



Minutes of the 7090 District Council Meeting

Minutes of January 16, 2016

No. of Attendees: 22

Call to Order: 8:49 am by Governor Kevin Crosby

Invocation: Kevin Crosby, DG encouraged the remembrance of friends – new ones made and those we lost; kindnesses received and given. The theme was thankfulness – for Rotary, for District 7090 leaders and its gifts to our clubs and in turn to the world.

Secretary's Report (posted to District website): Pene Hutton

MOTION TO ACCEPT TO ACCEPT MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 21, 2015 BY RALPH MONTESANTO, PDG;
SECONDED BY REG MADISON, DGN. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report (see attached report): Mike Prinzbach absent

- Year to Date Treasurer's Report

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

Governor Kevin announced that after some discussion and a search – the District will have a new role – that of IT Advisor. The IT Advisor has been selected - Paul Marchese of the Batavia club. DG Kevin described his strong background.

Having made all but one club visit, the Governor indicated that a common concern of clubs remains – its member recruitment and retention. DG Kevin has been focusing on a comprehensive district-wide membership campaign to help clubs address this common concern. DG Kevin shared campaign and its 3 phases through a power point presentation – Get Ready to Grow. It will engage District committees – Membership, Public Image and Service Projects among others also. Phase 1 - Planning and preparation are already in progress. Phase 2 - Implementation is March – May. Phase 3 - Reward and recognition will be in June.

Governor also noted the planning team to apply for a RI grant to conduct a Young Professionals recruitment event.

District Governor Elect's Report (see attached): Marlee Diehl

DGE Marlee announced that her leadership team for 2016 – 17 is complete.

PETS planning is well in hand by PDGs - Brian Carmichael, Ralph Montesanto and John Heise. PEs are stepping up to attend MDPETS and PETS1 with its option of 3 different dates/locations.

DGE Marlee also noted she and husband Bill are flying out to San Diego, CA for International Assembly/GETS tomorrow at 7 am to return next Saturday.

District Conference promotion will start up again in a couple of weeks.

District Governor Nominee's (see attached): Reg Madison

DGN Reg added to his report by noting he is impressed with the quality of individuals involved and excited by the addition of Melisa to the DG line up. He is also noted that he will be in Florida for five weeks starting tomorrow, but technology will allow him to continue his preparation and involvement in District 7090 leadership activities.

District Governor Nominee Designate: Melisa Shrock

DGND Melisa noted she did not realize a report was due for this new role, but expressed her gratitude for the many words of encouragement she has received. DG Kevin noted that DGND Melisa is and will be very busy wearing 3 hats – director of Service Projects, chair of Conference 2016, and now the newest one – District Governor Nominee Designate.

Directors' Reports:

Public Image Report (see attached report): Roseanne Morissette, Director

As noted in her report, Director Roseanne indicated her team is planning its working through their ideas and approach to their participation in the Get Ready to Grow (membership) campaign.

DG Kevin also noted discussion also around a dedicated URL to help interested professionals find clubs in their area.

Membership Report (see attached report): Brian Carmichael, PDG, Director

Director Brian noted that July membership was 2323; January membership was 2330 and since January 1 we are up another 3 to 2333 for a total of 10 new Rotarian members.

Director Brian also referenced a recent video presentation this past week on Engaging the Next Generation as a kick off to the Get Ready to Grow campaign.

He noted that 66 clubs have now indicated a Membership Chair or contact for each of our 69 clubs. The challenge is that some are not receiving district emails. Working with ClubRunner to find out how to get emails accepted.

The following website was indicated as a resource for membership tools.

<http://greatideastoshare.com/membership/>

Training Report (see attached): PDG Ralph Montesanto for John Heise, PDG, Director

PDG Ralph noted some key dates for a very active training schedule. Also noted that Martha Bailey has a co-chair now – JoAnne Proctor. Martha has set the date for RLI – March 19 at Niagara County Community College and is looking for qualified facilitators for it – as some of our district facilitators are not available on that date. DGE Marlee (former RLI chair) noted that she believes Martha has since contacted Shining Waters Division of RLI and is likely getting the assistance she needs.

PDG Ralph also mentioned the upcoming visioning session with the Rotary Club of BNMC at the end of the month.

Other comments made included New Membership Orientation and the development of new member orientation packages of learning – tools for the new members.

PDG Ralph went over many of the key training dates – see Training report.

Service Projects Report (see attached report): Melisa Schrock, DGND, Director
Director Melisa noted the Disaster Preparedness Plan document of Thomas Brock and how well it was received by the Vice Chair or the Disaster Assistance Network Rotary Action Group, Disaster Coordinator for D5030, Leigh Readdy. According to Leigh Readdy – D7090 is more “put together” than the one D5030 is working on. Melisa will be contacting Thomas Brock to give him this feedback as well as to ask him to consider working with Leigh and others to finally bring this project to completion. Melisa noted that this is one more area that D7090 shines in the world of Rotary.

Director Melisa also brought forward for approval by District Council two projects approved by the World Community Service Committee for club solicitation, (included in report).
Motions were made as follows:

From the 9/30/2015 WCS meeting: A motion was made by Dave Johnson and seconded by Ralph Montesanto to recommend to the District Council support for the Khazimula Children’s Project by allowing club to club solicitation by the Rotary Club of Lincoln.
Motion carried.

