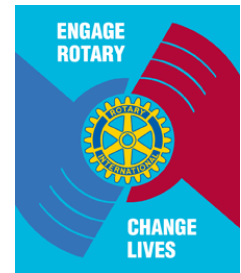




District Council Agenda November 9, 2013

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 Engaging Rotary Moment	Kevin Crouse, DG <hr/> All
09:15 - 09:50	Secretary's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes District Council Meeting – September 8, 2013 Minutes of Annual General Meeting – October 25, 2013 Treasurer's Report District Governor Report District Governor Elect Report District Governor Nominee	Pene Hutton Don DeMeo Kevin Crouse, DG Jack Amico, DGE Kevin Crosby, DGN
09:50 – 10:10	Directors' Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Service Projects Youth Services Training 	Director Willy Heidbuechel Director Greg Norton Director John Heise, PDG
10:10 – 10:30	Break	
10:30 – 11:00	Directors' Reports (continued) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Rotary Foundation Public Relations Membership 	Director Karen Oakes, PDG Director Phillip Beckermann Director Pravin Suchak, PDG
11:00 – 11:15	Council on Legislation – MOP 2013	Dick Earne, PDG, COL Rep
11:15 – 11:30	Other Business	
11:30 PM	Adjournment	
11:45 PM	AG Working Lunch	Kevin Crosby, DGN



Minutes of District Council Meeting September 7, 2013

Attendance: 30 Rotarians

Chair: Kevin Crouse, District Governor 2013 -2014

Welcome: DG Kevin Crouse called the meeting to order at 9:00 am welcoming everyone stating that it is great to see such a good turnout today. All essential information is on website for the conference.

Invocation: Jack Amico DGE, Rotary is an eclectic organization – consisting of people of all faiths and no faith.....where service above self is the common ground. Peace in the world – the only way is through organizations like Rotary.

Engaging Rotary Moment Introductions: DG Kevin asked all to go around the room and state Your Engaging Rotary Moment after the theme.

Presentation of Check: DG Kevin handed checks totaling \$30,400 to Karen for The Rotary Foundation collected from his Official Visits with clubs.

Secretary's Report: Pene Hutton, Executive Secretary.

MOTION TO ACCEPT JUNE MINUTES BY PDG JOHN HEISE; SECONDED BY AG REG MADISON. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report: No report. PDG Rick Sterne. Reported that the books for 2012-2013 have been closed and are with the auditors.

District Governor's Report (see attached): Kevin Crouse

DG Kevin started by referencing the questions regarding awards.....clarification. Deadline is October 18th, includes work over the prior 12 months. He also commended the AGs for the work they do.....having them at the official meeting to welcome the DG has been amazing.

District Conference Report: Reg Madison, Chair. A labor of love, but a lot more engagement than one would have imagined. Engage Rotary, Change Lives became the theme, because retention is obvious problem in our district comparatively to other north American districts. Conference is October 25 – 27 at the Marriott Gateway, Niagara Falls, NY. Saturday – full plenary session until 4 pm. Full also on Sunday, culminating

in an awards luncheon. No breakout sessions. Fully integrated program that caters Rotarians and Youth who will be with participating throughout the conference. The RI REP is Jim Morgan. Variety of speakers, including speakers on bullying, how to communicate better, first outbound exchange student from this district.....etc. He also shared the agenda as follows:

FRIDAY:

- Best of Friends Golf Tournament on Friday morning at the Whirlpool Golf Course
- Wine pairing/Butterfly Conservatory/Wine tour with artisan wine and cheese
- Reception with a twist – food stations, karaoke

SATURDAY:

- Plenary: 9 am – 4 pm
- Gala Banquet
 - Chuck Jackson and the Allstars

SUNDAY:

- Ecumenical Service
- Plenary Session
- Awards Luncheon

Registration is online and by mailing – all information is up and on the District website. If mailing it, caution - have in the mail early especially if it is mailed from the US – cross border to St. Catharines.

Reg and Joe Persia are taking the conference promo to the clubs. Need 5 – 10 minutes for presentation.

District Governor Elect's Report (see attached): Jack Amico
DGE Jack stated that his report was attached. Nothing to add.

Added to agenda:

Council on Legislation: Dick Earne, PDG, COL Rep

Implementation stage for the legislation that was passed at the last COL. 3 major changes: 1 - new Club By-Laws coming out in October, 2 – legislation on Vice Governor selection (FAQ), 3 – legislation on Satellite Clubs. Dick will be sending out more information as he gets it.

District Governor Nominee's Report (see attached): Kevin Crosby

DGN Kevin noted his report is in packet. He also noted that the AG meeting will be online once a month. He then commenced with leading the AG Forum.

AG Forum: DGN Kevin Crosby broke the room into groups and set 30 minutes to discuss hypothetical and then report back. Topic: You have a club in the District that resists

participation in District trainings and events. What do you do? The report out was recorded by PDG John Heise and will be compiled for future referral.

Break: 10:55 – 11:05

Directors' Reports:

Service Projects (see attached report): Willy Heidbuechel, Director

Director Willy noted that this is a new role for him and it is taking a while to get going. To date he noted he has attended his first WCS meeting. He indicated that the committee is reviewing new projects that will be coming to council.

MOTION: COMMITTEE RECOMMENDING TO DISTRICT COUNCIL, TO APPOINT SABIH UDDIN AS CHAIR OF WCS COMMITTEE. MOVED BY RICK STERNE, IPDG; SECONDED BY JACK AMICO, DGE. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: TO THANK DAVID JOHNSON FOR HIS OUTSTANDING WORK AS CHAIR OF WCS COMMITTEE. MOVED BY JOHN HEISE, PDG; SECONDED BY JACK AMICO, DGE. MOTION CARRIED.

Youth Services (see attached report): Greg Norton, Director

Director Greg spoke to council about the ongoing involvement of our youth alumni as Rotarians. Our district E-club is one way to continue to provide this opportunity. He also spoke also about youth involvement on Saturday afternoon, all youth programs involved.

Training (see attached report): John Heise, PDG, Director

Director John referred to his report, but wants to highlight PETS date:

- February 18 in Hamilton area
- February 20 in Williamsville area
- February 24 in Dunkirk/Fredonia area
- February 27 in St. Catharines area

The Rotary Foundation: Karen Oakes, PDG, Director

86% of clubs have reported through Club Central. She indicated the ones she is waiting on, as follows: Cheektowaga, Fonthill, Grand Island, Lancaster-Depew, NOTL, Middleport, Tonawandas, Williamsville.

She thanked DG Kevin for the money he gave her from the clubs for TRF today, she will get that submitted right away.

