



On May 15, RC of **Marblehead Harbor** will host the third annual Star Spangled Pops concert at Abbott Hall, Marblehead, at 7:30 p.m. As May 15 is Armed Forces Day, the men, women, and families of our military will be honored with a musical tribute. Once again, Maestro Dirk Hillyer and the Hillyer Festival Orchestra will provide a fantastic program the will also include selections from a "Salute to Broadway." Tickets are \$30 for floor table seats, \$20 for balcony and are available for mail-in reservations on the club's website, www.rcomh.org. Balcony tickets will also be available at the door. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m.

MEDFORD ROTARY CLUB



Scholarship Sports Raffle

Drawing: May 13, 2010 • 10 Great Prizes

GRAND PRIZE: Deluxe Patriots Tailgate Package for 2
Including Game Tix, Limo Ride, Food & Bar

1ST PRIZE: Two Red Sox "Monster" Seats - Game TBA

PRIZES 3-10: Red Sox, Patriots, Bruins, Celtics Tickets

Donation: \$10.00 each Raffle or Book of Six for \$50.00



*All proceeds to benefit Medford Rotary Club Scholarships and Charities.
Winners will be posted at www.medford.rotary.org*

WITH FUTURE VISION COMES CHANGE

Rotary District 7930 is entering into the “Future Vision” project with Rotary International and the Rotary Foundation. With this endeavor comes change, including changing our District By-Laws. Following are the changes that must be ratified:

ARTICLE XIII

The Rotary Foundation Future Vision Pilot District 7930

Section 1. Organization of the District Rotary Foundation Committee

The District Rotary Foundation Committee will have the following positions:

(a) District Rotary Foundation Chair is responsible coordinating all the activities listed below and carrying out any duties as assigned by the Rotary Foundation. The term of the DRFC is three years and is ideally filled by a Past District Governor.

(b) Grants Committee Chair is responsible for coordinating and overseeing the activity of the District Grants and Global Grants Committees and the approval of grants with the District Governor and the Foundation Chair. The Chair is ideally a Past District Governor.

(1) Global Grants Committee Sub-Committee Chair is responsible for training club president-elects and members regarding how to apply for a Global Grants, encouraging clubs to work together, supporting of those applying for Global Grants, and certifying the completeness of the application for the Grants Chair.

(2) District Grants Sub-Committee Chair is responsible for training clubs how to apply for a District Grants, support of those applying for District Grants, and certifying the completeness of the application for the Grants Chair.

(3) Scholarships Sub-Committee Chair is responsible for recruiting, interviewing and selecting scholars and assisting them with completing applications.

(4) Vocational Training Team Sub-Committee Chair is responsible for building relationships with schools, healthcare and social service organizations that can support education and training in the Six Areas of Focus, adding institutions to the list of resource at TRF for Global Grant Masters Programs and Vocational Training Partnerships, as well as recruiting, supporting and developing potential Vocational Training Teams.

(c) Fundraising Chair is responsible for coordinating the activities of the Annual Fund, Permanent Fund and Polio \$200,000,000 Challenge Committees. The Chair is ideally a Past District Governor.

(1) Annual Fund Sub-Committee Chair is responsible for working with the Fundraising Chair and District Foundation Chair to encourage giving to the Annual Fund.

(2) Permanent Fund for the Rotary Foundation Sub-Committee Chair is responsible for working with the Fundraising Chair and the District Foundation Chair to encourage giving to the Permanent Fund of the Rotary Foundation.

(3) Polio \$200,000,000 Challenge Chair is responsible for working with the

Fundraising Chair and District Foundation Chair to encourage publicity at the

community level about Rotary’s Polio eradication campaign and to encourage community giving to Polio eradication.

(d) Foundation Alumni Chair is responsible for identifying and contacting past Rotary Foundation Alumni, and maintaining building relationships with them,

involving them as speakers, maintaining a list of alumni willing to make presentations and encouraging them to become members.