MOTION BY MARLEE DIEHL, DGE TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE WCS COMMITTEE; SECONDED BY JACK AMICO, IPDG. MOTION CARRIED.

From the 1/13/2016 WCS meeting: As the WCS Committee has approved that the Water Wells in Mono Dasse Chieftdom Project, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Akron-Newstead to be included in the approved World Community Service Projects for 2015-16, Rotary Foundation Director Karen Oakes moves to recommend that District Council approve this project for club to club solicitation; seconded by IPDG Jack Amico. .
Motion carried.

MOTION BY MARLEE DIEHL, DGE TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE WCS COMMITTEE; SECONDED BY KAREN OAKES, PDG AND FOUNDATION DIRECTOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Also announced was that as Sabih Uddin wants to step down as WCS Committee chair, IPDG Jack Amico will be taking over the chair role effective July 1, 2016.

In follow up to the Get Ready to Grow campaign, noted was the thrust of SP to hold a Rotary Day of Service as a way to grab the interest of potential new members. The SP Committee will be looking for hands on community service projects that an area or region of clubs can support. Noted - was Martha Bailey's club's project Rent a Rotarian. They wear their Rotarians at Work sweatshirts and help an elderly person etc. to do a task they cannot do themselves. They ask for a donation in turn. Director Melisa encouraged AGs to talk to their clubs to see if there is already or potentially a project they would all be excited about supporting.

District Conference: Melisa also noted that the conference will also continue the hands on projects momentum and will provide opportunity to engage Rotarians in service.

Roseanne Morissette interjected that she was wondering if the District might consider sponsoring a Syrian refugee family at a cost of about \$30,000. Discussion centered around what the Hamilton club was doing and also local church and community organizations. Director Karen Oakes also noted her discussion with RI regarding a global grant toward that end. IPDG Jack noted that he understands there is a policy that the district does not do projects; clubs can do projects and maybe there is a way for clubs to band together toward this end.

Website Update: Pene Hutton noted a recent online training with Director Melisa to help her access her Service Projects webpage in order to update it so that it better represented her "foodtruck" delivery at clubs. She noted that all District Directors can have this access and that she is hopeful that all will look at their pages to see how they can be improved. Also – that she is available to help update the pages to their liking, and also to give them an online training if they would like to do it themselves....or just want to know how to use ClubRunner better.

Youth Services Report (see attached SlapShot flyer): Greg Norton, Director SLAPSHOT – Director Greg announced registration has opened; only 100 slots and they fill fast. Registration is two-step process and a club can register and pay the fee without having a student identified. He also indicated it is a nice feeder program for the other Rotary programs – and they have a captive audience to sell Interact etc. to at SlapShot.

YE – Mike Taylor chair noted that one of the YE students (TaiWan) had to return home because his mother is very ill. We are currently at 24 students inbound. We have had a drop of students – our outbound total is 20. Most club citing difficulty in getting host families. Chair Mike also noted the fears that ISIS has caused – e.g. France bombings. Thinks that may have clubs and parents not wanting to send their kids out. The Algonquin trip is coming up in early February and finally getting some snow so that they can snow shoe, not canoe. Also Mike indicated that some of the VPs are leaving the program including Laurie

Alberttson and Lisa Yaggie and some younger Rotarians stepping up to fill those roles and they plan to address the attrition of clubs in supporting YE.

Rotaract – Director Greg noted that new chair Nicole Mendolia will finally have a couple of Rotarians to add to a committee, that will act also as advisors to Nicole who herself is a Rotaractor and provide some increased coordination among the clubs. He noted that Rotaract holds great potential to add members to Rotary in the future. Also expressed was the interest of the BNMC Rotary Club in forming a Rotaract.

Rotary Foundation Report (see attached report): Karen Oakes, PDG, Director
Director Karen expressed her gratefulness for the hard work the Foundation team is doing and noted the deadline for clubs to submit their application for a district grant is January 31; John Teibert, chair, will be sending out a reminder to the qualifying clubs accordingly in the next few days.

Director Karen also noted that Shefali Clerk along with her Scholarship Committee is currently reviewing the 20 applications received for the \$5000 scholarship grant and that the Peace Scholarship deadline is May 31st. More information on the Peace Fellow and the scholarship application is at <https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/get-involved/exchange-ideas/peace-fellowships>.

AG Discussion: Governor Kevin opened the meeting to poll the AGs for their comments about the meeting or what is going on in their respective areas. AG Marty Area 2, noted that his clubs had been approached regarding support of Syrian refugee family and what they will be doing. AG Ross Gowan Area 1, noted he had a good meeting with his Area 1 clubs earlier this week; AG John Cooper Area 9, indicated that 1 or more of his clubs are going through a transition and that a merger is possible. AG Jackie Davis Area 12 described sparks of hope with two of her struggling clubs. AG Julie Ponkow Area 11, announced a special meeting of the Amherst South club on Wednesday, January 20 at 9:30 am at Daemen College to hear from the director of a Nepal Hospital that her club had been a big supporter of – started at 11 beds, now over 100 beds. AG Julie also asked if there was a place in the Get Ready to Grow campaign for a friend of Rotary drive also. Some discussion around this occurred.

