0	\$10,000.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
4738	Kenmore, NY, USA	0	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4739	Lakewood-Chautauqua South, NY, USA	0	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4740	Lancaster-Depew, NY, USA	0	\$2,035.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4741	Le Roy, NY, USA	0	\$1,700.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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District: 7090												
4742	Lewiston NY USA- Niagara-on-The-La ke, ON Canada, NY, United States	0	\$1,500.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
50055	Lincoln, ON, Canada	0	\$2,800.00	47%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,315.79	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,315.79
4744	Lockport, NY, United States	0	\$2,880.00	1%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40.00	\$100.00	\$1,100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,140.00
4745	Medina, NY, USA	0	\$360.00	28%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
4746	Middleport, NY, USA	0	\$250.00	100%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
24800	Niagara County-Central, NY, USA	0	\$2,000.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
27545	Niagara Falls Sunrise, ON, Canada	0	\$3,500.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4747	Niagara Falls, NY, USA	0	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4706	Niagara Falls, ON, Canada	0	\$6,000.00	13%	\$0.00	\$29.13	\$764.18	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$486,554.06	\$486,554.06	\$487,318.24
29972	Niagara-on-the-La ke, ON, Canada	0	\$5,000.00	5%	\$0.00	\$19.42	\$237.22	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$237.22
31593	Norfolk Sunrise, ON, Canada	0	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,607.48	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,607.48
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4748	Olean, NY, USA	0	\$9,000.00	11%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$75.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,075.00	
4749	Orchard Park, NY, USA	0	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
66814	Port Colborne Centennial, ON, Canada	0	\$1,200.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
4750	Salamanca, NY, USA	0	\$1,000.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
4713	Simcoe, ON, Canada	0	\$5,500.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$466.02	\$466.02	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$466.02	
4751	South Shore of Blasdell-Lackawanna, NY, USA	0	\$2,700.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
4712	St. Catharines South, ON, Canada	0	\$5,000.00	2%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$90.91	\$0.00	\$909.09	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	
28928	St. Catharines Sunrise, ON, Canada	0	\$2,000.00	117%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,343.17	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,343.17	
4711	St. Catharines, ON, Canada	0	\$19,000.00	65%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,418.18	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,418.18	
23879	St. Catharines-Lakeshore, ON, Canada	0	\$3,300.00	86%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,837.26	\$0.00	\$934.58	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,771.84	
30595	Stoney Creek, ON, Canada	0	\$2,500.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
4753	Tonawandas, The, NY, USA	0	\$2,500.00	2%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	
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District: 7090													
4716	Waterdown, ON, Canada	0	\$3,800.00	139%	\$0.00	\$194.17	\$5,280.68	\$0.00	\$1,315.79	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,596.47	
4718	Welland, ON, Canada	0	\$4,000.00	10%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$1,818.18	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,218.18	
4755	West Seneca, NY, USA	0	\$4,300.00	62%	\$0.00	\$750.00	\$2,647.82	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,647.82	
4754	Westfield-Mayville , NY, USA	0	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
4756	Williamsville, NY, USA	0	\$3,000.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Total For: 7090		0	\$245,821.00	26.51%	\$0.00	\$5,146.12	\$65,157.24	\$10,980.25	\$50,805.71	\$486,554.06	\$486,554.06	\$602,517.02	

Contributions to The Rotary Foundation support a wide variety of programs. The following summary outlines important differences between contribution types. If you have questions, please contact Development Services at 847-866-3352 or the Rotary International office that serves your area.

ANNUAL GIVING

- All contributions support SHARE
 - 50% to District Designated Fund
 - 50% to World Fund
- Counts toward Club and District APF Goal
- Counts toward Annual Giving Per Capita
- PHF recognition available

RESTRICTED GIVING

- Supports program selected by donor
 - Matching Grants
 - PolioPlus
 - PolioPlus Partners
 - World Fund
 - Other Approved Programs
- Does not count towards Club or District APF Goal
- Does not count towards Annual Giving Per Capita

PERMANENT FUND

- Contributions are never spent
- Earnings are spent on programs
- Donor can designate earnings for
 - SHARE
 - World Fund
 - Other (major gifts only)
- Benefactor recognition available
- Does not count towards Club or District APF Goal

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1-Jul-2009 to 30-Nov-2009 (INTERIM)

(In US Dollars)

Club No	Name	No. of Mem- bers	APF Goal Amount	APF Goal % Achieved	APF Per Cap	---Annual Giving---		---Restricted Giving---		---Permanent Fund---		---Total---	Annual Giving Per Capita Rank
						Month	Period	Month	Period	Month	Period		

