

**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 4<sup>th</sup>. 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 15<sup>th</sup>. 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 REOTARY 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 8<sup>th</sup>.

- 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

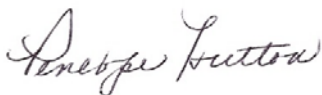
All also spoke about the amazing experience: the new international and local friends, seeing the projects and initiatives that the District clubs/Rotarians are doing. The joy of being a Governor far outweighs the commitments.

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

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 protocols 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 result of Rotary doing good in the world. Lives changed in the process of this engagement 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 all Rotarians in changing lives. The program we have this weekend is a full testimony to that. Few conferences have had more promotion than this one. Beginning with an early bird brochure at last year's conference, presentations at PETS 1 and 2, a variety of all member mailings and personal presentations by Reg Madison, Joe Persia and myself to all clubs, everyone in the district was made fully aware of the extent of this program.

In addition to superb events this evening and Saturday, Sunday's attendance of 160 people at the Awards brunch is exceptional. Few conferences in the past can boast of such a large Sunday attendance. We are very proud of 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 this week's meeting at the conference. Their support at a site so far from home is outstanding.

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

Cheers  
Kevin Crouse  
District Governor 2013-14

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**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7090**

**Financial Statements**

**June 30, 2013**



## **ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7090**

### **Financial Statements**

**June 30, 2013**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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To the Members of Rotary International District 7090

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Rotary International District 7090, which comprise the financial position as at June 30, 2013, and the statements of operations and fund balances, restricted funds and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

### *Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements*

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### *Auditors' Responsibility*

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

*Basis for Qualified Opinion*

In common with many charitable organizations, the organization derives revenue from its members in the form of dinner, training, and conference fees, the completeness of which is not susceptible of satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the organization and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to revenue, excess of revenue over expenditures for the year, and fund balances.

Rotary International District 7090 controls the operations of Rotary District 7090 Youth Exchange Inc. as disclosed in note 4. We were unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence about the activities of Rotary District 7090 Youth Exchange Inc. for the year ended June 30, 2013 because an audit was not conducted on their records. Consequently, we were unable to determine whether any adjustments to these amounts were necessary.

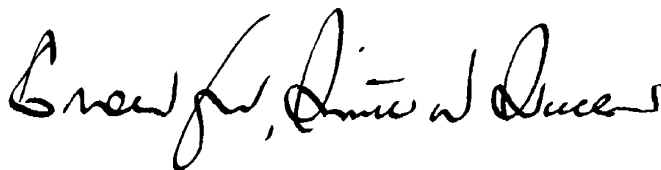
*Qualified Opinion*

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matters described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Rotary International District 7090 as at June 30, 2013, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

*Comparative Information*

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to note 2 to the financial statements which describes that Rotary International District 7090 adopted Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations on July 1, 2012, with a transition date of July 1, 2011. These standards were applied retrospectively by management to the comparative information in these financial statements, including the statements of financial position as at June 30, 2012 and July 1, 2011, and the statements of operations, changes in fund balances and cash flows for the year ended June 30, 2012 and related disclosures. We were not engaged to report on the restated comparative information, and as such, it is unaudited.

Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario  
October 23, 2013



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# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7090

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

June 30, 2013

(stated in U.S. \$)

<b>Assets</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash	265,296	258,100
Restricted cash	4,374	4,374
Accounts receivable	11,515	15,853
Prepaid expenses	16,421	10,940
	<b>297,606</b>	<b>289,267</b>
<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	42,097	38,984
Deferred revenue - note 5	1,142	
	<b>43,239</b>	<b>38,984</b>
<b>Fund Balances</b>		
Restricted funds	4,374	4,374
Unrestricted funds	249,993	245,909
	<b>254,367</b>	<b>250,283</b>
	<b>297,606</b>	<b>289,267</b>

Signed on behalf of the board:

\_\_\_\_\_ District Governor

\_\_\_\_\_ District Treasurer

See accompanying notes

## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7090

### STATEMENT OF RESTRICTED FUNDS

for the year ended June 30, 2013

(stated in U.S. \$)