Grants program: October 5th, at Salvatore's Italian Gardens. Preregister, due a week before – for food, binders etc.

Foundation Dinner: November 8th, Salvatore's Italian Gardens. Lots to celebrate from IPDG Rick's term.

Please note also, she is always willing to come to clubs or send someone else to do a presentation on TRF for them.

Public Relations (no report): Phillip Beckermann, Director

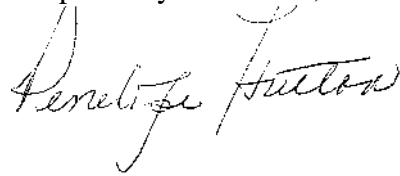
Membership (see attached report): Pravin Suchak, PDG, Director

Director Pravin indicated they are sending out membership materials to each club. Very fortunate to have Brian Carmichael working with him. Both of them are going to one Institute and will be attending training on membership. Hopes to do two or three training sessions ; 1 in Hamiton and 1 in Amherst and perhaps 1 in Jamestown.

Extension: Chartered new club – e-club in July with 21 members. Be sure to tell others, even Rotarians who have moved out of area, this is a good way to stay attached. Medical Corridor – Dr. David Johnson is interested in starting a club there. Unfortunately we lost two clubs this year – Southshore and Hamilton Sunset.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 11:45 by acclaim.

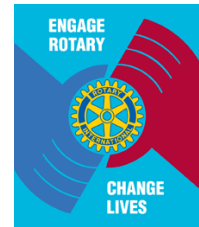
Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Penelope Hutton".

Penelope Hutton
Executive Secretary
Rotary International District 7090

Reports attached:

DG Report
DGE Report
DGN Report
Service Projects Report
Youth Services Report
Training Report
Rotary Foundation Report
Membership Report



**Rotary International District 7090
Minutes of Annual General Meeting
Marriott Gateway on the Falls, Niagara Falls, Ontario
Friday, October 25, 2013/3:30 PM**

No. of Rotarians in attendance: 25

- I. Meeting called to order at 3:05 pm
 - a. Welcome by DG Kevin Crouse – great to see such a good turnout today.
 - b. Invocation: John Heise, PDG. Prayed for power to bring our North American resources to the rest of the world.
- II. Introduction of RI President's Representative, Jim Morton, PDG: Rick Sterne, PDG and RI Representative's Aide

PDG Rick introduced the RI Representative as Jim and Shirley Morton from District 7680, China Grove, North Carolina. Jim was a Centennial Governor, president of his club 3 times and nominated for a 4th. A father and grandfather, he was an engineer by profession. He has also received RI's prestigious Meritorious Service Award.

RI Representative Jim expressed his appreciation of being here with District 7090 Rotarians. He especially appreciates the opportunity to serve RI President Ron Burton, whom is most worthy of the role of RI President.

RESOLUTION BY RICK STERNE:

WHEREAS, JIM MORTON, OF DISTRICT 7680, HAS BEEN ASKED BY RON BURTON, PRESIDENT OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL, TO BE HIS REPRESENTATIVE TO OUR DISTRICT'S ANNUAL CONFERENCE, AND

WHEREAS, JIM HAS ACCEPTED PRESIDENT RON'S INVITATION AND HAS TRAVELED TO NIAGARA FALLS, ONTARIO TO BRING PRESIDENT RON'S MESSAGE TO ENGAGE ROTARY, CHANGE LIVES, AND SHARE WITH US THE IMPORTANCE OF IT, AND

WHEREAS, DISTRICT 7090 APPRECIATES THAT PRESIDENT RON HAS SELECTED JIM TO BE HIS REPRESENTATIVE;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE ROTARIANS OF DISTRICT 7090 EXTEND A WARM ROTARY WELCOME AND APPRECIATION TO HJIM AND HIS PARTNER, SHIRLEY, FOR TRAVELING FROM THEIR HOME IN CHINA GROVE, NORTH CAROLINA TO BE WITH US AND TO SHARE WITH US PRESIDENT RON'S

MESSAGE, AS WELL AS TO LEND THEIR SUPPORT AND GIVE ASSISTANCE FOR A SUCCESSFUL CONFERENCE.

SECONDED BY JOHN HEISE, PDG. RESOLUTION CARRIED.

III. District Governor's Report (see attached): Kevin Crouse

Governor Kevin indicated his report will be brief. He just finished 68 club visits and each club is truly unique. Used his motor home to park in the middle of 8 or 9 clubs and saved his crossing the border 18 times, perhaps as many as 36 hours of wait time.

IV. Financial Reports

a. Audited Financial Report 2012-2013: Marlene McGraw, Treasurer 2012-2013

Canadian standards reporting as a non-profit. Page 3 shows statement of financial position. A slight increase over the prior year to \$297,606. \$16000 better than budgeted.

MOTION TO APPROVE 2012 – 2013 YEAR END AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS BY MARLENE MCGRAW. SECONDED BY JOE DEPAOLO, PDG. MOTION CARRIED.

PDG RICK PRESENTED MARLENE MCGRAW WITH HER THIRD PAUL HARRIS FELLOW RECOGNITION FOR HER CONTINUED SERVICE AS TREASURER – THREE TIMES TREASURER!

b. Treasurer's Report: Don DeMeo, Treasurer 2013-2014

3 months ending September 30, 2013 balance: \$380,060. Still some clubs have not paid dues. Current year's net income \$58,847.

MOTION TO ACCEPT TREASURER'S REPORTS FOR THE THREE MONTH'S ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 BY JOHN HEISE, PDG, SECONDED BY KAREN, OAKES, PDG. MOTION CARRIED.

V. District Governor Elect's Report (see attached): Jack Amico

DGE Jack indicated he has had lots of training.....no conference next year, rather a Buffalo Bash, a less expensive trip. Lower cost, vibrant celebration of Buffalo. All day Saturday, Saturday night, Sunday morning. Hyatt Hotel, Buffalo Convention Center. Designed to attract younger Rotarians.

VI. District Governor Nominee's Report (see attached): Kevin Crosby

DGN Kevin noted that one of the greatest benefits of being the DGN is being able to work with the Assistant Governors. Been meeting on Go To Meeting once a month, will be meeting face to face at the request of the Governor after District Council November 15th. Has secured Ellicottville for his conference. Templeton Landing will be the site of the governor changeover.....attire will not be ties and coats, but he is recommending Hawaiian shirts.

VII. District Conference Report (see attached): Governor Kevin for Reg Madison, Chair
Governor Kevin acknowledged the great work of the committee; Reg is still with the golfing group. He noted that 52 of 68 clubs represented and an unprecedented 160 registered for awards brunch on Sunday.

