

District 7120 Foundation Newsletter - June 2017 Edition



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District Governor Tom Rogers Home Club - Canandaigua, NY

When I first addressed the District Rotarians as Governor, I was standing on the banks of Canandaigua Lake in a beautiful and bountiful setting. When I am surrounded by such beauty and experience gratitude for living in a safe and healthy environment, I have to remember the needs of many in our local communities and of the millions in need throughout the world. As Rotarians, we can make a difference. At that changeover dinner, I spoke on the significance of our Centennial celebration for the Rotary Foundation. The history of our foundation as reported on our website includes:

The Rotary Foundation transforms your gifts into service projects that change lives both close to home and around the world.

During the past 100 years, the Foundation has spent \$3 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects. With your help, we can make lives better in your community and around the world.

Why should I donate to The Rotary Foundation?

Your donation makes a difference to those who need our help most. More than 90 percent of donations go directly to supporting our service projects around the world.

How does The Rotary Foundation use donations?

Our 35,000 clubs carry out sustainable service projects that support our six causes. With donations like yours, we've wiped out 99.9 percent of all polio cases. Your donation also trains future peacemakers, supports clean water, and strengthens local economies.

What impact can one donation have?

It can save a life. A child can be protected from polio with as little as 60 cents. Our partners make your donation go even further. For every \$1 Rotary commits to polio eradication, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation has committed \$2.

My message has been loud and consistent all year. We are Rotarians who make a difference in the world by serving humanity. I asked that each and every Rotarian make a contribution to the Rotary Foundation before June 30, 2017. While I understand that some have been unable to make this commitment, our fellow Rotarians have stepped up and contributed great amounts to the Foundation. As of this writing, I can report the following donations by Members and Clubs:

Annual Share Fund	\$257,186 or \$107.21 per member
Polio Plus Campaign	\$ 66,920 or \$27.89 per member or \$956.00 per Club
Other Funds and Grants	\$ 37,727 or \$15.73 per member
Total Foundation Giving	\$361,833 !!

I have been proud to serve as your Governor during this Centennial Year and will always appreciate the generosity of our members.









PDG Ellen Hughes District 7120 Foundation Chair

FIRST...Yoo Hoo...Yippee Skippee and Hooray!!!!! <u>AT LAST CHECK WE HAD 100% OF CLUBS</u> <u>GIVING AND A DISTRICT PER CAPITA OF \$110!!!!!!!</u> Great job!

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Then, as we come to another year end I would like to reflect on this year and all the good that has been done...

I am thankful

June 2017

- for Jeff Krans for preparing me to take on this position in the district...and for answering all questions with great patience and tact. (Never once has he said...Ellen, you really ought to know this by now!).
- for all who bought cases of foundation wine...increasing our foundation giving by \$1,700.
- for every club that completed a DSG project to help their communities...using over \$50,000 in district designated funds.
- for DG Tom who answered my emails promptly when it was necessary.
- every club and individual who donated to the silent auction at the conference and those who bid on them raising over \$6,300 for the foundation.
- for DGE Don who did not make any financial promises while he was in San Diego.
- for the giving that allowed us to spend over \$22,000, submit \$11,000 and tag over \$22,000 for global grants around the world.
- for the many people who have spent countless hours on grant writing, not because they love to write grants but because they are committed to helping people.
- for the very knowledgeable group who work with me at the Grant Management Seminars to do everything they can to make those seminars meaningful.
- for the Foundation Area Directors...you really are the fuel that spurs on district giving.
- for PDG Chick Turner for the great job he does as grant manager and for stepping to the plate and taking on more this year.
- for Eric Schmidt, who is the District Simplified Grants Chair, for the hours he puts in to make sure all paperwork is in compliance.
- for that small group of Rotarians (you know who you are) who always say yes whenever I call, no
 matter what, no questions asked....you are the true meaning of Rotary and have a special place in my
 heart. (P.S. I'll try not to call too often!)
- for a great year by any standard ... I know because even our RI Annual Fund Chair for this zone said so!
- for Howard Selleck....who puts this all together...who has agreed to do it for one more year ... despite recent surgery ... who always makes everything look good. Hoping my arm twisting didn't necessitate the surgery
- And for YOU....you make the world a better place to be!