Other Business:

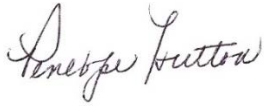
CCRID (see report attached): Karen Oakes, PDG, CCRID Representative
PDG Karen referenced her report and the final session of the CCRID. She also noted the new funding program pursuit through the Government of Canada.

Announcement: DGE Marlee Diehl noted that our next meeting of the District Council in Kenmore, NY on April 9th will be longer lasting until 4pm – to allow for District Leadership Training. In addition to the continental breakfast, lunch will be provided.

Other Business:

Adjournment: 10:33 am moved by Marlee Diehl, DGE; carried by acclaim.

Respectfully submitted,

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

**Penelope Hutton
Executive Secretary**

**Reports Attached:
YTD Financial Report January 12, 2016
DG Report
DGE Report
DGN Report
Public Image Report
Membership Report
Training Report
Youth Services Report (SlapShot flyer)
The Rotary Foundation Report
CRCID Report**

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Accrual Basis

Rotary International District 7090

Profit & Loss

July 1, 2015 through January 12, 2016

Jul 1, '15 - Jan 12, 16

Ordinary Income/Expense

Income

4000 · Club assessment	
4010 · General assessment	87,870.29
4020 · District Conference assessment	7,357.80
4030 · Insurance Assessment	36,434.43
Total 4000 · Club assessment	131,662.52
4200 · District Conference	
4202 · DC - Registrations	52,406.00
4204 · DC - Sponsorships	7,145.00
Total 4200 · District Conference	59,551.00
49900 · Uncategorized Income	1,583.00
5000 · Earned revenues	
5010 · Foundation dinner	8,030.00
5040 · PETS	14,592.00
5050 · Club Leadership Traing	65.00
Total 5000 · Earned revenues	22,687.00
5060 · District Simplified Grants	5,717.56
5200 · Interest income	21.84
5400 · Other income	
5405 · Grant Management Seminar Revenu	4,960.32
Total 5400 · Other income	4,960.32
Total Income	226,183.24

Expense

6000 · Administration	
6030 · District council	1,583.61
6060 · District Website Administration	18.17
6061 · District Website Club Runner	1,973.00
6062 · District Newsletter	1,200.00
6080 · District office	
6081 · Office Support	9,000.00
6082 · Phone Charges	510.00
6083 · Postage	2.62
6085 · Bank Charges	3,513.68
6086 · Supplies, Treasurer	240.20
Total 6080 · District office	13,266.50
Total 6000 · Administration	18,041.28
7000 · Directors and Committees	
7015 · District Simplified Grants	5,717.56
7030 · Long-range planning	681.96
7050 · Rotary foundation	
7055 · Paul Harris Society	131.21
7057 · Grant Management Seminar	6,007.13
7050 · Rotary foundation - Other	251.10
Total 7050 · Rotary foundation	6,389.44
7130 · Public Relations	99.12
7134 · Promotion of RI Theme	3,360.49
7140 · Communications	1,144.90
7200 · Other committees	
7205 · Other Committees - Misc	50.68
Total 7200 · Other committees	50.68
Total 7000 · Directors and Committees	17,444.15

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Accrual Basis

Rotary International District 7090

Profit & Loss

July 1, 2015 through January 12, 2016

	Jul 1, '15 - Jan 12, 16
7500 · Standing Committees	
7520 · District insurance	28,414.80
7530 · Finance and audit	5,000.00
Total 7500 · Standing Committees	33,414.80
8000 · Training	
8010 · District conference	
8012 · DC - Expenses	64,689.91
Total 8010 · District conference	64,689.91
8020 · PETS expenses	160.00
8030 · Club Leadership Training	3,835.25
8035 · PETS Training Costs	202.41
8036 · Visioning/Release Your Inner Ro	142.38
8040 · District training	2,465.62
8070 · Dist Gov Nominee Training	2,534.93
8080 · Dist Gov Elect Training	1,500.00
8085 · District Gov Training	2,189.11
Total 8000 · Training	77,719.61
8048 · Rotary Leadership Institue	546.55
8500 · Foundation Dinner Costs	6,496.76
9915 · Unbudgeted Expenses	2,689.11
Total Expense	156,352.26
Net Ordinary Income	69,830.98
Net Income	<u>69,830.98</u>

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Accrual Basis

Rotary International District 7090

Balance Sheet

As of January 12, 2016

Jan 12, 16

ASSETS**Current Assets****Chequing/Savings**

1010 · First Niagara US	84,212.91
1015 · First Niagara Short Term Invest	86,709.48
1020 · BoM Cdn	96,171.36
1070 · First Niagara Bank Special Acct	7,866.38
1090 · Restricted Grants Committee	72,442.68

Total Chequing/Savings	347,402.81
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Other Current Assets

1021 · Exchange on CDN bank balances	-8,151.95
1450 · Prepaid Expenses	2,727.00

Total Other Current Assets	-5,424.95
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Total Current Assets	341,977.86
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Fixed Assets

1700 · Equipment	2,457.44
1750 · Accum Amort - Equipment	-2,457.44

Total Fixed Assets	0.00
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TOTAL ASSETS	341,977.86
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LIABILITIES & EQUITY**Liabilities****Current Liabilities****Other Current Liabilities**

2030 · Accrued Expenses	73,533.44
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Total Other Current Liabilities	73,533.44
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Total Current Liabilities	73,533.44
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Equity

3100 · Restricted funds	4,374.00
3900 · Retained Earnings	194,239.44
Net Income	69,830.98

Total Equity	268,444.42
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	341,977.86
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District Governor 2015-16
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DG Report to District Council
January 16, 2016

Since our last District Council meeting, I have been focusing on plans for a comprehensive, district-wide membership campaign that will roll out in the spring. We are calling it “Get Ready to Grow.”

