



District Council Agenda June 8, 2013

Phillip Sheridan Building, 3200 Elmwood Ave, Kenmore, NY
Located just North of Sheridan Drive (Route 324), Take the Elmwood Avenue
(North) or Delaware Avenue (South) exit from the I-290. Dress is Casual.

08:00 - 08:45 AM	Check-in, Refreshments & Fellowship	
08:45 - 09:15	Call to Order & Welcome Invocation Introductions Rotary Moment	Rick Sterne, DG Joe Alber All Kevin Crosby
09:15 - 09:30	Secretary's Report • District Council Meeting – April 13, 2013 Treasurer's Report District Governor Report District Governor Nominee Report District Governor Designate	Pene Hutton Marlene McGraw Rick Sterne, DG Jack Amico, DGN Kevin Crosby, DGD
09:30 – 10:00	Directors' Reports • The Rotary Foundation • Public Relations • Membership	Director Karen Oakes, PDG Director Paul McAfee Director Pravin Suchak, PDG
10:00 – 10:15	Council on Legislation Report	Delegate Dick Earne, PDG
10:15 – 10:30	Break	
10:30 – 11:00	Directors' Reports (continued) • Service Projects • New Generations • Training	Director Andy Skrypniak Director Greg Norton Director Kevin Crosby
11:00 – 11:20	Assistant Governor Forum	Jack Amico, DGN
11:20 – 11:35	Thank You & Pass the Gavel	Rick Sterne, DG
11:35 - 12:05	District Governor Elect Report • District Goals 2013 – 2014 • Presentation of District Leadership Team	Kevin Crouse, DGE
12:05 – 12:15	Other Business	
12:15 PM	Adjournment	



Minutes of District Council Meeting April 13, 2013

Attendance: 24 Rotarians

Chair: Rick Sterne, District Governor 2012 – 2013

Welcome and Invocation: Called to order at 8:45 am by DG Rick. Welcome. Stand up and give someone a High Five! American Rotarians, take note, you are outnumbered today by Canadians...spread the word.

Invocation: Wayne Massey. Wayne noted the current theme of Peace through Service by President Tanaka, and also reminded the Council of past themes. Rotary empowered us to work together to accomplish things we never thought possible and has opened our eyes to the need in the world, which by a chance of birth allows us to assist those in need.

Introductions: DG Rick asked council members to introduce themselves and to share something meaningful in Rotary that has happened to us since we last met.

Rotary Moment: Bill Clevette. Bill shared his stress of preparing for DC – report to be submitted, Pene's brick received and read and digested. Then the night before, stay up as late as you dare to check the weather report, set alarm go to bed, get up, head toward the border, stress of not knowing what will the border be like, then pick the shortest line, which he never does, then when he gets there, wearing his badges with Rotary on it – the attendant simply asked, "Are you a Rotarian? Are you attending a Rotarian event? Go on through." "Rotary opens Borders".

DG Rick noted that the Area 13 peace seminar was worth the drive to Hamburg. 6 clubs came together on the project. He also shared the email from Greg Norton about the GSE team member who visited Santa Maria and narrowly missed the nightclub fire there and the tragedy of the many who perished there.

Secretary's Report: District Executive Secretary Pene Hutton noted that the minutes of the February meeting of the District Council were posted on the website and included in the agenda packet for review.

PDG JOHN HEISE MOVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FEBRUARY DISTRICT COUNCIL BE APPROVED; SECONDED BY PDG KAREN OAKES. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report (see attached): Marlene McGraw absent (see also narrative)

MOTION TO ACCEPT BY VTT CO-CHAIR BOB GOSSELIN, SECONDED BY AG WAYNE MASSEY. MOTION CARRIED.

District Governor's Report (see attached): DG Rick Sterne announced over \$6M donated to Polio Plus and matched by Canadian government. Rotarians of Canada very proud. He also noted that 40% of clubs have qualified for Presidential Citation. Fewer will make Lighthouse Award because of 3% membership goal this year. Sunday June 9th, Salvatore's Italian Gardens – all invited to attend this joint Changeover and Presidents' Dinner. Peace through Service award will also be given – see Declare and Share report in packet. Encourage clubs to complete form May 24th deadline. Governor's Trophy will be presented also. He also congratulated Kevin Crosby who is our new District Governor Designate.

District Governor Elect's Report (see attached): DGE Kevin Crouse stated he is hoping the sessions at PETS will help answer the needs of the incoming presidents. See attachments to his report.

District Governor Nominee's Report (see attached): DGN Jack Amico shared his thanks to all those that have helped pick up his responsibilities while he has been recovering from surgery - wonderful people have your back when it is needed. Love Rotary, love Rotarians. No matter where you go in Rotary, you are among a great group of friends!

District Governor Designate's Report: DGD Kevin Crosby expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to be able to serve the Rotarians in 7090. He noted that well-meaning friends in Rotary have occasionally said to him, "you know that a lot of time in Rotary that you are committing to". He shared something he read, "You have more to do than you have time to do, you just need to feel good about your choices and," he said, "I feel good about my choice to serve Rotary."

District Directors' and Committee Reports:

Foundation (see report): Director Karen Oakes, PDG

Matching Grants: Roy Sheldrick noted that a flurry of activity under the old program resulted in several grants were approved. Now - Global grants – 1st one submitted. Waiting on counter-part in Uganda and then will be distributed to committee for approval.

GSE/VTT: Outgoing team overall good experience. Will be sitting with the team to review their report which must be submitted to RI. One of the returning members is looking at joining Rotary and others are being asked to consider it also.

- Changes with VTT – Vocational Training Team committee. Have received guidelines from RI. Have submitted proposal to District to have a team in 2013-2014 go to Paraguay, focus will be water.

Polio Plus: Revise methodology for finishing the effort. Had to give up vaccine in some countries to concentrate on 3 endemic clubs. 100% CA club participation, US clubs less than 50%.
Foundation Dinner: November 8, 2013 at Salvatore's Italian Gardens.

DG Rick presented book to Karen for her great leadership of the Foundation team this year.

Public Relations (see report): Director Paul McAfee was absent. DG Rick noted Paul is absent, but has done an outstanding job in spite of being in Vietnam teaching much of the year. Has spent the PR grant budget for this year and will be submitting a report on it.

Open Forum: What can we do better as a District to support our clubs?

PDG Ralph Montesanto read Object of Rotary – what the District is for - to make the Object of Rotary a reality for the clubs.

Things we are doing well for the clubs:

We train very well	Excellent Foundation program
Doing a good job at being bi-national transparency	Youth programs are outstanding
Participating at every aspect that comes under the Rotary Foundation Committee	Self-examination
PR/Social Media	Aiding club to run projects through TRF
	Strong active District committees

Things we don't do so well:

Succession planning - Club and District levels - AGs needed, directorships open	Vocational training
Communicate what is happening at the committee level to clubs	Creating a rapport with clubs that need help and helping them
Need to approve the way we motivate clubs	Improving communication - overload of communication to clubs
Integration of youth and youth programs	Helping clubs develop membership
Help clubs with communication (e.g. - finding information on website; clubs fail to update on website)	Developing pool of people that serve at District
Challenge of bringing the district and club priorities into sync – club's priorities are different from District goals	Perception in the clubs of District Leadership
Motivating AGs – they may become lackadaisical	Encourage RI to make Rotary more visible/District make Rotary more visible
Empathize with our clubs – appreciate our clubs, recognize the clubs successes	Ask the clubs what they need - Need to ask members these questions
Help clubs become Rotary clubs – not just a service club	Defining and explaining the value proposition of Rotary to the clubs

Structural paradox – district well-organized. Clubs challenged to deliver. District needs to provide more ‘back office support’. Paid back office support.	Reduce club stress – help them re-organize to help them meet changes in their environment, merge some clubs, help them do an analysis of community
Encourage diversity	Supporting the clubs with representation at their events beyond the AG
RI has to be more visible – what we are and why	Need to improve perception of District leadership – not good ol’ boy network
District representation at club events	

PDG Ralph encouraged Council to read through the reports from PETS2. Some of the information supports the ideas suggested here. Suggestion by AG Willie to provide a SWAT Team for clubs. Karen noted the Club Central new reports on Membership. 85% retention goal by RI. Roy noted the Contact Center has many answers for clubs. Call 866-976-8279.

Break from 10:35am – 10:50am.

District Directors’ and Committee Reports (continued):

Membership (no report): Director Pravin Suchak, PDG absent

Service Projects (see report): Director Andy Skrypniak, absent

New Generations (see reports): Director Greg Norton noted that right now to weave New Generations into District Conference. Kevin Crouse offered clubs opportunity at PETS2 to sponsor two youth to attend Conference for \$400 total. District Assembly will have a session on an effective program for recruiting hosts for YE students.

Youth Exchange: Director Greg will take 20 students to NYC next week. Past student that lived with him from Brazil will be there also and he will get to reconnect with her.

SlapShot is set and will be going on end of month.

Rotaract: Jelaine Foster noted first ever District wide Rotaract event. FREE professional networking event on Friday, April 19th at 6pm in Buffalo at Templeton Landing on the waterfront in Buffalo. Speed dating kind of networking. Click on the link and respond...will need your profession. Rotaract raised \$3000 for a High School in Hamilton that is largely populated by refugees. Need Niagara Falls area Rotarian help also. One week of the Interota conference will be there. Contact Jelaine if you can help with transportation from Toronto to Niagara Falls, lunches, space, etc. Governor Rick noted that Jelaine should contact PDG Robb McLeod who he has already spoken with about helping and is on board.

Training (see reports): Director Kevin Crosby thanked John Heise who has been acting as co-director with him this year in preparation for assuming the role in July. He noted that they have concluded PETS1 – 4 sessions and that PETS2 was another successful event this year. Evaluations are being tabulated. District Leadership training has concluded and he noted that Rebecca and Kevin Crouse took important training roles at both PETS and Leadership training events and he was grateful for their help.

The published full agenda for District Assembly this year was referenced (included in his reports) and new this year, Rotarians are being asked to pre-register so that rooms can be assigned based on pre-registrations.....better room size. A new session at Assembly is the Small Club Tract. Some ideas on how clubs can grow, asking for small clubs to send a team for all 3 sessions in the tract. Further Director Kevin asked the AGs – to please encourage small clubs in their area to participate. Another new thing – there will be no treasurer training at Assembly, instead 2 Go To Meeting sessions for treasurers will be conducted, 1 for Canadian clubs, and 1 for US clubs. Looking long term at ways also to bring more training resources to the clubs. Thanked John Burroughs of St. Catharines club for putting together the online registration form. Trainers will know ahead of time how many handouts to have for participants.

He also noted the upcoming April 20th Rotary Leadership Institute at Niagara College and May 11th at Jamestown Community College. Canadian RLI will be in the fall.

CRCID: PDG Karen Oakes, Foundation Director and CRCID Representative

PDG Karen (in the interest of total transparency) announced that CRCID is facing an uncertain future given the lack of CRCID call for programs via CIDA. When CIDA initially established this system in 2010 it was anticipated there would be two general calls per year (spring and fall). However, only three special calls were announced in 2012, none of which matched CRCID's mandate. A call was anticipated in the fall of 2012 or possibly early 2013 according to the best information being received from CIDA. Unfortunately, this didn't occur. Therefore CRCID is facing a financial crisis at this time. She also noted the Secretariat (personnel) of CRCID are facing an unknown future at this time.

In response to a question posed by PDG Ralph Montesanto, she further commented on the recent amalgamation of CIDA into DFAIT (Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade), and the unknown impact this action will have on CRCID.


Assistant Governor Forum: DGE How AG can best provide leadership at the club level. 3 groups – each group will have one task to discuss. The 3 questions:

- How can an AG best provide leadership at the club level?
- How can an AG provide 2-way communication between the club and the district?
- What can AGs provide at the club level?

