Every Rotarian, Every Year
District 7610 Foundation Newsletter
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Remembering our Service Men And Women Every Day!

Deadlines for Contributions to The Rotary Foundation for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2008 -

Credit cards online via Rotary.org: Must be authorized prior to June 30, 2008, midnight (gifts received via the web will benefit the Rotarian who logged in. Re-class and distribution requests, aka corrections, cannot be accepted for these gifts.

Via Bank of America lockbox: Must be received at the lockbox prior to close of business on June 30, 2008. TRF, 14280 Collections Center Drive, Chicago, IL 60693. When using this lockbox, Express, Overnight mail is recommended.

Credit card contribution requests should be faxed to: 847-556-2139 or complete them online at rotary.org. Do not send credit card requests to the lockbox.

Reclasses/Redistributions: Request must be received in the TRF Corrections email box prior to 3:00 pm, Monday, July 7, 2008.

Questions? At The Rotary Foundation, contact Lori Gattorna at 847-866-3199.

The Race Is On. Only four weeks left for clubs to meet their Foundation Goals. Congratulations and a BIG Rotary Thank You to the following clubs who, as of April 30, had achieved *per capita* contributions to The Annual Fund of:

$200 or more

Club	*per capita*	Members
Bailey's	$221.49	55
Bull Run	$328.54	34
Burke	$252.50	20
Crystal City	$316.37	27
Falls Church	$246.76	25
McLean	$413.81	70
Middlesex	$557.98	45
Springfield	$292.56	18

$100 or more

Alex South	$118.75	8	Leesburg-Day	$158.81	42
Annandale	$149.86	37	Mt Vernon	$101.12	25
Arlington	$109.04	47	Rappahannock	$185.00	89
Charlottesville	$114.39	66	Reston	$193.75	32
Dulles	$100.24	51	Stafford	$117.55	55
Fairfax	$124.42	76	Tyson's	$151.35	37
Gainesville	$127.59	29	Vienna	$141.81	51
Kilmarnock	$129.33	52	West Point	$168.18	22
Leesburg	$152.02	50			

Totals for the District: $121.04 2224 $269,192.61

Top Three Clubs in Per Capita Giving		Top Three Clubs in Total Giving	
Middlesex	$557.98	McLean	$28,967.02
McLean	$413.81	Middlesex	$25,109.00
Bull Run	$328.54	Rappahannock	$16,465.00

And I know that all clubs are working hard to meet their Foundation goals. **Thank you --- Thank you** --- for all of your support for those less fortunate at home and throughout the world. As a reminder, I know that some clubs wait until the last minute to send in their contributions. May I encourage you to please send in what you have collected to date from your members and then make a final contribution just prior to June 30? Thank you for your consideration and your continued support. Remember, The Rotary Foundation is another name for Hope, and YOU are The Rotary Foundation.

Sandy Duckworth, Foundation Chair, Stafford RC, sandraduckworth@hughes.net

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CONGRATULATIONS! You are one FABULOUS district and you can be very proud of your accomplishments in support of The Rotary Foundation. Figures as of April 30, 2008: $269,192.61 in total giving to The Annual Fund. Last year this time our total was $261,302.03 – a 3% increase – and District 7610 is #3 in Zone 33 in *per capita* giving with a total *per capita* of $121.04. Last year this time our *per capita* was $120.81. We do have FOUR clubs that have contributed NOTHING to TRF Annual Fund, but I am confident their checks are in the mail. We also have **24 clubs** that are BELOW where they were this same time last year to the tune of over $60,000. Again, I am confident that when these 24 clubs send in their contributions, they will MEET OR EXCEED the contributions from last year. SO I SAY --- GREAT JOB DISTRICT 7610 ROTARIANS! GIVE YOURSELVES A HAND. You can be very proud of your accomplishments! And I know you all are still contributing in this Rotary Year. WOW!!

Congratulations to our Newest Paul Harris Society Members

David Eakin - Dunn Loring
Brian Pence - McLean
Jeff DiMeglio - McLean
Robert Hamlin - West Springfield
Sarvendra Agarwal - McLean

McLean Rotary Club Exceeds Previous Giving to The Foundation – Becomes a100% Paul Harris Club – Becomes an "*Every Rotarian Every Year*" Club and exceeds their previous year *per capita* giving for the sixth year in a row. Some additional achievements:

New Paul Harris Fellows (22):

Alam, Naila
Al-Attar, Dima
Al-Attar, Kareem
Al-Attar, Leena
Bleakley, Jamie
Callahan, Vince
Danner, Morgan
Ewing, Darren Toby
Greene, Wolmi
Hannon, John S.
Holleran, Keith
Leonard, John W.
Martinez, Carmen
Megill, Anna
Mitchell, Tamara
Neldon, Richard Perry
Pence, Brian
Reed, William F.
Shahin, Edward J.
Stone, Kevin W.
Weischedel, Mark
Williams, Lynda A.

