



**Rotary International District 7090, Annual Business Meeting  
Hamilton Convention Center, Room 203, Hamilton, Ontario  
Friday, October 17, 2008, 3:00 PM**

The annual business meeting of District 7090 was attended by 30 Rotarians and guests.

**I. Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order by DG Ralph Montesanto and PDG Bob Leek at 4:00 pm. Followed by an invocation by Charlie Fogel, PDG.

**II. R.I. President's Representative**

RI President's Rep Bruce Christensen, PDG, accompanied by his wife, Cheryl, was introduced by Bob Bruce, PDG & Aide to the RI President's Rep.

Bruce Christensen brought greetings on behalf of President DK Lee and congratulations on the many accomplishments of the Rotarians in District 7090. He also gave an update on the state of affairs of Rotary International to wit:

- Monty Audenart was welcomed as Vice President of Rotary International
- Zones were realigned
- Budget was confirmed and approved
- Goals to enhance Rotary's image worldwide reviewed and re-focused, and realigned
- Plan to integrate peace colleges
- 1.7 million Paul Harris Fellows/770K Benefactors worldwide

PDG/RI Rep Bruce wove the themes of past RI presidents into his presentation in a most entertaining fashion.

Karen Oakes, DGN, thanked PDG/RI Bruce standing in for DGE Pravin who was detained.

**Motion to Thank the President's Representative - Moved by Pravin Suchak, PDG**

*Whereas Bruce D. Christensen, PDG District 5370, has been asked by Dong Kurn Lee, President of Rotary International to be his representative to our District's Conference, and  
Whereas, Bruce has accepted President Dong Kurn Lee's request and has traveled to Hamilton, Ontario to bring President D.K.'s message and share with us the spirit of Rotary to Make Dreams Real, and  
Whereas, District 7090 appreciates that President D.K. has selected Bruce to be his representative, Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Rotarians of District 7090 extend a warm Rotary welcome and appreciation to Bruce and Cheryl for traveling from their home in Fort St. John, British Columbia to be with us and to share with us President D.K.'s message, as well as to lend their support and give assistance for a successful conference.*

Seconded by John Heise, Director of Service Projects

### III. Governors' Reports

District Governor Ralph Montesanto's Report (see attached)

Immediate Past District Governor Bob Leek's Report (see attached)

### IV. Treasurer's Report

Marlene McGraw, Treasurer, reviewed the unaudited statements as of June 30, 2008 and noted that the audit would be available by November 15, 2008. She noted specifically the unbudgeted expenses totaling \$11,193 for the purpose of YE incorporation (\$7+K), donation in memory of Micky Johns, wife of Michael Johns (\$1K), and the cost of billboard advertising (\$3K).

Also reviewed was the year to date financial reports of this fiscal year ending June 30, 2009 through September 30, 2008.

**Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report dated September 30, 2008 - Moved by Art Wing, PDG. Seconded by Bob Leek, PDG**

### V. District Governor Elect Report (see attached)

DGE Pravin Suchak noted that his conference committee is already planning the conference for the fall of 2009. He noted that it will be at the Millennium Hotel in Cheektowaga NY on October 16, 17 & 18.

District Governor Nominee Report (see attached)

DGN Karen Oakes announced that PDG Bob Leek would be her District Trainer for 2010-2011

### VI. District Conference Report (see attached)

Chairs Bob Morrow and Mike Howes noted the benefit of the two clubs (Hamilton and Dundas Valley Sunrise) working together to pull off a joint conference was that the two clubs have gotten to know each other. They also reported that over 700 Rotarians and guests were registered.

**Motion to thank the Co-Chairs of the District Conference and all those who served on the committee - Moved by Andy Skypniak, Director of Membership**

*Whereas, many Rotary Clubs and Rotarians have been responsible for organizing this District 7090 Conference, and*

*Whereas, Michael Howes and Robert Morrow are the Co-Chairs for the District 7090 Conference Committee for 2008 – 2009,*

*Now therefore, be it resolved that the Rotarians assembled at this conference extend their appreciation to Michael and Bob and all who served on the committee for their dedicated service to Rotary and the Rotarians in our District.*

Seconded by Kevin Crouse, Director of Youth Services

### VII. District Committee Reports

- Membership – Director Andy Skrypniak noted that he had visited all 73 clubs at least once over the past year. (see attached report)
- Service Projects – Director John Heise (see attached report)

- The Rotary Foundation – Director Bob Bruce, PDG noted The Rotary Foundation Dinner coming up on November 14<sup>th</sup>. He also noted that RI is holding up funds for District Simplified Grants because of non-reporting clubs. The new procedure will be to wait until the report is in before the District releases funds to the club for its project. (see attached report)
- Public Relations – Karen Oakes, DGN reported for the Chair of Public Relations, Robert Klingensmith that among other things the grant request to RI has been completed for another billboard grant. (see attached report)
- Youth Services – Director Kevin Crouse noted his new Youth Services team, reported on the financial results of RYLA and Slapshot. He noted an increase in the Slapshot program to \$250 per student; the date of the program will be May 1-3, 2009 at Canterbury Hills in Ancaster. Application deadline is February 28, 2009. (see attached report)
- Training – Director Wally Ochterski, PDG, noted his role was like that of a border collie; he also noted the various trainings that have occurred. (see attached report)

#### VIII. Governor's Committees

- Council on Legislation – Bob Bruce, PDG noted no new legislation coming forward.
- Strategic Planning Committee – Chair Bob Leek, PDG announced the next planning date has been moved from January 31, 2009 to February 21, 2009. (see attached report)
- Friendship Exchange Committee – Chair Nan Bruce, AG, noted that since May we have been visited by the Australians and thanked PDG Wally and Barbara Ochterski for their work with the outbound trip to Australia. (see attached report)

#### IX. New Business

**Motion to ratify past actions of the Governor and District Council - Moved by Don Hilborn, PDG**

*Whereas, since our last District Conference and District Assembly on May 3, 2008, the officers, directors and chairs of District committees, have performed certain acts on behalf of the District, its member clubs and their members,*

*Now therefore, be it resolved that the District Council at this Annual Business Meeting ratify the past actions taken by District Governor Bob Leek, 2007-2008, and District Governor Ralph Montesanto, 2008-2009, and by the District Councils for District 7090 during the period from May 3, 2008 to October 17, 2008.*

Seconded by Ellard McBane

#### X. Announcements - None

#### XI. Adjournment by acclaim at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Penelope Hutton  
District Executive Secretary



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| 1.  | Call to Order<br>Welcome by District Governor<br>Invocation   | Ralph Montesanto, DG<br>Charlie Fogel, PRID, PDG  |
| 2.  | R.I. President's Representative<br>Introduction<br>Greetings from<br>RI President D.K. Lee<br>Thank You and Resolution                  | Bob Bruce, PDG<br><br>Bruce Christensen, PDG, RI President's Rep<br>Pravin Suchak, DGE  |
| 3.  | District Governors' Reports   | Bob Leek, DG, 2007 - 2008<br>Ralph Montesanto DG, 2008 - 2009   |
| 4.  | Treasurer's Report<br>Motion to Accept Financial Statements<br>Status of Audited Financial Statements for 2007-08                       | Marlene McGraw  |
| 5.  | District Governor-Elect Report  | Pravin Suchak, DGE  |
| 6.  | District Governor Nominee Report  | Karen Oakes, DGN  |
| 7.  | District Conference Report<br>Conference Resolution   | M. Howes & R. Morrow  |
| 8.  | District Committee Reports<br>Membership<br>Service Projects<br>The Rotary Foundation<br>Public Relations<br>Youth Services<br>Training | Andy Skrypniak, Director<br>John Heise, Director<br>Bob Bruce, Director<br>Karen Oakes, DGN for Robert Klingensmith, Chair<br>Kevin Crouse, Director<br>Wally Ochterski, Director |
| 9.  | Governor's Committees<br>Council on Legislation<br>Strategic Planning Committee<br>Friendship Exchange Committee                        | Bob Bruce, PDG, Chair<br>Bob Leek, PDG, Chair<br>Nan Bruce, AG, Chair   |
| 10. | New Business<br>Resolution Ratifying Actions of Governor and District Council   |   |
| 11. | Announcements   |   |
| 12. | Adjournment   |   |



## District Governor Report to the Annual Business Meeting October 17, 2008

My report to the Annual Business Meeting is a somewhat truncated because this meeting is an anomaly for the District. Because Bob Leek and I chose to share the District Conference, we are celebrating his year and helping to kick off my year. So, my report covers the three and a half months since I officially took office.