	District History \$	Manual of Procedure \$	2013 \$	2012 \$
<b>Balance, Beginning of Year</b>	3,486	888	4,374	7,109
<b>Transfers to General Fund</b>				(2,735)
<b>Balance, End of Year</b>	<b>3,486</b>	<b>888</b>	<b>4,374</b>	<b>4,374</b>

See accompanying notes

# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7090

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND FUND BALANCES

for the year ended June 30, 2013

(stated in U.S. \$)

	Unaudited Budget \$	2013 \$	2012 \$
<b>Revenue</b>			
District Conference	45,000	43,478	31,253
District Governor - note 6	15,700		
Assistant Governors	1,600		
District Simplified Grants	24,900	24,900	24,800
Grant management seminar		4,380	
Insurance assessment revenue	34,100	32,794	26,405
Interest and other	1,100	2,113	531
Membership dues	81,700	78,850	88,098
PETS and District Assembly	39,000	37,110	38,232
Public relations and communication		11,515	13,390
Rotary Foundation Dinner	14,000	10,660	
Rotary Leadership Institute	5,000	1,820	5,969
RYLA	32,000	34,135	33,177
Seminar training	200	371	
Slapshot	23,000	28,325	22,517
	317,300	310,451	284,372
<b>Expenses</b>			
Administration - schedule 1	27,100	23,113	25,503
Directors and committees - schedule 1	26,400	30,841	26,639
District Conference	45,000	37,832	29,059
District Governor - note 6	15,700		
District Simplified Grants	24,900	25,012	24,729
Foreign exchange loss		1,127	5,262
Grant management seminar		5,251	
PETS and District Assembly	41,000	34,791	30,710
Rotary Foundation Dinner	14,000	10,400	
Rotary Leadership Institute	5,000	1,620	4,159
RYLA	32,000	34,774	31,212
Seminar training	200	692	486
Slapshot	23,000	28,084	23,832
Standing committees - schedule 1	39,100	37,824	37,166
Training - schedule 1	36,700	35,006	25,954
	330,100	306,367	264,711
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue over Expenses for the Year</b>	(12,800)	4,084	19,661
<b>Unrestricted Fund Balance, Beginning of Year</b>	245,909	245,909	223,513
<b>Transfers from Restricted Funds</b>			2,735
<b>Unrestricted Fund Balance, End of Year</b>	<b>233,109</b>	<b>249,993</b>	<b>245,909</b>

See accompanying notes

## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7090

### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the year ended June 30, 2013

(stated in U.S. \$)

	2013 \$	2012 \$
<b>Operating Activities</b>		
Excess of revenue over expenses for the year	4,084	19,661
Changes in working capital components		
Accounts receivable	4,338	(2,041)
Prepaid expenses	(5,481)	(9,166)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	3,113	7,014
Deferred revenue	1,142	
Funds provided (used) by operating activities	3,112	(4,193)
<b>Increase in Cash Position</b>	7,196	15,468
<b>Cash Position, Beginning of Year</b>	262,474	247,006
<b>Cash Position, End of Year</b>	<b>269,670</b>	<b>262,474</b>
<b>Cash Position</b>		
Cash	265,296	258,100
Restricted cash	4,374	4,374
	<b>269,670</b>	<b>262,474</b>

See accompanying notes

# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7090

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended June 30, 2013

(stated in U.S. \$)

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### Organization

Rotary International District 7090 (the District) is comprised of Rotary Clubs located in Western New York, U.S.A. and Southern Ontario, Canada. The purpose of the District is as follows:

#### General

Collection of monies from local clubs to be used by the District Governor in order to provide leadership advice and assistance to the various clubs.

#### District Conference

Host an annual event attended by Rotarians, spouses and guests at which the attendees share fellowship and learn about various Rotary activities.

#### RYLA

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is an annual session at which young adults ages 19 - 25 are provided with a week of leadership training.

#### District Assembly

District Assembly is a program to train and inform club officers of the various Rotary Clubs in the District.

