





DISTRICT 7020 ROTARY FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER (MAY 2011 VOL VII)

Editorial

February 23 APF Double Recognition — A Huge Success

As of April 1, 2011 Annual Giving is up worldwide year to date over 10%. According to Joanne Bertsche, Annual Giving Officer of The Rotary Foundation says, if we can keep this momentum through to the end of the year, it will be an extraordinary year for our foundation. This boost came as a gift on Rotary's birthday February 23, with the first ever" Double Recognition Promotion" with nearly 10,000 online transactions, contributions surrounding that day totalled \$4,121,362 US. The average contribution was \$297 US and shows the high participation of Rotarians in Zone 34 districts. District 7020 had the largest dollar contribution (89 donors with a total of \$35,505 US). Congratulations to all of you who contributed you should feel proud.

Make no mistake though, our job in the district is still not over there are just under two months to go and we are still short of our goal. You will recall that our target for the year is \$253,543 US and so far our collection is \$171,000 USD (67%). However we remain optimistic that within the next two months we will reach that goal with your help. Let me urge you especially those who have not yet made their or fulfilled the commitment your club gave at the start of the year 2010/11. I implore you to send in those contributions

without further delay. We do not want you to feel left out so come, join us as with your efforts we will continue "Building Communities and Bridging Continents"

"People are lonely because they build walls instead of Bridges"

PAG Bobby Young, District Rotary Foundation Chair

GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE

This is the last GSE teams that will be venturing under the existing name, but the structure will remain essentially the same. As of 2012/13 and under Rotary's new Foundation Future Vision Plan the name will be changed to Vocational Training Exchange (VTE.)

Notwithstanding we would like to take the opportunity on behalf of the Foundation, to extend to Rosa Leger and her medical team going to Jacksonville, Florida, all the very best as they leave (April) to represent their vocation, their country, district 7020 and as ambassadors of goodwill of Rotary International.

Best wishes also to Rebecca Low who leads another team from the Tourism / Hospitality Sector to England later in May.

"Bon Voyage" to both ladies and their team members.



<u>Ambassadorial</u> <u>Scholarships</u>

Our international education program for ambassadors of goodwill

Your District Ambassadorial Scholarships Sub-Committee is hoping that most, if not all, clubs now have active scholarship committees that will take interest not only in the Ambassadorial Scholarships program but also in seeking to exploit all the scholarships which are available in the Rotary world. We are looking forward to receiving applications as there are many needy candidates throughout our District and we have a responsibility to give them a chance.

We wish to remind all Club Presidents and Scholarship Committee Chairpersons that the deadline for the submission of Ambassadorial Scholarship applications for 2012 – 2013, is fast approaching. All applications must be submitted by clubs to the District Ambassadorial Scholarship Sub-Committee by July 31, 2011. This is a valuable opportunity that is available to young persons in our District and as Rotarians, it is our duty to promote it and encourage applications from suitable candidates.

Please refer to the following English and French documents:

http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/012en.pdf http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/fr_pdf/012fr.pdf and

http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/132en.pdf http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/fr_pdf/132fr.pdf

After processing, clubs should submit the applications to:

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ROTARY WORLD PEACE JELLOWSHIPS

Rotary Peace Center Finds a New Home

You will recall that over a year ago The Rotary Peace Program lost one of its Study Centres – the University of California, Berkeley Campus. Since that time the Foundation has been searching for a replacement and is excited to announce that Uppsala University in Sweden will become the seventh Rotary Center for International Studies in Peace and Conflict Resolution. This University will welcome its inaugural class of Rotary Peace Fellows in September of 2012. All applications for the new Peace Center must be received by the district committee by June 30, 2011. Please note that the May 31 deadline previously announced has been extended to June 30, 2011 and no further extension can be entertained, so get those applications in post-haste.

Uppsala is one of Europe's oldest and top-ranked Universities and is also home to the department of Peace and Conflict Research which is a founding peace program and is known as a leader of "Data and Research" in the peace and conflict field. The world's leading peace professors and researchers make up the faculty of the peace department and eight Nobel Prize winners including two Peace Laureates have studied, researched, or taught at Uppsala.

The new Rotary peace centre will be a wonderful addition to our global network of Rotary Centres – according to past RI President Carl–Wilheim Stenhammar, Chair of the Rotary Foundation.

REMINDER

Send all applications to –

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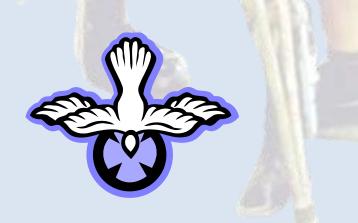
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ALUMNI

Who are Rotary Foundation Alumni?

Rotary Foundation Alumni are Rotarians and Non-Rotarians who at some point in their lives have participated in one of the many Rotary Foundation programs. Below is a short list of some of the Rotary Foundation programs or recipients that create Rotary Foundation Alumni:

- Group Study Exchange (leaders and participants)
- Ambassadorial Scholars (a one year international academic scholarship)
- Peace Scholars (Rotary World Peace Fellow or Rotary Peace and Conflict Studies Program Participant)
- Rotary Volunteer
- Volunteer Service Grant (discontinued program)
- University Teacher Grant recipient

Why Do We Care About Rotary Foundation Alumni?

Rotary Foundation Alumni have witnessed first hand the great works of Rotary International. They have demonstrated interest in learning and service. And for the most part, they are non-Rotarians. Therefore, they are potential Rotarians. Rotary Clubs who have sponsored non-Rotarians should work to keep in touch with their Rotary Foundation Alumni and, when appropriate, invite them to become Rotarians, whether it be to their own club, or one nearby the Alumni.

RI President Kalyan Banerjee has recognized the potential of Rotary Foundation Alumni. He is encouraging clubs to induct one or more Rotary Foundation Alumni in 2011-2012 by making it part of his <u>Presidential Citation Award</u>. Click <u>here</u> to see the full citation requirements.

How Do We Find Rotary Foundation Alumni?

In order to receive a list of Rotary Foundation Alumni in your area, contact Elisabeth Anderson (ozugmboots@alumni.tufts.edu) who is the Rotary Foundation Alumni Chair for District 7020.



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