The passing of the torch occurred on June 29, 2008 at Liuna Station in Hamilton. Bob Leek and I celebrated the changeover with over eighty Rotarians and guests. I presented my four goals and shortly thereafter began my club visits. I am pleased to say, the experience of speaking at the District clubs and meeting with each club's Board has been exhilarating. My message explains Rotary's global reach and the importance of service, both in our local and international communities. I also bring the past experiences Barb and I had in India as part of Rotary International Matching Grants. These were for a Polio Corrective Surgery Clinic and two Limb Camps for victims of polio and other crippling experiences. These are quite graphic and seem to help Rotarians better understand the work of The Rotary Foundation, how important the polio eradication efforts are and how close we are to having polio go the way of small pox.

In September, Barb and I attended the Zone 28 Institute in Sandusky, Ohio and the Zone 22 Institute in Victoria, British Columbia. This will be the last time our District will face the added time commitment and added expense of being in two zones. As well, reporting procedures will be much clearer since both the New York and Ontario sides of the District will only be in the new Zone 24. There will be 16 districts, of which 8 will be international. Next year's Zone 24 Institute, with its pre-institute training components, will be in Edmonton, September 14 to 20, 2008.

The district incorporated the Youth Exchange program last year. We have moved closer to completing the process on July 31, 2008, with the selection of officers for 2008 – 2009 and the writing and acceptance of the incorporation's bylaws. Bank accounts in New York and Ontario are in place and the filing of the Registration Statement for Charitable Organizations with the New York State has taken place. A special thank you to Arnie Zelman from the Buffalo Rotary Club for putting this all together; and another special thank you to PDG Dick Earne for being the link and translator between lawyer Arnie and the rest of us non-lawyer types.

We are here today because this is the beginning of the District Conference. I am indebted to Co-Chairs Michael Howes from the Hamilton Rotary Club and Robert Morrow from the Dundas Valley Sunrise Rotary Club for their great work in putting together and leading a fabulous team of volunteers. The conference team has been working for almost

two years to bring you, *On the Waterfront: A Clear Commitment*. I am confident you will find it informative, fun and a bit different.

Not only is it District Conference time, but October 1 marked the arrival of the Group Study Exchange Team from District 4840, Paraguay and Misiones, Argentina. I am pleased to have in our District, team leader Carlos Fernandez, and team members Cinthia Romero Apodaca, Frances Galeano Penayo, Geraldo Alonson Schwarz, and Federico Monte Domencq. Club involvement has been terrific. Upon arriving at Buffalo Airport, the team was hosted by the Rotary Clubs of Fredonia, Dunkirk, Westfield/Mayville, Jamestown, Greater Jamestown AM, Salamanca, Falconer and Batavia. Presently they are staying with the Hamilton and Dundas Valley Sunrise Rotary Clubs. They will complete their Ontario stay with hosting by the Rotary Clubs of Welland, Niagara-on-the-Lake and Niagara Falls. Thank you to GSE Co-Chairs Bert Rappole and Keith Lindberg for putting it all together.

November will also be a special month for the District. On November 1, I will declare the Rotary Club of Fort Erie AM to be a Provisional Rotary Club under the leadership of Provisional President Barb Babij. The club will meet Fridays at 7:30 AM at the Runaround Bar and Grill. Thank you to the tireless efforts of PDG Bob Leek who is the Chair of the District's Club Extension Committee. Please stay tuned, because he is not finished yet!

The role of District Governor sure is a busy one; but, it is made easier through the great support of the Past District Governors, the Assistant Governors, all the Directors and Chairs of the various District Committees; and, Pravin and Karen our incoming District Governors. And of course, thank you to Immediate Past District Governor Bob who continues to provide great counsel, friendship and bad jokes.

## **Immediate Past District Governor's Report**

### **Business Meeting of the District 7090 Conference**

**Friday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

#### **Highlights of the “Rotary Shares” year:**

- **GSE wine/tourism partnering with Bulgaria**
- **Billboard P R grant and promotion featuring Rotary's work in water and polio**
- **Club twinning to promote fellowship and networking**
- **District Incorporation**
- **Interact/Earlyact charterings, strong Rotaract clubs, vibrant Youth Exchange programs**
- **Rotary Foundation support – average annual fund giving of over \$110 per member, plus strong club support for polio eradication, Ambassadorial Scholarship**
- **Membership**
- **Katrina relief continuation**
- **Expansion of WCS approved programs**
- **District Water Task force**
- **District Disaster Relief/Recovery entity**
- **New leadership training programs**
- **New club runner based web site**
- **Expansion of WCS approved programs**
- **World Water Conference in Haiti**
- **Peace Summit in Windsor**
- **This conference**

**My thanks to the great district leadership team, and the 74 club Presidents for support and inspiration.**

**IPDG Bob Leek**

# Rotary International District 7090

## Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2008

Accrual Basis

	<u>Jun 30, 08</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Chequing/Savings	
1010 · HSBC US	24,059.15
1015 · HSBC Short Term Investment	82,785.80
1020 · BoM Cdn	4,497.42
1025 · BoM GIC	25,000.00
1040 · Petty cash	1,500.00
1090 · Restricted Grants Committee	1,428.00
Total Chequing/Savings	<u>139,270.37</u>
Accounts Receivable	
1110 · Accounts Receivable	4,724.00
1115 · Accounts Receivable - Cdn	820.00
Total Accounts Receivable	<u>5,544.00</u>
Other Current Assets	
1450 · Prepaid Expenses	13,376.32
1451 · Prepaid District Conference	2,655.27
Total Other Current Assets	<u>16,031.59</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>160,845.96</u>
Fixed Assets	
1700 · Equipment	2,457.44
1750 · Accum Amort - Equipment	-1,228.73
Total Fixed Assets	<u>1,228.71</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>162,074.67</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
2010 · Accounts Payable	4,393.00
2020 · Accounts Payable - Cdn	14,595.26
Total Accounts Payable	<u>18,988.26</u>
Other Current Liabilities	
2030 · Accrued Expenses	4,465.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>4,465.00</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>23,453.26</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>23,453.26</u>
Equity	
3100 · Restricted funds	7,109.22
3900 · Retained Earnings	143,470.74
Net Income	-11,958.55
Total Equity	<u>138,621.41</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b><u>162,074.67</u></b>



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## Income & Expense Statement

July 2007 through June 2008

	<u>Jul '07 - Jun '08</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over/(Under) YTD Budget</u>
<b>Income</b>			
4000 · Club assessment			
4010 · General assessment	72,187.58	75,265.00	(3,077.42)
4030 · Insurance Assessment	26,794.90	33,500.00	(6,705.10)
<b>Total 4000 · Club assessment</b>	<u>98,982.48</u>	<u>108,765.00</u>	<u>(9,782.52)</u>
4200 · District Conference	0.00	0.00	0.00
4300 · District Governor RI reimb	16,063.00	15,750.00	313.00
4400 · AG reimbursement	0.00	1,750.00	(1,750.00)
5000 · Earned revenues			
5010 · Foundation dinner	13,920.00	5,000.00	8,920.00
5020 · Youth Exchange			
5022 · Temagami Rev	21,080.00	23,000.00	(1,920.00)
5023 · Blazers/Cards/Name Badges	4,323.00	2,000.00	2,323.00
5025 · Orientation/Fellowship	4,465.00	0.00	4,465.00
<b>Total 5020 · Youth Exchange</b>	<u>29,868.00</u>	<u>25,000.00</u>	<u>4,868.00</u>
5030 · RYLA	23,634.16	19,250.00	4,384.16
5035 · Slapshot	16,160.00	11,250.00	4,910.00
5040 · PETS	33,650.00	27,000.00	6,650.00
5050 · COTS	6,060.00	5,200.00	860.00
<b>Total 5000 · Earned revenues</b>	<u>123,292.16</u>	<u>92,700.00</u>	<u>30,592.16</u>
5060 · District Simplified Grants	24,499.00	24,750.00	(251.00)
5200 · Interest income	1,544.78	3,250.00	(1,705.22)
5400 · Other income			
5401 · Other Income	372.66	0.00	372.66
5403 · Relief Funds	0.00		
<b>Total 5400 · Other income</b>	<u>372.66</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>372.66</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>264,754.08</b>	<b>246,965.00</b>	<b>17,789.08</b>
<b>Expense</b>			
5405 · Exchange Gain/Loss	(1,361.46)	0.00	(1,361.46)
6000 · Administration			
6010 · District Governor			
6011 · District Governor - RI reimb	9,648.08		
6010 · District Governor - Other	0.00	9,200.00	(9,200.00)
<b>Total 6010 · District Governor</b>	<u>9,648.08</u>	<u>9,200.00</u>	<u>448.08</u>
6020 · Assistant Governors	0.00	1,750.00	(1,750.00)
6030 · District council	2,398.00	1,800.00	598.00
6040 · District directory	2,848.30	4,500.00	(1,651.70)
6060 · District website	3,669.98	3,000.00	669.98
6070 · District newsletter	7,814.63	7,100.00	714.63
6080 · District office			
6081 · Office Support	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00
6082 · Phone Charges	520.05	120.00	400.05
6083 · Postage	150.88	300.00	(149.12)
6084 · Office Supplies	371.05	220.00	151.05
6085 · Bank Charges	835.67	360.00	475.67
<b>Total 6080 · District office</b>	<u>13,877.65</u>	<u>13,000.00</u>	<u>877.65</u>
<b>Total 6000 · Administration</b>	<b>40,256.64</b>	<b>40,350.00</b>	<b>(93.36)</b>