DISTRICT SUMMARY

2009/2010 US\$100 Per Capita District Benchmark:	\$0.00
2009/2010 District Annual Giving Goal (sum of all club goals):	\$245,821.00
2009/2010 Total of clubs Annual Giving Goals received:	61 of 73 (83.56% received)
2009/2010 Total of Annual Giving for Period:	\$65,157.24
2009/2010 Permanent Fund Earnings Designated to Share:	\$0.00

The Share Contribution Detail Report containing the district's Share summary information from the 09-10 Rotary year for program year 12-13 is available to authorized users on the Member Access Portal at www.rotary.org

Area Area Foundation Activity

Area 1 Tom Pidduck Simcoe + Delhi, Norfolk Sunrise,
Aug/Sept-Norfolk Sunrise/Simcoe---Tom Pidduck -short presentations re Foundation goals
Sept- Simcoe Foundation committee-Tom Pidduck
Nov 5- Delhi - Tom Pidduck -Foundation talk

Area 2 Rick Sterne Brantford + Ancaster, Ancaster AM, Brantford Sunrise
October Rick Sterne -EREY campaign with all clubs
Nov 2 Brantford Sunrise Bob Bruce Foundation Talk
Nov 26 Ancaster AM Rick Sterne-EREY talk
Nov 27 Brantford Art Wing-Foundation talk

Area 3 Wayne Massey Dundas Valley Sunrise Dundas, Flamborough AM, Waterdown
Oct 8 Area Meeting Art Wing, Wayne Massey

Area 4 Paul Gibel Hamilton + Caledonia,Hamilton Mountain, Hamilton Sunset

Area 5 Bill Wiley Lincoln + Grimsby, Grimsby @ Noon, Hamilton East Wentworth, Stoney
Sept 15 Grimsby @noon Bill Wiley visit- Ross McCallum speaker re Foundation
Sept 17 Grimsby Bill Wiley visit- Ross McCallum speaking following week
Nov 3 Lincoln Valerie Bailey Phillips Polio talk
Nov 5 Hamilton East Wentworth Bill Wiley visit discussed Polio challenge
Nov 13 Stoney Creek Bill Wiley visit
Nov 24 Lincoln Art Wing-Foundation talk

Area 6 Tom Arkell St Catharines+ St. Catharines Lakeshore, ST. Catharines South, St. Catharine
Aug 18 St. Cath Sunrise Art Wing DSG cheque presented
Oct 8 St. Cath Art Wing-brief talk re matching grants
Nov 3 St. Cath Sunrise Art Wing-Foundation talk re grant process

Nov 23 St. Cath South Art Wing-Paul Harris

Area 7 Roman Groh Welland + Dunville, Fonthill, Fort Erie, Fort Erie AM, Port Colborne
Aug 25 Art Wing Welland -Foundation talk

Area 8 John Beyer Niagara Falls + Lewiston/Niagara-on-the-Lake, Niagara Falls, Niagara Falls Su
Oct 27 Niag Falls John Beyer-
Nov 26 Niag Falls Sunrise Art Wing -Foundation talk

Area 9 Patti Johnson Grand Island+ Niagara County Central, Niagara Falls NY, The Tonawandas

Area 10 Don DeMeo Buffalo + Buffalo Sunrise, Kenmore
Nov 2 Kenmore Bob Bruce -Foundation talk-with Don DeMeo

Area 11 John Huber Amherst East+ Amherst North, Amherst South, Cheektowaga, Lancaster Dep
Nov 5 Amherst East Joe DePaolo and John Huber
Dec 8 Amherst North John Huber -presentation scheduled
Jan 13 Amherst South John Huber -presentation scheduled
Jan 14 Cheektowaga John Huber -presentation scheduled
Lancaster/Depew John Huber -presentation being scheduled
Williamsville John Huber -presentation being scheduled

Area 12 David Greenfield Lockport + Clarence, Eastern Hills Sunrise, Middleport
Nov 17 Lockport Art Wing Foundation talk
Nov 18 Area 12 Foundation meeting -Art Wing, Bob Bruce, David Greenfield, Barb Guida

Area 13 Mark Walling Hamburg Sunrise + East Aurora, Hamburg, Orchard Park, Southshore/Blasdell, W
Nov 18 West Seneca Art Wing-Foundation talk

Area 14 Alex Krebs Albion + Batavia, Holley, Le Roy, Medina
Nov 12 Albion Art Wing -Foundation talk

Area 15 Mary Vahl Olean + Ellicottville, Slamanca

Nov 11 Ellicottville
Dec 1 Olean RC

Mary Vahl and Mary Plonka-Polio Plus talk
Art Wing Foundation talk

Area 16 Irene Strychalski

Dunkirk+

Fredonia, Westfield-Mayville

Sept 16 Area Foundation meeting-Art Wing, Bob Bruce, Irene Strychalski

Area 17 Janet Vanstrom

Falconer +

Greater Jamestown AM, Jamestown, Lakewood Chautauqua S

Aug 2 club visits

Janet Vanstrom

1-Sep Foundation Committee Training US

2-Sep Foundation Committee Training Canada

District Simplified Grants, District 7090, 2009-10
Grant # 70177 – US\$ 24,500
As of November 3, 2009