(e) **World Peace Fellows Chair** is responsible for recruiting, interviewing and selecting candidates for the World Peace Fellows Scholarship and assisting them with completing applications.

(f) Six Areas of Focus Advisory Sub-committee Chairs are responsible for working in collaboration with the Foundation Chair, the District Grants Chair, the District Governor and club members to obtain the most recent information regarding the Area of Focus for which they are responsible. The role is advisory only.

Section 2. Scholarship Opportunities

(a) Rotary Centers for International Studies (World Peace Fellowships)

The Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution is one of Rotary Foundation's newest Educational Programs initiatives and a major educational priority for achieving the Foundation's mission of world understanding and peace. Six Rotary Centers have been established with outstanding universities throughout the world. Each year, up to 60 Rotary World Peace Fellows are selected on a world-competitive basis to study for a one-to two-year graduate program leading to a U.S. master's degree or equivalent in international relations, peace studies, and conflict resolution. The Rotary Centers are located at the following universities:

- International Christian University, Mitaka, Tokyo, Japan
- University of Queensland, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia
- University of Bradford, West Yorkshire, England
- Duke University and University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA
- University of California, Berkeley, USA
- Universidad del Salvador, Buenos Aires, Argentina

Although the Rotary Centers for International Studies program builds on the strength and success of the Ambassadorial Scholarships program, the focus and structure of the two programs differ in terms of scholarship availability, strategies for promotion and recruitment, the selection process, and funding. The requirements for this program include three to five years experience in conflict resolution or mediation and a commitment to the field as a career. The program includes class study of the theoretical elements of conflict resolution and actual hands on experience spent in the field applying the theoretical knowledge. The scholarship is valued at up to \$65,000.

(b) Rotary Peace and Conflict Studies Program

The Rotary Peace and Conflict Studies Program, TRF's newest Educational Programs initiative, is an approximately three-month, professional development certificate program held in Bangkok, Thailand, at the new Rotary Center for Peace and Conflict Studies established at Chulalongkorn University. The program is focused on providing professionals with at least 5 years experience in various industries and professions with the conflict resolution tools they need to foster peace and peaceful conflict resolution in their fields. The requirements for this program are centered around appropriate professional experience and proven commitment to the field. Two sessions are held annually with a maximum of 30 participants in each session. The sessions are conducted in English and are taught from July-September and January-April. A portion of each session is

dedicated to in-class study of the theoretical elements of conflict resolution while the remaining portion is spent in the field applying the theoretical knowledge. The Rotary Peace and Conflict Studies Program is completely distinct from the Rotary Centers for International Studies.

Rotary Global Grant Scholarship

The purpose of the Rotary Global Grant Scholarship program is to further international understanding and friendly relations among people of different countries and geographical areas. The program sponsors scholarships for graduate students as well as for qualified professionals pursuing studies in one of the following six areas of focus:

Peace and conflict resolution/prevention

Disease prevention/treatment

Water and sanitation

Maternal and child health

Education and basic literacy

Economic and community development

While abroad, scholars serve as goodwill ambassadors to the host country and give presentations about their homelands to Rotary clubs and other groups. Upon returning home, scholars share with Rotarians and others the experiences that led to a greater understanding of their host country. The scholarship is valued at \$30,000.

Section 3. Bank Account Requirements

(a) The district will maintain a district checking account to be used only for TRF grant funds in accordance with the laws of the State of Massachusetts.

(1) The checking account will be low-interest bearing.

(2) Should the funds not be used for eligible and approved District grant activities, they will be returned to the Foundation.

(3) The name of the account will be "Rotary District 7930 Managed Grants."

(4) The account will be a fund of the Rotary District 7930 Foundation, under the control of the then sitting District 7930 District Governor, District Foundation Chair and District Grants Chair and shall provide a financial report at least monthly to each other and the Treasurer of the District Foundation.