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Rotary District 7120 2016-2017 District Designated Funds: end of year reports

May 14, 2017

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50% of 2013-14 Annual Program Fund SHARE contributions		\$109,204.63
50% of Endowment Fund SHARE Earnings		\$2,023.02
	TOTAL DDF received in 2016-17	\$111,227.65
Carry forward from 2015-16	DDF carried forward	\$35,568.16
	TOTAL DDF available in 2016-17	\$146,795.81
District Designated Funds Commitments		
District Grant Approved		
2016-2017 Awards to Clubs		\$55,539.00
POLIO		\$21,841.00

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Rotary Global Scholarship Recipient Report

By David Luitweiler

Alina Urbanic, the 2017 Rotary District 7120 Global Scholarship Award recipient, has completed the final course requirements for her Master in Public Administration degree at Bocconi School of Management in Milan, Italy.



Pictured above: Alina's class picture after finishing academic courses – celebratory luncheon. Alina is dead center – black skirt, white top.

Alina is a Victor resident and a 2010 graduate of Victor Senior High School. She is a 2013 graduate of George Washington University and was a Peace Corp volunteer in Morocco before commencing her studies in Milan. Alina was selected to receive the \$30,000.00 scholarship by a committee of Rotarians from District 7120.

In her final series of elective courses she focused on those that matched her concern for her future involvement in the public/private work sector. These courses focused on the Management of International, Public, and Nonprofit Organizations and also included classes on Business and Government Relations. The latter concluded with a group presentation to members of the European Investment Bank on the successes and failures of Public-Private Partnerships to fund infrastructure development in Italy. Alina reports the program has been very intense and it is a relief to have successfully navigated the courses. However, she will miss the work and effort she put into her classes and now that they have been completed it is somewhat of a bittersweet feeling that they have come to an end. Her class commemorated the conclusion of the academic phase of the program with a celebratory luncheon.

Alina has now moved on to the final phase of her program: a six month internship in a field related to her course of study. This will provide her the opportunity to apply what she has learned in the classroom to work experiences related to employment with a non-profit organization involved with helping others.

Alina has been offered a 6-month contract with UNOPS, the UN Office for Project Services, in Geneva, Switzerland. UNOPS is an operational agency of the UN, focusing mostly on project management, infrastructure and procurement around the world. She will be part of a team that coordinates the Stop TB Partnership, a partnership of roughly 1500 actors and organizations including The Global Fund, the WHO, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, dedicated to ending tuberculosis around the world.

On a personal note, she advises that she has enjoyed living in Milan the past nine months and is leaving with a certain amount of sadness. She is looking forward to the next six months in Geneva and her involvement with the United Nations Stop TB Program. She describes her involvement in this program as being, "an incredible work opportunity."

Her involvement with the UNOPS program will involve her with the Bill & Melissa Gates Foundation in the worldwide efforts to eradicate TB. The Gates Foundation is partnering with Rotary in the worldwide effort to eradicate polio.



Global Grant 1757157 Lyonda, Congo Wash Project By PDG Jeff Krans, Penn Yan Rotary Club

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The Grants Committee has approved a proposal for a Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) project to provide wells and latrines in Lyonda in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and in four other nearby communities. The Penn Yan Rotary Club is serving as the international partner for this grant and is seeking commitments for financial support for the project. Funds will not be

required until sometime after July 1, 2017 when the grant is submitted for The Rotary Foundation approval.

The Kinshasa-Kingabwa Rotary Club is the host partner in District 9150. This club and district, and the primary contact, Fred Tiabu of the Kinshasa-Kingabwa club, were our partners for a grant in 2014-15. Fred is now DRFC of District 9150, which includes ten countries in central Africa. Leon Fontier, the President Elect of the Penn Yan Rotary Club, spent nine months in the Congo during 2014-2015 implementing the Bolenge WASH project which was funded by Global Grant #1525063. During his stay, he learned that available clean drinking water and sanitation facilities near homes and clinics were the items the population needed most in villages throughout the region surrounding Bolenge.

Habitat Technology Solutions for the Congo (HTSC) is our partner 501 (c) 3 organization. It pays for Leon's trips to the Congo since Rotary will not finance Rotarian travel to that country. HTSC was founded by Leon in 2012 with the mission of providing clean water to this region of the Congo. Partnering with The Rotary Foundation has helped meet the needs for clean water, sanitation, and hygiene education in this region of the Congo.

The current grant will impact five villages, providing water wells, latrines, medical waste disposal pits, and hygiene education. Leon will be training two teams of workers as well: one for well drilling operations, and the other for water system maintenance and repair of pumps and other components. The Catholic Church in the area is a partner and will provide a shop that will be a permanent home for materials, tools, and production facilities. The end result will be a sustainable operation for the long term.