#	Date Received	Club	Project Description	Amount US\$	Date Approved
104	August,2009	Hamilton Mountain	Shelter Box	\$2,000	21/08/2009
105	August,2009	Ancaster AM and Ancaster	Scoreboard for National T-Ball Championships	\$3,350	21/08/2009
106	August,2009	Port Colborne Centennial	Literacy Day event	\$1,316	21/08/2009
107	August,2009	Fonthill	Fogquest in Guatemala	\$1,300	30/09/2009
108	August,2009	Amherst East	Sumoko Kids Foundation Equipment for sports activities and Reading Program	\$2,000	12/10/2009
109	September, 2009	Dundas Valley Sunrise	Rubber Matting for the Rotary Rink	\$2,000	05/10/2009
110	October,2009	Waterdown	Shelter Box	\$1,091	18/10/2009
111	October,2009	Hamburg Sunrise	Dictionaries for Hamburg Elementary Schools	\$325	23/10/2009
112	October, 2009	West Seneca	Literacy Development Materials, Mexico	\$2,000	3/11/2009
113	October, 2009	St Catharines	Shelter Box	\$1,091	3/11/2009
114					
115					
116					
117					
Totals		10	5 for Local Communities 5 for International Communities	\$16,473	3/11/2009

Approved by the Grants Subcommittee:

 November 3, 2009
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The District 7090 Rotary Foundation Committee

Terms and conditions of 2009-2010 District Simplified Grants

1. Funds are allocated in the amounts listed above.
2. If for any reason your grant project cannot proceed according to plans presented in your application, please contact the Chair of the Grants committee immediately for consultation and potential approval of any change.
3. All 2009-2010 funds will only be released to clubs once they file with the Grants Sub-committee Chair an acceptable **final** report.
4. All DSGs for 2009-2010 must be completed at the latest by **December 1, 2012**.
5. Interim reports must be filed by **December 31, 2011**. Final reports must be filed by **December 31, 2012**, however please file reports as soon as the project is completed.
6. The Grants Sub-committee chair for 2009-10 is Roy Sheldrick. You may reach him at:
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Note:

Applications for 2010-2011 District Simplified Grants will be accepted after July 1, 2010. You may work with members of the Grants Sub-committee to ensure your application is complete at any time.

How Grants Will Work *Without* World Fund Contributions

Formula: District 7090 will increase the DDF contribution by 50% of what the Rotary Foundation would have contributed from the World Fund (WF).

With World Fund \$:

Club Contribution:	\$ 3,000	WF Contribution:	\$1,500
District DDF	\$ 3,000	WF Contribution:	\$3,000
Host Club	<u>\$ 100</u>	WF Contribution:	<u>\$ 50</u>
Totals	\$ 6,100		\$4,600
Grand Total	\$ 10, 700		

2009-2010 Matching Grant in District 7090;

Club Contribution:	\$ 3,000	WF Contribution:	\$ 0
District DDF	\$ 3,000	WF Contribution:	\$ 0
Host Club	<u>\$ 100</u>	WF Contribution:	<u>\$ 0</u>
Totals	\$ 6,100		\$ 0
Grand Total	\$ 6,100		

To assist the club to get the project off the ground, District 7090 will increase the DDF contribution by 50% of what the Rotary Foundation would have contributed from the World Fund(WF). In this case that amounts to \$2,300.

The Grand Total is now \$8,400. (\$6,100 + \$2,300)

The grant minimum project cost is \$10,000. In this case the club would have to find an additional \$1,600 in order to reach this minimum.

A second example:

<u>Club + DDF</u>	<u>Former WF</u>	<u>2009-10 Additional \$</u>
Club Contribution:	\$ 5,000	WF Contribution: \$2,500
District DDF	\$ 5,000	WF Contribution: \$5,000
Host Club	<u>\$ 100</u>	WF Contribution: <u>\$ 50</u>
Former Totals	\$ 10,100	\$7,550
New Totals	\$ 10,100	\$ 0
New Grand Total	\$ 13,875. (\$10,100 + \$ 3,775)	\$3,775

In this case the club either raises an extra \$3,775 or scales down the project to fit the funds available.