Multiple Paul Harris Fellows (18):

Sarvendra Agarwal
Ali A. Al-Attar
Pamela Danner
Jeff DiMeglio
Paul Frank
Bob Hahne
Helen Hergenroeder
Michael Holleran
Edward Holman
Kathleen Martin
Douglas B. Megill
Kim Elaine Mills
Scott Mills
Scott Monett
Tom W. O'Bryon
Robert F. Rosenbaum
Edward J. Shahin
William Glenn Yarborough

New Paul Harris Society members (9 of 20):

Douglas Megill
Kim Elaine Mills
Jeff DiMeglio
Edward J. Shahin
Helen Hergenroeder
Scott A. Monett
Lois Wilson
Brian Pence
Sarvendra Agarwal

New Major Donors (1):

Bob & Barb Hahne

Other Achievements

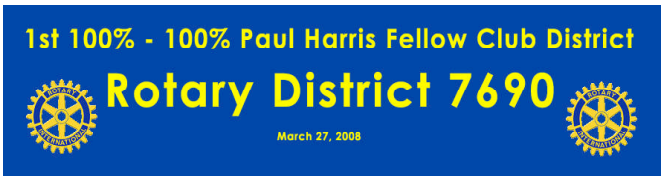
Their India Library Project received Matching Grant funding during the year, and they also received a Simplified Grant for the Alternative House Emergency Teen Shelter Meals and Mentoring project. McLean also received three other matching grants: Swaziland AIDS/HIV Orphanage, Dominican Republic Children's Library, and Guatemala Surgical Suites Project. The impact of these TRF grants will serve communities with combined populations of more than 3 million people and will provide products and services valued at more than $1.6 million. And to keep things exciting, the McLean Rotary Club sponsored an International Night: A Taste of Scotland, on May 20 to benefit International Humanitarian Projects. A grand prize of 100,000 United Airline Miles & 50,000 Marriott Reward Points were awarded plus additional door prizes were presented throughout the evening. DG Travis White, PDG Sandy Duckworth, Foundation Chair & DGND Ron Marion, Paul Harris Society Chair, presented Jeff DiMeglio with his Paul Harris Society certificate. Jeff became the 18th McLean Rotarian to be inducted into the Paul Harris Society this Rotary Year.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE McLEAN CLUB FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING YEAR IN SUPPORT OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE - May 2008 - to subscribe to International Service Update, go to: www.rotary.org/programs/wcs/index.html The ***International Service Update*** provides news about World Community Service, Rotary Volunteers, and Rotary Community Corps, as well as information on disaster relief. *Communities in Action: A Guide to Effective Projects*, Rotary's comprehensive resource for selecting, planning, implementing, and evaluating service projects, and *A Menu of Service Opportunities*, which includes information sheets on important social issues, have been revised. Order them as a kit (605-EN) from the *RI Catalog* or download them individually at http://www.rotary.org/.

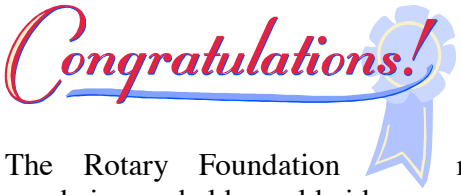
Our Great GSE Team in District 4710 – Our GSE team – Frank Green -Team Leader, Emily Frazier, Keesha Edwards, Ann Robertson - in Foz do Iguaçu, Brazil in their middle break tour, and a photo of our team with Governor Seleti, D4710, just before departure to the US. According to Neto Resende, D4710 GSE Chairman: "This was a very nice team and your district can be very proud to be represented by such interested persons and such participatory members. We just thank you for this team so representative of the spirit of Rotary and members who want to Share Rotary." Great job – District 7610 Team!

Lester Schoene, GSE Chair, Annandale RC, lesterp@verizon.net



District 7690, North Carolina (Zone 33), is the FIRST DISTRICT in the WORLD to be certified as a 100 percent PHF District. Congratulations to Governor Dave McCoy and DRFC Patrick Eakes. D7690 has been working on this goal for several years and achieved it in 2008. TRF Trustees established the **100 Percent Paul Harris Fellow District** recognition in 1998 and it has taken ten years for one district to achieve this honor. **To quote RI President Wilf Wilkinson:** "the impact of this achievement cannot be overstated for it is the contributions to our Foundation represented by each PHF in District 7690 that provide numerous educational opportunities for brilliant young minds; food, clean water, and other basic human needs for the underserved; polio immunizations for the world's children; and countless other humanitarian programs that help millions of people around the world." **We all thank Governor Dave and Foundation Chair Patrick** for their

leadership in working with Rotarians in D7690 to achieve this tremendous honor, but more importantly, thanks to everyone involved for the tremendous impact these funds will have to support those less fortunate throughout the world.



"TRF Semi-Annual Humanitarian Grants reporting analysis compiled in April 2008 indicates that District 7610 is at 92% for overall reporting compliance for its Matching Grants, District Simplified Grants, 3-H Grants and Volunteer Service Grants. The Trustees of The Rotary Foundation rely on district leaders such as you to ensure that stewardship guidelines are being upheld worldwide, and they appreciate your efforts."