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July 2007 through June 2008

	<u>Jul '07 - Jun '08</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over/(Under) YTD Budget</u>
<b>7000 · Directors and Committees</b>			
7010 · Group study exchange	2,244.89	4,500.00	(2,255.11)
7015 · District Simplified Grants	24,499.00	24,750.00	(251.00)
7020 · Interact, Rotaract	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
7030 · Long-range planning	630.00	500.00	130.00
7040 · Membership	1,617.04	1,000.00	617.04
7050 · Rotary foundation	523.63	1,000.00	(476.37)
7060 · Grants Committee	60.00	200.00	(140.00)
7065 · Rotary Scholars	77.89	650.00	(572.11)
7070 · Vocational service	0.00	250.00	(250.00)
7080 · World community service	191.52	1,100.00	(908.48)
7090 · Youth exchange			
7092 · Temagami	23,832.26	25,000.00	(1,167.74)
7093 · Blazers/Cards/Name Badges	5,492.28	2,500.00	2,992.28
7095 · Orientation/Fellowship	6,392.49	3,500.00	2,892.49
7096 · Other YE expenses	3,658.68	0.00	3,658.68
<b>Total 7090 · Youth exchange</b>	<b>39,375.71</b>	<b>31,000.00</b>	<b>8,375.71</b>
7100 · RYLA	26,368.39	20,765.00	5,603.39
7105 · Slapshot	19,010.00	10,450.00	8,560.00
7120 · Early Act	0.00	500.00	(500.00)
7130 · Public Relations	0.00	1,000.00	(1,000.00)
7140 · Communications	0.00	1,000.00	(1,000.00)
7150 · Family of Rotary	0.00	500.00	(500.00)
7200 · Other committees			
7205 · Other Committees - Misc	290.50	500.00	(209.50)
7215 · District Gov - Change Over Even	308.96		
7200 · Other committees - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total 7200 · Other committees</b>	<b>599.46</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>99.46</b>
<b>Total 7000 · Directors and Committees</b>	<b>116,197.53</b>	<b>100,665.00</b>	<b>15,532.53</b>
<b>7500 · Standing Committees</b>			
7510 · Council on legislation	128.40		
7520 · District insurance	27,941.77	30,000.00	(2,058.23)
7530 · Finance and audit	4,809.14	3,000.00	1,809.14
<b>Total 7500 · Standing Committees</b>	<b>32,879.31</b>	<b>33,000.00</b>	<b>(120.69)</b>
<b>8000 · Training</b>			
8020 · PETS expenses	29,356.85	27,000.00	2,356.85
8030 · COTS expenses	9,168.68	7,200.00	1,968.68
8040 · District training	5,304.15	9,500.00	(4,195.85)
8050 · Assist Gov Training	66.56	1,000.00	(933.44)
8070 · Dist Gov Nominee Training	3,238.70	3,200.00	38.70
8080 · Dist Gov Elect Training	10,200.00	10,200.00	0.00
8090 · District Gov Training	7,072.31	9,000.00	(1,927.69)
<b>Total 8000 · Training</b>	<b>64,407.25</b>	<b>67,100.00</b>	<b>(2,692.75)</b>
8500 · Foundation Dinner and Projects	13,140.00	5,100.00	8,040.00
8600 · Meeting Expenses	0.00	750.00	(750.00)
9915 · Unbudgeted Expenses	11,193.36	0.00	11,193.36
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>276,712.63</b>	<b>246,965.00</b>	<b>29,747.63</b>
<b>Net Income/(Loss)</b>	<b>(11,958.55)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(11,958.55)</b>

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**Budget Performance Statement**  
 July 2007 through June 2008

	<u>Jul '07 - Jun '08</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over/(Under) YTD Budget</u>
<b>General Revenue &amp; Expenses</b>			
4010 · General assessment	72,187.58	75,265.00	(3,077.42)
5200 · Interest income	1,544.78	3,250.00	(1,705.22)
5405 · Exchange Gain/Loss	1,361.46	0.00	1,361.46
5401 · Other Income	372.66	0.00	372.66
<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<u>75,466.48</u>	<u>78,515.00</u>	<u>(3,048.52)</u>
<b>General Expenses</b>			
6000 · Administration			
6030 · District council	2,398.00	1,800.00	598.00
6040 · District directory	2,848.30	4,500.00	(1,651.70)
6060 · District website	3,669.98	3,000.00	669.98
6080 · District office			
6081 · Office Support	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00
6082 · Phone Charges	520.05	120.00	400.05
6083 · Postage	150.88	300.00	(149.12)
6084 · Office Supplies	371.05	220.00	151.05
6085 · Bank Charges	835.67	360.00	475.67
Total 6080 · District office	<u>13,877.65</u>	<u>13,000.00</u>	<u>877.65</u>
<b>Total 6000 · Administration</b>	<u>22,793.93</u>	<u>22,300.00</u>	<u>493.93</u>
7000 · Directors and Committees			
7010 · Group study exchange	2,244.89	4,500.00	(2,255.11)
7020 · Interact, Rotaract	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
7030 · Long-range planning	630.00	500.00	130.00
7040 · Membership	1,617.04	1,000.00	617.04
7050 · Rotary foundation	523.63	1,000.00	(476.37)
7060 · Grants Committee	60.00	200.00	(140.00)
7065 · Rotary Scholars	77.89	650.00	(572.11)
7070 · Vocational service	0.00	250.00	(250.00)
7080 · World community service	191.52	1,100.00	(908.48)
7120 · Early Act	0.00	500.00	(500.00)
7130 · Public Relations	0.00	1,000.00	(1,000.00)
7140 · Communications	0.00	1,000.00	(1,000.00)
7150 · Family of Rotary	0.00	500.00	(500.00)
7510 · Council on legislation	128.40		
7530 · Finance and audit	4,809.14	3,000.00	1,809.14
7200 · Other committees			
7205 · Other Committees - Misc	290.50	500.00	(209.50)
7215 · District Gov - Change Over Even	308.96		308.96
Total 7200 · Other committees	<u>599.46</u>	<u>500.00</u>	<u>99.46</u>
<b>Total 7000 · Directors and Committees</b>	<u>11,881.97</u>	<u>16,700.00</u>	<u>(4,818.03)</u>
8000 · Training			
8040 · District training	5,304.15	9,500.00	(4,195.85)
8050 · Assist Gov Training	66.56	1,000.00	(933.44)
8070 · Dist Gov Nominee Training	3,238.70	3,200.00	38.70
8080 · Dist Gov Elect Training	10,200.00	10,200.00	0.00
8090 · District Gov Training Exp	7,520.39	9,000.00	(1,479.61)
<b>Total 8000 · Training</b>	<u>26,329.80</u>	<u>32,900.00</u>	<u>(6,570.20)</u>
8600 · Meeting Expenses	0.00	750.00	(750.00)
9915 · Unbudgeted Expenses	11,193.36	0.00	11,193.36
<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<u>72,199.06</u>	<u>72,650.00</u>	<u>(450.94)</u>
<b>Net General Revenue &amp; Expenses</b>	<u>3,267.42</u>	<u>5,865.00</u>	<u>(2,597.58)</u>
<b>Net Income/(Loss)</b>	<u>(11,958.55)</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>(11,958.55)</u>