#### PETS

President Elect Training Sessions (PETS) is a program to train and inform club presidents-elect of the Rotary Clubs in the District.

#### Rotaract and Interact

The purpose of this program is to assist Clubs to establish and maintain Rotaract and Interact clubs in colleges and high schools, respectively. These clubs provide an opportunity for students to become involved in community and international activities in association with Rotary.

#### Slapshot

Student Leadership Award Program for Students High on Training (SLAPSHOT) is an annual session at which young adults ages 16 - 18 are provided with a week of leadership training.

#### Rotary Leadership Institute

The Rotary Leadership Institute was founded to assist in improving the Rotary knowledge and leadership skills of the future leaders of the Rotary clubs.

#### District Simplified Grants

District Simplified Grants are a tool for Rotary districts to support short-term, humanitarian projects that benefit a community. Districts request a portion of their District Designated Fund for a grant to support one or multiple projects locally or internationally.

# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7090

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended June 30, 2013

(stated in U.S. \$)

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### 1. Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the organization are the representations of management prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, consistently applied. Because a precise determination of many assets and liabilities is dependent upon future events, the preparation of periodic financial statements necessarily involves the use of estimates and approximations. These have been made using careful judgement in the light of available information. The financial statements have, in management's opinion, been properly prepared within reasonable limits of materiality and within the framework of the accounting policies summarized below:

#### Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognized in the fiscal year to which it applies. Accordingly, receivables are recorded for dues or fees uncollected as of the end of the fiscal year. Revenue applicable to a future period is recognized when earned.

The work of the organization is dependent on the voluntary service of many members. Since these services are not normally purchased by the organization and because of the difficulty of determining their value, contributed services are not recognized in these financial statements.

#### Foreign currency translation

These financial statements are presented in U.S. dollars. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rates in effect at the balance sheet date. Gains and losses on translation are reflected in net earnings of the period.

#### Financial instruments

The organization's financial instruments consist of cash, accounts receivable and accounts payable. Cash is measured at fair value. Accounts receivable and accounts payable are initially measured at fair value on acquisition and are subsequently measured at amortized cost.

#### Tax status

The District is a subordinate unit of Rotary International and is covered by a blanket exemption from U.S. federal income tax under Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code as a social welfare organization. The letter of determination from the IRS was dated May 13, 1958, and that status still remains.

#### Fund accounting

The organization uses the restricted fund method to account for revenues and expenses. The Board of Directors has internally restricted resources for the purposes of updating and publishing a triennial District 7090 history and publishing the District's Manual of Procedure every fifth year. The District also operates a general fund for all other activities.



# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7090

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended June 30, 2013

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### 2. Adoption of the New Accounting Standards For Not-for-Profit Organizations

Effective July 1, 2012, the organization adopted requirements of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants (CICA) Handbook - Accounting, electing to adopt the new accounting framework: Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. These are the organization's first financial statements prepared in accordance with these accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations and the transitional provisions of Section 1501, First-time Adoption by Not-for-Profit Organizations have been applied. Section 1501 requires retrospective application of the accounting standards with certain elective exemptions and limited retrospective exceptions. The accounting policies set out in note 1, significant accounting policies, have been applied in preparing the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2013, the comparative information presented in these financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2012 and in the preparation of an opening statement of financial position at July 1, 2011 (the organization's date of transition), see Schedule 2.

The organization issued financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2012 using generally accepted accounting principles prescribed by CICA Handbook - Part V, Pre-changeover Accounting Standards. The adoption of accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations had no impact on the previously reported assets, liabilities and net assets of the organization and, accordingly, no adjustments have been recorded in the comparative statement of financial position, or the statements of operations and fund balances, statements of restricted funds and cash flows. Certain of the organization's disclosures included in these financial statements reflect the new disclosure requirements of accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

### 3. Financial Instruments

The organization is exposed to the following risk:

Price risk and cash flow risk

The organization has assets and liabilities denominated in both U.S. and Canadian currency that fluctuate in value as current exchange rates change. Accordingly, the organization is exposed to price risk as exchange rates fluctuate.

# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7090

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended June 30, 2013

(stated in U.S. \$)

### 4. District Designated Funds

In addition to District Simplified Grants included in revenue, Rotary International disbursed District Designated Funds on behalf of District 7090 as follows:

	2013 \$	2012 \$
Matching Grants	31,458	48,500
Ambassadorial Scholarship	27,000	26,000
Polio Plus Fund	25,325	25,000
Rotary Centres for International Studies	25,000	25,000
Other	5,000	6,125
	<b>113,783</b>	<b>130,625</b>

### 5. Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue is amounts received for the District Conference to be held in October 2013.

### 6. District Governor

The Rotary International District Governor allotment is paid directly to the District Governor. The District Governor may elect to have the District administer these funds on his or her behalf by transferring the funds to the District. The 2012/2013 District Governor elected to receive and disburse these funds personally.

### 7. Comparative Amounts

Certain comparative amounts have been reclassified to conform with the current year financial statement presentation.

## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7090

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended June 30, 2013

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#### 8. Controlled Entities

The Board of Directors of Rotary District 7090 Youth Exchange Inc. has members in common with District Council of Rotary District 7090. Since the financial statements have not been consolidated, the financial summaries of Rotary District 7090 Youth Exchange Inc., as at June 30, are as follows:

Financial Position	Unaudited 2013 \$	Unaudited 2012 \$
Total Assets	<b>21,032</b>	<b>13,080</b>
Total Liabilities		(3,980)
Net Assets	21,032	17,060
	<b>21,032</b>	<b>13,080</b>
Results of Operations	Unaudited 2013 \$	Unaudited 2012 \$
Total revenues	47,932	50,910
Total expenses	43,960	47,225
<b>Excess of Revenues over Expenses</b>	<b>3,972</b>	<b>3,685</b>
Results of Cash Flows	Unaudited 2013 \$	Unaudited 2012 \$
Fund provided (used) by operations	9,775	(1,196)

Rotary District 7090 Youth Exchange Inc. was incorporated in New York State in 2008 and is exempt from U.S. federal income tax under Section 501(3)(c) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The purpose of Youth Exchange is to give high school aged students the opportunity to live in a foreign country for one year. At the same time, foreign students spend one year with local families approved by Rotary District 7090 Youth Exchange Inc.

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7090****Schedule 1****SCHEDULE OF EXPENSES**

for the year ended June 30, 2013

(stated in U.S. \$)

	Unaudited Budget \$	2013 \$	2012 \$
<b>Administration</b>			
Assistant Governors	1,600		
District Council	2,800	2,547	2,800
Office, website maintenance and other	22,700	20,566	22,703
	<b>27,100</b>	<b>23,113</b>	<b>25,503</b>
<b>Directors and Committees</b>			
Group Study Exchange	1,500	1,417	1,245
Other	5,900	2,055	2,318
Public relations and communication	16,000	26,289	22,202
Rotary Foundation	2,800	1,080	437
Scholarships	200		200
World Community Service			237
	<b>26,400</b>	<b>30,841</b>	<b>26,639</b>
<b>Standing Committees</b>			
Council on Legislation		569	
Finance and audit	5,000	5,000	5,000
Insurance	34,100	32,255	32,166
	<b>39,100</b>	<b>37,824</b>	<b>37,166</b>
<b>Training</b>			
District Governor	11,000	10,526	11,981
District Governor Elect	11,000	8,995	6,476
District Governor Nominee	4,000	3,803	3,218
Assistant Governors	1,000		
District training	7,000	7,293	2,827
CRCID	700		678
Awards and recognition	2,000	4,389	774
	<b>36,700</b>	<b>35,006</b>	<b>25,954</b>

See accompanying notes

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7090**

Schedule 2

**OPENING STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION RESTATED ON  
ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTING STANDARDS FOR NOT-FOR-PROFIT  
ORGANIZATIONS**