November 2009 Youth Services Report

District 7090 Youth Exchange Committee

Report to District Council

November 21st, 2009

District Conference

25 in-bound students participated during the weekend in a variety of ways:

- Highlighting the start of the Saturday night dinner with the parade of flags
- Assisting auctioneers in showcasing decorative stools on Saturday night
- Mingling with delegates at lunch and dinner tables
- Performing at the post-breakfast Sunday morning presentation of songs, dance, and humour. This was the most audience interactive Y E presentation at any district conference in memory, and was well received

Our thanks to Jane Evans, Stan Simmons, and a host of ROTEX students under the direction of Greg Norton for assisting in all of the above.

A special thank you to Joanna Turchin, our liaison person with the Conference Committee, for an outstanding job in handling many details in an efficient and unflappable fashion.

CSIET Certification

The Council on Standards for International Education Travel (CSIET) provides New York State with a means to certify international students attending high school. Certification is necessary if we wish our in-bound students to be able to fully participate in interscholastic sports programs.

The certification process is underway. The application form has been completed, with the Governor's signature and a cheque in the amount of \$125 U.S. for the application fee being forwarded in time to meet the November 20th deadline.

The second phase of the certification process involves a compliance audit, for which U.S. CPA expertise is required. The District Y E committee invites any qualified

Rotarian(s) to assist us in this process. The completed compliance audit submission needs to be received by CSIET officials no later than February 26th, 2010.

Youth Exchange Web Site

The District Youth Exchange Committee is entertaining the idea of establishing a web site specific to Y.E. activities in the district. The site would:

- be designed to match RI guidelines
- initially be developed as a prototype for district approval
- be user friendly . . . allowing Rotarians with basic computer skills to access and update (given approval to do so).
- be managed by a Rotary volunteer
- act as a resource centre for Youth Exchange Officers in our district clubs, and include promotional materials, interview questions, insurance information, H & A protocols, "how to attract host families", etc., etc.
- promote Y E to potential out-bounds
- be built and hosted by a Rotary volunteer, with no cost to Rotary
- move to district hosting at no cost should that be desired
- allow for confidential housing of district committee meeting minutes, ideas, and critical information
- offer flexibility and reduce limitations on content management

Motion: That the District Youth Exchange program be authorized to develop a prototype Y E web site, to be approved by district council prior to going live.

Buffalo Weekend

The next in-bound weekend program is scheduled to run from Friday December 4th to Sunday September 6th, in Buffalo. Co-hosted by the Rotary Clubs of Buffalo and Buffalo Sunrise, this event will involve the students in the exploration of urban culture, tours of Buffalo sites, social interaction, and an orientation program re. the Rotary Outdoor Leadership Experience in February. Details have been sent to the out-bound hosting clubs and the students.

Temagami

Coordinator Greg Norton is seeking advisors for ROLE, our yearly adventure in winter survival and leadership for our in-bound and new crop of out-bound students. Advisors work with the students in a variety of hands-on activities. Dates are February 3rd to 6th, and 6th to 9th. If you enjoy working with youth in the great outdoors and wish to find out more, contact Greg at norton620@mac.com

RYLA Report

The RYLA program for 2010 will be located at Fredonia College where it took place in 2009 with great success. This year we plan to run two RYLA programs in parallel with a total of 80+ students. We have a very good video of the 2009 Rylarians activities which we plan to distribute to the Rotary Clubs to enable the members to fully understand the RYLA program. We will utilize the same marketing approach that worked very well last year. We plan to expand the use of the college's and university's student communication networks to advertise our program. In addition we will not only request Rotary Clubs to provide candidates but offer candidates where Clubs cannot find suitable applicants. The internet web page with details of the program and the application form will be used once again to fulfill the electronic communication with the potential candidates. We have a very enthusiastic staff that provides excellent leadership development programs lead by Elaine Widmer. The RYLA Committee is well versed in the details of the program and provide the highest order of contribution to this RYLA program that continues to be very well appreciated by the candidates/Rylarians. The marketing program will be rolled out in January 2010.

Early Act Report

The Rotary club of Welland chartered the first french speaking EarlyAct club in Canada at "Ecole Sacre Coeur" on October 27th of this year. This venture was such a hit that Radio Canada, the French TV station came down to the school and filmed an interview with the kids, the principal and Angela Carter. The program was aired at 6:00 p.m. November 6 on the French channel 13.

The Rotary Club of Waterdown is planning on chartering an EarlyAct Club at Dr. John Seaton School in Sheffield, West Flamborough

The Rotary Club of Norfolk Sunrise are going into their 3rd year at Elgin school and this year is their first with another school in our area – Doverwood elementary.

The Rotary Club of Caledonia has started an EarlyAct club at St. Patrick Catholic School.

The Rotary Club of St Catharines South last year chartered an EarlyAct club at Mother Teresa Catholic School.

We have been unable to reach the Rotary Club of Stoney Creek to confirm that their EarlyAct club is still running. Nor have we been able to contact the Rotary Club of Hamilton to confirm that they have started an EarlyAct club. The Rotary Club of Hamilton had met with a private school in hopes of starting an EarlyAct club there.