Other Business: None.

Adjournment: 12:15 by a Motion by Jack Amico; seconded by John Heise. Motion carried by acclaim.

Respectfully submitted,



Penelope Hutton

District 7090 Executive Secretary

Reports Attached to Minutes

DG Report

DGE Report

DGN Report

Treasurers Report

Foundation Report

PR Report

Service Projects

New Generations

Training

June 8, 2013

Rotary District 7090 Report from District Treasurer

The financial reports presented are as of May 31, 2013, showing 11 months of our fiscal year.

The balance sheet show our cash position at the end of May approximately \$311,000. As of May 31, all dues have been collected (a big thanks to Gov Rick for his collection efforts). The accounts receivable amount represents the PR grant that has been applied for as a result of our facebook campaign spearheaded by Paul McAfee. Prepaid expenses of \$2,767 are for the cost of a bulk purchase of district pins which will be used over the next 18 to 24 months (\$1,017), a \$1,000 deposit on Salvatores for the 2013 foundation dinner and a \$750 deposit for the 2014 district assembly. The \$5,689.71 prepaid district conference amount is for a \$6,000 deposit on the 2013/2014 district conference facility plus \$289.71 for conference brochures less \$600 in early bird registrations. The accrued expense amount represents the 2012/2013 district grants payable.

The Income and Expense actual to budget for the 11 months ended May 31, 2013 shows a net surplus on page 2 of \$63,888.68 compared to the budget forecast of a net loss of \$395.

The surplus from specified revenue & expenses on page 1 of the report is \$55,779 over budget, which is primarily a result of incomplete reporting on both RYLA and PETS. As of the Thursday, June 6, there had been minimal cheque requests for these two events. I expect a flurry of requests this month. There will also be further transactions for the district assembly as the report on that event is not yet finalized. With respect to the AG lines, a portion of the district assembly costs have been allocated here in anticipation of DG Rick requesting funding from RI for this expense.

The surplus from general operations on page 2 of the report is \$8,505 higher than budget. The budget for public relations expense has been increased by the amount of the PR grant applied for in order to more clearly report on spending compared to budget. The budget lines for PETS training and AG training may move to PETS by the end of the year as it is anticipated these amounts will be covered by the PETS costs. Finally, there will be final submissions for expenses from the DGE and the DG before the end of the year which are not recorded as of the end of May. Considering the costs to come in June, it appears that we are tracking to a break even or slight surplus for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013

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Accrual Basis

Rotary International District 7090

Balance Sheet

As of May 31, 2013

	<u>May 31, 13</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Chequing/Savings	
1010 · First Niagara US	85,845.26
1015 · First Niagara Short Term Invest	86,590.20
1020 · BoM Cdn	118,923.01
1040 · Petty cash	1,500.00
1070 · First Niagara Debit Card Bank	1,071.69
1090 · Restricted Grants Committee	17,192.82
Total Chequing/Savings	<u>311,122.98</u>
Accounts Receivable	
1110 · Accounts Receivable	11,514.84
Total Accounts Receivable	<u>11,514.84</u>
Other Current Assets	
1450 · Prepaid Expenses	2,767.00
1451 · Prepaid District Conference	5,689.71
Total Other Current Assets	<u>8,456.71</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>331,094.53</u>
Fixed Assets	
1700 · Equipment	2,457.44
1750 · Accum Amort - Equipment	-2,457.44
Total Fixed Assets	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>331,094.53</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
2030 · Accrued Expenses	16,923.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>16,923.00</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>16,923.00</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>16,923.00</u>
Equity	
3900 · Retained Earnings	250,282.85
Net Income	63,888.68
Total Equity	<u>314,171.53</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>331,094.53</u>

Rotary District 7090
Income and Expense
Actual to Budget July through May, 2013

		Jul - May '13	YTD Budget	\$ Over/(Under) YTD Budget	Annual Budget
Specified Revenue & Expenses					
DG	4300 · District Governor RI Revenue	-	-	-	-
	6010 · District Governor - Admin Exp	-	-	-	-
	Net District Governor	-	-	-	-
AG	4400 · AG RI reimburs Revenue	-	1,600.00	(1,600.00)	1,600.00
	6020 · Assistant Governors	1,600.00	1,600.00	-	1,600.00
	Net Assistant Governors	(1,600.00)	-	(1,600.00)	-
DC	4200 · District Conference Revenue	36,095.00	37,350.00	(1,255.00)	37,350.00
	4020 · District Conference assessment	7,383.00	7,650.00	(267.00)	7,650.00
	8010 · District Conference Expenses	37,832.35	45,000.00	(7,167.65)	45,000.00
	Net District Conference	5,645.65	-	5,645.65	-
FND	Foundation Dinner Revenue & Expense				
	5010 · Foundation Dinner	10,660.00	14,000.00	(3,340.00)	14,000.00
	8500 · Foundation Dinner	10,399.52	14,000.00	(3,600.48)	14,000.00
	Net Foundation Dinner	260.48	-	260.48	-
MIS	Miscellaneous Projects Revenue & Expense				
	5405 · Grant Seminar Training Revenue	4,380.00	-	4,380.00	-
	7057 · Grant Seminar Training Costs	5,250.77	-	5,250.77	-
	Net Grant Seminar Training	(870.77)	-	(870.77)	-
	5402 · Visioning/Inner Rotarian Revenue	371.14	150.00	221.14	200.00
	8036 · Visioning/Inner Rotarian Revenue	347.78	150.00	197.78	200.00
	Net Misc Seminar Training	23.36	-	23.36	-
RYL	5030 · RYLA	24,025.00	32,000.00	(7,975.00)	32,000.00
	7100 · RYLA	589.50	32,000.00	(31,410.50)	32,000.00
	Net Ryla	23,435.50	-	23,435.50	-
SLP	5035 · Slapshot	28,325.00	23,000.00	5,325.00	23,000.00
	7105 · Slapshot	28,084.07	23,000.00	5,084.07	23,000.00
	Net Slapshot	240.93	-	240.93	-
PET	5040 · PETS assessment	31,615.00	33,000.00	(1,385.00)	33,000.00
	8020 · PETS expenses	2,096.06	33,000.00	(30,903.94)	33,000.00
	Net PETS	29,518.94	-	29,518.94	-
DA	5050 · District Assembly Revenue	5,375.00	6,000.00	(625.00)	6,000.00
	8030 · District Assembly Costs	6,179.77	6,000.00	179.77	6,000.00
	Net District Assembly	(804.77)	-	(804.77)	-
DSG	5060 · District Simplified Grants	24,900.00	24,900.00	-	24,900.00
	7015 · District Simplified Grants	24,900.00	24,900.00	-	24,900.00
	Net Simplified Grants	-	-	-	-
RL	5406 · Rotary Leadership Institute Revenue	910.00	5,000.00	(4,090.00)	5,000.00
	8032 · Rotary Leadership Institute Costs	1,519.40	5,000.00	(3,480.60)	5,000.00
	Net Simplified Grants	(609.40)	-	(609.40)	-
DI	4030 · Insurance Assessment	32,793.76	34,100.00	(1,306.24)	34,100.00
	7520 · District Insurance	32,254.79	34,100.00	(1,845.21)	34,100.00
	Net Insurance	538.97	-	538.97	-
	Net Specified Revenue & Expenses	55,778.89	-	55,778.89	-

Rotary District 7090
Income and Expense
Actual to Budget July through May, 2013

	Jul - May '13	YTD Budget	\$ Over/(Under) YTD Budget	Annual Budget
General Revenue & Expenses				
4010 · General assessment	78,850.44	81,700.00	(2,849.56)	81,700.00
5200 · Interest income	68.66	913.00	(844.34)	1,000.00
5405 · Exchange Gain/Loss	(690.56)	-	(690.56)	-
5403 · Public Relations Income	11,514.84	11,515.00	(0.16)	11,515.00
5401 · Other Income	1,943.79	-	1,943.79	100.00
Total General Revenue	91,687.17	94,128.00	(2,440.83)	94,315.00
General Expenses				
6000 · Administration				
6030 · District council	1,207.25	2,800.00	(1,592.75)	2,800.00
6080 · District office				
6081 · Office Support & website	15,583.26	15,583.00	0.26	17,000.00
6082 · Phone Charges	1,100.00	1,100.00	-	1,200.00
6083 · Postage	172.70	150.00	22.70	200.00
6084 & 6086 · Office Supplies	272.65	475.00	(202.35)	700.00
6085 · Bank Charges	1,636.13	2,200.00	(563.87)	2,400.00
Total 6080 · District office	18,764.74	19,508.00	(743.26)	21,500.00
Total 6000 · Administration	19,971.99	22,308.00	(2,336.01)	24,300.00
7000 · Directors and Committees				
7010 · Group study exchange	1,257.18	1,300.00	(42.82)	1,500.00
7020 · Interact	-	1,125.00	(1,125.00)	1,500.00
7025 · Rotaract	-	750.00	(750.00)	1,000.00
7027 · Early Act	-	375.00	(375.00)	500.00
7030 · Long-range planning	-	450.00	(450.00)	600.00
7040 · Membership	503.87	750.00	(246.13)	1,000.00
7050 · Rotary foundation	863.07	1,975.00	(1,111.93)	2,700.00
7060 · Grants Committee	199.98	100.00	99.98	100.00
7065 · Rotary Scholars	-	-	-	200.00
7070 · Vocational service	-	100.00	(100.00)	200.00
7080 · World community service	-	-	-	-
7130 · Public Relations	16,493.03	16,015.00	478.03	17,515.00
7134 · Promotion of RI Theme	3,861.54	3,000.00	861.54	3,000.00
7140 · Communications	5,743.00	6,400.00	(657.00)	7,000.00
7510 · Council on legislation	568.59	-	568.59	-
7530 · Finance and audit	5,000.00	5,000.00	-	5,000.00
7200 · Other committees				
7205 · Other Committees - Misc	-	525.00	(525.00)	700.00
7215 · District Gov - Change Over Even	416.55	-	416.55	400.00
Total 7200 · Other committees	416.55	525.00	(108.45)	1,100.00
Total 7000 · Directors and Committees	34,906.81	37,865.00	(2,958.19)	42,915.00
8000 · Training				
8035 · PETS Training Costs	-	2,000.00	(2,000.00)	2,000.00
8040 · District training (Zone Institute)	7,637.19	7,000.00	637.19	7,000.00
8050 · Assist Gov Training	-	1,000.00	(1,000.00)	1,000.00
8070 · Dist Gov Nominee Training	3,803.35	4,000.00	(196.65)	4,000.00
8080 · Dist Gov Elect Training	6,795.34	9,000.00	(2,204.66)	11,000.00
8090 · District Gov Training Exp	7,442.69	9,000.00	(1,557.31)	11,000.00
8090 · CRCID	-	350.00	(350.00)	700.00
8098 · Awards & Recognition	2,974.04	1,800.00	1,174.04	2,000.00
Total 8000 · Training	28,652.61	34,150.00	(5,497.39)	38,700.00
8600 · Meeting Expenses	45.97	200.00	(154.03)	200.00
9915 · Unbudgeted Expenses	-	-	-	1,000.00
Total General Expenses	83,577.38	94,523.00	(10,945.62)	107,115.00
Net General Revenue & Expenses	8,109.79	(395.00)	8,504.79	(12,800.00)
Net Income/(Loss)	63,888.68	(395.00)	64,283.68	(12,800.00)



DISTRICT GOVERNOR REPORT

June 8, 2013

Rick Sterne



Since our Council meeting in April, I have once again had the privilege of attending a number of Paul Harris Dinners, including **Norfolk Sunrise, Waterdown, Dundas, and Flamborough AM**. It is always very inspirational learning about the accomplishments of the many Paul Harris recipients. Thank you for your invitations.