July 1, 2011

<b>Assets</b>	<b>As Reported \$</b>	<b>Effect of Transition \$</b>	<b>As Restated \$</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash	239,897		239,897
Restricted cash	7,109		7,109
Accounts receivable	13,812		13,812
Prepaid expenses	1,774		1,774
	<b>262,592</b>		<b>262,592</b>
<b>Liabilities and Net Assets</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	31,970		31,970
<b>Fund Balances</b>			
Restricted funds	7,109		7,109
Unrestricted funds	223,513		223,513
	230,622		230,622
	<b>262,592</b>		<b>262,592</b>

See accompanying notes

Rotary International District 7090  
Balance Sheet  
As At September 30, 2013

Assets

Current Assets

Petty Cash	1,500
Cash , First Niagara	258,426
Cash , Bank of Montrael	<u>103,863</u>

Total Cash	363,789
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Prepaid Expenses	11,182
Prepaid District Conference Expenses	<u>5,090</u>

Total Current Assets	<u>380,060</u>
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Total Assets	<u><u>380,060</u></u>
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Liabilities and Equity

Current Liabilities

Accrued Liabilities	66,836
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Total Current Liabilities	<u>66,836</u>
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Retained Earnings	254,377
Net Income	<u>58,847</u>
Total Equity	<u>313,224</u>

Total Liabilites and Equity	<u><u>380,060</u></u>
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Rotary International District 7090  
Statement of Income  
Three Months Ended September 30, 2013

Income

General Assessments	45,454	
District Conference	21,698	
Insurance Assessment	<u>21,900</u>	
Total Club Assessments		89,052
District Conference Sponsorship		1,000
Pets		9,000
District Grants		<u>62,687</u>
Total Income		<u>161,739</u>

Expenses

Administration		
Office Support	2,833	
Phone Charges	200	
Bank Service Charges	340	
Newsletter	<u>300</u>	
		3,674
Directors and Committees		
District Grants	62,687	
Communications	<u>735</u>	
		63,422
District Insurance		29,879
Training		
Visioning/Release Your Inner Rotary	32	
District Training	4,115	
District Nominee Training	<u>1,770</u>	
		<u>5,917</u>
Total Expenses		<u>102,892</u>
Net Income		<u><u>58,847</u></u>

## **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

October 25, 2013

### **RI Zones 24 & 32 Institute 2013**

I participated in the 2013 Zone Institute in Cherry Hill, NJ in September, including the DGN pre-institute seminar for DGNs. I have begun the process of networking with my classmates in the 2015-16 DG class. I have also registered for the 2014 Zone Institute in Toronto.

### **Coordination of Assistant Governors**

- We have scheduled monthly AG meetings, using GoToMeeting. The August and September meetings were recorded and made available to those who were unable to participate.
- We are implementing 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.
- I am working with AG Marlee Diehl to develop a guide for assisting clubs that have demonstrated a history of disengagement from District functions like District Conference, District Assembly and PETS. The recommendations are based on a discussion at the September 2013 District Council.

### **PETS 2**

- I attended a planning meeting on Aug. 12 of all three districts involved in PETS 2, along with District Trainer John Heise and DGE Jack Amico to begin the planning of our multi-district PETS 2 program. I will continue to participate in the GoToMeeting planning sessions for PETS 2.

### **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 reserved Templeton Landing (Buffalo) for Sunday, June 28, 2015 for the DG Changeover and District Awards luncheon.
- 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.

## **2013 District Conference Report**

I regret not being present at this annual meeting but I am committed to the District Fellowship golf event today.

I first want to thank my committee of 12 for their time and counsel in planning for this conference. Their efforts in obtaining some top level professionals without their usual fees is most noteworthy. Adding a Rotaractor and Youth Exchange Officer to our team proved to be invaluable as we progressed.

An individual that deserves both thanks and recognition from the District is John W. Burroughs of the St. Catharines club. John has worked tirelessly for many years as volunteer registrar for the conference. He is not only a delight to work with but a consummate professional. Thank you John!