I intend to engage as many district leaders and teams as possible, including: Membership, Service Projects, Public Image, Training, Alumni and our AG team. The planning and preparation phase will take place through January and February. The implementation of the the campaign will be March, April and May. Reward and recognition will occur during June. We will prepare clubs and regions of the district to conduct recruitment events, conduct Public Image campaigns, and conduct service and fund-raising projects to coincide with the campaign so recruits will have the opportunity to experience Rotary as a hands-on activity. Also, we’ll help clubs be well-prepared to “on-board” new members.

I am currently organizing a planning team to apply for a grant from RI to conduct a recruitment event for “Young Professionals.” The grant application deadline is February 12.

January 14, 2016

District Governor-elect Report

The busyness does not seem to have abated much. There is so many layers to Rotary and just when I think I am getting there, something else comes to the forefront. That said, I have loved every moment of it.

I am still finalizing the District team for 2016-2017, but nearly there. This year I encouraged those holding a district position to send me a picture for the organizational chart. It is unfortunate it is needed to help the team feel they know each other. We need those on District Council to attend as many of the council meetings as possible. When we get together, we will achieve more.

The President-elects have done a great job of stepping up to attend PETS1 and MDPETS. They were slow to commitment; however, they are on track now. Thanks to Brian for all of his coordination with the registrations. He is still working on getting 6 PES registered at Syracuse as they cannot attend Toronto. In addition, John and Ralph have worked diligently to ensure that PETS1 (3 dates) will be challenging, interesting and informative. I am just so fortunate to have just a diligent team who also know how to have fun.

It is fun working with District 7070 and 7080 to bring together a fabulous event at MDPETS.

We are in hiatus with our plans for the District Conference, but we will take off again in a couple of weeks. I have been attending clubs to tell the conference story and share the wooden nickels. They are learning that if they do not have the coin with them they cannot get the bonus nickel. What fun to go to many clubs!

Marlee Diehl

From: [Reg Madison](#)
To: phutton@netsync.net
Subject: DGN Report
Date: Wednesday, January 13, 2016 9:56:23 AM

I've concluded my interviews with Past District Governors and want to say thank you for the advice I received to prepare me for my year as Governor in 2017/18. I am grateful for the sharing and many ideas I was able to amass in this exercise.

In addition to much participation in Zoom meetings for various topics including PETs, the 2017 Membership campaign and AGs, I have registered for the Zone training and meetings in Winnipeg in September and completed a site inspection for the 2017 District Conference.

The January 11th AG Zoom meeting was only attended by 6 AGs and upon investigation discovered that my Windows 10 laptop failed to notify almost everyone and I am working on what happened, why and looking to resolve this issue with Microsoft.

I am pleased to announce that the co-chairs for the 2017 District Conference are Teresa Schoonings of Brantford Rotary Sunrise and Sherry Kerr of the Rotary club of Brantford, another signal of Rotary collaboration. The conference dates are October 20-22, 2017 at the White Oaks Resort and Spa in Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario.

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January 2016 Report to District Leadership
New District Public Image Committee

The Public Image Committee is planning its participation in the District 7090 Membership Drive – Get Ready to Grow - with a targeted launch date of February 2016.

A creative brief is currently being prepared to share with DG Kevin, Brian Carmichael, and Marlee Diehl.

Respectfully submitted,

Roseanne Morissette,
Director of Public Image
Rotary District 7090

Membership Report
District Council
January 08, 2016

Membership update July 1, 2015 - 2323 January 8, 2016 - 2330

With all clubs being asked to update their membership numbers prior to the RI invoicing cycle January 1 being up 7 is encouraging.

Cautionary note 2 clubs, Middleport and The Tonawands, are in a state of flux. They are officially registered with RI as having 11 and 21 members respectively. In fact we know The Tonawandas club has only 7 active members. Should these clubs fold or members merge with other local clubs the year end impact from these 2 clubs could be at least -20 members.

On a positive note DG Kevin's Membership Initiative is being very well received. 66 of 67 clubs have supplied the Membership Committee with a contact name for information updates as this program is rolled out.

The initial email is copied below

Get Ready to Grow

Your Assistant Governors and District Committees

Membership Alumni Public Image Training Service Projects

are all working hard to develop support programs for your club's Membership Initiative. NOW is the time for you and your area clubs to begin to discuss and plan on how your club will integrate these efforts into your Club's and Area's Membership Drive

DG Kevin's Vision has 2 distinct phases

Planning Phase: January 15 - February 29

Action Phase: March 1 - May 31

DG Kevin's Vision is a 2 pronged approach

Provide clubs tools & resources to achieve success

Co-ordinate Area and District Public Image & Service Projects during the Action Phase so that potential new members can see and get involved with their local Rotary Club

More details to follow!!