RESOLUTION BY BOB GOSSELIN, CHAIR OF VTT:

WHEREAS, MANY ROTARY CLUBS AND ROTARIANS HAVE BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR ORGANIZING THIS DISTRICT 7090 CONFERENCE, AND WHEREAS, REG MADISON IS ITS CHAIR,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE ROTARIAN ASSEMBLED AT THIS CONFERENCE EXTEND THEIR APPRECIATION TO REG AND ALL WHO SERVED ON THE COMMITTEE FOR THEIR DEDICATED SERVICE TO ROTARY AND THE ROTARIANS IN OUR DISTRICT.

SECONDED BY DICK EARNE, PDG. RESOLUTION CARRIED.

VIII. District Committee Reports

- a. Training (see report attached): John Heise, PDG, Director

Director John indicated he is working with John Burroughs and Marlee Diehl to make registration go better at next year's District Assembly. He is also hoping to involve AGs more with presentations. He also indicated the team is developing a Pre-PETS assessment to see what the PEs think they need.

- b. Service Projects (see attached report): Willy Heidbuechel, Director

Director Willy noted that the most active committee at present is World Community Service at present. Water is still the predominant theme. Clubs around the District are still supporting wells – at \$2000 a well. Olean club is seeking a Global grant for 2014-2015.

MOTION BY WILLY HEIDBUECHEL DIRECTOR TO RECOMMEND TO DISTRICT COUNCIL THAT THEY APPROVE A PROJECT SPONSORED BY NIAGARA ON THE LAKE ROTARY CLUB TO PROVIDE MULTIPLE SERVICES TO THE VILLAGE OF SANYUYOU, GUATEMALA, JOHN HEISE, PDG SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

- c. Youth Services (see attached report): Greg Norton, Director

Pene indicated that Director Greg sent his apologies as he is host to an international visitor at his workplace and cannot be here for this meeting.

- d. Public Relations: Phillip Beckermann, Director.

No Report.

- e. The Rotary Foundation (see attached report): Karen Oakes, PDG, Director

Director Karen announced that at June 2013, the Annual Fund giving for District 7090 reached an all time high at \$359,350/\$143 per member. All but 2 clubs participated. Polio Eradication - \$35,000 was approved by Foundation Committee from DDF, matched by World Fund, and Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation – this donation becomes \$157,500.

Recently, 53 of our clubs participated in the Grants Management Seminar and are inline now to submit the required documentation (MOU and Addendum), by November 30 to make them eligible for the 2014-2015 grant funds. Mark your calendar for The Foundation Dinner on Friday, November 8th.

- f. Membership (see attached report): Pravin Suchak, PDG, Director

Accomplishments year to date include creating a Membership Facebook page, attending several Membership related webinars held by Zone and RI with emphasis on engagement and retention. Also PDG Brian Carmichael and PDG Pravin presented 2 workshops at District Assembly dealing with retention and engagement strategies for clubs – combined attendance exceeded 60.

- g. RESOLUTION BY KAREN OAKES, PDG:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THIS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING RATIFY THE ACTIONS TAKEN BY DISTRICT GOVERNOR RICK STERNE, AS DISTRICT GOVERNOR, AND BY THE DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR DISTRICT 7090 DURING THE ROTARY YEAR 2012 – 2013.

SECONDED BY JOHN HEISE, PDG. RESOLUTION CARRIED.

- IX. Panel Discussion on the Role of the District Governor: Facilitated by Karen Oakes, PDG

Wally Ochterski, PDG spoke about the commitment of TIME AND FAMILY

Joseph DePaolo, PDG spoke about the commitment of FINANCES

Bob Bruce, PDG spoke about the commitment of LEADERSHIP

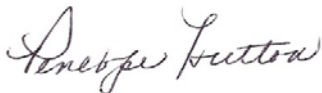
All also spoke about the amazing experience: the new international and local friends, seeing the projects and initiatives that the District clubs/Rotarians are doing. The joy of being a Governor far outweighs the commitments.

Followed by questions and answers.

- X. Announcements. None noted.

- XI. Meeting adjourned at 4:47 pm by acclaim.

Respectfully Submitted,



Penelope Hutton
Executive Secretary
Rotary International District 7090

Reports Attached:

District Governor

Audited Financial Statements Year Ending June 30, 2013

Treasurer's Report Year to Date Ending September 30, 2013

District Governor Elect

District Governor Nominee

Training

Service Projects

Youth Services

The Rotary Foundation

Membership

Rotary International District 7090
Balance Sheet
As At October 31, 2013

<u>Assets</u>		<u>Liabilities and Equity</u>	
<u>Current Assets</u>		<u>Current Liabilities</u>	
Petty Cash	1,500	Accrued Liabilities	68,624
Cash , First Niagara	270,990		
Cash , Bank of Montrael	<u>107,615</u>		<u> </u>
Total Cash	380,105		
Prepaid Expenses	11,621		
Prepaid District Conference Expenses	<u>500</u>		
Total Current Assets	<u>392,227</u>	Total Current Liabilities	<u>68,624</u>
		Retained Earnings	254,377
		Net Income	<u>69,226</u>
		Total Equity	<u>323,603</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>392,227</u></u>	Total Liabilites and Equity	<u><u>392,227</u></u>

Rotary International District 7090
Statement of Income
Four Months Ended October 31, 2013

Income

General Assessments	78,638	
Insurance Assessment	<u>27,335</u>	
Total Club Assessments		105,973
District Conference		
Registrations	33,516	
Sponsorships	3,500	
Other	<u>4,429</u>	41,445
Pets		11,600
Foundation Dinner		65
District Grants		62,687
Grants Management Income		4,445
Other Income		<u>337</u>
Total Income		<u>226,552</u>

Expenses

Administration		
Office Support	5,666	
Phone Charges	400	
Office Supplies	95	
Bank Service Charges	445	
District Council	250	
Newsletter	<u>600</u>	7,457
Directors and Committees		
District Grants	62,687	
Grants Management	6,373	
World Community Service	37	
Communications	<u>980</u>	70,077
District Insurance		29,879
District Conference		43,896
Training		
Visioning/Release Your Inner Rotary	132	
District Training	4,115	
District Nominee Training	<u>1,770</u>	6,017
Total Expenses		<u>157,326</u>
Net Income		<u><u>69,226</u></u>

District Governor Report
October 25, 2013

What a fabulous experience it is to visit 68 Rotary Clubs!! The variety of projects, community and International involvement and unique club projects is an amazing testimony to the spirit of Rotary. The effect that these members have on their communities and the world at large is an awesome testimony to the power of Rotary doing good in the world. Lives changed in the process of engaging Rotary in these communities is one of the world's greatest secrets.