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Chris Lowes GSC

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Interact Conference Proposal

Rick Sterne proposes that we organize a District 7090 Interact Conference for May 8, 2010.

The purpose of the conference would be to provide District Interactors an opportunity:

1. For networking and fellowship.
2. To hear a dynamic motivational key note speaker.
3. To learn more about Rotary International and the RI Foundation
4. To share success stories from our Interact Clubs
5. To provide some officer and leadership training
6. To recognize outstanding Interactors and their projects
7. To build more Interact Clubs throughout District 7090

The Draft Conference Agenda could look like:

9:00 AM - Welcome and review of Agenda
9:30 AM - Key- Note Motivational Speaker
10:15 AM - Break
10:30 AM - Rotary International and RI Foundation Presentation
11:00 AM - Outstanding Interact Projects 3 presentations
12:00 noon - Lunch including Award Presentations
1:30 PM - Officer Training Break out Sessions
2:15 PM - Club Projects Break out Sessions
3:00 PM - Adjournment

I would envision that most of the sessions be presented by the Interactors themselves.

Maybe Jennifer Middleton could be the Key note speaker.

I would suggest that we hold this in the Niagara/ St Catherines area as it is central.

We would need a location, maybe Niagara College.

We will try to have the lunch sponsored or at least keep the cost minimal, ie \$5-10.00.

We would let the Interactors draft the final agenda.

Some Districts have an Interact Executive structure like our Rotary structure.

The Interactors elect their own DG etc. It then provides keen Interactors an opportunity to grow.

We would invite Interactors, Teacher Advisors, and Rotary Club liaisons.

We could also invite Rotary Clubs that do not have an Interact Club to come and learn more.

We would **invite those that attended Slapshot the weekend before and are interested in starting an Interact Club to attend.**

I would also like you to find us a Conference Committee Chair.
Hopefully, you can also help with some sponsorship.

Motion: Permission to organize an Interact conference be approved, with ongoing consultation with the District Advisory and Planning Committee.

Yours in Interact
Rick Sterne
District 7090 Interact Co-Chair

Interact Report

Last year we had six active Interact Clubs in the Canadian side of District 7090. The Clubs are as follows:

Brantford Rotary - North Park Collegiate Interact Club

Fonthill Rotary - E. L. Crossley SS Interact Club

Niagara Falls Rotary - A.N. Myers SS Interact Club

Niagara on the Lake Rotary - Niagara District SS Interact Club

Waterdown Rotary - Waterdown District HS Interact Club

Welland Rotary - Jean Vanier Interact Club

To date, I have made contact with each of the Clubs.

I attended the Purple Pinkie for Polio project by the A.N. Myers Interact Club on Friday October 23, 2009. They raised \$500.00 for polio.

I attended the chartering of the first French speaking Early Act Club in North America by the Jean Vanier Interact and Welland Rotary Clubs on Tuesday, October 27th, 2009.

I attended the North Park Interact Club meeting on Thursday, November 5th, 2009. They raised \$1900.00 for Unicef.

I am currently working with three Rotary Clubs to charter three new Interact Clubs.

Brantford Sunrise Rotary - St. John's College Interact Club They have signed up 82 members. Page Smitiuck is the president.

Hamilton AM Rotary - Sir John A. Macdonald SS Interact Club

Fort Erie Rotary - Lakeshore Catholic HS Interact Club They have 15 members.

I am trying to put together a District 7090 Interact - CA Directory

I have expressions of interest for Interact Clubs from the Ancaster AM Rotary, and Dundas Valley Sunrise Rotary.

We are trying to form Interact Clubs at Brantford Collegiate Institute, and Hillfield Strathallen in Hamilton.

Hopefully by the end of the Rotary year, we will have doubled the number of CA Interact Clubs in District 7090 to twelve.

Yours in Rotary and Interact
Rick Sterne
District 7090 Interact Co-Chair

Rotaract Report

Past R.I. President Wilf Wilkinson attended a meeting of the Brantford Rotaract Club on November 3. This club, headed by Jennifer Middleton has now grown to 55 active members. Attending the meeting were 4 PDGs, the mayor, the Brantford Expositor and a large number of Rotarians. Wilf spoke passionately about the role of youth in Rotary and helped the club solve a problem regarding attending the Rotary International conference in June. Members of the McMaster Rotaract Club were also in attendance.

Kevin Crosby reports that on December 15, Buffalo Sunrise will initiate the formation of a community based Rotaract Club in Buffalo.