**Rotary International District 7090**  
**Budget Performance Statement**  
 July 2007 through June 2008

		<u>Jul '07 - Jun '08</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over/(Under) YTD Budget</u>
<b>Specified Revenue &amp; Expenses</b>				
DG	4300 · District Governor RI Revenue	16,063.00	15,750.00	313.00
	6010 · District Governor - Admin Exp	9,200.00	9,200.00	0.00
	6070 · District newsletter	7,814.63	7,100.00	714.63
	<b>Net District Governor</b>	<u>(951.63)</u>	<u>(550.00)</u>	<u>(401.63)</u>
AG	4400 · AG RI reimburs Revenue	0.00	1,750.00	(1,750.00)
	6020 · Assistant Governors	0.00	1,750.00	(1,750.00)
	<b>Net Assistant Governors</b>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
DC	4200 · District Conference Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00
	8010 · District Conference Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Net District Conference</b>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
FND	Foundation Dinner Revenue & Expense			
	5010 · Foundation dinner	13,920.00	5,000.00	8,920.00
	8500 · Foundation Dinner and Projects	13,140.00	5,100.00	8,040.00
	<b>Net Foundation Dinner &amp; Projects</b>	<u>780.00</u>	<u>(100.00)</u>	<u>880.00</u>
YEX	Youth Exchange Revenue & Expense			
	5022 · Temagami Rev	21,080.00	23,000.00	(1,920.00)
	5023 · Blazers/Cards/Name Badges	4,323.00	2,000.00	2,323.00
	5025 · Orientation/Fellowship	4,465.00	0.00	4,465.00
	<b>Total 5020 · Youth Exchange Revenue</b>	<u>29,868.00</u>	<u>25,000.00</u>	<u>4,868.00</u>
	7092 · Temagami	23,832.26	25,000.00	(1,167.74)
	7093 · Blazers/Cards/Name Badges	5,492.28	2,500.00	2,992.28
	7095 · Orientation/Fellowship	6,392.49	3,500.00	2,892.49
	7096 · Other YE expenses	3,658.68	0.00	3,658.68
	<b>Total 7090 · Youth exchange</b>	<u>39,375.71</u>	<u>31,000.00</u>	<u>8,375.71</u>
	<b>Net Youth Exchange</b>	<u>(9,507.71)</u>	<u>(6,000.00)</u>	<u>(3,507.71)</u>
RYL	5030 · RYLA	23,634.16	19,250.00	4,384.16
	7100 · RYLA	26,368.39	20,765.00	5,603.39
	<b>Net Ryla</b>	<u>(2,734.23)</u>	<u>(1,515.00)</u>	<u>(1,219.23)</u>
SLP	5035 · Slapshot	16,160.00	11,250.00	4,910.00
	7105 · Slapshot	19,010.00	10,450.00	8,560.00
	<b>Net Slapshot</b>	<u>(2,850.00)</u>	<u>800.00</u>	<u>(3,650.00)</u>
PET	5040 · PETS assessment	33,650.00	27,000.00	6,650.00
	8020 · PETS expenses	29,356.85	27,000.00	2,356.85
	<b>Net PETS</b>	<u>4,293.15</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>4,293.15</u>
COT	5050 · COTS	6,060.00	5,200.00	860.00
	8030 · COTS expenses	9,168.68	7,200.00	1,968.68
	<b>Net COTS</b>	<u>(3,108.68)</u>	<u>(2,000.00)</u>	<u>(1,108.68)</u>
DSG	5060 · District Simplified Grants	24,499.00	24,750.00	(251.00)
	7015 · District Simplified Grants	24,499.00	24,750.00	(251.00)
	<b>Net Simplified Grants</b>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
	4030 · Insurance Assessment	26,794.90	33,500.00	(6,705.10)
	7520 · District insurance	27,941.77	30,000.00	(2,058.23)
		<u>(1,146.87)</u>	<u>3,500.00</u>	<u>(4,646.87)</u>
<b>Net Specified Revenue &amp; Expenses</b>		<u><b>(15,225.97)</b></u>	<u><b>(5,865.00)</b></u>	<u><b>(9,360.97)</b></u>

**Rotary International District 7090**  
**Income & Expense Statement**  
 July through September 2008

	\$ Over/(Under)			
	Jul '08 - Sept '08	YTD Budget	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
<b>Income</b>				
4000 · Club assessment				
4010 · General assessment	62,190.26	80,535.00	(18,344.74)	80,535.00
4020 · District Conference assessment	6,777.00	8,775.00	(1,998.00)	8,775.00
4030 · Insurance Assessment	23,200.50	30,140.00	(6,939.50)	30,140.00
Total 4000 · Club assessment	92,167.76	119,450.00	(27,282.24)	119,450.00
4200 · District Conference				
4202 · DC - Registrations	25,815.00	35,000.00	(9,185.00)	70,000.00
4204 · DC - Sponsorships	8,500.00	10,000.00	(1,500.00)	10,000.00
Total 4200 · District Conference	34,315.00	45,000.00	(10,685.00)	80,000.00
4300 · District Governor RI reimb	10,835.00	10,835.00	0.00	15,700.00
4400 · AG reimbursement	1,029.00	1,029.00	0.00	1,400.00
5000 · Earned revenues				
5010 · Foundation dinner	0.00			11,000.00
5020 · Youth Exchange				
5022 · Temagami Rev	0.00			22,000.00
5025 · Orientation/Fellowship	0.00	2,000.00	(2,000.00)	3,000.00
Total 5020 · Youth Exchange	0.00	2,000.00	(2,000.00)	25,000.00
5030 · RYLA	0.00			26,270.00
5035 · Slapshot	0.00			15,000.00
5040 · PETS	27,280.00	40,150.00	(12,870.00)	40,150.00
5050 · COTS	0.00			7,500.00
Total 5000 · Earned revenues	27,280.00	42,150.00	(14,870.00)	124,920.00
5060 · District Simplified Grants	0.00			24,950.00
5200 · Interest income	9.21	700.00	(690.79)	2,800.00
<b>Total Income</b>	165,635.97	219,164.00	(53,528.03)	369,220.00
<b>Expense</b>				
5405 · Exchange Gain/Loss	(634.92)			
6000 · Administration				
6010 · District Governor				
6011 · District Governor - RI reimb	6,837.66	8,000.00	(1,162.34)	9,500.00
Total 6010 · District Governor	6,837.66	8,000.00	(1,162.34)	9,500.00
6020 · Assistant Governors	0.00	437.00	(437.00)	1,750.00
6030 · District council	0.00	500.00	(500.00)	2,000.00
6040 · District directory	0.00	2,800.00	(2,800.00)	3,000.00
6060 · District website	3,004.06	2,780.00	224.06	7,000.00
6070 · District newsletter	1,968.75	1,750.00	218.75	7,000.00
6080 · District office				
6081 · Office Support	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	12,000.00
6082 · Phone Charges	230.98	165.00	65.98	650.00
6083 · Postage	1.34	150.00	(148.66)	150.00
6084 · Office Supplies	237.04	300.00	(62.96)	1,200.00
6085 · Bank Charges	181.75	180.00	1.75	720.00
Total 6080 · District office	3,651.11	3,795.00	(143.89)	14,720.00
6090 · Awards & Recognition	587.60	600.00	(12.40)	2,000.00
Total 6000 · Administration	16,049.18	20,662.00	(4,612.82)	46,970.00