Our initial budget was \$34,979, but we are now looking at a budget of \$43,000. We currently have \$38,000 in commitments and World Fund matching dollars. Those commitments came from Districts 7120, 3201 (India), and 9150(Africa) as well as the Penn Yan, Kinshasa-Kingabwa, and Bombay West Rotary clubs! The Corning, Pal-Mac, and Perry Clubs are all considering commitments. Our hope is to have the application finalized by early July for submission to The Rotary Foundation.

Corning - Nepal Clubs Partner to Assist Home for Abandoned Children in Nepal with Global Grant

By Dick Puccio - Corning Rotary

The Rotary Club of Corning has partnered with the Club of Bhaktapur, Nepal (District 3292) to submit a Global Grant in the amount of \$63,147 to assist House with Heart, a home for abandoned children in Kathmandu, Nepal.

Beverly Bronson, founder and CEO of House with Heart, while working as a social worker in Kathmandu, Nepal, found two abandoned children on the streets of the city. With no one to look after them, she took the responsibility of providing for their care. She soon realized there were many unwanted children in Kathmandu and decided to help as many as she could. Beverly bought a home and started House with Heart, (formally known as Ghar Sita Mutu). House with Heart has been operating successfully for 17 years and is now a 501(c)3 charitable organization. It is a warm and loving family atmosphere for 24 orphaned and abandoned children, providing nutritious meals, education, enrichment activities, and healthcare.

The Corning club has had an ongoing supportive relationship with House with Heart since 2008. Beverly has worked closely with both the Corning and Bhaktapur clubs on this grant that will, if approved, achieve three interlocking goals: expanding its programs; increasing its capacity to take in more children; and ensuring the sustainability and long-term goals of the organization.

Education is a major component of the grant. House with Heart provides for the education of the children living there and also helps provide education for many of the children and women of the local community. This grant, if approved, will enable HwH to expand its educational outreach program with their Women's Training Program which provides destitute women with free training in craft-making and literacy giving them employable skills so they can support their own families. The grant will provide sewing machines and training in their use.

There is a Children's Learning Center at the house that provides free schooling and tutoring for children aged 3 to 12 whose families cannot afford to send them to school. Basic literacy and math is taught in the center and intends to provide a path for these children to attend full-time school. Books, desks, computers and learning supplies will be procured by HwH with the grant.

Other services provided through the Community Outreach Program include basic medical checkups, public health and women's health workshops, and clothing distributions. House with Heart is requesting funding from Rotary International to enhance and expand existing programs with new equipment, provide new solar panels to operate that equipment, and purchase key equipment to implement programs.

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Corning - Nepal Clubs Partner (continued)

This grant will greatly enhance House with Heart's ability to fight disease, provide clean water, save mothers and children, support education, and grow local economies. The Global Grant will provide funds to help with replacement items such as: beds and bedding, a water pump, tank and platform, bathroom equipment, rugs (for warmth and child play safety on concrete floors), space heaters, and two computers for the children to complete homework assignments.

Brachytherapy Applicator Global Grant 1745871 By PDG Jeff Krans

The Rotary Club of Sanyer, in District 2420 (Turkey) has asked our district to support a grant to supply a Brachytherapy Applicator to the Oncology unit of the Kartal Education and Research Hospital in Istanbul. The grants team approved the request and committed \$5,000 DDF to the grant.

At the Foundation Brunch, an appeal for cash donations was shared with clubs. In May, when the Corning Club offered to provide funding for the grant, we learned that our friends in Turkey had found the funding they needed beyond our DDF.

Brachytherapy is a specialized form of radiation treatment that is very effective in certain cases where there is no other treatment option. The tumors identified for these particular applicators are esophageal, bronchial, biliary tract, and skin. The hospital estimates they will treat 250 new patients a year that they previously could not treat. Join Penn Yan Rotarians on 9/16/17



Join us for **TWO** Good Causes: Your health and water projects that benefit thousands! Walk the seven mile Keuka Lake Outlet Trail or any portion of it. Registration materials and information available at:

http://htscongo.org/walkforwater.html

If you can't participate, please consider sponsoring one of our teams or a walker at:

https://www.crowdrise.com/PennYan2017WalkforWater



Take a walk with PDG Jeff & Diane Krans