Brian Carmichael District Membership Chair

TRAINING DIRECTOR REPORT

January 16, 2016

Director: John Heise

District Training Assembly (Anne Bermingham/Reg Madison)

Not much change since my fall report. Our chairs are working to finalize the committee. Date is set for May 7, 2015 at the Niagara Falls Conference Center. One location and one date for this year. In 2017, it will be on Canadian side. Plans are just getting started. The chairs are also working to expand the committee, with representatives from a variety of clubs.

Club Visioning (Anne Bermingham/ Barb Ochterski)

At the end of the month the team will be working with the Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus Club. This is the largest club the team has worked with. They are looking forward to the completing this.

New Member Orientation (Marie Bindeman)

As per a prior report, we would like to plan a process to design prepackaged learning tools for use by individual clubs in training their newest members. These training tools will enable and encourage clubs to provide new members with the necessary information to be more active and effective members. It will also provide a more flexible approach to training new members than seated pre-scheduled workshops. It would be helpful if the process could begin with a brainstorming session at the District Club Leadership Training Assembly which would ask members to provide input and advice in preparing training materials.

PETS (Brian Carmichael)

Brian, Ralph Montesanto, DGE Marlee, DGN Reg and John Heise have been very active planning the PETS 1-2 sessions. The group has been meeting 2-3 times a month.

The accounts from the PETS 2, 2015, have finally been settled and one district has already written their check for what is owed us.

Our PETS 1 sessions, on January 30 in Grimsby, February 6 in Hamburg, and February 17 in Niagara Falls, U. S. are in the final stages of planning. Registrations are going very well for each. It seems that no one can say no to DGE Marlee! (Along with Brian's work in developing the list and keeping it updated as PE changes develop.)

RLI (Martha Bailey and JoAnne Procter)

Our first session is scheduled for March 19 at Niagara County Community College, one of our usual sites.

We now have a co-chair for this committee. JoAnne Procter from Brantford has stepped forward. Martha and JoAnne have already met (electronically) to begin the coordination.

Ralph Montesanto and John Heise participated in a membership meeting hosted by Bob Wallace, a Zone Coordinator for membership. Bob shared many ideas for addressing membership issues, some of which can be used by the training team.

SERVICE PROJECTS REPORT

District Council Meeting 1.16.16

COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE:

- **Disaster Preparedness Plan Document**

I have been in touch with Leigh Readdy, who is the current Vice Chair of the Disaster Assistance Network Rotary Action Group, as well as the Disaster Coordinator for D5030. I asked him to review the current draft created by Thomas Brock back in 2011. His response was very encouraging! According to Leigh, the current draft we have is further along and more “put together” and organized, then the one his district has been working on for the past 18 months! He is currently in the process of recommending some changes to our draft, along with some suggestions of things to include. In addition, once the document is finalized, he would like to use our Plan, as the boilerplate for all Disaster Plans to be recommended for all Clubs worldwide. They would also like to have it available for download on their website once completed! I plan to reach out to Thomas Brock to let him know how well received his Plan has been, and to ask if he will consider working with Leigh and others to finally bring this project to completion. This is a very proud moment for our District, and one more area that we can shine in the world of Rotary

VOCATIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE:

- Nothing to report on at this time

WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICE

Last meeting held: 1.13.16

2 projects were approved by WCS and the following motions are put forth for Council approval:

- **MOTION from the 9/30/2015 WCS meeting:**
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SPECIAL PROJECTS – Our part in the membership campaign!

- Creation of a district wide Service Projects database
 - DG Kevin would like to create a catalog of successful Service Projects currently (or recently) conducted by the clubs in our region. One purpose is to create a database of projects for Clubs to reference when they are looking to start their own. For example, if a club was interested in doing some sort of water well project, they could use the directory to see what other clubs are (or have done) water well projects and they could then reach out to them for advice or guidance. This resource can help to eliminate a lot of “reinventing of the wheel” and allow all clubs to benefit from the trial and error that other clubs have already undergone. Additionally, this resource can be shown to potential members who may be interested in connecting with a club that is working in a particular Area of Focus as defined by Rotary International.
- Identify & promote service projects from different regions across our district
 - As part of the membership campaign, we are trying to coordinate several “hands on” service projects in different areas of our district. We are going to ask the Clubs to submit ideas for SP in their area. From this list, we are hoping to pick a handful of projects and promote them during our campaign. The goal would be to invite potential members to participate in the project – allowing them to experience Rotary in Action! Hopefully working alongside the members in your Club and getting to know them and Rotary better, may lead to a desire for membership. In addition, we would also promote other Clubs coming to help out as well. By asking the Clubs to participate in a coordinated, district wide, Rotary “Day of Service”, we are hoping to reinvigorate our current members and promote fellowship across the Clubs and Areas!

In order to achieve this goal, I am asking the AG's to work with their Club Presidents to identify potential service projects for consideration during in the Rotary Day of Service. Additionally, I need your help to encourage them to send me current SP for inclusion in the directory. In order to streamline this process, I will create a sheet with some basic information to be collected. The Clubs just need to fill that out and I will organize the information received. This form will be completed and emailed to all Club Presidents, Club Secretaries & AG's by Monday 1/18/16.