And speaking of secrets, this year's conference committee under the very able direction of conference chair, Reg Madison is an outstanding example of how Rotary comes together to engage Rotary and change lives. The program we had last week-end was full testimony to that. Few conferences have had more promotion than this one. It was the main topic of my speeches to all clubs and in addition, was backed up by separate presentations by Reg Madison and Joe Persia.

In addition to superb events on Friday and Saturday, Sunday's attendance of 165 people at the Awards brunch was awesome. Rarely have so many shown up for a Sunday event in conferences in the past. We are very proud of all those 'silent warriors' out there who will finally get the recognition due to them.

Finally, let me say how proud I am of my club, The Rotary Club of Brantford Sunrise, for their unbridled support of this event. President Jo-Anne Procter has scheduled her weekly meeting at this event and we greatly appreciate their support at a site so far away from home.

As they say in the movies - "Rotary is a wonderful life!!

Because of the large number of recipients (185) of this year's Head, Hands and Heart Awards, we are currently arranging presentations to clubs that couldn't make the presentation on Sunday, October 27. If you know of any clubs who did not receive their awards, please have them contact me (kevin.crouse@rogers.com, 519-304-4036) so that we can set up a date to present these awards to the recipients at their club meetings. Last week we presented 57 awards to the Rotary Club of St. Catharines and this week we will be presenting 7 awards to the Rotary Club of Ancaster. If your club missed out on applying for these awards, plan now to complete the requirements so that you can receive your awards at the District Governor Changeover/Awards program in June of 2014.

Congratulations to Chris Cutler, President of the Rotary Club of Hamilton for an outstanding celebration of 100 years of Rotary service at the 100th anniversary celebration on Saturday night, November 2 at Liuna Station in Hamilton. It was a festive event with lots of fellowship, eating and dancing to some great entertainment.

Cheers

Kevin Crouse
District Governor 2013-14
District Governor Report
October 25, 2013

District Governor 2013-14

District Governor Elect Report for 10/25/2013

I am currently involved in the following project and committees as related to my duties as District Governor Elect and training for my year as District Governor.

- Formation and ongoing activities of the 2014 District 7090 Conference Committee.
- Training Committees for PETS 1 and PETS2 for spring of 2014.
- Planning Committee for District Assembly for spring of 2014.
- Attending Inter-district Foundation Committee meetings
- Member of the District 7090 Youth Exchange Corporation
- Prepared for and attended DGE training at Zone Assembly.
- As a result of the Zone GETS training, have submitted copies of D7090 Strategic Plan and Manual of Policies and Procedures which are apparently considered to be exceptional within the zone.
- Working with the new Rotary.org website to get additional training in the position of DG and the reporting structure of that venue.



District Governor Nominee Report

November 9, 2013

Coordination of Assistant Governors

- We have scheduled monthly AG meetings, using GoToMeeting. The August, September and October meetings were recorded and made available to those who were unable to participate.
- We have implemented a new AG reporting process that focuses on highlighting club achievements that deserve recognition and challenges that should be brought to the attention of District leaders. Rotary International's Club Central should reduce the need for written reports on the status of clubs.
- The AGs will meet after the District Council meeting of Nov. 9 to discuss issues of mutual interest.
- The AGs suggested three topics for possible discussion at District Council meetings: (a) a discussion of succession planning for AGs and other District leadership positions (e.g., whom to recruit and how to recruit); (b) a description of the function of various District leaders and what support they can offer clubs; (c) how to promote inter-club cooperation and joint projects.
- The AGs discussed the importance of setting proper expectations for Presidents-elect about their responsibility for participating in Area meetings, District events, and attending at least one District Council meeting as PE and President.
- AGs were alerted to the District Team Training Seminar scheduled for Saturday, February 22, 2014, involving all District Leaders and AGs. It will be held at Niagara County Community College in Sanborn, NY.

District Manual of Policies and Procedures

- As DGN, I am participating on a committee to update the District's MOPP. We have had two meetings of the committee and we're making good progress.

District Governor Nominee Manual

- In collaboration with DGE Jack Amico, I will be developing a manual for future DGNs. This will complement the RI manual for DGNs and provide a description of the roles and responsibilities of the DGN that are specific to our District.

Future Events

- I have secured the Holiday Valley Resort (Ellicottville, NY) for the 2015 District Conference and visited the Ellicottville Rotary Club to solicit its support for the conference, which was given enthusiastically. I have submitted the Check Request for the deposit on the venue.

District 7090 Service Projects Report
District Conference / Business Meeting / October 25, 2013
Report presented by Willy Heidbuechel, Director

During the August 20, 2013 meeting of the World Community Service Committee, the following Motion was made:

Motion: To recommend to District Council approval of a project, sponsored by Niagara-on-the-Lake Rotary Club, to provide multiple services to the village of Sanyuyou, Guatemala.

I had missed to table this Motion at the September 08th District Council meeting, due to a misinterpretation on my part.

The Motion will be tabled appropriately under the “World Community Service” section of this Report.

Community Service

- No Report at this time

Literacy

- No Report at this time, however, during the October 21 WCS meeting, an update was received on the WCS Literacy Project in Pakistan.

Vocational Service

- No Report at this time

Water Task Force

- No Report at this time, however, during the October 21 WCS meeting a potentially new WCS project (for 2014-2015) was presented addressing water issues in Niger.
- Rotarian Roy Sheldrick also reported briefly on the status in Haiti, where Rotary is approaching the 250th well.

Siemens Computer Project

- No Report at this time

Gift of Life INC

- No Report at this time, however, during the October 21 WCS meeting, an update was received on the current status and activities of the project (courtesy of PDG John Rydzysik). *Note: This initiative is not part of the WCS mandate, but rather a stand-alone initiative of “Gift of Life Inc.”*
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World Community Service

- I participated in the Committee’s meeting on October 21, 2013.
- The Committee will have a display at this year’s House of Friendship at District Conference.

- A presentation was made by the Rotary Club of Olean for a “Niger Well Project” for 2014/2015 – seeking a Global Grant.
- An update was received on clubs’ participation in the recent Grant Management Seminar, a requirement for 2014 / 2015 Grant applications (148 registrations representing 53 clubs)
- Action Item from August 20, 2013 committee meeting (see opening comment):

Motion: To recommend to District Council approval of a project, sponsored by Niagara-on-the-Lake Rotary Club, to provide multiple services to the village of Sanyuyou, Guatemala.



District 7090 – New Generations

This conference is the first time clubs have been asked to sponsor a New Generations program member or alumni to attend district conference, and many clubs have stepped up to the challenge. We are looking forward to getting the final attendance numbers for the conference, but we believe this year's conference as a great base from which New Generations involvement in the district conference will continue to develop and grow.