SLAPSHOT Report

Registrations for SLAPSHOT 2010 are already occurring. For information on registration on-line check out the newly revamped Youth Services section of the District website [rotary 7090.org](http://rotary7090.org) Thanks to Pene and Chris, registrations can now be made completely on line by contacting Kevin.crouse@rogers.com. Also under the Youth Services heading, check out SLAPSHOT 2010 – a Power Point presentation on SLAPSHOT which highlights Selene Lopez's experiences at SLAPSHOT last year. All ADG's will receive a package today which include letters to their club presidents containing copies of this year's SLAPSHOT brochure. As in the past, registrations received before February 28 will be \$200. Registrations received after that date will be \$250., but only the first 100 registrations will be accepted. Get your registrations in early to avoid disappointment or send a cheque to secure your spots even though your club has not yet selected their candidates.

Report of the Training Committee

November 17, 2009

The Training Committee has the strategic plan outcome of:

District 7090 has highly effective leadership at all levels as a result of knowledge and skill training.

To this end, with the initiative of Richard Earne, PDG, our District has joined with District 7070 to form the Shining Waters Division of the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI). Rotary Leadership Institute is a grassroots coalition of Rotary Districts implementing a leadership development program for “potential” leaders of Rotary CLUBS. A committee under the chair of Richard Earne selected several recognized Rotary public speakers to receive training to act as group discussion leaders or faculty for implementing this program. While Chair Richard Earne will have a more detailed report of this initiative, suffice it to say that the Rotary Leadership Institute is well on its way to begin offering the Part 1 curriculum to Rotarians in March 2010.

The Membership Committee under Chair Ray Guy has setup four membership development sessions for November and December, 2009. Ray will have the details in his report.

The President -Elect Training Sessions(PETS) under the direction of Robert Leek, PDG and assisted by Kevin Crosby, have setup the newly reconfigured Part 1 sessions in various locations throughout the District and starting in the first week of February 2010. These evening programs are established to increase attendance of next year’s Club Presidents at this initial introductory sessions. It is anticipated that the President-elects will be able to attend one of the local evening presentations. Announcements with dates and location will be forthcoming. District Governor-elect Karen Oakes will have more information in her report.

Lastly, Training Committee member Kevin Crosby, and Public Relation Chair Paul McAfee have been investigating the use of web conferencing and webinars to the Rotary training, information exchange, and leadership development arsenal of tools. Wikipedia defines the following: **Web conferencing** is used to conduct live meetings, training, or presentations via the Internet. In a web conference, each participant sits at his or her own computer and is connected to other participants via the internet. This can be either a downloaded application on each of the attendees' computers or a web-based application where the attendees access the meeting by clicking on a link distributed by e-mail (meeting invitation) to enter the conference. A **webinar** is a neologism to describe a specific type of web conference. It is typically one-way, from the speaker to the audience with limited audience interaction, such as in a webcast. A webinar can be collaborative and include polling and question & answer sessions to allow full participation between the audience and the presenter. The cost for this Internet software linkage is generally about \$500 per year. As the process is studied and its abilities as analyzed, more information will be brought to the Council’s attention.

Wallace J. Ochterski, PDG
Chair

DISTRICT 7090 CLUB VISIONING COMMITTEE REPORT: Canadian Side

District Council, November 21, 2009

We have held 7 sessions to date. There are 3 further clubs interested at this time.

During November, each committee member is contacting one or two clubs which have gone through the Club Visioning experience to see how they are doing and to find out what they think would help them. At a meeting in later November, we assess the results and investigate the most effective ways to continue to work with these clubs. A joint steering committee meeting for this purpose is scheduled for December 1.

I am also tracking clubs who have decided to approach long term planning in other ways and who have agreed to share the results with our committee.

D 7090 2009-2010 Desired Outcomes

This committee is provides assistance to interested clubs to achieve the following outcome:

We have district continuity through effective planning practices with long term horizons on all levels.

Clubs interested in participating in the Club Visioning program on the Canadian side of our District should contact Nan Bruce. We are also looking for potential team members.

Nan Bruce, AG

Co-Chair,

D 7090 Club Visioning Committee.

nbruce@cogeco.ca



A BAKER'S DOZEN ENACTMENTS FOR CLUBS TO WATCH!

A report for District Council by District 7090 2010 COL Representative Bob Bruce, November 21, 2009

An **Enactment** seeks to amend the RI constitutional documents. A **Resolution** is legislation that does not seek to amend the constitutional documents and asks the RI Board to consider an action.

These are 12 of 219 items of legislation considered during the week of April 25-30, 2010.

The complete book of proposed legislation is posted on Rotary's website: www.rotary.org and on the District website www.rotary7090.org.

Legislation

Description

10-31 To provide that clubs shall meet at least twice per calendar month

This enactment would amend the Standard Rotary Club Constitution to remove the provision requiring that clubs meet weekly and instead provide for clubs to meet at least twice per calendar month.