**Rotary International District 7090**  
**Income & Expense Statement**  
 July through September 2008

	Jul '08 - Sept '08	YTD Budget	\$ Over/(Under)	
			YTD Budget	Annual Budget
<b>7000 · Directors and Committees</b>				
7010 · Group study exchange	0.00			4,500.00
7015 · District Simplified Grants	0.00			24,950.00
7020 · Interact, Rotaract	0.00			500.00
7030 · Long-range planning	0.00			500.00
7040 · Membership	368.35	500.00	(131.65)	1,000.00
7050 · Rotary foundation				
7058 · Donations	0.00			250.00
7050 · Rotary foundation - Other	0.00	250.00	(250.00)	1,000.00
<b>Total 7050 · Rotary foundation</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>250.00</b>	<b>(250.00)</b>	<b>1,250.00</b>
7060 · Grants Committee	0.00			300.00
7065 · Rotary Scholars	0.00			700.00
7070 · Vocational service	0.00			200.00
7080 · World community service	0.00	250.00	(250.00)	500.00
7090 · Youth exchange				
7092 · Temagami	0.00			24,000.00
7093 · Blazers/Cards/Name Badges	0.00	250.00	(250.00)	1,000.00
7095 · Orientation/Fellowship	1,792.65	3,500.00	(1,707.35)	4,000.00
7096 · Other YE expenses	205.54	250.00	(44.46)	2,000.00
<b>Total 7090 · Youth exchange</b>	<b>1,998.19</b>	<b>4,000.00</b>	<b>(2,001.81)</b>	<b>31,000.00</b>
7100 · RYLA	0.00			26,270.00
7105 · Slapshot	0.00			15,000.00
7120 · Early Act	0.00			250.00
7130 · Public Relations	0.00	250.00	(250.00)	1,000.00
7140 · Communications	0.00	250.00	(250.00)	1,000.00
7150 · Family of Rotary	0.00	100.00	(100.00)	300.00
7200 · Other committees				
7205 · Other Committees - Misc	0.00	150.00	(150.00)	500.00
7200 · Other committees - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total 7200 · Other committees</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>150.00</b>	<b>(150.00)</b>	<b>500.00</b>
<b>Total 7000 · Directors and Committees</b>	<b>2,366.54</b>	<b>5,750.00</b>	<b>(3,383.46)</b>	<b>109,720.00</b>
<b>7500 · Standing Committees</b>				
7520 · District insurance	21,527.86	20,500.00	1,027.86	30,000.00
7530 · Finance and audit	0.00			4,280.00
<b>Total 7500 · Standing Committees</b>	<b>21,527.86</b>	<b>20,500.00</b>	<b>1,027.86</b>	<b>34,280.00</b>
<b>8000 · Training</b>				
8010 · District conference				
8012 · DC - Expenses	7,683.44	14,150.00	(6,466.56)	78,650.00
8016 · DC - Bank Chges & CC Discounts	1,405.55	950.00	455.55	1,350.00
<b>Total 8010 · District conference</b>	<b>9,088.99</b>	<b>15,100.00</b>	<b>(6,011.01)</b>	<b>80,000.00</b>
8020 · PETS expenses	0.00			40,150.00
8030 · COTS expenses	0.00			7,500.00
8040 · District training	1,200.00	2,500.00	(1,300.00)	8,000.00
8050 · Assist Gov Training	0.00	250.00	(250.00)	1,000.00
8070 · Dist Gov Nominee Training	0.00	2,000.00	(2,000.00)	4,500.00
8080 · Dist Gov Elect Training	3,700.04	9,500.00	(5,799.96)	12,000.00
8090 · District Gov Training	6,410.90	6,500.00	(89.10)	11,100.00
<b>Total 8000 · Training</b>	<b>20,399.93</b>	<b>35,850.00</b>	<b>(15,450.07)</b>	<b>164,250.00</b>
8500 · Foundation Dinner and Projects	0.00			11,000.00
9915 · Unbudgeted Expenses	0.00			3,000.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>59,708.59</b>	<b>82,762.00</b>	<b>(23,053.41)</b>	<b>369,220.00</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>105,927.38</b>	<b>136,402.00</b>	<b>(30,474.62)</b>	<b>0.00</b>

# District Governor-Elect Report

## District 7090 Annual Conference

### Business Meeting

October 17, 2009

As a DGE, this is the year of training. It is the year for me to participate in the training at the Zone and RI level. It is also a year of training for the Club President Elects for 2009-2010, Assistant Governors, District Directors & Committee Chairs as well as Club Officers and any one else who is playing a role in running of the District. It is also a year of planning, implementing some of these plans and goal setting. Finally it is a year when I continue to visit clubs and meet as many Rotarians in the District as I can.

#### **PETS1, PETS2 and District Assembly**

The District Trainers Dick Earne and Kevin Crosby and two other team members Bruce Baum and AJ Block have already started to work on the training for President Elects, Assistant Governors as well as District Committees chairs and Club officers and committee chairs. Dates and brief details for all the training events are on the web site.

We have also established a PETS Training Advisory Committee made up of previous and future District Trainers, one past AG, one AG, two Past Presidents, two Presidents, three PEs, DG, DGE, DGN and the 2008-2009 District Training Team. The mission of this committee is to advice and assist the DGE and District Trainers in all the training that we will be providing.

#### **Governor Elect Training**

As part of my training as DGE, I attended the Governor-Elect Training for Zone 27/28 in Sandusky, Ohio and the Zone 22 training in Victoria, BC. I also attended the Zone Institutes both in Sandusky and Victoria. My wife Sheela took part in the DGE partners training and the Zone 22 Institute in Victoria.

Besides getting trained, these two weeks were full of great opportunities to meet and interact with other District Governors-Elects in my class, Regional Chairs and Zone Directors, and of course, RI President D.K. Lee, RI President Elect John Kenny and several other RI and Foundation Leaders.

#### **Group Study Exchange**

Group Study Exchange for 2009–2010 will be between District 7090 and District 4250. District 4250 is made of clubs in Belize, Guatemala and Honduras. Formal applications from both the Districts requesting the GSE pairing with each other has already been accepted by RI.

#### **District Conference 2009-2010**

The District Conference Committee is well into planning the conference. I will continue to conform to the change of the timing of the District Conference to the fall. The conference will be at the Millennium Hotel in Cheektowaga, NY on October 16, 17, and 18, 2009. We will be announcing the conference theme and other details on Sunday, Oct 19<sup>th</sup> as part of the closing of this year's conference in Hamilton.



## **Meetings**

During the first three months as DGE I attended various District committee meetings as well as District and Area events.

## **The International Assembly**

As required by RI & as a condition of my taking the position of the District Governor next July, Sheela and I will be taking part in the International Assembly in San Diego from January 18–25, 2009. This is where 530+ District Governor Elects and their partners get their final training. RI President Elect John Kenny will announce his theme as well as expand on his and the RI goals for 2009-2010 at the Assembly. The International Assembly is also an opportunity for RI and the Foundation Leaders do presentations on various RI programs and goals for their area of involvement. Finally, this is where the DGE get an opportunity to interact with other DGE from all over the world.

## **Goals for 2009–2010**

I am in the process of developing my goals for 2009–2010 and will be sending them out to District Directors, District Chairs and the Governor's Advisory Committee for their input. Once I return from the International Assembly in San Diego I will add RI President Elect John Kenny's goals and expectations to the list.

## **District Committees**

I have started to work on the District team that will work with me to implement the RI and District goals and programs in 2009-2010. I hope that many of the current District chairs and committee members will continue to work in their respective positions next year. However, like in any other organization, some of them will be leaving their positions and taking on other challenges in the District or in their own clubs. So I have started the process of identifying District Rotarians who would fill these and other positions. I am urging every one to identify Rotarians in your clubs and areas who are capable candidates for District positions and communicate their names and areas of interest to me over the next few weeks.

## **Rotary International Convention**

I am also the District's Promotion Chair for the Rotary International convention in Birmingham, UK. from 21-24 June, 2009. I want all of you to join Sheela and me and be a part of history and celebrate the 100th Rotary convention in Birmingham. Please take advantage of early registration pricing and register early to save on registration fees. You can go to [www.rotaryconvention2009.com](http://www.rotaryconvention2009.com) for more information & registration. Plan early and take a few days before or after the convention to tour the British Isles and Europe and make your trip a vacation of a lifetime.



Pravin D. Suchak  
District Governor Elect





## **2009 RI Convention**

**Birmingham, England,**

**June 21-24, 2009**

Be a part of history and celebrate the 100th Rotary convention, which will take place in Birmingham, the heart of England!

If you haven't been to Birmingham since the 1984 convention, you may not recognize this former industrial town. Now a lively canal city known for its outstanding shopping and dining, Birmingham underwent a dramatic facelift in the 1990s. The transformation resulted in a modern, more pedestrian-friendly city that retains traces of its Medieval and Industrial Age roots.

### **Registration**

Go to [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) and download the convention booklet which outlines even more reasons to come to Birmingham in 2009. This 24-page booklet contains registration, hotel reservation forms, and Host Organization Committee forms.