FEATURED PROGRAM

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

Student Leadership Award Program designed for **Students High On Training**, is dedicated to promoting, honoring, celebrating and nurturing young leaders, who are high school students, 15-18 years old. District 7090's 9th annual **SLAPSHOT** is scheduled **April 25 -27, 2014** at **Canterbury Hills Conference Centre, Ancaster, ON, Canada**.

SLAPSHOT 2014 REGISTRATION OPENS Monday, January 13, 2014. The REGISTRAR will receive payments @ \$300 per student (maximum FIVE registrations per Rotary Club) on a first come, first served basis. Only the first 100 registrations will be accepted. Look for SLAPSHOT 2014 details and registration forms on the District 7090 website in December.

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

There are currently no problems to report for either in our outbounds. From what we're hearing all is going well.

The inbounds' contribution to the District Conference was well-received and it was really good to have them take part in the conference in this way. I'm sure that we can further improve what we've currently got, but the change from doing a single presentation on the Sunday morning and spending all weekend preparing for that to what we did this year, worked for us.

We are currently making a few changes in the districts that we exchange with. We're saying goodbye to:

- a district in Australia
- a district in Argentina

And we are replacing them with:

- a different district in Australia (not yet confirmed, but we're talking)
- a different district in Argentina (confirmed. They can exchange Sep-Jul and seem more organized!!)
- the district that covers the Czech and Slovak republic

We're also reaching out to the UK and Norway.

We have distributed promotional materials (school posters, student leaflets and host family leaflets) to all clubs that are likely to be recruiting this year and are hopeful that this will help grow the program.



We are still having to place 1 or 2 students from Argentina for January arrival and are having trouble finding clubs for them...

The girl from Taiwan that had to postpone her arrival due to treatment for Hodgkins is now scheduled to arrive in January as well and we have had extensive communication with the (St Catharines) club that is hosting her and the district in Taiwan and the girl's family to bring this all together.

In summary, the program is alive and well.

Rotaract – (Jelaine Foster / Sabrina Smith / Jen Middleton)

We are looking for a strong showing from our Rotaract clubs – from both sides of the border – at this year's conference.

Interact – (Brian Casey – Rotary Club of Buffalo)

Currently coordinating efforts with Interact clubs to facilitate Interact attendance at the district conference. Working with local club coordinators to address issues connected with transportation to and from the conference for the students as they are not able to travel on their own.

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

RYLA 2014 is scheduled to take place June 8- 14, 2014 at SUNY Fredonia. The first committee meeting to start working on 2014 is scheduled for Nov 9, 2013. We will be looking to clubs to continue to support this amazing program.

EarlyAct – (Richard Earne– Rotary Club of Grand Island)

Gave presentation on what is Earlyact to the Hamilton East Wentworth club.

Albion has requested a presentation.

Leroy is in the process of starting two Earlyact clubs.

Ancaster is presenting information to their school system on Earlyact and Interact in middle schools.

Grand Island is coordinating with the GI middle school to start an interact club in the scholl, which will work with their Interact club in the HS.

East Aurora has also requested information on both Earlyact and Interact for their middle school.

TRAINING DIRECTOR REPORT

September 7, 2013

I know I have a hard act to follow. My thanks to Kevin Crosby for all he has done to offer a variety of training opportunities for our District Rotarians and leaders.

Kevin also recruited a number of strong committee chairs, some of whom are not even members of the Buffalo Sunrise Club. This summer I have been busy trying to finalize these committee chairs. Below are the chairs. I am sure you will agree it is a great list of strong and talented chairs.

Area	Chair	Co-chair	Notes
Training Administration	Amy Thompson (W. Seneca)		Need to build committee
PETS 1	Mara Huber (Buffalo Sunrise)		
PETS 2	Brian Carmichael (E-club)		
DTTS	Kevin Crosby (Buffalo Sunrise)	Rick Sterne (Brantford)	
District Assembly	Marlee Diehl (Albion)	Anne Bermingham (Hamilton)	
Club-based Training	Chris Cutler (Hamilton)	Bruce Baum (Buffalo Sunrise)	Add committee?
New Member Orientation	Milica Kovacevich (St. Cath. Lksh)		Need to add co-chair
AG Development	John Mullen (Ancaster AM)	Reg Madison (Brantford Sunrise)	
Club Vision Facilitation	John Boronkay (W. Seneca) Barb Ochterski (Buffalo Sunrise) Understudy	Nan Bruce (Waterdown)	Anne Bermingham (Hamilton) co-chair this year to prepare for 2014
RLI	(Patti Johnson, Buffalo Sunrise)		Need to find new chair(s)

The chart includes a new position, that of Training Administration. The chair of this position, Amy Thompson will coordinate those activities in securing venues, registrations, etc. We need a couple more people on each side of the border. If you have any suggestions, please pass the names on to me so that they can be contacted. The more people we have on this committee, the lighter the load.

Patti Johnson is also in her last year as RLI chair. I am looking for someone to serve as co-chair this year, then assume the chair duties next year. If you have any suggestions, please let me know.

The District Assembly Committee and the PETS Committees have already started the planning process. Early this August Brian Carmichael, Jack Amico, Kevin Crosby, and I traveled to Guelph for the first PETS 2 meeting of Districts 7070, 7080, and 7090. This first meeting is traditional a face to face meeting. Between now and March the group will be meeting monthly through GoToMeeting to plan this important training weekend. I am pleased to share that our District is going to be well represented at

the weekend. Anne Bermingham, Angela Carter, and Kevin and Rebecca Crouse will be presenting three of the four Saturday breakout sessions. It is another indication of the great Rotarians we have in our District. It is our District's turn to serve as chair of this multi-district planning team and it has taken a lot of my time during August.

Brian and I have also started the process of identifying the PEs so that we have contact information for passing on information about PETS 1/2. Currently 26% of our clubs have no PE listed. This is about normal and many of the clubs are the usual ones that struggle to identify a PE each year.

The PETS dates are on our District Calendar. They are for PETS 1: February 18 (Hamilton Area), February 20 (Williamsville area), February 24 (Dunkirk/Fredonia Area), and February 27 (St. Catharines area). AGs are requested to save the dates for the meeting near their area. A couple joined their PEs last year and I think it was appreciated.