10-39 To amend the provisions for qualification for Rotary club membership

This enactment would amend the RI Constitution and the Standard Rotary Club Constitution to provide that active members demonstrate

- *dedication to community service and have time to engage in it*
- *a spirit of fellowship and participation*
- *ethical behavior in both their private and public life*
- *a willingness to attend club meetings regularly and to fulfill the requirements of their membership*

The proposal would also require that all club members demonstrate such qualities.

10-45 To create a new category of membership: corporate membership

This enactment would amend the RI Constitution, the RI Bylaws, and the Standard Rotary Club Constitution to create a new type of membership in clubs: corporate membership. The number of corporate members a club could elect would be limited to four or not more than 5% of the club's active membership. Corporate members would be required to meet the membership qualifications of active membership, except that a corporate member could designate up to three additional persons from the corporate member's business or profession and their combined attendance could be used to satisfy attendance requirements. The additional persons would be approved by the club board, but would not be members. Furthermore, the corporate member would pay full admission fees and annual dues for him or herself and also for any additional persons.

Legislation

Description

10-55 To request the RI Board to consider encouraging clubs to allow school advisors of Interact and Rotaract clubs to be honorary members.

This resolution requests the RI Board to consider encouraging clubs to allow school (faculty) advisors of Interact and Rotaract clubs to become honorary members of sponsoring Rotary clubs.

10-66 To amend the Object of Rotary

This enactment would amend the RI Constitution and the Standard Rotary Club Constitution by amending the Object of Rotary. The new Object of Rotary would be: Rotary and Rotarians, imbued with their ideal of service, their occupational calling, their international fellowship network, share the following goals:

- 1. Improve the quality of life in their community through educational, humanitarian, and vocational projects in their community and abroad with a special emphasis on younger generations. This is to be achieved through RI and The Rotary Foundation programs as well as local initiatives and the contribution of each Rotarian's skills;*
- 2. Foster integrity, diversity, and fellowship in the community and display vocational and personal leadership in their service and social activities;*
- 3. Promote through their accomplishments an ethical and cultural model to contribute to the advancement of peace and society.*

10-68 To request the RI Board to consider including landmine relief efforts in RI and Rotary Foundation humanitarian programs

This resolution requests the RI Board to consider taking an active interest in clearing unexploded ammunition and clearing up landmines as a way of assisting children throughout the world. Currently, the RI Board has recognized Rotarians for Mine Action, which is a Rotarian Action Group dedicated to raising awareness about landmines, providing assistance to survivors, and removing the threat of landmines worldwide.

10-71 To request the RI Board to consider implementing a new program for Rotary Peace Communities

This resolution requests the RI Board to consider recognizing and implementing a new program for Rotary Peace Communities. This resolution also requests the RI Board to consider including the Rotary Peace Community program in future RI president emphases. A Rotary Peace Community is a cooperative partnership between a local Rotary club and its local government to make a declaration of community peace. Such partnerships are intended to foster the promotion of world peace and understanding by rewarding communities, citizens, government representatives, organizations, and students for their participation in community service.

10-87 To add a fifth Avenue of Service: Youth Service

This enactment would amend the Standard Rotary Club Constitution to add a fifth Avenue of Service, which would recognize the positive change implemented by youth and young adults through leadership development activities, involvement in community and international service projects, and exchange programs that enrich and foster world

Legislation

Description

10-95 To request the RI Board to consider endorsing and supporting the EarlyAct program

This resolution requests the RI Board to consider giving official recognition to EarlyAct clubs. This recognition could equate to making EarlyAct a structured program of RI, with policies and requirements set by the RI Board for clubs and districts to follow.

10-111 To request the Trustees to consider making children of Rotarians eligible for Foundation awards programs

Currently, Section 9.3 of The Rotary Foundation Bylaws (pages 281-282 of the Manual of Procedure) provides that a “lineal descendant (child or grandchild by blood and any legally adopted child)” is ineligible to receive any award or grant from the Foundation. Section 7.030. of The Rotary Foundation Code of Policies includes the same prohibition and further provides that individuals involved in a Foundation grant and/or award shall conduct their activities in a way that avoids any actual or perceived conflict of interest.

This resolution seeks to have the RI Board consider requesting the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation to revise this policy and to allow children of Rotarians to be eligible for Foundation awards programs.

10-121 To request the Trustees to consider accepting Matching Grants applications only from clubs that contribute to the Annual Programs Fund

This resolution seeks to have the RI Board consider requesting The Rotary Foundation Trustees to accept Matching Grants applications only from clubs that have contributed to the Annual Programs Fund. Currently, all clubs and districts can apply for Matching Grants.