We look forward to an exciting and engaging weekend with fellow Rotarians, Youth Services and guests. We have secured a great line up of speakers and entertainment to please our audience. DG Kevin Crouse's Head, Hands and Heart award on Sunday will see record numbers for a Sunday session.

The involvement of Youth Services, including our Youth Exchange students, for the entire conference this year, is yet another innovation that supports the future of our district and our future leaders. Thanks to the 18 clubs that supported the participation of our youth! I'm hopeful that Rotarians young and old will take this opportunity to engage these attendees.

The other major change to the conference is the elimination of the breakout sessions on Saturday afternoon. Instead, we're running a plenary session on Saturday, and a second one on Sunday morning. We are confident that the program will please, delight and entertain all.

An immense amount of effort was spent in promoting the conference:

- A video tour of Niagara was circulated to all District Rotarians in July and then posted to the District website.
- Many promotional Emails were sent over the summer and fall as well as more information posted on the website.

- District Governor Kevin Crouse visited every club from July to October to promote the conference.
- In September and October, the PR director and myself made presentations to most clubs, and 1,850 promotional pieces were distributed at club meetings.

Yet only 54 of our 69 clubs will be represented at this conference, and 24 of them have only one or two attendees.

I recommend that a manual be produced for the District so that future conference chairs, DGs, DGEs and DGNs can benefit from the experiences of previous conferences. I have already volunteered to meet with incoming DG Jack Amico and his committee for next year and have spoken to future DG Kevin Crosby as well. I also suggest that a small registration fee be implemented - this year 30 registrants will enjoy the conference yet not make any financial contribution.

Finally I must thank my club, The Rotary Club of Brantford Sunrise for their generous support of this weekend!

I remain confident that these 3 days will have significant impact on our attendees to Engage Rotary and Change Lives! It has changed mine.

Reg Madison

2013 Conference Chair

## 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 10<sup>th</sup>. 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 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 08<sup>th</sup> 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 250<sup>th</sup> 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 9<sup>th</sup> 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)

This year's inbound class had a great orientation weekend in St. Catharines in September. Our students represented Rotary and Rotary Youth Exchange in the St. Catharines Grade & Wine Parade. So far, fingers crossed, we have not received any negative reports from either our inbound or outbound students or their host clubs/families. We welcomed our first student from Venezuela – Pierina Ramirez hosted by Jamestown – a new exchange that we are very excited to have added to the program this year.

Now is the time to recruit our next class of outbound students, and clubs will be visiting schools around the district to promote our great youth exchange program.

**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)

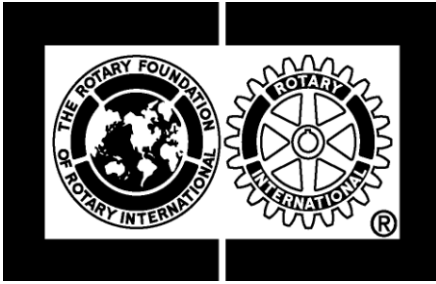
Currently coordinating efforts with Interact clubs to facilitate Interact attendance at the district conference. Working with local club coordinators to address issues connected with transportation to and from the conference for the students as they are not able to travel on their own.





**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.



## **District 7090 Rotary Foundation Committee** **Annual Meeting Report October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

Based on September 7<sup>th</sup>, 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:**

- |                           |                        |                         |
|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 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:**

- |                              |                       |                         |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 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**

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

### **Sustaining Member Clubs- 7**

Ancaster	Ancaster AM	Flamborough AM	Hamilton East Wentworth
Medina	Stoney Creek	Welland	

The top 3 per capita clubs, the 11 Every Rotarian Every Year Clubs, and the 7 Sustaining Member Clubs will be recognized at the District 7090 Rotary Foundation dinner on November 8<sup>th</sup> 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 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013 UPDATE**

As we announced on October 5<sup>th</sup>, 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 Description	The scholarship will be based on the following criteria: 1. academic merit; 2. a demonstration of "Service Above Self"; and

