



# NOON ROTARY CLUB OF HOLLAND MI USA Club 2800

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**CREATE HOPE  
in the WORLD**

Report to  
District Governor  
JEFF COIL  
Rotary District 6290

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# Noon Rotary Club of Holland, Michigan



## DISTRICT GOVERNOR REPORT 2023 - 2024

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## ROTARY CLUB OF HOLLAND, MICHIGAN

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Dear District Governor Coil,

On behalf of the Holland Rotary Club, welcome! We're looking forward to exchanging updates about our club and hearing the news from other clubs in District 6290.

Our club is excited to live out the Rotary theme to **"Create Hope in The World."** How will that happen? First, by having an expectation of success. Success is best measured in outcomes, and outcomes are the evidence of diligent leadership. Hope requires both a vision for what can be achieved as well as being willing to prepare and execute a strategy to make those results a reality.

*Hope has goal-oriented thoughts* because it is excited about the future. To that end we set the following measurable goals:

**Membership Goal:** Increase membership to 57 active and honorary members (up from around 50)

**Service Goal:** Involve 75% of our membership (43 members) in at least one of three service projects before the end of year. Examples of past projects include stocking Little Bookhouses, Ringing the Bell for Salvation Army during the Holiday season, doing highway cleanup, traveling to Kenya and Uganda on a Global Grant Visioning trip, volunteering for Leaders of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, and more. We are excited to begin a new community service project, Holland Heart Safe Community with several local partners.

**Rotary Foundation Giving Goal:** Meet the minimum per capita giving of \$100/member, which equals \$5,700 in contributions, and contribute a minimum of \$1000 to Polio Eradication.

**Youth Leadership Goal:** Receive and support one inbound and one outbound Rotary Youth Exchange student. Continue to grow Holland Rotary's signature Leaders of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century program for middle-school age students and Life Leadership program for high school age students.

*Hope has people.* To paraphrase what past DG Ed Swart shared with Leaders of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, if even one person inspires six others, and those six inspire six others, in a short time the whole world will be filled with acts of kindness and compassion. We celebrate the leadership and vision our club's Rotarians embody. Holland Rotary's greatest resource is its members, and we seek to attract new members through our sense of purpose, which is service.

*Hope has attitude.* The mindset of expectation of success mentioned above comes through knowing that together Holland Rotary will continue to be an impactful club as it has certainly been in the past. It can be summed up as purpose, resolve, compassion, and optimism.

As we embark on this Rotary year together, we thank you for your leadership in District 6290 in service to Rotary.

Sincerely,



Kathy DeVries, Holland Rotary Club President 2023 - 2024

## The Rotary Club of Holland – Service Above Self Since 1920

### STRATEGIC PLAN

#### Our *Vision*

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The Rotary Club of Holland is a diverse group of friends who passionately care about and serve their community, the world, and each other.

#### Our *Mission*

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We **INVITE** active involvement from our club members and greater community to

- Inspire and develop **YOUTH** leadership.
- Provide meaningful **SERVICE IN OUR COMMUNITY**.
- Partner with **OTHER CLUBS** to accomplish their projects.
- Promote peace and understanding through **SERVICE IN OUR WORLD**.

#### Our *Values*

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**The Four-Way Test** of things we think, say, or do:

Is it the truth? Is it fair to all concerned? Will it build goodwill and better friendships? Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

#### Our *Areas of Focus* for Actions and Activities

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- ❖ **INVITE** – We encourage our members to be invitational and welcoming in all our activities. Our promotions seek to emphasize who we are and what we do.
- ❖ **ACTIVE** – We emphasize active involvement in our Club and encourage all our members to participate in the fellowship, business networking, service commitments, and the fundraising efforts of our Club. We work to build club membership. We especially desire to build the ethnic diversity of our membership.
- ❖ **YOUTH** – Youth leadership development is important to this club. Our Youth Services Committee supports Interact Clubs in area high schools; A team hosts the Leaders of the 21st Century program. Another team coordinates the Rotary exchange of students, and a team typically sends several students to the District Youth Conferences. We have established a chartered Rotaract Club in Holland area.
- ❖ **SERVICE IN OUR COMMUNITY** - We participate in community service projects, guided by our Community Service Committee, to improve life in our community.
- ❖ **SERVICE IN OUR WORLD** – We work with partners near and far, guided by our International Service Committee, to improve living conditions in other cultures and communities. We highlight and support the Rotary Foundation for its assistance in these achievements.