I participated in the opening of this year's **Slapshot** program. There were close to a hundred high school student participants and thirty volunteers from across the District. I returned Sunday morning to hear the very moving and personal presentations from the various teams. It was a growing and learning experience for everyone. Congratulations to **Margaret Andrews** and her team on an outstanding success! I am looking forward to attending the **RYLA** dinner in Fredonia next week.

This year's District Assembly at the beginning of May was also an outstanding success, with over two hundred and sixty Rotarians from across the District participating. There were so many session presentations that there was something for everyone. Kudos to **Marlee Diehl** and her team of presenters.

The highlight for May was attending **Dr. Bob Scott's** 80th birthday party in Cobourg, Ontario. Bob is head of our Polio Plus Campaign. RI President **Sakuji Tanaka**, RI President-Elect **Ron Burton**, Chair of the RI Foundation Board of Trustees **Wilf Wilkinson**, and our Zone 24/32 RI Director **Bryn Styles** were all in attendance. It was a wonderful celebration for a great Rotarian.

Twenty eight Clubs earned Presidential Citations this year from RI President Sakuji Tanaka: **Akron-Newstead, Amherst East, Amherst South, Ancaster, Ancaster AM, Brantford, Buffalo-Sunrise, Clarence, Dundas, Dundas Valley Sunrise, East Aurora, Grand Island, Hamburg, Hamilton, Hamilton AM, Le Roy, Lewiston-NOTL, Lockport, Niagara Falls Ont., Norfolk Sunrise, Olean, Simcoe, St. Catharines South, Stoney Creek, Waterdown, Welland, West Seneca, Westfield-Mayville.**

Congratulations to the eight Clubs that earned District Lighthouse Awards as our most outstanding Clubs; **Amherst East, Ancaster AM, Buffalo Sunrise, Dundas, Grand Island, Waterdown, Welland, and West Seneca.**

As of the middle of May, our District has achieved **2%** membership growth this year. Membership Growth Awards will be presented to the following Clubs for 2012-2013 growth: **Amherst East – 27%, Welland – 22%, Fonthill – 21%, Ancaster AM – 20%**. In addition three Awards will be presented for membership growth over the past five years: **Buffalo Sunrise – 50%, Williamsville – 37%, Hamburg – 29%**



Our Peace Through Service project program was an outstanding success this year with twenty seven Clubs completing Declare and Share reports. Our Peace Through Service Committee found it challenging to select the top ten. **Ancaster, Area 13, Brantford, Buffalo, Buffalo Sunrise, Le Roy, Lockport, Clubs of St. Catharines, Salamanca, and Westfield-Mayville.** Congratulations to all!

This year the **GOVERNOR'S TROPHY** is being introduced and presented to a Club or Area for the **Service Project of the Year**. The recipient will get bragging rights and keep the trophy until next year's Award presentations. Each year the District Governor will get to fine tune the criteria slightly to focus on

their priorities, however it will always be based on Service Above Self. This year's focus is on Peace Through Service. The selection committee will include the DGD, DGN, DGE, DG, and two PDGs. The committee had an extremely difficult time selecting a winner this year as there were many outstanding projects. All of these Awards will be presented tomorrow at our Awards Luncheon, along with the District Governor changeover.

Jeanette and I are looking forward to the RI Convention in Lisbon, Portugal the last week of June.

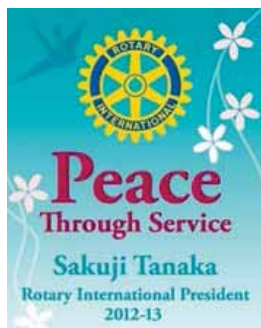
As this is my last report to District Council, I want to thank everyone for the experience of my life. Your hospitality, support, encouragement, critique, advice, and congratulations were most appreciated.

So many of you worked so hard to support our District this past year, too many to name. Thank you for your Service Above Self, job well done!

I wish **Kevin Crouse** the best of success in the coming year.

Thank you for the privilege and honour to serve as your District Governor 2012-2013.

HIGH FIVE!



Rick Sterne

District Governor
Best of Friends District 7090

2013-14 Calendar – District 7090

September 7, 2013	District Council, Kenmore, NY
September 17 -21, 2013	Zone 24 Institute, Philadelphia
September 28, 2013	Foundation Grant Seminar
October 25 – 27, 2013	District Conference, Niagara Falls, ON
November 9, 2013	District Council, TBD
November 15, 2013	Foundation Dinner
January 11, 2014	Youth Exchange Interviews
January 12 - 18, 2014	International Assembly, San Diego
February 1, 2014	District Council
February 18, 19, 25, 26, 2014	PETS 1
February 22, 2014	District Team Training Seminar
March 21, 22, 2014	PETS 2, BMO
April 12, 2014	District Council
April 25-27, 2014	SLAPSHOT
May 3, 2014	District Assembly
May 28 - June 4, 2014	International Conference , Sydney
June 8 – 14, 2014	RYLA
June 21, 2014	District Council
June 22, 2014	Awards Assembly and District Governor Changeover

District Governor 2013-14 Club Visitation Schedule

Date	Time	Club
July 2, 2013	7:10 a.m.	Dundas Valley Sunrise
July 2, 2013	12:00	Dundas
July 3, 2013	7:15 a.m.	Flamborough
July 9, 2013	12:00	Niagara-on-the-Lake – Club Officer Installation
July 10, 2013	7:15 a.m.	Brantford Sunrise
July 11, 2013	6:15 p.m.	Grimsby
July 15, 2013	12:00	St. Catharines South
July 15, 2013	6:15 p.m.	Waterdown
July 16, 2013	12:00	Grimsby
July 17, 2013	7:30 a.m.	Fort Erie
July 18, 2013	12:00	East Hamilton Wentworth
July 18, 2013	6:30 p.m.	Hamilton Sunset
July 19, 2013	7:30 a.m.	Stoney Creek
August 13, 2013	12:00	Olean
August 14, 2013	7:15 a.m.	Greater Jamestown
August 14, 2013	5:30 p.m.	Ellicottville
August 15, 2013	7:00 a.m.	Falconer
August 15, 2013	5:30 p.m.	Salamanca
August 19, 2013	12:00	Jamestown
August 19, 2013	6:00 p.m.	Williamsville
August 20, 2013	7:30 a.m.	Buffalo sunrise
August 20, 2013	6:30 p.m.	South Shore Blasdell
August 21, 2013	12:00	Medina
August 21, 2013	6:15 p.m.	Grand Island
August 22, 2013	7:00 a.m.	Lancaster Depew
August 22, 2013	6:00 p.m.	Lakewood Chautauqua
August 23, 2013	12:00	Clarence
August 26, 2013	12:00	Kenmore
August 27, 2013	12:00	Dunkirk
August 27, 2013	6:30 p.m.	Orchard Park
August 28, 2013	7:30 a.m.	Tonawanda
August 29, 2013	8:00 a.m.	Cheektowaga
August 29, 2013	12:00	Amherst East
September 3, 2013	7:15 a.m.	Lincoln
September 3, 2013	12:00	Niagara Falls, ON
September 4, 2013	7:00 a.m.	Hamilton AM
September 5, 2013	7:15 a.m.	Ancaster A.M.
September 5, 2013	12:00	Hamilton

Club DG Visitation Schedule Kevin Crouse - DG 2013 - 2014

Akron-Newstead	Thursday, October 3 – 7:30
Albion -	Thursday, October 3 – 12:00
Amherst-East	Thursday, August 29 – 12:00
Amherst-South	Wednesday, September 11 – 6:15
Ancaster	Tuesday, October 22 – 6:30
Ancaster AM	Thursday, September 5 – 7:15
Batavia	Tuesday, October 1 – 12:00
Brantford	Friday, September 27 12:00
Brantford Sunrise	Wednesday, July 10 - 7:15
Buffalo	Thursday, September 12 – 12:00
Buffalo Sunrise	Tuesday, August 20 – 7:30
Caledonia	Tuesday, October 22 – 12:00
Cheektowaga	Thursday, August 29 – 8:00
Clarence	Friday, August 23 – 12:00
Delhi	Thursday, October 17 – 5:30
Dundas	Tuesday, July 2 – 12:00
Dundas Valley Sunrise	Tuesday, July 2 – 7:10
Dunkirk	Tuesday, August 27 – 12:00
Dunnville	Thursday, October 17 – 12:00
East Aurora	Tuesday, September 10 – 7:30
Eastern Hills Sunrise	Wednesday, September 11 – 7:30

Ellicottville	Wednesday, August 14 – 5:30
Falconer	Thursday, August 15 – 7:00
Flamborough AM	Wednesday, July 3 – 7:15
Fonthill	Wednesday, September 25 – 7:15
Fort Erie	Wednesday, July 17, 7:30
Fredonia	Thursday, October 10 – 12:00
Grand Island	Wednesday, August 21 – 6:15
Grimsby	Thursday, July 11 – 6:15
Grimsby Noon	Tuesday, July 16 – 12:00
Hamburg	Tuesday, October 8 – 6:15
Hamburg Sunrise	Thursday, October 10 – 7:30
Hamilton	Thursday, September 5 – 12:00
Hamilton AM	Wednesday, September 4 – 7:15
Hamilton East-Wentworth	Thursday, July 18 – 12:00
Hamilton Mountain	Monday, October 21 – 12:00
Hamilton Sunset	Thursday, July 18 – 6:30
Holley	Monday, September 30 – 6:15
Jamestown	Monday, August 19 – 12:00
Greater Jamestown AM	Wednesday, August 14 – 7:15
Kenmore	Monday, August 26 – 12:00
Lakewood-Chautauqua S	Monday, August 22 – 6:00
Lancaster-Depew	Thursday, August 22 – 7:00
LeRoy	Wednesday, October 2 – 12:00

Lewiston NY/Niagara-on-the-Lake ON	Wednesday, October 16 – 6:30
Lincoln	Tuesday, September 3 – 7:15
Lockport	Tuesday, September, 10 – 12:00
Medina	Wednesday, August 21 – 12:00
Middleport	Tuesday, October 1 – 6:00
Niagara County Central	Thursday, September 12 – 7:15
Niagara Falls CA	Tuesday, September 3 – 12:00
Niagara Falls Sunrise	Thursday, September 26 – 7:15
Niagara Falls USA	Monday, September 9 – 12:00
Niagara-on-the-Lake	Tuesday, July 9 – 12:00
Norfolk Sunrise	Tuesday, September 24 – 7:00
Olean	Tuesday, August 13 – 12:00
Orchard Park	Tuesday, August 27 – 6:30
St. Catharines South	Monday, July 15 – 12:00
St. Catharines Lakeshore	Wednesday, September 25 – 6:00
St. Catharines	Thursday, July 26 – 12:00 noon
Salamanca	Thursday, August 15 – 5:30
Simcoe	Monday, September 23 – 12:00
South Shore Blasdell/Lackawanna	Tuesday, August 20 – 6:30
Stoney Creek	Thursday, July 19 – 7:30
The Tonawandas	Wednesday, August 28 – 7:30
Waterdown	Monday, July 15 – 6:15
Welland	Tuesday, October 15 – 12:00

Westfield-Mayville	Tuesday, October 8 – 12:00
West Seneca	Wednesday, October 9 – 7:45
Williamsville	Monday, August 19 – 6:00

September 9, 2013	12:00	Niagara Falls, NY
September 10, 2013	7:30 a.m.	East Aurora
September 10, 2013	12:00	Lockport
September 11, 2013	7:30 a.m.	Eastern Hills
September 11, 2013	6:15 p.m.	Amherst South
September 12, 2013	7:15 a.m.	Niagara County Central
September 12, 2013	12:00	Buffalo
September 23, 2013	12:00	Hamilton Mountain
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September 27, 2013	12:00	Brantford
September 30, 2013	6:15 p.m.	Holley
October 1, 2013	12:00	Batavia
October 1, 2013	6:00 p.m.	Middleport
October 2, 2013	12:00	LeRoy
October 3, 2013	7:30 a.m.	Akron
October 3, 2013	12:00	Albion
October 8, 2013	12:00	Westfield Mayville
October 8, 2013	6:15 p.m.	Hamburg
October 9, 2013	7:45 a.m.	West Seneca
October 10, 2013	7:30 a.m.	Hamburg Sunrise
October 15, 2013	12:00	Welland
October 16, 2013	6:30 p.m.	Lewiston/ Niagara –on-the-Lake.
October 17, 2013	12:00	Dunnville
October 17, 2013	5:30 p.m.	Delhi
October 21, 2013	12:00	Simcoe
October 22, 2013	12:00	Caledonia
October 22, 2013	6:30 p.m.	Ancaster

District Governor Nominee Report for 6/08/2013

In the last two months, I have been participated in:

Area 13 Peace through Service Forums

District Assembly planning sessions and presentations

President-elect training session funding review and planning for next year

Go-to-webinar for AG training from Rotary International

Go-to-webinar for RI's new Club Central planning and reporting system



District 7090 Rotary Foundation Committee
District Council Report
 June 8th, 2013

The Rotary Foundation “Doing Good in the World”.