10-127 To increase per capita dues

*This enactment would amend the RI Bylaws to provide for per capita dues of **US\$26 per half year in 2011-2012**, US\$27 per half year in 2012-2013, and US\$28 per half year in 2013-2014. This enactment would also provide for clubs to pay minimum semiannual dues of US\$260 in 2011-2012, US\$270 in 2012-2013, and US\$280 in 2013-2014.*

Current legislation reads;

*Each club shall pay to RI per capita dues for each of its members as follows: US\$23.50 per half year in 2007-2008, US\$24.00 per half year in 2008-2009, **US\$24.50 per half year in 2009-2010**, and **US\$25.00 per half year in 2010-2011** and thereafter; provided that each club shall pay semiannually to RI a minimum of US\$235.00 in 2007-2008, US\$240.00 in 2008-2009, US\$245.00 in 2009-2010, and US\$250.00 in 2010-2011 and thereafter. Such dues shall remain constant until changed by the council on legislation.*

10-170 To revise the term limit restriction for RI committee members

The terms of membership on RI standing committees are three years. No person appointed to such a committee may serve on the same committee for more than three years.

While not changing the length of the term of membership on the RI standing committees, this proposed enactment would amend the RI Bylaws so that a person could serve on the same committee for up to four years. It would provide that a person appointed to fill a vacancy of up to one year on a three-year committee could be reappointed to the same committee. It would also allow someone who leaves a committee prior to serving a full

year on the committee to be reappointed to the committee.

District Conference 2009
Millennium Hotel

The conference was a well attended successful event.

Our speakers for lunch and diner reviews from the attendance were remarkable.

Ted Gurzynski, Rotary International President John Kenny's personal representative was an individual that all Rotarians would have had the pleasure to meet. He was an excellent speaker. He was very enjoyable, funny plus charming. He enjoyed dancing Friday night to all most every songs, he even made a personal request.

Jan Nichols our luncheon speaker spoke about her personal story of survival with polio. How her brother died of a small age with polio
It was a heart warming story that touched all present. She left everyone in the room thinking about the importance of the continuation of our efforts on polio.

RRIVP Monty Audernart our diner speaker gave his story on his journey as a dentist. The pictures he brought were so realistic to all.
He made you think about Service above Self
His services of being a dentist, his touching story of babies dieing because of no incubators, and how Rotary made a difference in getting new ones.

The attendance for the conference was totaled at 480 Registrants.

Friday night Mardi Gra was sold out, with 182 attending

Saturday Luncheon was also sold out, with 253 attending

Saturday Night Foundation Diner was just short a sell out of 8, with an attendance at 284

The possession of the exchange students and the GSE was a beautiful site. Presentation of awards by PDG Art Wing and PDG Bob Bruce was inspirational for all to hear. They gave you a thought when they walked away, about you considering giving to the Rotary Foundation, Paul Harris Society and an EREY.

Our stool auction has brought in a figure for Foundation of almost \$3600.00 (figures to be finalized)

Sunday's breakfast ended with our exchange students performing for us, if you were there you missed an entertaining event.

Barb Guida
District Conference 2009 Chair

District Legislative Committee - Report to District Council

Saturday, November 21st, 2009

SELECTION PROCESS - MEMBER OF THE ZONE 24 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Rotary International has given us authorization to select a member to sit on the Zone 24 nominating committee via a “ballot-by-mail” process, in accordance with RI bylaws section 12.020.8. This committee, which will consist of one member from each district in our zone, will choose the next RI Director from Zone 24. The committee will meet within the last 15 days of September, 2010.

The “ballot-by-mail” process is carried out via a letter from Governor Pravin to the Secretary of each Rotary Club in our district. Clubs are asked to submit nominations to be a member on the nominating committee. Both a member and an alternate will be chosen once all the ballots are in.

Qualifications:

To be eligible for nomination, a candidate must:

- be a Past District Governor at the time of serving on the committee
- be a member of a Rotary club in Zone 24
- have attended at least two Rotary Institutes and one Rotary International Convention in the three years prior to serving on the committee (2007-2008 institutes/conventions or later)
- have given their consent to be nominated
- be able to serve on this committee during the last two weeks of September 2010
- not have served twice as a member of this committee in the past

The “ballot-by-mail” must be concluded by May 15th, 2010., with names of the elected member and alternate being forwarded to RI not later than June 1st, 2010

MANUAL OF POLICIES AND PROCEDURES – DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING

Members of the District Legislative Committee are currently considering options as to the insertion of a requirement for a district annual meeting into the body of the MOPP. There is currently no such requirement in this document. Traditionally, the requirement from RI for a “business meeting” during the district conference has been utilized as a vehicle for our district annual meeting. Governor Pravin has asked that we present to council the wording of a requirement for a district annual meeting. The proposal to council may include the option for a semi-annual meeting to be held in conjunction with district assembly. A full report re. this item will be presented for approval at our January 23rd meeting of council.