# Noon Rotary Club of Holland

## Snapshot



- On Thursday, March 11, 1920, 17 men met to form the Rotary Club of Holland.
- Our 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary gift to the City was the Boundless Playground in Smallenburg Park. Our centennial anniversary gift was benches in Windmill Island and the Window on the Waterfront Park.
- The club's first president was Carl A. Bigge.
- The Holland club is governed per by-laws by a Board of Directors of elected directors and the elected officers.
- Members of Holland Rotary include a broad spectrum of community members committed to service above self.
- Women were first inducted into the club in 1988 and now make up about 40% of the membership. Fifteen women have served as club president.
- The club has provided three District Governors, Fred Bertsch, Jr. 1979-1980, Tom Bos, 1998-1999, and Ed Swart 2017-2018. Jim White joined our club in 2021
- The club has sponsored two nearby clubs and a Rotaract Club. Rotary Club of Zeeland, chartered in 1934 and Holland After-Hours Rotary, chartered in 2001. Rotaract in 2022.
- The Noon club celebrated its centennial anniversary in 2020 and 2021. The club was honored as parade marshal at 2022 Tulip Time Parade.

### Club Mailing Address

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### CLUB WEBSITE

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### *Getting Involved in the 5 Areas of Service*

#### **Youth/New Generations Service**

Rotary Youth Exchange  
Youth and Schools Committee  
Interact Support Team

#### **Community Service**

Community Service Committee

#### **International Service**

International Service Committee  
Rotary Foundation Committee  
Foundation Scholarships Comm

#### **Vocational Service**

Vocations Services Committee

#### **Club Service**

Fund Raising Committee  
Program Committee  
Membership Committee  
Communications/PR Committee

*All members are encouraged  
to become active on at least  
one committee.*



### **Projects/ organizations supported by the Rotary Club of Holland include:**

- ❖ Leadership camps and scholarships for local schoolchildren
- ❖ West Ottawa Special Ed
- ❖ Youth exchanges to/from various countries
- ❖ Clean water in Honduras, Dominican Republic, Haiti
- ❖ Public lavatories in village of Gore, Ethiopia
- ❖ Tractor for Dairy Farmers in Kenya
- ❖ Community Action House, Salvation Army
- ❖ Resilience: Advocates for Ending Violence
- ❖ Tulip Time Festival
- ❖ Adopt-a-Highway clean-up on US-31 North
- ❖ Worldwide inoculation program to eradicate polio
- ❖ Smallenburg Park playground
- ❖ Window on the Waterfront/ Windmill Island Benches
- ❖ Create and donate 3D printer mask/shields for hundreds of care providers in several states.
- ❖ Participate in providing clean water to homes in the Pine Ridge Reservation.
- ❖ Support HandWASH efforts in Haiti.

# Noon Rotary Club of Holland, MI

## Officers, Directors and Committee Chairs

### Club Board

Board Chairman – Catherine Risola Bass  
President – Kathy DeVries  
Incoming President – vacant  
President Elect – vacant  
Club Secretary – John Hoekstra  
Treasurer – Bev Loughlin  
Sergeant at Arms – David Meier  
Club Administrator –  
Director 2024 – Jim Hagel  
Director 2025 – Gary Bogle  
Director 2025 – Jim White  
Director 2025 – Janet Huyser  
Director 2026 – Mark Recoulley  
Director 2026 – Michael Moraw

Club Chaplain – Larry Schuyler

### Club Committees/Teams

#### Club Service

Membership – Bob Nida  
Programs – Lori Varner  
Fund Raising – vacant  
PR/Communications – John Hoekstra

#### Community Service Chair – vacant

Highway Clean Up & Thanksgiving Offering – Mike Moraw

#### International Service – Kathy DeVries

Rotary Foundation – Bob Nida  
Foundation Scholarships – Ed Swart  
Global / District Grants – Kathy DeVries

#### Vocations Services Committee – vacant

#### Youth/New Generations Services – Jim White

Rotary Youth Exchange – Catherine Ristola Bass  
Youth and Schools – Jim White  
Leaders of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century – Ed Swart  
Life Leaders Conference – Carol Swart  
Rotaract Support – Russ Miller



As of June 30, 2023, our club membership numbers 60: 47 active and 13 honorary members



## *Avenue of Service – Club Services*

### **Membership Committees**

*The committee recognizes several active membership types as well as honorary membership types.*

#### ***Business/Corporate Membership***

##### **Responsibilities and Activities:**

- Recruit and induct Corporate Members and Business Members.
- Provide opportunities for corporate and business members to sponsor Rotary activities and events.