Register early and save – Rotary offers special pricing for those who register early. First deadline: 15 December, 2008.

Register on-line. It's convenient and secure. Your confirmation materials will be e-mailed to you.

### **Convention venue**

The National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham is Europe's busiest convention venue, staging more than 180 exhibitions each year. Its 21 interconnected halls offer ample space for a convention with the scope of The Rotary International Convention - registration services, plenary sessions, the House of Friendship and exhibits, convention luncheons, workshops and interactive discussion groups, and the Rotaract and Youth Exchange preconvention meetings.

## **Why attend?**

You will gain a broader appreciation of Rotary's global impact and strengthen your commitment to service. Guests at the convention may be moved to become Rotarians.

In addition, you will enjoy:

- meeting Rotarians from all over the world and making lasting friendships;
- hearing interesting presentations on the scope of Rotary activities throughout the world;
- finding out how fellow Rotarians developed their service projects by visiting club and district project booths. These can lead to partnerships with other Rotarians in an international project or exchange;
- learning more about PolioPlus and other Rotary Foundation programs through plenary and workshop sessions which will illustrate how Rotarians take humanitarian action and promote peace and understanding throughout the world;
- getting to know Rotary leaders from both your own district and other areas of the world;
- exchanging ideas with club presidents and presidents-elect about the administration of your club;
- extending your convention experience with your family or friends, making this an enjoyable vacation in a beautiful country. There are also many pre- and post-convention tours and cruises from which to choose;
- staying with families in the local area either before or after the convention. This is an opportunity to develop life-long friendships.

## **Of Special Interest**

**Monday, 22 June** - Theme of the day: Growth of Rotary. Speakers include Tom Henderson, CEO of Shelter Box, a disaster-relief organization that has provided assistance to 600,000 people worldwide.

**Wednesday, 24 June** - Theme of the day: Rotary in Action. Deepa Willingham, founder of the Promise of Assurance to Children Everywhere (PACE Universal). The PACE Universal School in Piyali Junction (outside Calcutta) teaches 130 girls, with 200 on the waiting list, and 10 mothers in PACE's vocational training classes.

**If you are interested in a vacation package before or after the convention, please email [pravin@localnet.com](mailto:pravin@localnet.com).**



## **District Governor Nominee**

**Annual Business Meeting  
Friday, October 17, 2008**

### **Activities of note:**

- **Joined in D.G. changeover celebration @ Liuna Station, Hamilton, Ontario  
Congratulations I.P.D.G. Bob Leek on a great year, and all the best to D.G.  
Ralph Montesanto**
- **Attended Y.E. Incorporation Meeting @ Grand Island, New York**
- **Attended Foundation Seminar, Mississauga 23-08-2008**
- **Participated in District Advisory Council Meetings, 1 F2F, 1 conference Call**
- **Attended DGN Training Zone 27/28 –Sandusky, Ohio**
- **Attended Zone 22 (24) DGN training, and Institute – Victoria, B.C.**
- **Pre-work assignments and follow up ongoing**
- **A.G. co-ordinator role – ongoing**
- **Attended Area Meeting hosted by A.G. Angela Carter.**
- **Engage in ongoing emails with fellow DGN classmates as we build upon our  
September Face 2 Face to enhance our Rotary friendships.**

**Appointments of note: Special thank you to I.P.D.G. Bob Leek on accepting the  
role as District Trainer for 2010-2011.**

**Both Bob and I joined in the Training Advisory committee meeting held on  
Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008, in Amherst, N.Y. , led by DGE Pravin Suchak and his  
trainers to build upon the 2009-2010 Training movement.**

**In conclusion, the past few months have been busy, with lots of opportunity for  
Rotary involvement and personal development. Thank you again for this  
wonderful honour to lead our District in 2010 -2011.**

**Respectively submitted,**

**Yours in Rotary**

*Karen J. Bakes*

## District Conference Report

The District Conference held this week-end represents the culmination of almost two years of work by the planning team in conjunction with PDG Bob Leek and DG Ralph Montesanto.

The theme of the conference is water and the focus is on providing delegates to the conference with an overview of water related problems (and solutions) locally and globally. This seems like a logical choice for the conference theme in that we are on the Great Lakes and it has been deemed as a global issue by Rotary International.

All conference delegates will be able to hear an outstanding keynote speaker on Friday evening, Bob McDonald, the host of CBC radio's Quirks and Quarks. Ron Denham, a world authority on water and a Rotarian, will speak at Saturday's lunch, and our Rotary International representative, Bruce Christensen will speak on Saturday evening, followed by entertainment by the Ancaster Theatre Company.

As of Tuesday evening there were 717 registrants for the conference, with approximately 300 people attending each of the major meals – Friday dinner, Saturday lunch and Saturday dinner. In addition, approximately 100 people signed up for breakfast on Saturday morning.

The conference committee consists of Rotary members from the two clubs associated with the Past District Governor (Hamilton) and current District Governor (Dundas Valley Sunrise). We have been meeting for almost two years on a monthly (and recently, more frequently) basis. We are pleased with the turnout of Rotarians and guests, and have been blessed with excellent publicity from a number of sources. A full report on the conference and recommendations for future conferences will be provided after the conference to the planning team for 2009. This planning team has been kept informed of our progress during the past few months; hopefully, they will learn from any mistakes that we have made as the conference evolved.

Robert Morrow  
Michael Howes

Co-chairs.

Rotary International District 7090  
Membership Committee Report for Annual Meeting  
Presented by Andy Skrypniak Membership Director  
October 17, 2008

**Membership Team:**

We have 16 area membership representatives in place. We follow the area assignments similar to that of the AGs except in a few spots. There are 7 Canadian reps and 9 for the US side.

The US visioning team is lead by PDG Dick Earne and Kevin Crosby. They have a resource of some 10 facilitators to assist with US based clubs.

The Canadian visioning team is lead by Nan Bruce. Nan along with DGN Karen Oakes are growing the number of facilitators on the Canadian side.

The club extension team is lead by PDG Bob Leek.

**Resources for Clubs:**

The area membership reps will be holding quarterly meetings with all clubs. Most have had their first meeting and distributed a computer disc of Rotary materials collected from various sources to assist the clubs in membership development.

The district membership seminar was held on September 20, 2008 with 25 clubs represented.

The zone membership seminar was held in August 2008 in Toronto with some clubs being able to attend.

The Magic of Membership monthly newsletter has been launched via the district newsletter along with advance copies going to every club membership chair.

The district website will soon have a membership section with an array of membership material available for download.

**Club Visioning:**

A total of 8 sessions have now been completed. With a few more scheduled and some pending.

US clubs completed: Kenmore, Buffalo Sunrise, Lancaster-Depew, Clarence and Hamburg Sunrise.

Canadian clubs completed: Waterdown, Flamborough AM and Niagara on the Lake

**Membership and Attendance:**

Clubs are getting better at reporting their membership and attendance numbers utilizing our new Club Runner program,

Membership numbers are close to 2800 for the District. Clubs are using the various options available to them in order to grow their numbers. The future is positive and we should be able to get to the 3000 member mark in the near future.

**Club Extension:**

A new club should charter early in the new year: Fort Erie AM

Four other areas have been identified for future clubs.

**Membership Video:**

Kevin Crosby (Buffalo Sunrise) and John Paget (Buffalo) have volunteered their expertise to create a recruitment video that will be geared to 25 to 40 year olds. All of the interviews have been completed and the videos shot. The next step is editing which will create a 6 minute video.

Plans are underway to find a suitable launch date and preview of the video within the next 60 days.

**Clubs with less than 20 members:**

Every club with a membership count of less than 20 has received an email invitation to have an evening presentation from the membership director focusing on membership growth (14 in total).

To date, sessions have been booked with: Medina, Holley and Caledonia.

## **SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

*October 17, 2008*

### **World Community Service Committee** (Chair: David Johnson)

The District Council has currently approved 23 projects. Three of these are international projects, i.e., Shelterboxes for disaster relief, Gift of Life, and Adopt-a-Minefield. A fourth, RADAR, is centered on the continent of Africa and has an AIDS focus. Other projects are in Belarus, Boliva, Ecuador, Ethiopia, Guatemala, Hati, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Nepal, Niger, South Africa, and Uganda. Finally, the list includes one project started by the RYLA class of 2006 and being carried on by former students and the Welland Rotary Club.

The committee uses the District website to promote these projects. The website also includes advice for participating in an international project.