(5) All expenditures must be in accordance with the terms and conditions for District Grant Funds as issued by the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International

(6) The signatories on this account will be the then sitting District 7930 District Governor, District Grants Chair and the District Foundation Chair. Should the District 7930 District Governor, District Foundation Chair or District Grants Chair leave office their successor, as appointed under then existing District rules, shall automatically replace them as signatory on the account.

(b) Should the District apply for and receive approval for a District sponsored Global Grant or Grants, and should the funds be sent to District 7930, a separate checking account will be established for each such open Global Grant.

(1) The checking account will be low-interest bearing.

(2) Should the funds not be used for eligible and approved District grant activities, they will be returned to the Foundation.

(3) The name of the account will be "Rotary District 7930 Global Grants ####," whereas the "####" shall be the Global Grant number assigned by the Rotary Foundation.

(4) The account will be a fund of the Rotary District 7930 Foundation, under the control of the Global Grant Committee approved by the Rotary Foundation in the Global Grant Application and shall provide a monthly financial report monthly to the then sitting District 7930 District Governor, District Foundation Chair, District Grants Chair and the Treasurer of the District Foundation.

(5) All expenditures must be in accordance with the budget as approved by the Rotary Foundation with the Global Grant application and the terms and conditions for Global Grant Funds as issued by the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International

(6) The signatories on this account will be the members of the Global Grant Committee approved by the Rotary Foundation in the Global Grant Application. Should a member of the Global Grant Committee no longer be able to serve they shall be replaced by the then serving District Governor and shall automatically replace them as signatory on the account.

(c) Bank statements will be available to support the statement of income and expenses.

(d) Two Rotarian signatories will be required on checks and withdrawals.

Section 4. Financial Management and Record Keeping Requirements

(a) Either the District Grants Chair or the District Foundation Chair, as appointed by the District Governor shall directly be responsible for:

(1) Disbursing District Grant Funds, only in accordance with an approved District Managed Grant directly to clubs, Rotarians, vendors, and beneficiaries in conformity with the approved District Managed Grant application and budget; and/or scholarships approved by the District Grant Scholarships, subject to securing the required two signatures on all checks and any other approvals required by the appropriate District Grant Committees and Scholarship Committee, maintaining a standard set of accounts for Rotary District 7930 Managed Grant Funds disbursed from this checking account and provide regular monthly reports to the District Foundation Chair, District Governor and District Grants Chair; and the District Foundation Committee as requested by the District Foundation Chair,

(2) Assuring District Grant Funds not immediately disbursed are maintained in the established project account without diversion, except for direct payment for approved grant activities or to return funds to the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International,

(3) Assuring Grant Funds are not deposited in investment accounts including but not limited to: mutual funds, certificates of deposit, bonds and stocks,

(4) Assuring the funds are in a low-interest bearing checking account

(5) Maintaining documentation and support for all receipts and disbursements made from these funds,

(6) Maintaining separate records for each District Grant disbursement approved and made by the District from District Grant Funds, including documentation for all expenditures and a record of any funds returned,