Attachments:

Khazimula Children's Project

Water Wells – Mono Dasse Chieftdom Project

Khazimula means “to shine”. It is home to some 30 boys and girls, 6-18 years, who are street children and AIDS orphans. At Khazimula, they have the chance to live as children again – confident of the love and interest of their caregivers, their next meal and their own warm, safe beds. As for most children, they have regular responsibilities including caring for pets and farm animals, tending their vegetable garden, doing their own laundry, and so on. And, they all attend local schools.



The home was established in 2007 in a renovated school atop a hill in Lidgetton – a town near Howick in uMngeni Municipality in the South African province of KwaZulu-Natal. Children are brought to Khazimula by the Department of Social Development. Through the court system, they have been deemed abandoned, abused, or orphans in need of temporary shelter. The principal is Father Mvuyo Ndenza, an ordained priest and former psychiatric nurse, with a huge heart for the children. He has a small team of support staff including Zeph Mbhele, the child care worker featured in the video on the website. (www.khazimula.co.za)



Because Khazimula's main objective is to reintegrate the children back into their communities, the staff maintains contact with relatives of the children and tries to support the fostering process. Where possible children are returned to family or relatives in the community.

In 2015, the Rotary Club of Lincoln Foundation Inc., through its “Adrie's Hope” fund, contributed approximately \$10,000 CAD to Khazimula Children's Project (KCP) to hire a permanent social worker – a mandatory requirement for Khazimula to achieve its goal to qualify as an orphanage and enable children too vulnerable to be returned to their communities to remain at Khazimula in a

stable and permanent home until they reach the age of 18 or have completed their schooling. We are excited that this initial investment enabled Khazimula to qualify for status as an orphanage and be eligible for public funding through the Department of Social Development.

Lincoln Rotary is pleased to join the Rotary Club of Hilton & Howick and District 9270 in sharing the sponsorship and management for this project. Our aim is to help KCP develop to its full potential and build its capacity to become self-sustainable.

Basic Education & Literacy is the primary focus for this project. However, all other Rotary Foundation areas of focus come into play as the project is meant to provide for the overall wellbeing of the Khazimula children as healthy, educated and engaged citizens.

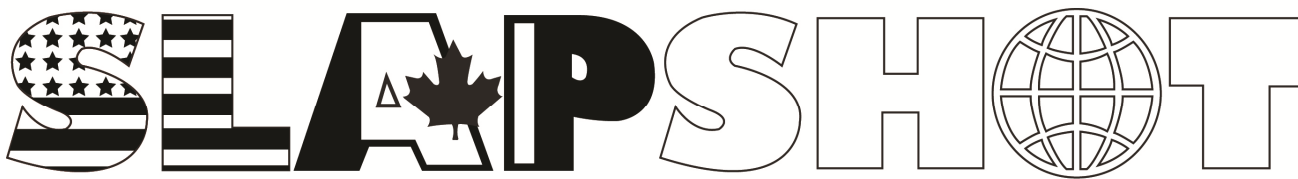
The Rotary Club of Lincoln welcomes the support of your club!

Debbie Klassen | debbie.klassen@sympatico.ca | 905.562.5971



Water Wells Mono Dasse Chiefdom, Southern providence of Sierra Leone.

The Rotary Club of Akron Newstead will be partnering with the group **Let Them LOL** in an effort to drill fresh water wells in Monotown, SL. Our goal is to put in 8 wells in Mono and the surrounding communities. Back in 2012, our Rotary Club partnered with LOL to drill one fresh water well. Three members of our Club flew to Africa with the group to inspect the final project. While there, they scouted the surrounding villages for potential future sites and also handed out sawyer water filters to the villages they visited. Since our last visit, we have worked to form a partnership with the Rotary Club of Freetown, SL in hopes of moving forward with a global grant to achieve this lofty goal. This March, Keith Hatswell & Melisa Schrock will be leading a group on behalf of Rotary to confirm future sites for the 8 wells. We are requesting permission to solicit other Rotary Clubs in our district for donations towards our project. In addition, we ask to have the project sanctioned by WCS so that we may move forward with other fundraising projects and eventually grant submission.



Rotary District 7090

Student Leadership Award Program for Students High On Training

April 22 - April 24, 2016

The Adventure Learning Centre at Canterbury Hills, Ancaster, Ontario, CANADA



*A fun-filled WEEKEND of personal & leadership development activities for **HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT LEADERS, 15-18 years old***

"SLAPSHOT proved to be a fantastic experience for me as a leader. I was very fortunate to spend the weekend with 100 teens, just like me, from Canada and the U.S."



"The program involved outstanding speakers and exceptional leaders who motivated my creativity. One of the most memorable presentations was made by a young, enthusiastic, and very well educated speaker, Joel Hilchey."



"The High Ropes showed me how important it is to be able to work with others. Also, since there is so much trust involved, it was a great opportunity to realize that you can't do everything yourself. Sometimes you have to let things fall into the hands of capable people who want to help."



SLAPSHOT is unique to Rotary District 7090.

SLAPSHOT promotes, honours, celebrates & fosters youth leadership.