	<p>3. an essay about the ideals of Rotary</p> <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"> <li>• a Rotarian, including honorary Rotarian;</li> <li>• an employee of a club, district, or other Rotary Entity, or of Rotary International;</li> <li>• 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;</li> <li>• an employee of an agency, organization, or institution that partners with The Rotary Foundation or Rotary International;</li> <li>• a former Rotarian or honorary Rotarian who has terminated membership within the preceding 36 months; or</li> <li>• 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</li> </ul> <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 7<sup>th</sup>, 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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**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**

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

#### **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 26<sup>th</sup>, 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	<a href="mailto:renee.reiling@rotary.org">renee.reiling@rotary.org</a>
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 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013, so all reporting is in good order.**

Sincerely  
 Roy Sheldrick  
 Global Grants Chair

### Year to Date Summary

**Update October 25<sup>th</sup>, 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 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013 to 2014-2015 District Grant Chair John Teibert. To date, we have 6 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.**

**Mark your calendars for our upcoming Foundation Dinner celebration on Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 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 7090 Annual Business Meeting**  
October 25, 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) Highlights of what has been accomplished during 2012-2013:**

1. We have created a Rotary District 7090 Membership Facebook group. This is set up as a Closed Group. Anyone can see the group and who is in the group. However, only members can post messages, photos and documents which are then accessible only to the members of the group. We have requested club membership chairs to join this group. The objective of creating this group is to create a way to connect Membership chairs from each club together as well as use it as a central depository of membership resources. (Action Items 1 and 4)
2. I have taken part in several Membership related webinars held by the Zone and RI during the year. The emphasis from RI and the Zone for this year is on Engagement and Retention.
3. PDG Brian Carmichael and I presented Membership Retention and Engagement workshops at the District Assembly. This workshop dealt with Retention and Engagement strategies that the clubs can use to improve the retention rate and help their members become more engaged in the club. Both the workshops were well attended. Combined attendance was over 60. Handouts included Club Assessment Tools, Member Satisfaction Survey, Club Engagement Action Plan, club membership health check and several other documents that help clubs become more engaged in Rotary. (Action Item 2 and 3)

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4. A District Membership Growth and Retention Report for 2012-2103 was attached with my June 8 report. The district has a growth of 2% in 2012-2013 - close to net 50. However, these numbers will shrink as clubs clean up their roster at the end of June. I continue to work with Pene to have all the clubs update their membership data on the District Web site as well as on the RI Web site regularly. (Action Item 5)

**MEMBERSHIP AWARDS**

**The following awards were presented on June 9<sup>th</sup> at the DG Changeover and Club Awards Lunch.**

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

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

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

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

- 5 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)
- 6 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.
- 7 At present we have several Area Membership Representatives (AMR) and we would like to have one AMR in every area. We have asked PDG's Rick Sterne and John Heise to pass along the names of any of their outstanding presidents. They will be contacted and asked to join the Membership Committee.
- 8 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.
- 9 The members of the Membership Committee will do the following:
- 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.
  - Verify that the clubs have received the membership materials that were sent out to every club.
  - Verify that the clubs have completed the RI Club Membership Survey
  - Verify if the club does an exit interview.

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- - 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).
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    - 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.
- 10 I attended the Zone Institute in Philadelphia last month 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.
- 11 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.
- 12 We will continue to update the District 7090 Membership Facebook page. (strategy 1 and 3)
- 13 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
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*Pravin D. Suchak*

## **District Club Extension Report**

### **District 7090 Annual Business Meeting**

**October 25, 2013**

#### **1) New Club Chartered in District 7090**

Rotary E Club of Southern Ontario and Western New York (SONWY) was finally chartered on July 20 after almost two year of efforts to find and select 21 Charter members. My thanks to Paul MacAfee, Liz Kovacs and others who worked tirelessly to make this happen. I am proud to say that my daughter finally found a club that would be convenient to her schedule and became a charter member of the E Club.

#### **2) 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. We hope to have the Buffalo Club and the Buffalo Sunrise Club sponsor this new club.

#### **3) Two Clubs in the District give up their charter**

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

#### **4) 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*