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- (7) Assuring the District does not use the funds to acquire inventory or other assets with District Grant Funds*
- (8) Assuring Clubs receiving District Managed Grant Funds agree in writing to only spend funds in accordance with the approved District Managed Grant, the Terms and Conditions of the Rotary Foundation and within the approved time limit imposed by the district or to return funds to the District.*
- (9) Ensuring all grant activities, including the conversion of funds, are in accordance with Massachusetts law.*
- (b) The financial management plan and its implementation must be assessed annually by the District 7930 Rotary Foundation Audit Committee:*
- (1) The District Rotary Foundation Audit Committee must:*
- a. Be composed of at least three active Rotarians who are independent and financially literate, each of whom is a member in good standing of a different club in the district, and at least one of whom is a current district officer and one of whom is a past district governor. No member of the District 7930 Rotary Foundation Audit Committee may be a member of the District Governor's home club or the District Foundation Chair's home club,*
 - b. Be appointed by the District Governor, who will serve during the Audit Committees first year of service, with the approval of the District Foundation Chair, who will also serve during the Audit Committees first year of service, and with the approval from their successors if known. The appointment(s) must be approved by the clubs in the district at the district conference (or, if such is not possible, in a ballot-by-mail or e-mail)*
 - c. Serve a term of three years during the Future Vision pilot,*
 - d. Have at least one member with professional accounting and audit experience,*
 - e. Be free of conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest. The committee may not at any time include: members of any grant project committee or the district Rotary Foundation grants subcommittee; the DRFC chair; the district governor-elect, the immediate past district governor, or the district governor; or any Rotarian who is or plans to be a project contact or a recipient of grant funds during the term of the committee. Should such a conflict of interest develop after taking office the member of the Audit Committee must be replaced by the then sitting District Governor and District Foundation Chair and approved by a majority of the Club Presidents.*
- (2) The Audit Committee's work will include:*
- a. An examination of all District Grant expenditures to ensure that funds were used for the intended purpose, proper records were maintained, and a system of controls over expenditure has been in place. This examination should include:*
 - (i) A review of the full listing of all expenditures to ensure funds were expended in a manner consistent with the Terms and Conditions of the Rotary Foundation and conditions of the grant award made by District 7930.*
 - (ii) The review of all the documentation supporting each grant made from District Grant funds are in accordance with Terms and Conditions imposed by the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International as may be further restricted by the District and reconciling the expenditures to the*

approved budget for each grant and of any funds returned to the district, if applicable.

- (iii) Review of the purchasing procedure used to be sure it is free of any potential conflict of interest.
 - (iv) A review of the bank reconciliations to confirm that they were prepared correctly and that opening balances match the financial records and reports of the grant activities and bank statements
 - (v) A review of the work of the District Grants Committee including procedures and the current status of reporting on all open District Grants and Global Grants.
 - (vi) A review of District Grant policies and procedures for conformance to policies of the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International.
 - (vii) Review of the records storage facility, storage of records and confirmation of the District's adherence to The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International's document retention requirements.
- b. A report of the findings given to the District's Foundation Committee and member clubs within three months of the completion of each Rotary year.
 - c. Review of the storage facility, storage of records and confirmation of the District's adherence to The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International's document retention requirements
 - d. Make its report and records available to District 7930's Treasurer and the independent audit for all District 7930 accounts.

Section 5. Document Retention

- (a) The document maintenance system or district archives will:
 - (1) Be accessible and available to Rotarians; district and club officers of project sponsors, including boards of directors of participating clubs; and the District Rotary Foundation Grants Committee Chair, District Grants Chair and Global Grants Chair.
 - (2) Maintain original documents for a minimum of five years or longer if required by applicable law.
- (b) Documents that must be maintained and available to TRF for an audit include but are not limited to:
 - (1) Bank information
 - a. All bank account information and copies of past statements
 - b. Documentation of changes in payee signatories
 - (2) Documented plans and procedures, including:
 - a. Terms and procedures of financial management plan
 - b. General ledger explaining and itemizing deposits and withdrawals
 - c. Procedure for storing documents and archives
 - d. A succession plan for the District Rotary Foundation Grants Committee Chairs
 - e. System to receive and investigate allegations
 - (3) Annual report from the district Rotary Foundation Grants Audit Committee
 - (4) Legal documents
 - a. Copy of liability insurance if necessary
 - b. Copy of traveler's insurance policies
 - (5) District qualification documents
 - a. Copy of district qualification application submitted to TRF

b. Copy of district qualification approval letter from TRF

(6) Club qualification documents

a. Documentation of grant management and qualification training for qualified clubs

b. Copies of qualified Club Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) showing date on which club received qualification status

(7) District Grant and District-sponsored Global Grant information

a. Copies of proposals and applications

b. Copies of grant agreements

c. Copies of reports submitted to The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International and information collected from clubs and entities receiving District 7930 grant funds; including receipts and invoices for all purchases made with grant funds

d. Written or electronic correspondence.