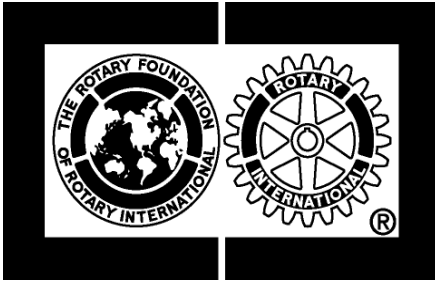
During the past few meetings the committee has spent time ensuring that approved projects are program oriented and deal with multiple issues in a given area.

The committee has also spent time discussing disaster relief vs. recovery and is working on guidelines for determining the role District clubs can serve following a disaster.

### **Community Service** (Chair: John Crawford)

Last year the committee developed a format for club to use when considering a local community service project. The form assists clubs in determining community needs and whether a proposed project meets those needs.

The committee plans this year to move to the next level and develop an electronic scrapbook of community service projects. This will give clubs an opportunity to share their ideas and successes.



## **District 7090 Rotary Foundation Committee**

### **Annual Business Meeting Report**

*October 17, 2008*

**Bob Bruce, District Rotary Foundation Director**

2007 - 08 was another good year for our District clubs' contributions to the Annual Programs Fund. Our total target for the year was \$300,000, and the actual amount was \$321,853, or \$110.64 per member, the highest total in our history.

Clubs yearly contributions support The Rotary Foundation's annual programs such as Group Study Exchange, Ambassadorial Scholars, Matching and District Simplified Grants, etc. All contributions are eligible for Paul Harris Recognition.

Funds donated to the Annual Programs Fund are held by TRF for 3 years. Interest earned from these funds supports the administrative costs of our Foundation. After three years 50% of the funds are returned to the District to distribute for Humanitarian programs as Matching and District Simplified Grants, and Educational programs such as Ambassadorial and Peace Scholarships along with other recognized Rotary Foundation programs such as PolioPlus. The other 50% is designated as the World Fund and it is from this fund that our Rotary Foundation matches club and district dollars for approved grant programs and Group Study Exchanges.

Clubs also donate funds to PolioPlus and specific International projects, as well as to the Permanent Fund. These contributions are not part of the Annual Programs Fund.

### **The Rotary Foundation Annual Dinner**

The Dinner will be held this year at ***Salvatore's Italian Gardens Restaurant***, 6461 Transit Rd., Depew, NY, 14043, telephone (716)-683-7990, on **Friday, November 14, 2008**. We are delighted to have Past RI President(2000-2001) and Past Rotary Foundation Trustee(1996-98 and 2001-03) Frank Devlin of the Rotary Club of Anahuac in Mexico City as our guest speaker.

DGN, Permanent Funds and Foundation Dinner Chair Karen Oakes expects that this year's dinner will surpass last year's sellout. Tickets are limited, so order yours today!

### **Annual Programs Fund**

Every club in the District has now established a goal for Annual Programs Fund contributions for 2008-09.

This is the first Year that we have had all clubs report their Goal to TRF and thanks goes to Art Wing and Joe DePaolo for coordinating this so well. The total of club goals is \$267,007. Our DRFC is confident we will again surpass the \$300,000 mark in 2008-09, despite the downturn in the economy.

### **GSE News**

District 7090 is hosting a Group Study Exchange team from District 4840 in Argentina and Paraguay. The team arrived on Oct. 1 and will depart Oct. 30.

The team consists of Group Leader Carlos Jesus Fernandez from Posadas, Misiones, Argentina; he is an architect.

Team members are: Cinthia Carolina Romero Apodaca from Asuncion, Paraguay, a lawyer; Francis Roland Galeano Penayo, an agronomist (soil scientist) from San Crstobal, Parana, Paraguay; Gerardo Jose Alonso Schwarz, an economist from Posadas, Argentina; and Federico Arturo Monte Domecq, a biologist from Asuncion, Paraguay.

GSE co-chair for the U.S. Bert Rappole reports that participating clubs included Dunkirk/Fredonia, Jamestown, Westfield/Mayville, Salamanca, Falconer, and Batavia.

GSE co-chair for the Canadian visit, Keith Lindberg has the following clubs hosting: Dundas Valley Sunrise, Hamilton, Welland, Niagara-on-the-Lake and Niagara Falls.

Wednesday, Oct. 29, there will be a farewell dinner in Niagara Falls. The team departs the next day.

For the return exchange to District 4849 in Paraguay and Argentina from May 10 to June 6, 2009, the deadline for team leader applications is Oct. 17, with interviews taking place at the Niagara Falls McBain Community Centre, Oct. 25. The deadline for the team members is Oct. 25 with interviews taking place at the Niagara Falls McBain Community Centre on Nov. 8.

Team members and the leader are expected to attend an orientation in Toronto, Friday, Nov. 14 and Saturday Nov. 15.



### **Polio Plus**

The Rotary Foundation must raise \$103.5 million over the next 3 years to match the challenge grants of the Gates' Foundation and Google.

To do this:

- A. Every club is challenged to organize a public fundraising event to raise a minimum of \$1000 annually for the next 3 years.
- B. Individual Rotarians are invited to take part in the challenge with special emphasis on new clubs and newer Rotarians who have not yet had the opportunity to contribute to PolioPlus.

Our District Foundation Committee promised to match contributions from clubs at 50% on the dollar up to a total of \$25,000 from our District Designated Funds during the 2008 calendar year. Happily we have exceeded the \$50,000 mark of club contributions, and the \$25,000 of DDF funds has been contributed. A full report of club and district contributions will be on the District website.

PolioPlus Co-chairs Roger Crysler and Spud Ericson are prepared to speak to clubs during the coming year. Contact either of them for more information.

### **The Grants Sub-committee**

The Grants Committee has had much difficulty in obtaining final reports from clubs who have received District Simplified Grants. As the Rotary Foundation only allows Grant Funds to be open for two years, we have had difficulty obtain new grant money until all the reports from DSGs two years previously were finally submitted. Failure to report by even one club delayed all other clubs waiting for grants from getting their projects underway.

Starting in 2008-09 all approved District Simplified Grant funds will be issued to clubs only upon receipt of the final report. It is hoped that this process, followed by many other districts, will enable us to let clubs proceed much more quickly with their approved projects.

3-H, Matching, and District Simplified Grant applications should be submitted to Grants Chair Don DeMeo on the US side and Vice-Chair Roy Sheldrick in Canada.

### **The Scholars Sub-committee**

The 2009-2010 Ambassadorial Scholar is Andrea Barton, sponsored by the Brantford Rotary Club. Andrea is from Paris, ON. She is a former Youth Exchange student (Taipei, Taiwan, 2004-05) and is currently in her final undergraduate year at Queen's University in Kingston where she is majoring in Global Development Studies. As part of her university experience Andrea spent a semester studying in Shanghai, China. Andrea hopes to further her education at The London School of Economics.

2008-2009 Ambassadorial Scholar Laura Cranna, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Waterdown, is preparing to undertake her studies in Johannesburg, South Africa, in January,

Our District is host to three Scholars in the 2008/2009 Rotary year : Ueda Kyoko from Japan will be studying at the State University of New York at Fredonia and will be hosted by Fred Norton of the Fredonia Rotary Club; Sabrina Smith from Germany will be studying at the State University of New York at Buffalo and will be hosted by the Buffalo Sunrise Rotary Club; Chao Fu from China (through Japan) will also be studying at the State University of New York at Buffalo and will be hosted by the Buffalo Rotary Club.

Scholars Chair John Teibert is working with his committee to attract worthy applicants for the World Peace Scholar Program. The District has committed \$25,000 of DDF to the pool of funds that make this program possible.

### **The Alumni Sub-committee**

Alumni Co-chairs Jean Armitage and PDG Jon Olsen are responsible for keeping track of Rotary Foundation Alumni, who are defined as all those people who have participated in Rotary Foundation programs abroad such as GSE team leaders and members, Rotary Volunteers, recipients of Discovery Grants, Individual Grants, and Volunteer Service Grants, and Ambassadorial and World Peace Scholars. This is a difficult task as younger people move frequently and tracking them can be a challenge.

## **Appreciation**

The Rotary Foundation is our lifeline, our charitable arm as we reach out to do good in the world. None of the work of our foundation would happen without the support of all our members and clubs, and little of the organization would take place without the willing support of the District Rotary Foundation Committee and its many sub-committees. To all of these members I offer my deepest thanks. Your efforts have helped our foundation grow and make the world a little better, one project or one individual at a time.