Karen L. Oakes, Director, District 7090 Rotary Foundation

The following reports are provided as an update of the ongoing efforts of our various sub-committees within The Rotary Foundation.

As reflected in these reports, an amazing amount of good work has been undertaken and indeed realized this Rotary year.

Annual Fund Committee

Congratulations and thanks to all the 35 District clubs that have met or exceeded their goals for contributions to the Annual Fund this year. Half of our clubs have yet to reach their goal.

The **attached** file listing these clubs shows that we are \$33,994 short of our Annual Giving goal for 2012-13. There is a difference between what clubs stated as their goal (\$89,680) and what they have contributed (\$38,487) of \$59,488. If all of the clubs who have not yet met their goals were to make contributions at their goal level we would easily surpass our target. As it stands we are \$33,994 short of our target.

Both the Hamilton and Buffalo clubs have stated that their contributions are underway, and I am sure many others are in the same boat.

There is little time left to ensure that contributions are credited to the 2012-13 Rotary year. I urge all clubs listed to act quickly. Contributions may be sent to:

Canada

The Rotary Foundation (Canada)
 c/o 911600
 PO Box 4090 Station A
 Toronto, ON, M5W 0E9

USA

The Rotary Foundation
 14280 Collections Center Drive
 Chicago, IL, USA
 60693

Bob Bruce
 Annual Fund Chair

District 7090 Foundation Endowment Fund Committee
June 2013 Report to District Council

June 1, 2013

The Endowment Fund committee will be meeting in St. Catharines on June 3 to review the progress made in raising the awareness in the District of the Endowment Fund and its role within the Rotary Foundation. Committee members will be reporting on their activities, areas of success and challenges encountered so far this Rotary year. Progress over the past 6 months has been slower than planned mainly due to the challenges of committee members setting aside time to schedule activities in the areas of focus listed below. We will be discussing methods to overcome these obstacles at our next session.

The areas of focus have been:

- ☐ Contacting senior District members for one on one discussions
- ☐ Requesting to be speakers at Club meetings
- ☐ Asking AG's to have us speak at Area meetings with club presidents and president-elects
- ☐ Approach members of our own clubs one on one to discuss the EF.
- ☐ Connect potential contributors with Carolyn Seabrook-Ferguson, our RI Major Gifts Officer

In addition, Carolyn Seabrook-Ferguson will be joining us at our June 3rd meeting. Carolyn and I will be updating the committee on plans to hold area Fireside chats in the fall that she assist us with.

Our goal is to spread the word about the EF, allowing members to understand the value and ease of participating, making it easy for them to make an educated decision.

Committee members are:

John Mullen, (Chair), Tony Wellenreiter, Wallace Ochterski, Don DeMeo, Joe DePaolo, John Beyer, Franco Olivieri, Umit Erusal and Karen Oakes (Foundation Chair). John Huber has recently had to resign from the committee due to business and family commitments.

Respectfully submitted

John Mullen, Chair

Polio Eradication Committee- Chair PDG Wallace Ochterski

Polio Eradication Committee

Report to Rotary District 7090 Council for June 8, 2013

The weekly data of new polio cases dated May 29, 2013 worldwide shows 41 cases this year as compared to 61 last year at the same time. Pakistan and Afghanistan cases show a drop of over 50% compared to last year. Nigeria unfortunately has 24 of the 41 cases when compared to last year from January to the end of May. The outbreak of new cases in Somalia and Kenya was disturbing, but it shows the need to continue the eradication program to its completion.

District Club Contributions

The good news is that the District 7090 Rotary Clubs which have contributed to the Polio Eradication effort this Rotary year (2012-13) have met their overall goal one month before the end of the year. The overall goal of District 7090 Clubs was \$82,200 with contributions thus far of \$91,700. The disappointing news is that this contribution total is about 10% lower than last year. Ten Rotary Clubs have made no contribution for 2012-13, and 11 Clubs have not reached their self-set donation goal. An e-mail reminder will be sent to the Clubs presidents indicating this lack of support and requesting some contribution and fulfillment of their previously set goal.

We are This Close!

Future Action

Global health ministers attending the World Health Assembly on May 27, 2013, in Geneva, Switzerland acknowledged the progress achieved in the past year in bringing polio to its lowest ever levels, thanks to actions of Member States in placing polio eradication on an

emergency footing. Delegates endorsed the new Polio Eradication and Endgame Strategic Plan 2013-2018 to secure a lasting polio-free world and urged for its full implementation and financing.

At the same time, the Assembly received stark warning of the on-going risk the disease poses to children everywhere, with confirmation of a new polio outbreak in the Horn of Africa , Somalia four cases and Kenya, two cases. Outbreak response activities are continuing in both countries this week. In Kenya, immunization activities began on 26 May, to reach nearly 440,000 children aged less than 15 years.

Submitted by: Wally Ochterski

Paul Harris Society Committee

Paul Harris Society

A message of appreciation has been sent to those Paul Harris Society members who have made their contribution for this Rotary Year.

In addition a reminder to those who have yet to make their donation has also been sent.

Our District is on track to have a few new Paul Harris Society members to recognize at the Foundation dinner in November.

New membership donations for this year may be made on line up to the end of June on the Rotary. Org. website.

Art Wing

Chair

District 7090 Paul Harris Society

Alumni Committee

No report received.

Pat Castiglia

Alumni Chair

Group Study Exchange Committee

The GSE Committee has explored various options for the successor program under Future Vision, Vocational Training Teams (VTT), for this coming Rotary Year 2013-2014. The Committee has approved (and is waiting for RI Grants Approval) a VTT exchange to District 4845 in Paraguay and 4 provinces of Argentina: Misiones, Chaco, Formosa and Corrientes.

The area of focus for the VTT will be based on Water, as their region has very serious problems with contamination. They also have the biggest sweet water reservoir of the world, but unprotected. The contribution of the VTT would be prevention of the contamination, how to control, how to work with the government to prevent and what should be done with the contamination.

The ideal size of the team is 3 - 4 plus Team Leader and the suggested timing would be May 2014. We will begin the search for a VTT Team in the coming months.

The outgoing GSE Team to the Philippines returned March 15 after visiting fellow Rotarians in the District of Manila. She and the Team are sharing their experiences with various clubs at their meetings. Please contact Sherry at to schedule a meeting at your club. sherry.kerr@sympatico.ca or skerr@participationhousebrantford.org.

The team consists of:

Team Leader, Sherry Kerr member of the Brantford Rotary Club

Team Members:

Jessica Manuel sponsored by the St Catharine's Rotary Club

Kristen Smith sponsored by the St Catharine's South Rotary Club

Michelle Sass sponsored by the Brantford Rotary Club

Megan MacLeod sponsored by the Buffalo Rotary Club.

Rotary International has supported District Clubs to participate in these exchanges for many years. This year marks the last Group Study Exchange that Rotary International will sponsor.

Dan Smith and Bob Gosselin
Co-Chairs GSE

Rotary District 7090 Scholarships Committee

Rotary District 7090
Scholarship Committee Year End Report
June 8, 2013

Current Scholars

Returning Outbound Ambassadorial Scholar – Shauna Weston to District 1050, University of Manchester, England

Status of Programs

The traditional Ambassadorial Scholarship program has ended. We are working on providing a District scholarship that would be made available to first year post-secondary students.

We are also promoting the Peace Scholarship program. During the year a presentation was made to the Lockport Rotary Club, a presentation was made at the District Assembly, and the keynote speaker at the District Assembly was a Peace Fellow from Chatham Kent, Constable Jennifer Jacobson. I'd like to thank Karen Oakes for arranging the speaker and Marlee Diehl and her committee for the opportunity to showcase the Peace Scholarship program in this way.

I would like to thank the following committee members for their assistance and guidance during the past Rotary year – Cheryle Slattery, Jon Olsen, Steve Keefe, Dick Earne, Shefali Clerk and Milica Kovacevich. I would also like to thank Karen Oakes for her guidance in this transition year.

Respectfully submitted,
John N. Teibert, CPA, CA
Rotary District 7090
Scholarships Committee Chair

Grants Committee

District 7090 District Simplified Grant #74407, 2011-2012 for US \$24,800.00

Final report for DSG 74407 was dispatched to Rotary International via overnight courier on Friday, May 24th, 2013.

Robert B. Munroe, Chair

1 King Street West, 10th Floor
Hamilton, ON L8P 1A4

Bob Bruce, Vice Chair
3345 Ryerson Rd.,
Burlington, ON L7N 3S3

District 7090 District Simplified Grant #76822, 2012-13 for US \$24,900.00

Report of May22, 2013

Note: DSGs are expected to be completed within 1 year

Project Number	Date Received	Club	Project Description	Amount US \$	Date Approved	Report Status
148	July, 2012	Delhi	Day Care Equipment	\$2,000	July 26, 2012	Completed Nov16, 2012
149	July, 2012	Ellicottville	Library Computers	\$2,000	July 26, 2012	Completed Jan 25, 2013
150	July, 2012	Ancaster AM	Wheelchairs for Dominican Republic	\$2,000	July 26, 2012	Completed May 24, 2013
151	Sept, 2012	Niagara Falls, ON	Anti-Rabies Campaign in Kampala	\$2,000	Sept 30, 2012	Completed Jan 25, 2013
152	Sept, 2012	Niagara-on-the-Lake	Bicycle Lights for Immigrant Workers	\$1309.39	Sept 30, 2012	Final Report Coming June 4,2013
153	Sept, 2012	6 Area 13 clubs	4 Public Forums on Understanding Diversity	\$1825	Sept 30, 2012	3 Forums held, 1 more in June
154	Sept, 2012	Lockport	Software for Mental health Clinic	\$2,000	Sept 30, 2012	Completed Jan 28,2013
155	Oct, 2012	Waterdown	Back 2 School for Street Kids, Cebu, Philippines	\$2,000	Nov 30, 2012	Completed Jan 22, 2013
156	Oct, 2012	Simcoe	A Well in Haiti	\$2,000	Nov 30, 2012	Final Report Requested May 22
157	Nov,2012	Akron-Newstead	A Well in Sierra Leone	\$2,000	Nov 30, 2012	Completed Feb 11, 2013
158	Nov, 2012	Norfolk Sunrise	Linking 2 Trails in Waterford	\$2,000	Nov 30, 2012	Completed Feb 3, 2013
159	Nov, 2012	Albion	Mural Celebrating Heritage of Quarrymen	\$2,000	Nov 30, 2012	Work to be finished in June
160	Nov, 2012	St Catharines Lakeshore	Home Reading Project in 2 Schools	\$1765.61	Nov 30, 2012	Final Report Requested May 22
<u>Totals</u>		<u>13</u> 8 in District 5 International		<u>\$24,900</u>		

Matching Grants

Time limits for all of the 7090 Matching grants are within reporting time limits except for 2. These grants are both for humanitarian work in the Philippines. One grant No. 76325 has Welland as the international club and the 2nd grant No. 72460 has Waterdown as the international partner. Both grants are expected to have the final report submitted shortly.