SLAPSHOT is a **District 7090 YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD** program that takes place over a full weekend at the end of April each year on the beautiful campus of The Adventure Learning Centre at Canterbury Hills in Ancaster, Ontario, Canada. The primary focus is to maximize the promotion of leadership, self-esteem and teamwork. Six meals and two overnight stays in cabin settings provide the backdrop for training in listening and interpersonal skills, assertiveness and problem-solving, team building and presentation skills. Each year, students leave SLAPSHOT feeling more confident in themselves and prepared to strengthen their involvement with Interact Clubs and other initiatives that they believe will make a difference in their schools and local communities and beyond.

SLAPSHOT offers the perfect opportunity for 100 high school students, selected by Rotary Clubs from throughout District 7090, to come together for a wonderful experience in fun, fellowship and learning. The program is founded on Rotary ideals and serves as a strong link on the continuum of Rotary's youth leadership development opportunities –EarlyAct, Interact, Youth Exchange, RYLA and Rotaract.

ROTARY DISTRICT 7090 11th ANNUAL SLAPSHOT – April 22, 23, 24, 2016

The Adventure Learning Centre at Canterbury Hills, Ancaster, Ontario, CANADA

www.adventureworks.org

SLAPSHOT 2016 REGISTRATION OPENS Monday, January 11, 2016

PART 1 – A Rotary Club can register up to FIVE students by mailing full payment & completed CLUB FORM #1 (*page 5 of Club Information & Registration package*) to the SLAPSHOT REGISTRAR.

FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED. Only the first 100 registrations will be accepted.

REGISTRATION FEE is \$325 CAD per CANADIAN STUDENT

REGISTRATION FEE is \$275 USD per AMERICAN STUDENT

PART 2 – Once registered, the club undertakes to select its student participants and submit their names on CLUB FORM #2 (*page 6 of Club Information & Registration package*) & completed student application forms to the REGISTRAR by the end of March.

Students who have previously attended SLAPSHOT are not eligible. This is a 'once in a lifetime' award.

REGISTRATION CLOSES March 31, 2016

For full details, see SLAPSHOT 2016 CLUB INFORMATION & REGISTRATION PACKAGE

SLAPSHOT 2016 information and registration forms for Rotary Clubs & Student Participants are posted online @ Rotary District 7090.

DISTRICT 7090 YOUTH SERVICE – SLAPSHOT 2016 LEADERSHIP

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District 7090 Rotary Foundation Committee
District Council Report January 16, 2016.



The Rotary Foundation “Doing Good in the World”.

Karen L. Oakes, Director, District 7090 Rotary Foundation

The Foundation “Food truck” has been out for a “tune up” and is all fired up to hit the road once again in this second half of our Rotary year.

Collectively, we enjoy the opportunity afforded during these onsite meetings as we bring a “face” of the Foundation at work to each of the clubs we are invited to attend. **Keep those invitations coming!**

FUNDRAISING

1) Annual Fund – Chair Pat Castiglia

The annual fund goal for District 7090 is \$251,342.00. As of January 2016, our donations total \$140,527.13. This is approximately 56 percent of our goal.

76.81 percent of clubs in our district set annual giving goals i.e. 53 of 69 clubs.

The total number of clubs making donations thus far is 75.36 percent that is 52 out of 69 clubs.

The chair's plan is to remind club presidents and foundation chairs of the importance of clubs making their donations by the end of March, if at all possible, to ensure that our District receives proper credit for donations by our members.

Respectfully Submitted,
 Pat Castiglia.

2)) Polio Plus Fund – Chair TBA

Further to our email outreach of December 30, 2015, Subject POLIO YTD District 7090 Clubs, we are pleased to see the continued flow of donations to the Polio Eradication effort.

As at January 12, 2015, 68% of our clubs which includes individual Rotarian donations have contributed \$91,249.02 to Polio Plus. Recent email communications from several club leaders provides a strong indication that further donations will be forthcoming from recent fundraising events with several other undertakings forecast over the next few months.

The year 2015 has had fewer cases in fewer places than ever before. It is more important than ever that the momentum gained thus far is maintained in 2016. In order to stop wild poliovirus in 2016, the program's focus is now on strengthening surveillance, keeping Africa polio-free and ending transmission in Afghanistan and Pakistan

Wild poliovirus type 1 and Circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus cases

Total cases	Year-to-date 2015		Year-to-date 2014		Total in 2014	
	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV	WPV	cVDPV
Globally	70	26	347	51	359	56
- in endemic countries	70	3	328	48	340	52
- in non-endemic countries	0	23	19	3	19	4

3) Paul Harris Society - Chair PDG Bob Bruce. No update provided.

4) Endowment Fund – Chair John Mullen.

The activity of the Endowment Fund Committee has been limited since last spring's Million Dollar Dinner as members attention was diverted to family and business activities. Having said that, we are now planning a committee meeting for later in January to do some brainstorming and come up with ideas on how to go forward and build on the success of the MDD last year.

At this time I would like to advise the District that long time committee member and PDG Joe DePaolo has resigned from the Endowment Fund Committee. Joe has a long history of successful promotion of the Endowment Fund and continues to have a passion for it, but he has spread himself very thin and needs to back off of some activities. On behalf of all members of our District, I want to thank Joe for all his contributions over the years and let him know he is welcome back anytime.

We have some new members joining us this year so we look forward to adding their energy and ideas to the committee. Currently, the areas of focus for the committee members on an ongoing basis are:

- ☐ 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

We will be reviewing these strategies at our upcoming meeting.

