

# The Rotary Foundation Zone 22 (24) Newsletter

A Monthly E-Newsletter for Rotary Leaders in Zone 22 (24)

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### ZONE 22 FOUNDATION TEAM

TRF Zone 22 West Team Districts 5010, 5020, 5040, 5050, 5060, 5080, 5360, 5370, 5550

RRFC Chris Offer Annual Giving - Joan Firkins We wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with opportunities for service and possibilities to Make Dreams Real.

Richard Clarke and Chris Offer - Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinators.

REGIONAL ROTARY FOUNDATION SEMINAR ZONE 22 (WEST) - On January 30 and 31, 2009 you have a unique opportunity to join Rotarians from nine districts at the Zone 22 (West) Regional Rotary Foundation Seminar. This event will be held in Metro Vancouver (Richmond). Rotarians from western Canada, Alaska and the Pacific Northwest of the USA will attend this seminar. The preferred hotel rate is only available until December 30, 2008. For details visit: www.

RotaryEvents.ca or contact RRFC Chris Offer.

ECONOMIC RESTRAINT AND ROTARY CONFERENCES - Is Now the Time for More Rotary Conferences? Should we cancel our conference or seminar to save Rotarians money?

Alumni - June Arbon-Cathcart Major Gifts - David Marsh \$100 Million Challenge -Bruce Christensen

TRF Zone 22 East Team Districts 6330, 7010, 7040, 7070, 7080, 7790, 7810, 7820

RRFC Richard Clarke
Gift Advisor - Peter Smith
Gift Advisor - Ken Robinson
Alumni - Joan Hayward
\$100 Million ChallengeBill Patchett

## Special TRF

Ambassadors Your Foundation/Our Foundation, a program for sharing funds from club and district foundations

> Trustee Carolyn Jones RRFC Chris Offer PDG Reid Asselstine

#### LINKS WORTH A LOOK





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TRF ANNUAL REPORT - The 2007-08 Annual Report of The Rotary Foundation has just been released and is available for downloading.

ROTARY CREDIT CARD - When Rotary International credit card holders use their cards, a portion of the purchase amount will go straight to Rotary's US\$100 Million Challenge. Since the affinity card program launched in 2000, \$6.5 million has been raised for The Rotary Foundation. The card is a simple and effective way to support polio eradication and promote Rotary every time the card is used. The card is available in Canada and the US. read more

CONTACT CENTER - A team of Rotary Foundation specialists are available to help you. Specialists answer calls Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. CST. Call 866-9ROTARY or 866-976-8279 (US and Canada only) E-mail: contact.center@rotary.org (currently available in English only).

NEW FOUNDATION POSITION - The trustees of The Rotary Foundation have approved the new position of Assistant Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator (ARRFC). The current positions of Strategic Advisor to the Annual Programs Fund and the Major Gift Advisor will be eliminated effective July 1, 2009. The ARRFCs will work with the RRFC as part of the Zone Foundation team. The Chair of the TRF Trustees will announce the new appointments.

ROTARY ON YOU TUBE - A look at microcredit recipients in Ethiopia- a joint venture between Rotary clubs in Comox, BC, Portland, OR, World Vision, Wisdom Bank and USAID. watch this video

**MEMORIAL ENVELOPES** - Pre-addressed envelopes for gifts made to The Rotary Foundation in memory of a deceased Rotarian or friend of Rotary are available. The families of Rotarians often wish to have donations made to TRF. Districts are encouraged to keep a supply of memorial envelopes available to assist when needed. Have each AG keep a supply. They are available for the US and Canada. To order click **HERE** 

**FUTURE VISION** - What is it? Should your district be part of the pilot? What are the new grant models? How will the future vision plan impact your district's current international partnerships? Looking for answers? read more

ROTARY ON TWITTER - Rotary is sharing news updates through Twitter , a social networking site that allows users to easily upload information and keep subscribers, referred to as "followers," updated with Rotary news. Consider creating a Twitter account for your club or district, and encourage others in your club or district to follow Rotary on Twitter.

ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE - RLI offers districts an excellent way to increase knowledge of The Rotary Foundation and develop leaders to take TRF assignments in clubs and the district. Each of the three one day seminars has a strong TRF component in the curriculum. Currently 9 districts in Zone 22 offer RLI programs. Contact RRFC Chris Offer to find out how your district can join RLI. read more

THE HUMBLE COOK STOVE- is being overhauled around the world with the help of "user



focused" design. This research may lead to future Rotary service projects. read more

PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY - As of June 30 2008, there were 214 districts with Paul Harris Societies totalling 6,719 members operating in 22 countries. At its current levels, PHS member contributions represent more than US\$6.7 million contributed to TRF automatically each year. The PHS has been, and continues to be one of the most important contribution levels and appreciation programs in our Rotary Foundation. Districts are encouraged to start or to enhance membership in their Paul Harris Societies. The PHS Brochure is available gratis in English & French. read more

**GSE** - All GSE program materials can be completed electronically. The GSE department requests that all districts submit pre-departure documentation that has been typed, as opposed to hand-written. These documents are available on the GSE 2008-09 CD.

As districts select their 2008-09 GSE teams, it is very important for all districts to submit all documentation promptly. Pre-departure documents are due to TRF at least <u>45 days</u> prior to the team's scheduled date of departure. Should you have any questions about the GSE program, please contact your GSE Coordinator.

#### DATES TO NOTE

Jan 9-10, 2009 - Presidential Membership Conference -Phoenix
Jan 17-19, 2009 - Past Officers Reunion - San Diego
Jan 18-25, 2009 - International Assembly - San Diego
Jan 30-31, 2009 - Zone 22 West Regional TRF Seminar -Metro Vancouver
Mar 27-28, 2009 - Presidential Membership Conference - Baltimore
Jun 18-19, 2009 - Rotary World Peace Symposium - Birmingham
Jun 20, 2009 - Rotary Alumni Celebration - Birmingham
Jun 21-24, 2009 - 2009 RI Convention - Birmingham
Sep 14-20, 2009 - Zone 24 Rotary Institute - Edmonton

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