In addition we have one Global grant approved by our district but is awaiting approval by the Rotary Foundation
Sincerely
Roy Sheldrick
Grants Chair

Year to Date Summary

Greetings, fellow Rotarians. Please join me in expressing a heartfelt Thank you to all of our Foundation team, Committee chairs and members all, for the exceptional work undertaken during this transition year for The Rotary Foundation. Our team has diligently addressed the current year needs and opportunities, while continuing to explore ideas, suggest options and position plans for our 2013-2014 Foundation year to evidence continued growth and success. Well done TEAM!

We ask you to save the following dates to further enhance your knowledge and awareness of the work of The Rotary Foundation:

Saturday, October 5th, 2013 – Annual Grant Management Seminar

Friday, November 8th, 2013 - Annual Foundation Dinner

Stay tuned for further details on our District Website.

In closing, I thank District Governor Rick Sterne, and future incoming Governors Kevin Crouse, Jack Amico and Kevin Crosby for the opportunity to serve as our District Rotary Foundation Chair for the term 2012-2016. The experience has been rewarding and allowed my personal growth in knowledge of The Rotary Foundation.

I thank my mentors, PDGs Wally Ochterski, Bob Bruce, and Art Wing who have shared insight and valuable knowledge from their prior experience in this Foundation role. This trio of fine Rotarians keeps me focused and out of trouble, (most of the time anyway), and I am most appreciative of their time and talents.

And finally, I thank each of you for your contribution to build The Rotary Foundation in District 7090.

Respectfully Submitted
Karen L. Oakes
Karen L. Oakes

Unrealized 2012-13 APF Goals May 30, 2013

	A	B	C	D
1	Club	APF Goal	Givings to Date	Givings per Member
2	ALL District 7090 Clubs	\$325,000	\$291,006	\$116.17
3	Batavia	4,300	4,200	48.84
4	Buffalo	15,000	1,823	12.66
5	Cheektowaga	250	100	9.09
6	Dunkirk	3,000	1,895	72.88
7	Dunneville	1,000	556	27.78
8	East Aurora	3,300	200	6.67
9	Eastern Hills Sunrise	1,040	0	0
10	Falconer	2,400	125	5.21
11	Flamborough AM	2,000	1,717	90.38
12	Fredonia	2,500	2,083	48.44
13	Grand Island	3,200	2655	94.84
14	Greater Jamestown AM	2,000	575	25.00
15	Hamburg	3,000	1900	63.33
16	Hamburg Sunrise	1,800	1000	66.67
17	Hamilton	11,000	4464	38.16
18	Hamilton Mountain	2,200	1818	86.58
19	Hamilton Sunset	1,000	76	4.74
20	Holley	1,000	100	6.25
21	Jamestown	5,000	500	5.05
22	Kenmore	2,500	0	0
23	Lancaster-Depew	2,000	1100	55.00
24	Medina	800	700	87.5
25	Middleport	2,250	2000	153.85
26	Niagara County Central	1,000	750	34.09
27	Norfolk Sunrise	5,000	4800	104.35
28	Orchard Park	400	0	0
29	Salamanca	900	0	0
30	South Shore of Blasdell-Lackawanna	1,080	800	38.1
31	St Catharines Lakeshore	3,960	0	0
32	Tonawandas	1,000	800	30.77
33	Westfield-Mayville	3,800	2450	66.22
34				
35	Sum of Pledges	89,680		
36	Sum of Givings		39,187	
37	Difference			50,493
38	Needed for 7090 Goal	33,295		

District 7090 PR Director Report to District Council

2012 – 2013 RI PR Grant

We concluded the current Rotary year's PR Grant marketing activity on Facebook in late April. The total expense for this period (excluding bank charges) was \$15,353.12.

We underspent the \$20,000 budget because Paul McAfee was in Vietnam and China and needed to end the marketing activities before exceeding the total budget. Facebook access is difficult in China, so Paul ended the campaign a week before traveling from Vietnam to China.

Paul submitted the RI grant reimbursement request to Rick Sterne on Tuesday, May 28. The due date for the reimbursement request at RI is June 1.

During this Rotary year's campaign, 28 Rotary clubs from within our District participated with their own Facebook pages. The ad campaign promoted the posts that the clubs put onto their pages, so each club controlled the content of its Facebook marketing.

This Rotary year's campaign ran from late December 2012, through late April 2013. Although Impressions help create awareness, Page Likes are the most important. Page Likes result in Facebook members seeing future posts by the Rotary club at no additional marketing cost. This is a high-level overview of the Facebook results for the current Rotary year¹:

- Impressions = 18,715,869
- Social Impressions = 1,820,500
- Ad Clicks = 31,992
- Actions = 20,372
- Social Ad Clicks = 9,921
- **Page Likes = 2,267**

2013 – 2014 PR Directorship

Philipp Beckermann has accepted the role of District 7090 PR Director beginning July 1, 2013. Philipp owns a Canadian social media marketing company – IMP Canada (www.impcanada.com). He has been assisting with the Facebook campaign pro bono for the past year. The next two years of the RI PR Grant are in good hands with Philipp.

Paul McAfee will continue as PR Chair for the USA side of the District as long as Philipp desires his assistance.

Philipp is creating a marketing plan for 2013 – 2014. He will submit the plan to the District Governor and District Leadership for review. The current plan is to begin the new Facebook campaign approximately August 1, 2013.

¹ For information about Facebook marketing, and a glossary, you can visit: <https://www.facebook.com/business>.

District Membership Committee Report District Council

June 8, 2013

Strategic Priority Area #1: Responsibility of Membership Director **To find new and innovative ways to help clubs address membership issues**

Action Items

1. Encouraging clubs to use Facebook to communicate about Rotary to existing and prospective Club members; share news of upcoming speakers; connect with former members of each club.
2. Effectively reach out to the Membership chair in each club (rather than the club president). As a district, support each club to have a retention and recruitment plan in place – that is actively being implemented. Encourage each plan to include an item on how to track and stay connected to departing Rotarians.
3. To encourage each club to develop a mechanism to measure membership satisfaction (surveys of members; exit interviews; fire side chats; focus groups)
4. To create some ways to connect Membership chairs from each club together – through LinkedIn, Facebook, area meetings, etc.
5. Regularly measure number of Rotarians in our district and see if number is increasing quarter over quarter.

1) Highlights of what has been accomplished during 2012-2013:

1. We have created a Rotary District 7090 Membership Facebook Group. This is set up as a Closed Group. Anyone can see the group and who is in the group. However, only members can post messages, photos and documents which are then accessible only to the members of the group. We have requested club membership chairs to join this group. The objective of creating this group is to create a way to connect Membership chairs from each club together as well as use it as a central depository of membership resources. (Action Items 1 and 4)
2. I have taken part in several Membership related webinars held by the Zone and RI during the year. The emphasis from RI and the Zone for this year is on Engagement and Retention.
3. Anne Bermingham and I presented a Membership Retention and Engagement workshop at the District Conference. This workshop dealt with Retention and Engagement strategies that the clubs can use to improve the retention rate and help their members become more engaged in the club. This workshop was attended by 30 Rotarians from 25 clubs. Handouts included Club Assessment Tools, Member Satisfaction Survey, Club Engagement Action Plan, club membership health check and several other documents that help clubs become more engaged in Rotary. The power point version of this workshop and all the handouts are on the District Website as well on the District 7090 Membership Facebook page. (Action Items 2 and 3)

Membership Committee Report to the Council

June 8, 2013

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4. I attended the Zone 24/32 Institute in Vancouver, BC. Unfortunately, the one day Membership Training Seminar was cancelled due to lack of enough registrations. However, I attended all the plenary sessions and workshops on membership and PR and other Rotary programs during the Institute.
5. We did membership sessions on membership Growth and Engagement & Retention at the District Assembly on My 4th. A total of sixty Rotarians attended these two sessions. We gave out several handouts to everyone who was present. I was assisted by PDG Brian Carmichael of D7080 who has recently moved back to Simcoe. (Action Item 2 and 3)
6. I have compiled a District Membership Growth and Retention for 2012-2103 which is attached with my report. Based on numbers as of April 30 the district has a growth of 2% - close to net 50. However, these numbers will shrink as clubs clean up their roster in June. I have also been working with Pene to have all the clubs update their membership data on the District Web site as well as on the RI Web site. (Action Item 5)

MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

This year the District Membership Committee is pleased to announce the following Club Membership Growth Awards. These awards will be presented on June 9th at the DG Changeover and Club Awards Lunch.

The four Clubs with the highest membership growth in 2012-2013, as of April 30, 2013 are:

Amherst East – 27%
Welland – 22%
Fonthill – 21%
Ancaster AM – 20%

The three Clubs with the highest membership growth over the past six years as of April 30, 2013 are:

Buffalo Sunrise – 50%
Williamsville – 37%
Hamburg – 29%

2) What are some actions that you are committing to lead / ensure are accomplished between now and end of the year (June 30, 2013) relative to the Strategic Priority Area #1 of the District Strategic Plan?

1. We plan to send out Member Satisfaction Survey and membership section of the Planning Guide to Club PEs and Membership Chairs asking them to do a member survey as well as complete the planning guide for 2013-2014. We also plan to send out several RI membership publications to the clubs through the AGs. Although these can be downloaded by the clubs having these documents in their hands will encourage the clubs to use them. (Strategy 2 and 3)
2. Continue to update the District 7090 Membership Facebook page. (strategy 1 and 3)
3. Work with DG Kevin Crouse and the other District Directors to determine how best we can implement his and RI Membership goals and areas of emphasis on membership.

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3) Is there an item that you would like to bring to council for decision relative to the strategic plan? If yes, please state the item for discussion. No

4) Is there an item that you would like assistance from the District Directors and District Leadership relative to the “revised” strategic plan?

- I will be emailing all the AGs and other members of the District Council to help me fill the vacancies of Area Membership Representatives shortly.