John R. Boronkay, Club Visioning, US Chair
US Club Visioning Committee Report for September 7, 2013 District Council

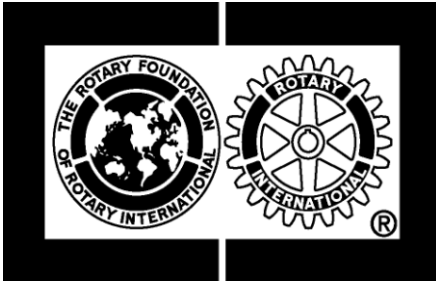
The Western New York Arena Visioning Team met on July 16, 2013. New team members were introduced, old team members decided they still liked each other, but, more importantly:

- Reviewed actions of 2012-2013
- Reviewed and discussed materials used for club programs
- Determined necessary revisions to materials to maintain congruence with TRF, New Generations, Vibrant Club and other resource material
Revised:
 1. Pre-vision Club Profile form (used Nan Bruce's as a model)
 2. Rotary vision Questionnaire (used input from Nan, Karen Oakes and Ralph Montesanto)
 3. Vision Exercise
- Discussed International Vision Facilitation Council membership fee
Recommended that we continue membership – will discuss with Nan
BUT
We are not satisfied with neither the materials available on the IVFC web site – they are out of date and contain errors -- nor their newsletter – which we never receive.

A visioning program is scheduled for RC Fredonia on September 10th. The team will be Boronkay, Cleary, Hamels, and B. Ochterski – stellar group.

There will have been sixteen (16) clubs served. Progress continues, albeit slowly.

In the future, both the Ontario and WNY Arena will attempt to energize clubs to follow up long range planning action. We invite any questions, comments or reactions.



District 7090 Rotary Foundation Committee **Annual Meeting Report October 25th, 2013**

Based on September 7th, 2013 District Council report data unless otherwise noted.

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.

Annual Fund Committee

Chair –PDG Art Wing

Our Annual Fund donations at the end of June 2013 reached an all-time high of \$359,350 and \$143 per member in our District. All but 2 of our clubs donated to the Annual fund last year

Fabulous year for Our Foundation and for the District Clubs to benefit with grants three years down the line.

Donations to our Annual Fund were led by the following 10 Clubs on a per capita member giving basis:

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|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Niagara Falls ON \$902 | 5. Ancaster AM \$309 | 8. Waterdown \$263 |
| 2. Ancaster \$531 | 6. Dundas Valley \$300 | 9. St. Catharines \$211 |
| 3. Delhi \$496 | 7. Hamilton AM \$269 | 10. West Seneca \$200 |
| 4. Port Colborne* \$469 | | |

The top 10 Clubs with dollar value donations were:

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|------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Niagara Falls ON \$51,448 | 5. Buffalo \$12,898 | 8. Ancaster AM \$10,819 |
| 2. St. Catharines \$26,973 | 6. Brantford \$12,887 | 9. Clarence \$10,300 |
| 3. Dundas Valley \$13,500 | 7. Hamilton \$12,387 | 10. Waterdown \$9,717 |
| 4. Hamilton AM \$12,913 | | |

Every Rotarian Every Year Clubs – 11+ 2 = 13

Ancaster	Flamborough AM	St. Catharines Lakeshore
Ancaster AM	Greater Jamestown	Stoney Creek
Delhi	Hamilton East Wentworth	Welland
Dundas	Medina	

November Update Dundas Valley Sunrise, Hamilton Mountain

Sustaining Member Clubs- 7 + 1 = 8

Ancaster Ancaster AM Flamborough AM Hamilton East Wentworth
 Medina Stoney Creek Welland
November update Hamilton Mountain

The top 3 per capita clubs, the **13** Every Rotarian Every Year Clubs, and the **8** Sustaining Member Clubs will be recognized at the District 7090 Rotary Foundation dinner on November 8th at Salvatore's in Depew, New York.

As noted in previous reports, most of these clubs promote and encourage members to donate individually to Our Rotary Foundation as part of the Every Rotarian Every Year campaign

Hopefully, we will have another successful year this year, with every club making a donation and more Rotarians making a personal donation.

Both PDG Karen and I and the other Foundation chairs would appreciate invitations to speak to your clubs about any aspect of OUR ROTARY FOUNDATION at some time during this Rotary year.

Attachments: 2004-2013 History Annual Fund Contributions

Paul Harris Society Committee

Chair PDG Bob Bruce

This past Rotary year we had 17 of our members make donations at or above the \$1,000 level and thus are qualified to become members of the District 7090 Paul Harris Society. An invitation has sent to all those eligible to confirm the members' intent for membership.

New members will be presented with a pin and framed certificate and all Paul Harris Society members will be recognized at the Foundation dinner on November 8, at Salvatore's

Stewardship committee

Chair PDG Wally Ochterski

No Report at this time. Plans for development of committee underway.

Alumni Committee

Alumni Chair Report-2013- Pat Castiglia Chair

No report for this Council meeting.

Polio Eradication Committee

Chair Thie Convery

October 25th, 2013 UPDATE

As we announced on October 5th, 2013 at the Grant Management Seminar, our District Foundation committee approved a \$35,000 donation of our District Designated Fund (DDF) allotment to the PolioPlus Fund. Every dollar of DDF will be matched 50% by The Rotary Foundation World Fund, up to US\$3.5Million. From 2013-2018 every \$US1 Rotary commits to direct support for polio immunization (up to US \$3.5 Million per year) will be matched 2:1 by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

Therefore, our District 7090 donation of \$35,000 becomes \$157,500 through the power of these matching funds.

Polio Update (August 2013):

Earlier this year, Canadian Rotarians raised more than \$1.6 million through the “Pennies & More for Polio” campaign.

CIDA, the Canadian International Development Agency, which initially had pledged to match every dollar up to one million, decided to continue to match all contributions past the one million. Accordingly, they contributed an extra \$600,000. The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, which had made the same matching commitment up to one million dollars, also agreed to extend its match by the same \$600,000.

Always up to the challenge, one week later, Rotarians raised another \$700,000.

The late push boosted the overall Rotarian contribution to \$2.3 million – and matching funds from CIDA and the Gates Foundation brought the total to \$6.8 million for the Global Polio Eradication Initiative.

And just last month, at the Rotary International Convention in Lisbon, Portugal, the Gates Foundation announced that it will match two-to-one, up to US\$35 million per year, for every dollar Rotary commits to polio eradication through 2018.

Brothers & Sisters in Polio eradication, we’re this close!

Endowment Fund Committee

September 2013 Report to District Council

The Endowment Fund committee activities have been very limited over the summer as everyone was focused on family vacation time etc. With the resignation of John Huber from the committee last spring we are looking for someone from the New York side of the District to come on board. Preferably, we would like to have someone from the southern tier, as we are currently not represented by that area. If you know of someone or are personally interested, please contact me.