James Robinson, TRF Division Manager - Humanitarian Grants

Fair Lakes RC Receives Matching Grant. In April 2006, the 20 Rotary clubs in Lebanon sent a plea to all Rotarians asking for humanitarian help to assist them in recovering from the war devastation. In response to this plea, the Fair Lakes RC, under the Direction Terry Rogstad, the Club International Director, decided to partner with the Aley RC in Lebanon for a Matching Grant to fund a New Generator to supply electricity to the Abey-National Rehabilitation Center. This Center provides professional and healthcare to address Special Needs for Children with disabilities ranging in age between 3-18 Years. This is the only center that provides such mental & physical support for the extremely isolated Mountain Region in Lebanon.

Terry Rogstad, International Director, Fair Lakes RC - trogstad@slacpa.com

Help End Polio – View New Polio Website! In case you missed this announcement on Rotary's website, here it is for your convenience: Rotary has launched a new "mini" Web Site to give the general public an opportunity to help end polio by contributing to Rotary's US$100 Million Challenge from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. View the three-page site at www.rotary.org/endpolio. The new site will be marketed throughout North America starting this month. All funds raised will go directly to The Rotary Foundation in support of polio eradication, helping Rotary fulfill its pledge to match the $100 million challenge grant received from the Gates Foundation in November 2007. Rotarians should continue to contribute through the Member Access Portal at www.rotary.org, but are encouraged to help spread the word about the new Web site within their communities.

George Atwell, Polio Chairman, Carolina RC - geofatw@aol.com

What is a Revolving Loan Project? - Revolving loan projects, also called microcredit or village banking, are projects that organize low-income persons, usually women, to borrow money, animals or equipment to facilitate

small economic self-help enterprises. Rotary uses the term "revolving loan" because the funds continue to revolve: Funds are loaned to beneficiaries, repaid, and loaned again, hopefully in perpetuity. Grant funds may be used for revolving loan capital for up to US$10,000 per credit group. One grant may support multiple credit groups – a group of ten to thirty borrowers, usually women, organized, educated and trained in the rudiments of saving, credit and entrepreneurship, who cross-guarantee each others' loans to ensure repayment to the fund. Revolving Loans may be implemented using Matching Grants, District Simplified Grants, or 3-H Grants. Revolving Loan applications can be submitted between 1 July and 31 March of any given Rotary year. If you have questions, contact:

Vance Zavela, District Grants Chair, McLean RC - Vance.Zavela@co.fairfax.va.us

Changing Lives

Mariana Ponce, a Honduran whose life was devastated by Huricane Mitch in 1998, now rebuilds her life selling soy products, thanks to a microcredit from Grupo Unido Valle de Angeles, a community bank of Uniendo America.

A patient undergoes cataract surgery at the Hasanali Tobaccowala Eye Clinic in Talawada, Maharastra, India. The Rotary Club of Bombay Metropolitan, India, and K.K. Nagar Hospital used an RI 3-H grant pay for the cataract surgies. More than 750 surgeries have been performed since 2006.

Rotarian Peter Meisen visits the Alpine Elementary School in Alpine, California, USA, where he helped install solar panels. Meisen is the president of Global Energy Network Institute which discovers ways to implement alternative sources of energy.

Women and children line up outside Saga, Nigeria a UNICEF supported feeding center where local Rotary clubs are donating rice.

Foundation Tidbits

Interested in a Polio NID? Noelle Galperin, a Rotarian from Florida, is planning a trip to India in February 2008 for the National Immunization Days there. If you are interested, you can sign up for this Yahoo Groups list by sending an email to polionid-subscribe@yahoogroups.com. Or for more information, contact Rotarian Noelle at ngalperin@hotmail.com.

PoliolPlus Reports Now Online: Rotarians can now view PolioPlus reports at any time by using our Member Access Portal (MAP) on the Rotary International website. Just go to www.rotary.org and click on "Member Access."

Revised Matching Grant Application Available. The Matching Grant application has been revised for Rotary year 2008-09. Check the Rotary website: www.rotary.org

Check Your Contribution History - Go to www.rotary.org and click on Member access on the upper right-hand corner. This will connect you to rotary business online, where you will enter your user name and password. once logged in, enter your membership number (which appears on the mailing label of The Rotarian magazine in some countries), club number, and district number. if you don't know your club number, check with your club secretary.

Food for Thought

Patience is the companion of wisdom. --- Saint Augustine

In seeking wisdom thou art wise; in imagining that thou hast attained it - thou art a fool. --- Lord Chesterfield

A friendship can weather most things and thrive in thin soil; but it needs a little mulch of letters and phone calls and small, silly presents every so often - just to save it from drying out completely. --- Pam Brown

Always forgive your enemies - nothing annoys them so much. --- Oscar Wilde

All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them. --- Walt Disney

Questions or information that you would like to see in this newsletter, contact Foundation Chair, Sandy Duckworth - sandraduckworth@hughes.net or call 540-361-1680