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Club Name	# of members @ 1 July	# new members admitted	# of new members terminated	# of new members readmitted	New Member Retention percentage	# existing members terminated	Existing members readmitted	Existing Member Retention Percentage	# of members @ May 8 2013 From RI
Akron-Newstead	39	1	0	0	100.00%	(8)	0	79.49%	32
Albion	37	0	0	0	0.00%	(2)	0	94.59%	35
Amherst East	22	6	0	0	100.00%	0	0	100.00%	28
Amherst South	22	5	0	0	100.00%	(4)	1	86.36%	24
Ancaster	15	0	0	0	0.00%	(2)	0	86.67%	13
Ancaster A.M.	35	9	(1)	0	88.89%	0	0	100.00%	42
Batavia	86	2	0	0	100.00%	(8)	0	90.70%	80
Brantford	75	4	0	0	100.00%	(8)	0	89.33%	71
Brantford-Sunrise	47	5	0	0	100.00%	(1)	0	97.87%	51
Buffalo	144	9	0	0	100.00%	(11)	0	92.36%	142
Buffalo-Sunrise	23	4	0	0	100.00%	(1)	1	100.00%	27
Caledonia	15	0	0	0	0.00%	(1)	1	100.00%	15
Cheektowaga	11	0	0	0	0.00%	(1)	0	90.91%	10
Clarence	67	4	0	0	100.00%	(3)	0	95.52%	68
Delhi	9	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	100.00%	9
Dundas	38	5	0	0	100.00%	(3)	1	94.74%	41
Dundas Valley Sunrise	45	2	0	0	100.00%	(5)	1	91.11%	43
Dunkirk	26	1	0	0	100.00%	0	0	100.00%	27
Dunnville	20	4	(1)	0	75.00%	0	0	100.00%	23
East Aurora	30	2	0	0	100.00%	0	0	100.00%	32
Eastern Hills Sunrise	25	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	100.00%	25
Ellicottville	5	1	0	0	100.00%	(1)	1	100.00%	6
Falconer	24	2	0	0	100.00%	(2)	0	91.67%	24
Flamorough AM	19	0	0	0	0.00%	(2)	0	89.47%	17
Fonthill	19	3	0	0	100.00%	0	0	100.00%	22
Fort Erie	9	1	0	0	100.00%	(1)	1	100.00%	10
Fredonia	43	5	0	0	100.00%	(1)	2	102.33%	49
Grand Island	28	4	0	1	125.00%	(1)	1	100.00%	33
Greater Jamestown AM	23	1	0	0	100.00%	0	1	104.35%	25
Grimsby	27	3	0	1	133.33%	(4)	0	85.19%	27
Grimsby Noon	22	0	0	0	0.00%	(3)	0	86.36%	19
Hamburg	30	2	0	0	100.00%	(1)	0	96.67%	31
Hamburg Sunrise	15	3	0	0	100.00%	(1)	0	93.33%	17
Hamilton	117	18	(1)	0	94.44%	(3)	0	97.44%	131
Hamilton "A.M."	48	5	0	0	100.00%	(2)	2	100.00%	53

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Hamilton Mountain	21	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	100.00%	21
Hamilton Sunset	16	0	0	0	0.00%	(1)	0	93.75%	15
Hamilton-East Wentworth	23	1	0	0	100.00%	(3)	0	86.96%	21
Holley	16	1	0	0	100.00%	0	0	100.00%	17
Jamestown	99	6	0	0	100.00%	(5)	1	95.96%	101
Kenmore	51	5	0	0	100.00%	(3)	1	96.08%	54
Lakewood-Chautauqua	14	2	0	0	100.00%	(1)	0	92.86%	15
Lancaster-Depew	20	3	(1)	0	66.67%	(1)	0	95.00%	21
Le Roy	37	4	(1)	0	75.00%	(4)	0	89.19%	36
Lewiston-Niag-on-The-Lake	11	0	0	0	0.00%	0	1	109.09%	12
Lincoln	31	0	0	0	0.00%	(7)	0	77.42%	24
Lockport	54	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	100.00%	54
Medina	8	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	100.00%	8
Middleport	13	0	0	0	0.00%	(2)	0	84.62%	11
Niagara County-Central	22	5	0	0	100.00%	(4)	0	81.82%	23
Niagara Falls	16	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	100.00%	16
Niagara Falls	57	4	0	0	100.00%	(3)	0	94.74%	58
Niagara Falls Sunrise	41	4	0	0	100.00%	(2)	0	95.12%	43
Niagara-on-the-Lake	49	9	0	0	100.00%	(4)	1	93.88%	55
Norfolk Sunrise	46	1	0	0	100.00%	(3)	0	93.48%	44
Olean	32	2	0	0	100.00%	(1)	0	96.88%	33
Orchard Park	16	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	100.00%	16
Salamanca	9	2	0	0	100.00%	(1)	0	88.89%	10
Simcoe	55	3	0	0	100.00%	(4)	0	92.73%	54
South Shore of Blasdell	21	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	100.00%	21
St. Catharines	128	7	0	0	100.00%	(21)	3	85.94%	117
St. Catharines South	44	3	0	0	100.00%	(5)	2	93.18%	44
St. Catharines-Lakeshore	34	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	100.00%	34
Stoney Creek	19	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	100.00%	19
Tonawandas, The	26	0	0	0	0.00%	(1)	0	96.15%	25
Waterdown	37	1	0	0	100.00%	0	0	100.00%	38
Welland	37	6	0	0	100.00%	0	2	105.41%	45
West Seneca	42	6	(1)	0	83.33%	(3)	0	92.86%	44
Westfield-Mayville	37	7	0	0	100.00%	(4)	0	89.19%	40
Williamsville	40	4	0	0	100.00%	(3)	0	92.50%	41
District Totals	2,520	197	(6)	2	97.97%	(166)	24	94.37%	2,571

What has changed in Rotary as the result of 2013 Council On Legislation?

From April 21-26 Rotary International held its Council on Legislation in Chicago. Representatives from 528 of the 532 Rotary Districts in the world met and debated over 170 Proposals the majority of which dealt with changes to Rotary's three major documents –the RI Constitution, The RI By-Laws and the Rotary Club Constitution, these were referred to as proposed enactments included in the proposals were also proposed resolutions, which if passed become requests to the RI Board to consider. The proposals came from the Rotary districts and clubs around the world. Some may feel that the items proposed are minor but remember this is your council and each club and district had the ability to express their view. Keep this in mind as you hopefully read this and refer to the links here in. Make notes on what you feel should have been proposed and voted on. Then share it with your districts COL Rep and he/she will help you prepare a proposal. If you have an item that you want the RI board to consider before the 2016 COL you can petition the RI Board. Your COL rep can help you with this as well.

The Council on Legislation (COL) was a unique experience and to facilitate discussion the sessions are translated into several languages. There was also much interaction between the representatives both during and outside the sessions. The sessions started at either 8 or 9AM in the morning and went as late as 6:30PM The presenters normally had 4 minutes to present their proposal, when a proposal had more than 1 proposer only one spoke, there was then debate with each speaker normally having up to 3 minutes. The chair varied between for and against. With others having the right to seek points of information, which included amendments. Delegates also could ask for a vote to close debate. In the unofficial part representatives who were DGs during the same year met which sometimes included the person who was RI president during their year.

The following are some of the highlights of the proposals which were passed and or where of interest to District 7090 in that 7090 either proposed them or sent statements of support or opposition.

- Decreasing the frequency of meetings to at least 2 per month. This proposal was also added as an amendment brought by PRIP Ray Klingensmith to a proposal that asked for meetings either every week or every other week. PRIP Ray deleted the every other week and inserted at least twice per month. The proposal, as amended was defeated as well as others that reduced the number of meetings. One of the objections was that it did not work for other service clubs who did this. Although the COL did not change the number of meetings they changed several other items that pertained to attendance:
- the minimum number of meetings every six months which currently is 50% now allows up to 12 hours of approved service projects, as a substitute, or a combination of both.
- the rule of 85 removed the provision as to the Rotarian being at least 65 back to a combination of age and years in Rotary which total 85.
- members can now extend their approved leave by their club board for another year if the reason is medical.
- if a member does not comply with the attendance requirement a club can still allow the member to stay in Rotary if the reason for not attending was for good cause.

- As to allowing Earlyact, this went down by 26 votes. This was due to several reasons mainly miscommunication. The two major objections that were voiced dealt with Rotary having a partnership with Scouting and this would hurt the partnership. Speaking to many Professional and volunteer scouters who were delegates they did not agree but could not gain the floor to state their view. The other objection was that reps from Brazil wanted their proposal which was the next proposal to be accepted; its only difference was that it called the group Kidsact. When asked the proposer for Earlyact had no problem with any name, this may have caused confusion. The proposers for the two different proposals tried to speak before the matters were brought up but could not find a translator. There was a lot of enthusiasm in the room and there is a good chance for a petition being submitted to the RI Board within the year. You may ask why this was not done and avoid the proposal. The reason being we were able to get a show of hands as to districts that have a form of Earlyact in their districts. The RI Board was in attendance and saw this which should help when a petition is submitted.

Other items that were passed that pertain to clubs:

- RI dues will go up \$1./year for the next three years. This is needed to keep the deficit from not cutting into the mandatory surplus as required by the RI by-laws
- The minimum dues for a club has been removed, so if a club has less than 10 members the club only pays for the number of members it has.
- The Club Secretary must be a member of the club's board
- To be a club Pres a member must be in the club for at least 1 year unless waived by the DG
- Any former member of the club who rejoins does not have to pay a second initiation fee.
- The semi annual report submitted by each club to RI must first be circulated to its members to make sure the info is accurate
- RI Board given permission to reduce or postpone RI dues paid by a club if the club's locality has sustained serious damage due to natural or similar disaster
- Approved satellite clubs, whose members meet at a different time and location from their parent club but are still considered members of the parent club. The measure is intended to make it easier for members to develop the core for a new club and still remain members of Rotary.
- The proposal to make a classification of Home maker was defeated However the composition of Clubs was expanded to include: "...active members each of whom shall be an adult person of good character and good business, professional and /or community reputation (new) (6) having interrupted employment or having never worked in order to care for to assist the spouse in their work."
- There were other proposals dealing with: Rotarians transferring from one club to another; modifying termination of a member for failing to attend from "shall" to "may."

Items that pertain to districts:

- A district can have as many e-clubs as it wants
- The 5th Avenue of Service has been changed from New Generations to Youth

- New title of DG Designate
- New position of Vice Governor, to take place of a DG if becomes incapacitated or dies. Such person to be a PDG and selected by nominating committee. If no such person RI Board will select
- District Assembly to now be called District Leadership Assembly. You wouldn't believe what was initially proposed
- DG to check clubs to make sure they modify their club's constitution and by-laws to include the changes brought about by the COL

Other:

- With Pilot projects, the number of clubs involved was raised from 200-1000
- The COL will be held in Oct, Nov or December instead of April to give clubs more time to contest proposals that have been passed.

What now, by June 26th club Secretaries will receive all the proposed changes. Each club will then have 60 days to object to items that were passed and if 5% contest then the contested changes will be voted on by all clubs. Notwithstanding, on July 1, 2013 the enactments that were passed will go into effect.

If you have questions or if clubs or AGs would like a program on the COL and or how clubs can petition the board please email Richard "Dick" Earne.

For additional information you may also want to check out the following links:

Votes

<http://www.rotary.org/en/Members/PoliciesAndProcedures/CouncilOnLegislation/Pages/colvoting.aspx>

Proposals

http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/col13_proposed_legislation_en.pdf

General Info

http://www.rotary.org/en/MediaAndNews/News/Pages/130430_news_councilwrap.aspx

<http://rotary.org/en/Members/PoliciesAndProcedures/Pages/ridefault.aspx>



District 7090 – New Generations

FEATURED PROGRAM

RYLA - (Chair – Sue O'Dwyer – Rotary Club of Norfolk Sunrise)

RYLA starts Monday June 10 and we have at least 47 participants (may have a couple more in next few days) which is great. Of particular note this year is that we have an even split of male/female candidates. Usually, its predominately female.

The committee is looking forward to another fantastic week and encourage Rotarians to join us for the **dinner on Thursday June 13**.

In addition to being a great time, the dinner on Thursday night can be considered a make up meeting and our current District Governor will be in attendance.

To attend, simply RSVP to Jen Middleton - Middleton.jen@hotmail.com. The cost for the dinner is \$45 per person.

SLAPSHOT - (Chair – Margaret Andrewes – Rotary Club of Lincoln)

A. SLAPSHOT 2013: MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

The eighth annual SLAPSHOT at Canterbury Hills Conference Centre, Ancaster, Ontario, CANADA, was a wonderful success. I'm mindful of the incredible output by so many organizations that contributed to making SLAPSHOT 2013 the fantastic weekend (April 26-28) that it was...our District 7090 Council, SLAPSHOT/RYLA & New Generations Committees, Rotary Clubs (34), High Schools (over 50), Rotaract Clubs (Brantford, Brock U, McMaster U & Ottawa U), Canterbury Hills, Adventureworks & more, which involved the commitment of hundreds of individuals including our students' teachers and parents. There is no doubt that everyone involved understands the value of providing such an opportunity for our future leaders in Rotary, our local communities and the world.