The committee's areas of focus will continue to be:

- ☐ contacting senior District members for one on one discussion
- ☐ Requesting to be speakers at Club meetings
- ☐ Organizing Fireside chats in the Areas
- ☐ 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

The 8 clubs in Areas 2 (Brantford & Ancaster) and Area 3 (Dundas & Waterdown) have agreed to promote and participate in 2 Endowment Fund information meetings in the fall. These will take the form of informal fireside chats with the club members being invited to come out and learn more about the EF.

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 Eruysal and Karen Oakes (Foundation Chair).

Respectfully submitted

John Mullen, Chair

District Vocational Training Team Committee Report

August 30, 2013

Late last year (Rotary year 2012 - 2013) your VTT Committee started a search for a Rotary District we could possibly initiate a VTT project with. After several attempts we connected with District 4845 (Paraguay and the four provinces of Argentina - Misiones, Formosa, Chaco, and Corrientes) and have agreed to discussing the possibility of a collaborative District VTT project with a focus on water sanitation. They are located on top of one of the largest sweet water reservoirs in the world however a have challenge with water pollution.

Your VTT Committee submitted a request to the District Foundation Committee for a \$10,000. Budget allocation which was approved and the project was confirmed by RI. The budget is primarily for the cost of transportation a Team of 4 (1 Rotarian Team Leader and 3 Team Members) between Districts.

District 4850 will take on full responsibility for all accommodation and local transportation in hosting the Team.

We are currently in active communication with their VTT Committee Chair to structure the fine details of the project with a tentative date of May 2014 for the actual visit. Once the structure has been finalized will start promoting the project in the District to source candidates for a Team Leader followed with 3 Team Members for our District.

That is our report.

Bob Gosselin - Dan Smith

District 7090 - VTT Chairs.

Rotary District 7090 Scholarships Committee

Rotary District 7090

September 7, 2013

Current Scholars

Returning Outbound Ambassadorial Scholar – Shauna Weston to District 1050, University of Manchester, England (Returned August 2013)

Peace Scholars

Nothing to report.

***NEW* District Grants Scholarship**

We are currently drafting the scholarship application.

The following is an overview of the scholarship:

Scholarship Amount	\$5,000.00 US
Activity Location	Awarded to a student whose permanent address is within the boundaries of District 7090
Scholarship Type	A general scholarship awarded to a student who at the time of application is in their first year of post-secondary education
Scholarship	The scholarship will be based on the following criteria:

Description	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. academic merit; 2. a demonstration of “Service Above Self”; and 3. an essay about the ideals of Rotary <p>The scholarship is open to any area of study</p> <p>The scholarship must be used towards full time post-secondary study at a University, College, or Community College</p> <p>The student must have their permanent address within the boundaries of District 7090</p> <p>Rotary’s conflict of interest policy does apply to this scholarship and as a result cannot be awarded to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a Rotarian, including honorary Rotarian; • an employee of a club, district, or other Rotary Entity, or of Rotary International; • a spouse, lineal descendant (child or grandchild by blood, legal adoption, or marriage without adoption), spouse of lineal descendants, or ancestor (parent or grandparent by blood) of person(s) in the above categories; • an employee of an agency, organization, or institution that partners with The Rotary Foundation or Rotary International; • a former Rotarian or honorary Rotarian who has terminated membership within the preceding 36 months; or • a person who is ineligible based on a familial relationship to a former Rotarian or honorary Rotarian, for a period of 36 months after termination of family member’s membership <p>The application deadline is November 30 in the year that their post-secondary study has commenced</p> <p>The scholarship will be awarded by January 31 of the academic year in which their post-secondary study has commenced</p>
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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

Closed as per July 7th, 2013 e-mail message copied below:

Thank you for submitting the final report regarding District Simplified Grant #74407, to support the service projects of RI District 7090. Your cooperation in fulfilling this requirement is greatly appreciated. As all required information has been included, the Foundation will mark the file as closed.

Sincerely,

Conor Murphy

Grant Coordinator

Humanitarian Grants Staff

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Bob Bruce, Vice Chair

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Burlington, ON L7N 3S3

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E-mail: pdgbob@bell.net

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

Note: DSGs are expected to be completed within 1 year

Progress report completed as per July 23, 2013 e-mail message copied below:

Dear PDG Bruce,

Thank you for submitting this final document. **This Progress Report is now accepted.**

Best Regards,

Conor

Conor Murphy

Humanitarian Grant Coordinator / Coordinateur, Subventions humanitaires

Bob Bruce, Chair District Simplified Grants

Bob Monroe, Chair, District Grants

District Grant Spending Plan 2013-2014

Approval provided as per July 2013 e-message copied below:

Dear Rotarians in District 7090:

Congratulations! The Rotary Foundation has approved your 2013-14 district grant application. The Foundation will issue payment of this grant to the account specified in the District 7090 grant application.

The following recap outlines our approved plan with a full copy available for review on the district website.

District Grant Spending Plan

✿ 18 Clubs with various projects	\$35,965
✿ Vocational Training team	10,000
✿ Scholarship	5,000
✿ Administrative Expenses 3%	1,529
✿ Contingencies	10,193
✿ Total	\$62,687

Global Grants (Matching Grants)

For your report to District Council from myself as Chair of Global Grant I can report that the online application is onerous but we are all working with clubs to help them make progress.

October 2013 update: Congratulations is extended to the Rotary Club of Niagara Falls, Ontario as the recipient of our first Global Grant approval. The following approval message was received on September 26th, 2013. "Congratulations! Your global grant application for funding to increase awareness on the transmission and control of human rabies and reduce the incidence and mortality rate of rabies in Uganda submitted by RC Kampala and Niagara Falls, has been approved by The Rotary Foundation. The award is in the amount of US\$52,427."

Matching Grants – October 2013 update. The following message was received from the Stewardship department "

On behalf of the Trustees, thank you for participating in The Rotary Foundation (TRF) grants programs to serve communities in need. I am writing to update you on the world reporting analysis conducted in **October 2013**. The analysis is performed on a quarterly basis to track each district's compliance with reporting requirements for Rotary Foundation grant projects.

I am happy to inform you that District 7090 was **89%** up-to-date with reporting requirements for grants sponsored by the district and its clubs as of the October 2013 analysis. The Trustees rely on district leaders to ensure that stewardship guidelines are being upheld worldwide and they thank you for your efforts. We recognize the hard work involved to maintain this level of compliance and encourage your district and its clubs to continue your good work.

At the time the analysis was conducted, District 7090 had **9** grants in paid, funded, and reported status. Please see the table at the end of the letter for the list of grants (*information included in the table is up-to-date as of the date of analysis*).