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, John Beyer, Franco Olivieri, Umit Eruysal, Maynard Lowry, Stephen Keefe Frank Adamson and Karen Oakes (Foundation Chair).

Respectfully submitted
John Mullen, Chair

FOUNDATION GRANTS

1) District Grants Committee Report January 16, 2016

2015-2016 Grants (as of January 12, 2016)

Total Grants Approved – 23
Dollar amount of Grants Approved – \$41,251.53
Final Reports Submitted – 2
Final Reports Approved – 1
Dollar amount of Grants approved - \$2,000.00

2016-2017 Grants (as of January 12, 2016)

Number of Clubs that attended District Grants Training Seminar – 50
Number of Clubs that submitted MOUs and Addendums – 49
Budgeted Amount for 2015-2016 District Grants - \$46,000.00
Number of clubs that have submitted a District Grant application – 5
Dollar amount of District Grant applications approved - \$nil

Respectfully submitted,
John N. Teibert, CPA, CA
Rotary District 7090
District Grants SubCommittee Chair

a) Scholarship – Chair Shefali Clerk

Scholarship Committee Report

Scholarship Applications were due by 12.31.15

This year we received 20 applications. We are in the process of selecting a student for the award. Scholarship committee is

working hard to decide on who is the winner of this award. All the students have written wonderful essays about Ideals of Rotary and Service above self. It is a very competitive process.

Rotary Peace Scholarship application is available. Deadline is May 31, 2016

b) Vocational Training Team – Chair Dan Smith

We are extremely sad to report our VTT Partner District 7020 has been unable to meet the requirements of finding a VTT Team in a timely fashion. This has prevented our District from being able to properly organize and plan for the appropriate training.

We therefore have made the very difficult decision to terminate this incoming VTT project for the 2015-2016 Rotary Year.

On the brighter side, we are requesting proposals for the 2016-2017 Rotary Year. This can take the form of a Club initiative, District Grant, and/or a Global Grant.

Dan Smith
VTT Chair for District 7090

2. Global Grants - Advisor Roy Sheldrick

At the moment all our 7090 grants are on target for reporting and new grants are being received on a fairly regular basis.
Sincerely Roy

ALUMNI - Chair Patti Johnson No update provided.

2015-2016 D7090 The Rotary Foundation (TRF) Goals

We are pleased to share our collective Rotary Foundation Goals for 2015-2016 as follows:

1. Build on the existing focus of D7090 support of the eradication of polio through:
 - a) Individual Club financial participation to realize a cumulative total in excess of \$100,000 USD **(91%)**
 - b) DDF financial commitment of at least 20% - **COMPLETED**
2. Further the advancement of support of the Annual Fund as follows:
 - a) an overall increase in contributions by at least 5% **(not evident to date, year over year decrease)**
 - b) a 2% increase in the number of clubs achieving the **100% Foundation Giving Banner** (deleted EREY fundraising level). **(Work in progress). Goal modified to align with revised Club Banner recognition for this year. Discussion at December 7, 2015 Foundation Committee meeting with all in agreement.**
3. Engage at least 35% of our qualified clubs in completing a club project as part of our 2015-2016 District Grant Spending Plan. **(23 club proposals included in our 2015-16 DGSP).**
4. Provide DDF support to Global Grant (GG) applications from our qualified clubs upon satisfactory review to ensure the GG addresses the need for sustainable, measurable outcomes in one or more of the areas of focus. **(Ongoing).**
5. Continue to educate all D7090 Rotarians, Rotary Foundation alumni, and other like-minded individuals, on the benefits of The Rotary Foundation programs. **(Ongoing).**
6. Grow our Bequest Society membership by 1% annually. **(Ongoing).**

Year to Date Summary

Fellow Rotarians

As outlined in the above Committee specific reports, our various Rotary Foundation Committees continue to dedicate valuable service in the Rotary Foundation efforts with ongoing significant results. Our heartfelt expression of appreciation is extended to our Chairpersons and their committee members for all their time and effort to build our awareness of The Rotary Foundation. It is truly my pleasure to work with such an exemplary group of Rotarians.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen L. Oakes

The Rotary Foundation – Doing Good in the World.

Canadian Rotary Collaboration for International Development (CRCID), January 2016

As your District 7090 CRCID representative, I participated in a final session on January 5, 2016 to consider the following motion :

"Whereas the agreement between CRCID and DFATD has expired, and whereas CRCID ceases to have income or programs to help manage, be it resolved that CRCID will apply to the Canadian government, Department of Corporate Affairs, to dissolve the organization."

Said motion was passed with nominal discussion.

It has been my pleasure to serve as your District representative on this initiative and I express appreciation for the opportunity provided to me. I have duly expressed our thanks and my own personal Thank you to the CRCID board with significant expression of appreciation to Executive Director, Kevin Webb, for his commitment to this venture.

The new Government of Canada funding program provided through The Rotary Foundation Canada as part of a Global Grant application continues to be pursued with various applications said to be underway.

On this note, RRFC Duncan Conrad and his team, are again offering a online session in late January- early February to cover the highlights of this proposal. It is recognized that we touched on this offering during our October Grant Management Seminar, however we are welcoming your participation in this upcoming online presentation.

If you are interested, please do contact me @ oakes.kl@sympatico.ca for further details.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen L. Oakes.