SLAPSHOT 2013 STATISTICS (ACTUAL)

96 participants – high school student leaders (15-18 years)

38 male students & 58 female students

Sponsored by 34 Rotary Clubs across District 7090

22 Canadian Clubs & 12 US Clubs

TOTAL REVENUE generated from REGISTRATION FEES (103 @ \$275) = \$28,325

TOTAL EXPENDITURES = \$27,917



I pay special tribute to our ULTIMATE LEADERSHIP TEAM – 30 adult volunteers, who were on site for the entire weekend and truly engaged in what Joel Hilchey offered as the definition of a leader in his sessions at SLAPSHOT 2013 – You KNOW THE WAY; You SHOW THE WAY; You GO THE WAY. Thank you...

ROTARIANS	Rotaractors, RYLarians, ROTEX Students, SLAPSHOT Alumni	FAMILY OF ROTARY
Larry Coon (Kenmore)	Lesleigh Elgie (Brantford)	Char Coon (Kenmore)
Fred Farnham (Welland)	Liz Enriquez (Waterdown)	Debbie Damude (Welland)
Jeannie Manning (Niagara-on-the-Lake)	Jelaine Foster (Hamilton)	Ashley Greenwood (Burlington)
John Maurice (Fort Erie)	Alex Grande (Grand Island)	Jeff Luciano (Niagara Falls, ON))
Karen Reimers (Amherst)	Danielle Hunter (St. Catharines)	Gerda Misdorp (Wainfleet)
Heather Scott (Hamilton)	Kelsey Ionannoni (Niagara Falls, ON)	
Stan Simmons (Buffalo Sunrise)	Jobin John (St. Catharines)	
Lorne White (Fort Erie)	Jessica Lau (Brantford)	
Deb Zahra (Welland)	Darren Luong (Toronto)	
	Susan Ly (Brantford)	
	Nicole Mendolia (Hamilton)	



Jen Middleton (Brantford)
Mirgine Michel (Fort Erie/Ottawa)
Amarachi Nwamdi (Brampton)
Matt Pomeroy (Burlington)
Phil Ruiss (Brantford)

B. SLAPSHOT 2013 “CROUSTER AWARD”



SLAPSHOT 2013 Student Leader Extraordinaire is Caitlinn Skye Walker, Grade 12 student at Dunnville Secondary School, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Dunnville. DG-Elect Kevin Crouse, SLAPSHOT Founder, was on hand on Sunday morning, April 28, to present Caitlinn with her very special award.

C. SLAPSHOT 2014: Save the Date! April 25-27

As we turn our sights to SLAPSHOT 2014, I'm anxious to hear from you. Our committee needs & welcomes the input of our District 7090 leaders as we move forward and work to ensure that Kevin's vision for SLAPSHOT is sustained and Greg's goal for building a strong cadre of future Rotary leaders through the continuum of our Rotary District's New Generations programs is progressing.

Rotaract – (Jelaine Foster / Sabrina Smith)

Rotaract member involvement in SLAPSHOT was a great show of the inter-connections that are forming between the various New Generations programs. Rotaract members, many of whom are RYLarians, will also be involved in this year's RYLA program and others are planning to attend the RYLA dinner on June 13th.



Interact – (Stanley Simmons – Rotary Club of Buffalo Sunrise, Brian Casey – Rotary Club of Buffalo)

No report at this time, but Brian's wife did give birth to a healthy baby girl last week.

Youth Exchange – (Chair – Aad Vermeyden – Rotary Club of Brantford)

We unfortunately have to report that one student from Australia had to be returned home, as he was no longer welcome at his school and had already disqualified himself from other schools based on his academic track record and made himself unpopular enough in his club, that we could not find another school to place him, nor did we find it applicable to try and move a very weak YE student to another club and cause the same grief.

The Jamestown weekend was another success, with our inbounds truly enjoying their program and showing it and the outbounds receiving the necessary instructions to get them ready for their year away. The last district newsletter had a short response from one of the outbounds, showing their appreciation for the program.

All our kids abroad are doing well. We have a boy in Taiwan, but during the earthquake he was on a YE trip in the north and was not affected. Most kids are now preparing to come home and most are finding that tough, which is a very good sign!

The Niagara weekend is coming up and will be the last with the present in-and outbounds, bittersweet!

We are pleased to report that **Akron-Newstead Rotary Club** is re-joining the program as well and taking a Jan 2014 arrival. We're hoping to enlarge the program gradually and are currently actively approaching Rotarians in different clubs to join the YE committee, partly to replace those that are stopping and partly to enlarge the committee, so we can do more. We're actively involved in the District Conference planning this year and we're also evaluating where weekends are held next year, as we've heard from different clubs that either need a break or want to get involved.

Earlyact committee report for District Council June 8 2013

Submitted by Dick Earne

1. Responses to survey on 3points:
 - Have or had an Earlyact Club. If had what happened
 - Interest in learning more about an Earlyact club
 - interest on being on district committee

Have had responses from 40 of clubs in 7090

Still looking for responses from'

Albion

Ancaster

Amherst east

Brantford

Brantford AM

Buffalo

Batavia

Caladonia

Delhi

Dunkirk

Dundas valley SR

Eastern Hills

Grimsby

Grimsby Noon

Holley

Hamburg Sunrise

Hamilton Eastwentworth

Hamilton Sunset

Kenmore

Lancaster Depew

Lewiston/NOTL

NOTL

NF, NY

NF, Ont

Medina

Middleport

Olean

St cath Lakeshore

Stoney Creek

Salamanca

Westfield Mayville

As to:

Does the club have or have they had an Early act club(s)?

If f not or if failed do they have interest in learning more about starting an Earlyact club?

Person to contact and email and/or phone number for contact.

Do they have a member who is interested in joining district committee

Please have clubs respond to Dick Earne 716-773-6346 richardearne@yahoo.com

2. Committee people to have an interest in:

- Elementary education,

- developing desire and ways for students to help others in their school, community and the world

- developing leadership skills in youth, also have knowledge in Steven Covey's the leader in me program or some other similar program.

- interested in helping to get word out to clubs by phone, email other-presentation, newsletter etc

3. - The program has had several challenges on both sides of the boarder in working with schools and teachers. Canadian side and some US areas this challenge is being addressed.

- There is a large interest throughout the Rotary world to see this program flourish. The RI Board is considering looking into helping with the coordination of this effort

Rotary District 7090

Report of Training Director, June 2013

Strategic Goals for Education & Training

Strategic Priority Area #2:

To improve how we educate Rotarians about the larger world of Rotary and how the district is here to help

Specific Goals:

1. Continue all the District education events – clearly valuable and appreciated
2. Roll-out District Assembly further – taking same topics and offering them via GO TO MEETINGS as well as in regional area formats
3. Use AGs and others to have more 2-way conversations with clubs and help identify topics of interest for education events. Also help clubs find Rotary speakers for their clubs (e.g., one speaker a month)
4. Create social network groups on like interests across clubs (e.g., a fundraising group; a PR group)
5. Create a speakers bureau for the District that everyone can access
6. Increase number of Rotary speakers per club – where Rotary members are learning about Rotary (measured in AG reports)

1. Highlights of what has been accomplished since the last council meeting as it relates to these strategic plan goals outlined in our district plan:

Since the last council meeting, we have conducted several important training programs:

- On May 4, we held District Assembly at the Conference Center Niagara Falls, NY. Approximately 270 Rotarians participated. The evaluations (summary attached) reflect an overall positive assessment of the event. We will need to work on improving the onsite registration/check-in process, which was aggravated this year by a large number of participants (approximately 70) who did not pre-register. The same venue has been secured for District Assembly on May 4, 2014.
- We conducted an RLI session in Jamestown, NY on May 11.
- On May 21 and May 22, we conducted Club Treasurer training using GoToMeeting for Canadian clubs and US Clubs, respectively.

We have continued to plan for the implementation of club-based training initiatives, including scheduling regional seminars and developing a catalogue of online resources.

District Trainer Kevin and incoming District Trainer John Heise are currently in the process of recruiting chairs and co-chairs for various district training functions, with the goal of adding some Rotarians to these positions who have had little or no involvement at the district level.

Attached are reports on the Club Visioning efforts on the US and Canadian sides of the district.

2. What are some actions that you are committing to lead / ensure are accomplished between now and next meeting relative to the council strategic plan?

We will transition the role of Training Director from Kevin Crosby to John Heise.

3. Is there an item that you would like to bring to council for decision relative to the strategic plan? If yes, please state the item for discussion. – No
4. Is there an item that you would like 'input' from council (ideas – not decision) relative to the strategic plan? - NO
5. Are there any other comments you would like to make at this time relative to your part in helping our District deliver its strategic plan? NO

Rotary 7090 District Assembly

May 4, 2013

Evaluations

What did you like best or find most valuable?

Excellent program scheduling – finishing with lunch.

Jennifer Jacobson - outstanding presentation x5

All of the three membership programs were excellent x2

Received many good ideas

Really enjoyed the “Releasing Inner Rotarian” session- facilitator Milica led a great discussion, Kevin Crosby did a good quick RI overview and the Rotaractor and GSE speakers’ energy was infectious.

Grant Q&A session was informative.

Good meals x 4

Great scones x2

Lemon bread

Great Lunch x2

District Governor –elect’s introductory remarks (even though he was not allotted enough time)

Good room facilities for meeting/presentations.

Most informative AG training I have attended x2

Overall very beneficial! I am a newer member and some was confusing because of different levels of understanding

Social media presentation x3

I found the social media seminar to be extremely informative. It seemed to break down the implementation process and clarify the initial and progressive action steps

Social media presentation was excellent.

Membership Recruitment – valuable, good introduction of new ideas- would have liked more time because there was so much content

Really enjoyed the luncheon speaker on Peace and Fellowship

The speaker in the closing session was most valuable, (Scholarship winner)

The session on getting new members was good

Chance to meet people

The workshop sessions particularly "the Small Club Group". Membership retention was good but did not have enough "club sharing" ideas.

Very helpful & Interactive session on small clubs. Time flew by and 3 sessions was the right amount of time.

That they paired up the smaller clubs.

Discussion on small clubs with all the effort to do community service

Preparation of presenters

Choice of venues

Quality of presenters

Niagara Falls is a good central location

President- elect training.

Everything was great! !!

Making Rotary Fun – Chris was exceptional x2

New Information regarding types of memberships (eg. corporate, associate. etc.)

Awesome sharing of fundraising ideas !!

Polio presentation – excellent!

Club leadership- medium sized clubs

The room layout.

Thought the layout and variety of workshops were excellent.

On the ground presenter for Rotaract & EarlyAct.

Foundation

The role play by Pat and Karen re: the new Foundation procedure – answered all my questions. X2

I attended the Rotary Foundation track and it was excellent. I am the Foundation Chair for the Fredonia Club

Rotary Foundation Programs and Grant workshops. Very well run, excellent informative. X2

A great deal of knowledge for Grants and membership

Seminar topics are very beneficial

Excellent sharing of best practices

Excellent venue & food

Complete presentation of Youth Service

Greg Norton's group presented a wonder New Generation Program. I was most impressed with the students input into the presentation

Friendship of meeting other members from across the District

Networking

Interact Club

Loved our key note speaker too.

Each workshop was extremely valuable & the presenters were excellent.

Membership Retention x2

Discussion – new method of measuring membership retention

The various kinds of membership was a real eye opener. The flexibility is great.

Some very good ideas and suggestions from the membership retention session.

Enjoyed presentation Kevin Crouse.