While we are in a new 2008-09 year, the individuals below have exemplified the Service Above Self motto in 2007-08.

Special thanks goes to 2007-08 **Governor Bob Leek** for championing our foundation throughout his duties as governor.

Several sub-committee chairs are completed their term of office and to them very special thanks for their service are due.

**David Greenfield** and **Jean Armitage** have done yeoman work as co-chairs of the GSE. It is typical of them that they are staying on the GSE committee to provide assistance from the experiences that they have had over the last three years.

**Sue Dolan** was gracious enough to take on the task of pulling together alumni information from various sources to enable us to track them as they move about the world. Those of you who know Sue know that she gives her all in everything she undertakes. We wish her well in her new duties as President-elect of the Welland club. Sue will stay on the Alumni Committee next year to assist the two new co-chairs.

**Richard Earne** has taken on dual duties for 2008-09 as one of the District Trainers and is Co-chairing the Visioning Committee amongst his other Rotary activities and has stepped down from the Grants Committee's chairmanship.

We say goodbye to the following Area Foundation Specialists: **Peter Neziol** (Ancaster AM); **Roy Sheldrick** (Ancaster); **Paul Lakin** (Hamilton AM); **Ron Merzl**(Niagara Falls, ON); **Jon Olsen** (Amherst East); **John Heise** (Holley); **Pravin Suchak**( Amherst North); **Wally Ochterski** ( West Seneca); **Charlotte Herlong** (Fredonia); and **Spud Ericson** (Jamestown). Most of these individuals have been part of our move to provide local assistance to clubs in their area and we thank them for their pioneering efforts. It is interesting to note that almost all of these people will continue to serve Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation in other capacities.

Public Relations Committee Report to Annual Business Meeting October 17  
Report Robert Klingensmith, Chair

Between May 3rd 2008 and October 17th 2008 the PR Committee has been actively working within the district to continue our educational efforts to "enable each club to a self supporting PR entity within the larger Rotary image." Select educational seminars have been held to teach general and advanced PR techniques, both on the US and Canadian sides of the border.

Through these efforts we have seen a general increase in awareness of the value of PR, increased literacy in the tactical elements of PR, and the implementation of PR activities throughout the district. The PR Committee has been encouraged to see clubs issuing professional press releases to local media outlets, thereby garnering a strong response and respect from the local media. Simple PR methods such as printing off business-card size "calling cards" to invite guests to club meetings has been a big hit.

Concurrent to the localized club effort, the PR Committee has again this year submitted RI for the PSA PR Grant. Rotary District 7090 will use the RI PR Grant to begin a campaign of billboards in the Western New York, USA, and Southern Ontario, Canada, Rotary District area that will promote the Humanity in Motion effort. This will include locations including Buffalo, Amherst, Cheektowaga, Niagara Falls, and Southern Ontario.

Having been highlighted in RI publications for 7090's efforts last year, this year we have repeated the formula that worked so well last year.

Remaining consistent with "Touch Marketing" theory, this year's billboard campaign should "touch" 1,232,139 individuals. Through these frequent "touch" opportunities, RI and the district benefit from increase awareness of Rotary, our causes, and general mission.

**Youth Services Report**  
**October 15, 2008**  
**Kevin Crouse**

**New Youth Services Team:**

- Early Act – Chairs – Chris Lowes, Mindy Tweedle
- Interact – Canadian Chair – Rick Sterne, American Chair – Tony Evans
- Rotaract – Canadian Chair – Bruce Williamson, American Chair – Nick Norton
- Ryla – Co-chairs – Don Lang, Doug Johnston
- Slapshot Chair – Kevin Crouse, New Committee – Cheryle Slattery, Fred Farnham, Joe McCoy, Matt Pomeroy, Shirley Molloy
- Youth Exchange – Chair- David George

**2008 RYLA/SLAPSHOT FINANCIAL REPORT**

- RYLA Income - \$23,834., Expenses - \$26,368.
- SLAPSHOT Income - \$16,160., Expenses - \$19,010
- RYLA attendance of 33 candidates did not cover food and accommodation costs at Brock University, which were over \$500. per student. This year's program will remain essentially the same but location costs at Fredonia may be cheaper. Attempts will be made to make the program agenda more transparent and improve the quality of student presentations.
- SLAPSHOT accommodation costs increased by 24% and the lower exchange rate significantly reduced income.

**NEW SLAPSHOT PROGRAM**

- This year's Slapshot program will take place May 1 – 3 at Canterbury Hills in Ancaster.
- Student Fees this year's will be \$250. in either currency, with a maximum of 6 students per club.
- This year's highlights will include Joel Hilchey and the Seven Habits of Highly Successful Teens, the High Ropes program, Interact Training sessions, Leadership Training, Issues Selections and Student Presentations on major adolescent issues
- Deadline for applications – February 28, 2009

**Rotary District 7090 Conference**  
**Business Meeting October 17, 2008**  
**Report of the Training Director**

The District's training Director assists and works with the various training programs which the District carries out each year. The purpose of this assistance is to provide a continuum of experience and knowledge to have these training programs be of value to those attending. To this end, the Director has been an advisor to the following programs:

- President-elect Training Part 1
- President-elect Training Part 2
- District Council Roundtables
- Rotary Foundation Specialist Training
- Public Presentation Workshop
- Assistant Governor Training
- District Assembly

All these training and skill development programs have been organized by the individuals assigned. Dates and locations have been placed on the activities calendar. Richard Earne, PDG and Kevin Crosby have coordinated the President elect training sessions. The organization of these PETS sessions has become an easier task with members of the training team serving three year terms.

The Public Presentation workshop was held on September 13, 2008 with 19 attendees. The evaluations of this workshop, held under the auspices of Dale Carnegie Inc., rated the three hour session as outstanding in preparing District leaders and Rotarians for making public speeches.

The training of adult learners has benefitted from the use of audience participatory process. This methodology is used wherever possible to keep ideas flowing and to provide a genuine learning environment.

Submitted by:

Wallace J. Ochterski, PDG

## **District Strategic Planning Committee**

- Annual meeting facilitated by Rotarian Rod Hollick with 17 district leaders in attendance
- Reviewed district vision statement and “desired outcomes”
- Identified top two priorities as being
  - 1) establishing a district membership plan to support club efforts in membership recruitment, education and retention
  - 2) having all clubs actively participating in all 4 avenues of service
- Developed action plans dealing with both issues
- Forwarded action plans with recommendations and time lines to relevant stakeholders

**January 31<sup>st</sup> 2009 meeting date set to review plans and consider priorities for the future.**

**Bob Leek, Chair**

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**DISTRICT 7090 Friendship Exchange Committee**  
**District 7090 Business Meeting**  
**October 17, 2008**

**District 9790 Australia**

District 9790 consists of 60 Rotary clubs and has approximately 1870 members.

It encompasses parts of the two states of Victoria and New South Wales, including the norther part of the city of Melbourne, the irrigation areas of the Goulburn Valley, the gold fields of the 1850's and the old mountains of the Great Dividing Range.

Our Districts participated in a Group Study Exchange in May, 2004.

Our team, led by PDG Wally Ochterski, will be visiting Australia from October 25 to November 11, 2008. The twelve participants represent the following Rotary clubs: St. Catharines AM, St. Catharines, Grimsby PM, Waterdown, West Seneca and Buffalo Sunrise.

The Australians visited our District June 19 to July 2, 2008. The team of 10 started in the Buffalo/Chautauqua area and finished in the St. Catharines/Niagara Falls area. PDG Wally Ochterski and his committee involved many Rotarians as hosts who had not been involved in Friendship Exchange Activities previously. As a result, there has been an increase in interest in future exchanges.

**District 9930 New Zealand**

This District of 55 Rotary Clubs is located in the North Island, south of Auckland and north of Wellington. The Exchange will include visits to the Waikato, Bay of Plenty, Hawkes Bay and Rotorua regions.

Our team, let by PDG Bob Bruce, will be visiting New Zealand February 25 to March 12, 2009. The ten participants represent the following Rotary Clubs: Waterdown, Fort Erie, Simcoe, Lockport and Jamestown.

The New Zealanders will be visiting our District from September 10 to 24, leaving on September 25, 2009.

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