Project	Sponsor	Last Payment or Report Date	Report Due	Report Overdue?	Coordinator Email
DS1376822	D-7090	23-Jul-13	23-Jul-2014	NO	conor.murphy@rotary.org
MG1379449	St. Catharines	30-Sep-13	30-Sep-2014	NO	marcello.stifelmann@rotary.org
MG1275347	Grand Island	31-Jan-13	31-Jan-2014	NO	patricia.bingue@rotary.org
MG1175054	Ancaster	11-Jul-13	11-Jul-2014	NO	patricia.bingue@rotary.org
DG1410138	7090	22-Jul-2013	22-Jul-2014	NO	renee.reiling@rotary.org
MG1378714	Waterdown	31-May-13	31-May-2014	NO	sandra.urban@rotary.org
MG1276405	Brantford	30-Jun-12	30-Jun-2013	YES	sara.mercer@rotary.org
MG1379551	Amherst South	30-Sep-13	31-May-2014	NO	sara.mercer@rotary.org
MG1277245	Grand Island	31-Jan-13	31-Jan-2014	NO	stewardship@rotary.org

The Rotary Foundation appreciates the good work that you do and we thank you for your efforts to comply with the Foundation's reporting requirements.

Please know that the progress report completed for MG 1276405 (Brantford) was accepted as at August 30th, 2013, so all reporting is in good order.

Sincerely
Roy Sheldrick
Global Grants Chair

Year to Date Summary

Update October 25th, 2013

Greetings, fellow Rotarians. As evident in the above reports, our various Foundation Committees have been diligent in furthering the work of The Rotary Foundation these past months. As part of the overall due diligence process, the responsible Committee

Chairpersons in concert with their members attend to the required oversight to wrap up prior year reporting and continue the onward development for this Rotary year and beyond. We are indeed fortunate to have such dedicated Rotarians at the helm of The Rotary Foundation fleet here in District 7090.

We recently held our annual Grant Management Seminar to commence the qualification renewal process for the upcoming 2014-2015 Rotary year. Despite the heavy rains, and inherent nasty weather, some 148 District Rotarians registered for the seminar. We enjoyed the leadership of our Foundation crew members Roy Sheldrick, Bob Munroe, John Teibert, Bob Gosselin, PDGs Art Wing, Wally Octerski and DG Kevin Crouse in the various sessions of the day. We thank each of these good folks, and the many behind the scenes supporters who made the day enjoyable and informative for all. Thank YOU!

Based on this attendee participation, we are pleased to advise that we have some 53 of our 69 clubs in line to submit the required documentation (MOU and Addendum) by November 30th, 2013 to 2014-2015 District Grant Chair John Teibert. To date, we have 9 clubs who have submitted the necessary documentation. We remind the reminder of the 53 eligible clubs to ensure that their documentation is submitted in a timely manner to ensure that your club is eligible for the 2014-2015 Grant funds, i.e. District Grants, Global Grants and Packaged Grants alike.

Reminder to all of the eligible clubs: DO NOT DELAY, SEND YOUR Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) AND ADDENDUM TO 2014-2015 District Grant Chair John Teibert before the pending deadline of NOVEMBER 30th, 2013!!!

Telephone: 905-937-2100 ext 301

Facsimile: 905-937-7363

Email: john@crawfordss.com

Mark your calendars for our upcoming Foundation Dinner celebration on Friday, November 8th, 2013 at Salvatore`s Italian Gardens Restaurant. We want to see YOU there as we celebrate our success stories, and enjoy great food, fellowship and some TRIVIA challenge fun. Please register with payment on the district website. We hope to see YOU there.

Respectfully Submitted.

Karen L. Oakes

Karen L. Oakes

District Membership Committee Report

District Council Meeting

November 9, 2013

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

District 7090 Strategic Plan --- Action Items for Membership

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.

This report will try to tie in the Membership Committee activities to the Actions listed above

1. In June I had RI send several membership resource documents directly to each club President in the District. The objective was to make sure that every club has the valuable resources offered by RI. (Action items 2 and 3)
2. PDG Brian Carmichael has relocated from District 7080 to Norfolk and he has agreed to work with the Membership Committee. He will oversee all the Membership Committee activities on the Canadian side.
3. At present we have several Area Membership Representatives (AMR) and we would like to have one AMR in every area. We are working to achieve this goal.
4. Our focus this year would be to ensure that there is a functional membership committee(s) in every club to work on Growth, Retention, and Engagement.
5. The members of the Membership Committee will do the following:
 - a) Make contact with all the clubs Membership Chair with a cc to the President Elect. If there is no Membership Chair we will be contacting the President and encouraging them to get a committee operating. We will stress the importance of creating an active membership committee. We will also be encouraging them to appoint the chair for at least 2 years.
 - b) Verify that the clubs have received the membership materials that were sent out to every club.
 - c) Verify that the clubs have completed the RI Club Membership Survey
 - d) Verify if the club does an exit interview.

District Council Meeting

November 9, 2013

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6. All clubs were sent the RI Club Membership Retention statistics. We have reconfigured the information into 2 lists. These lists show New Member and Long Term Member retention rates. The lists are arranged in order of descending retention rate and for comparison include both the World and North American retention averages. This information will be sent again to every club (President, President Elect and Membership Chair).
7. All our contact with the clubs will be with the Club Membership Chair with a cc to the President Elect. If there is no Membership Chair we will be contacting the President and encouraging them to get a committee operating.
8. I attended the Zone Institute in Philadelphia in September and participated in a special 1 ½ day District Membership Chair training. I also attended a half day Membership Retreat at the Institute specifically designed for Clubs in the Philadelphia area where the RI and Zone Membership leaders addressed the RI strategies for Membership Engagement, Retention and Growth in the clubs. Besides these two sessions, a significant portion of the Zone Institute was devoted to topics related to Rotarian engagement and issues related to helping clubs become vibrant clubs.
9. We plan to hold two or three regional Membership Workshops this year based on the content and format followed at the Membership Chair training and Membership Retreat in Philadelphia.
10. We will continue to update the District 7090 Membership Facebook page. (strategy 1 and 3)
11. We will Work with DG Kevin Crouse and other District Directors to determine how best we can implement District and RI Membership goals and areas of emphasis on membership

Pravin D.Suchak

District Club Extension Report

District Council Report

November 9, 2013

1) Potential New club in the Medical Corridor, Buffalo, NY:

We are currently looking into forming a new club in the Medical Corridor, Buffalo NY. Dr. David Johnson, member of the Grand Island Club is working on this project.

2) Two Clubs in the District give up their charter

South Shore Lackawanna Blasdell and the Hamilton Sunset Clubs have given up their charter.

3) Additional New clubs

If any of you are aware of a potential for a new club or would like to bring Rotary to a new community please let me know and we will help you to do an analysis to determine if there is potential for a new club in the area that you are proposing.

Pravin D. Suchak