Good organization

Good session on medium sized clubs with Kevin Crosby.

Together with Rotarians across district – chance to make acquaintances, learn from common experience, become engaged.

RLI seminar

The topics of the day were applicable to developing successful clubs. They were very good!

Putting the Fun Into Meetings x2

Great Speakers. I really enjoyed Service Projects

Polio presentation was very informative x2

Finding out about Rotary. Getting to know new Rotarians – and getting to know fellow club members.

Food was good

Facilities were good – generally

Best was the variety of choices

Most valuable was the information

The opportunity to meet other Rotarians

Great discussion

Great points

Excellent initiative by presenters with getting material from RI

Workshop 2 – very good scenarios and very good examples

Ran on time, after a little late start, well organized

New focus on surveys, get the members input, use that information to improve statistics and retention – very eye opening

Community and International Service Projects

Discussion – community or international service projects and what other clubs are doing

I am always re-inspired when I attend District events, reminded why I love Rotary and will go back to encourage other members to go to at least one District event a year.

Secretary

training hands on good session by Pene
was great

Fundraising Session was very good – good advice- organized- they had suggestions & it was interactive .
It could have been longer. X2

Med sized clubs – good session – well run & organized but- what did it have to do the uniqueness of middle size clubs

Networking with Rotarians I haven't seen in a while and the options of many different sessions.

Learning from the Guest Speaker

Coming together to learn more about each other & Rotary

Beautiful venue

"Making Rotary Fun" was great

"Service Projects" wonderful

"Food & Keynote Speaker excellent

AG Training excellent

Networking – meeting other Rotarians

Learning about Club Central – looks like an important new tool for all

EarlyAct session as the most informative session, most detailed and most opportunity to attract people to Rotary.

Fundraising session - good for networking and idea sharing

Educational and inspiring guest speaker

Loved how different sessions build on each other
Sessions were very helpful

Speaker had a great story and photos

Good was great

What did you like least or find least valuable?

Cold rooms

Rooms too cold – way too cold.

All good – nothing to suggest

Everything was great! X8

Great conference/assembly- volunteers helping volunteers

Good balance of time

Can't think of anything. All the programs were great!

Length of District Governor-elect's presentation

DGE – Keep the message short! Have a good year.

The Plenary Session started too late and went on too long x2

1st plenary was too long!

Cataract Room is wrong shape for Plenary x2

Speaker was great but couldn't see the slide show

Cataract room was cold

In some cases the presentation was read off the PP presentation which was not educational and did not tap the experiences of the speaker

Clubrunner- pretty scattered presentation

Clubrunner Forum was basically useless. The presenter did not present well, nor did he teach us anything about Clubrunner except showing it to us, and telling us stuff about his club and what it does on Clubrunner.

Clubrunner session – encourage people to bring their own laptops etc. – have specific topics that are going to be covered instead of a free for all. Tough to follow. Maybe those that sign up can submit questions ahead of time.

Clubrunner session seemed extremely basic which is fine but didn't come through in the description on registration

The session on Clubrunner was informative, however the instructor seemed to jump around too much. He could have had a more rigid presentation

Large line up at reception, delayed the start x3

Expanded to handle people more efficiently and more quickly

Registration and payment could be more organized & quicker

Nonuse of microphones! Not all presenters were loud enough to be heard; many of us are older & have hearing difficulties

The light breakfast was too light!

Session 1 seemed rushed because earlier session rate late

A couple for the sessions were rushed too must stuff for time allowed causing session to run out of time

Punctuality of 8:30 plenary

½ breaks

Breaks too long (10 – 15 minutes OK)

President –elect Session- budget only- approval necessary but this should form part of an agenda for this session.

District help question – difficult for President-elects – should ask past presidents. No information value to this session.

Lack of handout for sessions I was unable to attend there should be handouts for every session, whether or not I was personally attended.

Everything was valuable

At times the presenters drift into story telling rather than the topic at hand – identify the problem and also the potential solution

Time of the year – possibly April (before nice weather and numerous community events on Saturday !!

Secretary presentation was a little vague and wandering – still pretty good

My second workshop was cancelled and was unaware until I got to the room. Had less than 10 minutes to select a new workshop which was disjointed

New member recruitment0 maybe a speaker from another district- we've heard from this individual too many times, nothing new

Small club seminar could have been combined into two or even one session – would enjoy more direction along with facilitate

I attended both New Generation as well as the Harassment and Abuse Policy. I thoroughly enjoyed this Assembly

No beer

Ask members what they would like to learn at District meetings and then put program together. Topics too vague. Please target them

While the sessions were helpful, there was a lot of crossover in material

The intro to the end speaker wasn't clear as to why the speaker was chosen, which takes away from the impact.

There needs to be more identification and relations between RYLA, Rotaract, Interact, Slapshot, possibly pairing of presentations

What happens if someone doesn't attend both presentations?

Marlee, call me I have some key points. Carmen 716 297 7480 teaaepnew@yahoo.com

What suggestions do you have for improving District Assembly next year?

Once registered (on-line) as pre-register send us our badges on line if possible. Keeps sign-in time down

Need better room for plenary. Can't see screen

Main Hall – When room is full the slide show cannot be seen at the end of room (both sides)

We thought there would be Rotary pins for sale or clothing

Registration 1

More people at registration to handle the long line-up

Improve sign-in process

Faster sign-in process at 8:00AM

Registration- pre via Internet

Registration could be improved by sending name tags out to attendees who have registered and paid ahead of time.

Try to improve speed of reception. Pay on-line?

Registration very slow (slower than the Border!)

Need 3 people with the list to register and payment

I was disappointed to check-in and find that my pre-registration was not recognized.

The check-in process was unorganized for the amount of people checking in at one time. I suggest breaking alphabetically into groups – have each group have the registration info in one spot for the registrant. Several of our club who pre-registered did not have name tags

Registration must be re-designed, maybe pay ahead- or have more pay stations. Many missed the welcome.

Improve on-site registration process

See #2 – Registration and payment could be more organized and quicker

More staff on registration and payment desk x2

The only thing I can think needs improving is registration. Possibly pay on-line

Registration at the event could be more efficient.

Long lines for registration - needs more volunteers

Sign in took a long time – suggest paying in advance or more help.

Long lines for registration and the coffee breaks – perhaps a layout with 2 or more table would help the flow of people

List names and club names of presenters on PowerPoint presentations

Need hand out of presentation – stats, membership survey, etc.

(Hashtag) # for event

Workshops – listed generally and should be targeted. For example Clubrunner Forum taught by McClive is an “Advanced” class. Need few minutes of intro/overview and details of how to create a site page

Too damned cold!

Well organized – nice location

Have drinks available for people who don’t drink coffee

Encourage interactive (team) presenters and audience participation with each other and the leaders. No one falls asleep and great

Clubrunner presentation was vital but discombobulated.

Keep speakers on time

Cold! X1

Turn up the heat – down the AC x2

Wanted to leave because I was uncomfortable!

It was a little too cold at the open remarks session. People were sneezing.

We do not need air conditioning this time of year.

It was quite cold in the venue.

Venue: why was it cold? Everyone was freezing even the men

Food: breakfast – nice food – ice old butter – useless

Coffee break: nice Danish but again – ice cold, if venue can’t warm them up couldn’t they at least take them out and make room temperature

EarlyAct, Rotaract, Interact was time challenged. May want to consider spreading this out to cover topics in more depth

Need to incorporate more sharing of best practices

The budget discussion for PE’s could be done better by sending document out early and having questions sent back in and a Q & A sheet could be handed out at meeting

Working sessions- encourage people to bring laptops and provide time/place to practice Clubrunner and other social media tools

More Info On Social Media

One of the rooms had a row of table with chairs, and then chairs auditorium style with no table – difficult to take notes or rest papers on etc.

Keep it at this location.

Excellent Central Location

Liked the location better than the high school (guess it changed last year when I couldn't be her but it's a v. good change)

Less post lunch speakers. Lunch and no more than 5 – 10 minutes of concluding remarks. Everyone wanted to leave (some did) but did not want to be rude to the speaker.

No sessions that takes more than 1 time period

Start the program 15 minutes earlier

Punctuality was a real plus

Overall - very good

Improve sign-in Registration

A-H I – Z

non- Registered

A- H I – Z

Case Studies/Fundraising

In main room 2 or 3 screens to facilitate seeing presentations

Milk available as well as ½ & ½ for coffee/tea

Bagels (whole grain options instead of all "sugar choices"

Healthy snacks

Long day with only small breakfast and small or no snacks in between. More food and soft drinks to be able to sustain attention through the sessions.

Reduce break

Info value to pres -elect – maybe run it as a meeting

Provide paper to take notes.

The service projects session would have been even better if there were handouts.

It was a good Assembly – I wish more people from my club had attended, to all cover all the sessions.

1 Email- please include conference web address in every email – I did not select courses because I never had time to search for web site

2. District website – web master – please put more hash tags for conference site – I had difficulty finding it

3 Web Master – conference site- please program new and registered hyperlinks – even if same address (that is what I look for)

4 Apple Ipad – seminar list did not display well!

5 Seminar list – consider listing seminars with times (pick 3 or 4 etc.) versus time slots with seminars (hard to consider all options quickly)

Healthy snacks - have them in all of the rooms – it will help with the congestion in the hall way and waiting in lines
more whole grain choices and more protein choices like cheese sticks

Rotary merchandiser have been here

Perhaps encourage people to bring tablets for any internet workshops

Earlier in the year before outdoor work and projects

Clubrunner advance was not advanced and should have been. This workshop seemed to be geared to newbies.

Rotary supplier would have been nice

Each seminar should have had handouts, membership was best in the sense

Overall great

Possible visa payments online for registration

This being my 1st Assembly I have nothing to compare; however, if next year's program is similar I would be quite pleased

Rotary Foundation Presentation – at next assembly focus on one foundation program and do it in-depth
– District Grant
- Global Grant

Foundation items were exceptional

Imagine the power of 260 Rotarians

Have an Assembly photographer- the DC is a photo op that will promote Rotary internally and externally

Opportunity for snacks at the morning break

Greater opportunities to network between Rotary Clubs and Rotaract Clubs

Possible break-out activities and opportunities for the sharing of ideas between club
15 minutes set aside for discussions - roundtable format?

Possible real Interact participants at the presentation

Opportunity for youth to talk about Rotary

Better registration system – sessions and payment

Venue: Possibilities of two buffet tables.

Online registration for session could have the layout we got in the morning (yellow grid) much easier to understand and follow

The feedback form should have a section to note which sessions were attended

Registration at the start of the conference. Volunteers should know who has/who needs to pay.

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Who did What in 2012-2013

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DISTRICT 7090 CLUB VISIONING - ONTARIO REPORT June, 2013

Since Club Visioning started on the Ontario side of the District in the spring of 2008, 18 Rotary clubs have participated in a Club Visioning event. The most recent session was with the Rotary Club of Stoney Creek on April 15. Several other clubs have used a variety of approaches to club planning and have kept me informed of what they have done.

The team this year was Ryan Bridge (Flamborough AM), Nan Bruce (Waterdown), Bill Clevette (Norfolk Sunrise), Ralph Montesanto (Dundas Valley Sunrise) and Karen Oakes (Delhi). We are in the process of recruiting more team members.

A survey of the clubs who have been involved is in progress.

Initial responses emphasize:

1. The importance of having a club visioning or planning champion to ensure that the Board and the club members are constantly reminded of the club vision and the progress of the club plans.
2. The helpfulness of a planning advisory team. When this team is in place for the initial planning of the Club Visioning session, the successful implementation and review of the club's long range plan has a much higher success rate.
3. The benefits of having club members actively involved in a variety of ways in the planning and review process.

We welcome inquiries from clubs, as well as additional team members.

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