Section 6. Report on Use of Grant Funds

(a) Districts will report on the use of all district designated funds (DDF) to their member clubs by:

(1) Providing a report annually at the district conference meeting to which all clubs are invited or eligible to attend, which includes a breakdown of expenditures for each project that received funding and the names of districts, clubs, and individuals to which grant funds were distributed.

(2) Financial information on such grants will also be reported in the governor's monthly letter or email.

(3) District 7930 will report the yearly findings of the District Rotary Foundation Grants Audit Committee review within three months of the completion of each Rotary year.

(b) Districts will adhere to all TRF grant reporting requirements and cooperate with all TRF grant audits.

Section 7. Method for Reporting and Resolving Misuse of Grant Funds

(a) District 7930 will create an independent committee of three Rotarians, in good standing, one of which is a past district governor and one of which has a financial background, to track and investigate reports of misuse of grant funds received from Rotarians, beneficiaries, cooperating organizations, and any other individuals involved in or aware of grant activities.

(b) An investigation will be conducted in to all reports of misuse at the district or club level and reported to TRF.

(c) After investigating and determining consequences, any potential misuse or irregularity related to a grant-related activity will be reported to TRF along with a recommendation as to how the district will act to resolve the situation.

These are the By-Law changes that will be voted upon at the business meeting at the District Conference, May 22, 2010.



THE ULTIMATE SERVICE PROJECT (Should now make sense)

Nice landing, Lindbergh! In this case no one was hurt except for an ego. Like many ventures, a little more training might have made a big difference....especially when you consider that most flight-based misadventures don't end so cheerfully. While some of us are advocates for keeping the "international" in Rotary International, clearly there are community service projects that never go out of style. Watching two dear friends bury their teenage children reminded us that one project stands out as literally a matter of life and death: Advanced Driver Training (ADT), especially as it relates to first year drivers.

Car crashes are the number one killer for Americans between the ages of 15-25. You'd need to combine reasons 2-9 to top it. Not drugs, not drinking. Most teen crashes do not involve drinking, although it's hard to tell from the newspapers. A staggering 43% of first year drivers crash. And please, nearly all of these are "crashes", not "accidents". Accidents are when meteors come out of the sky and hit the car, causing a crash. Or a lower control arm breaks, causing a crash, etc. In short, 93% are "pilot error". Can you imagine if airline pilots had a record like that?

Why do we have such an insanely high crash rate, and consequential death rate, verses the rest of the developed world? Money. Oh, we have plenty of it (over 40% of the world's wealth), we just refuse to spend it on training drivers. In Germany, for example, mandated driver's education program, including testing, costs roughly \$2,800. Expensive, yes, but their first year drivers are less than a tenth as likely to crash as our counterparts. I know of at least two families who'd gladly spend that to get their children back.

Mandating this kind of program is unrealistic, politically. There is, however, a remarkably cost effective advanced training program that achieves roughly 90% of the results of the German program at around 11% of the cost....\$299. And instead of taking 47 hours to complete, they do it in under a day. Too good to be true? Look again. ***InControl ADT*** has been operating their program for over eight years now, and has a documented 80% reduction in crashes by its 9,000 graduates. More importantly, not one graduate who has crashed has been seriously injured or killed....which means that statically the Reaper has been severely cheated.

If this program was operating in California, or Florida, it would be well worth the trip. We're talking about saving lives, lots of lives. But in fact, it's right here in Massachusetts and one of their training centers is in our District, North Andover. Not only is it the only certified advanced driver training program in the state, it's the only one in the United States. We're lucky.

But we're only lucky if we act. The old phrase, "Luck is When Opportunity Meets Preparation" is key here. We have a great opportunity to make this a great community project and save lives, absolutely, positively. The timing is also ideal as spring and school vacation approaches.

For more information please visit this website: <http://www.driveincontrol.com/>, or contact me at phred-den@earthlink.net

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