##### **Objective:**

Business/Corporate Membership provides businesses the opportunity to support their business community responsibility, networking, and professional development of their employees.

#### ***Individual Membership Committee***

**Membership Growth:** Devise and carry out plans for recruiting new club members; review all proposals for membership for eligibility and classification, then report its recommendations to the board; ensure that prospective members are informed about the privileges and responsibilities of Rotary membership; and arrange a meaningful induction ceremony for approved new members.

**Membership Involvement:** Oversee the orientation of new members during their first year in the club; keep all members informed about the privileges and responsibilities of Rotary Club membership; investigate and seek to remedy the causes of loss of members; record attendance at club meetings so we can monitor club attendance; promote incentives for good attendance; work to ascertain and rectify conditions that contribute to unsatisfactory attendance; and encourage participation by all members in district, inter-club, regional, and international activities of Rotary.

**Member Services:** Ensure the welcoming of guests and visiting Rotarians at club meetings; inform club members of members who may be experiencing family stress or illness and offer support and express concern for members during these times; identify persons who are making contributions in the community by extending the “Red Tulip Award”; select and award recipients of the Distinguished Service Award; recognize club members who have significantly contributed to causes “above and beyond”. Promote acquaintance and friendship among the members by making use of organized recreational and social activities as well as the weekly meetings; In cooperation with the Sergeant at Arms and with Board approval, arrange with caterers the menu for the weekly meetings; maintain communication with the caterers regarding alternative arrangements when the club does not meet at the regular meeting place.

##### **Membership Growth Goals:**

- Coordinate efforts to recruit quality members.
- Focus on achieving greater diversity in membership (mandated in the club's Strategic Plan); We prefer that our membership demographic would be more in line with the community demographics.
- Regularly challenge all club members to do their part in proposing candidates for membership.
- Keep the new member process moving quickly from proposal, review, recommendation, and board action to induction, while assisting new members to make an informed commitment.

##### **Membership Involvement Goals:**

1. To continue to provide Rotary information for all members.
2. To take attendance each week and report to the Membership Coordinator and District.
3. To contact members infrequently seen at meetings and see what we can do to help them become



more actively involved in the fellowship and/or service activities of the Club.

4. To continue the practice of exit interviews as a way of understanding how the club can help members continue to serve effectively as Rotarians.
5. To work with the officers and other committees to promote participation by members in District and RI activities, especially ongoing District-wide committees and the District Conference.

**Meeting Schedule:** The Membership Committee meets monthly on the second Tuesday.

### **Notes about the New Member Induction Process**

- We reached the goal to attain 100 members by our club 2020 centennial. However, since then, we have experienced a rash of membership losses, particularly due to the covid crisis and no in-person meetings.
- Guests attending lunch meetings continue to be a positive way for generating new members.
- Rotary orientations are presented to all new members. Our presentation has been shared with other clubs.
- Sponsors are doing a good job of ensuring new members are integrated into the club.
- The timeframe for a new member to move from Red Badge to a Blue Badge has been set at 90 days.

## **Program Committee**

### **Responsibilities & Activities:**

- Prepare and arrange programs for the meetings of the club.
- Plan programs that are in keeping with the Object of Rotary and its standards regarding community, national and international affairs.
- Have suitable programs available in case of an emergency.
- Greet and arrange for introduction of program and arrange for technology needed by speaker.
- Inform speaker where the club is meeting.
- Post on club website programs and background information on topic/speaker.

### **Objective:**

The Program Committee is committed to providing 48 weeks of programs which stimulate and enrich members in their involvement in Rotary goals and avenues of service. Programs appeal to potential members by providing engaging topics which motivate, educate, and entertain.

**Meeting Schedule:** The Program Committee meets as needed and frequently uses email.

## **Communications/Public Relations Committee**

### **Communications / PR / Public Image Committee**

The PR/Public Image/Communications Committee has been successful in helping to get new members and promoting a positive image of Rotary in the Holland area. We have arranged for the club secretary to integrate this responsibility.

Weekly website updates have been a staple to all members to inform them of the upcoming Thursday noon meetings, past meetings, speakers, meeting obligations and any other additional timely information known at the time of publication. E-Blasts inform club members of special announcements.

Here are some of past efforts that have been utilized:

*Tulip Time Grandstand Greeters – “Bleacher Patrol”*





“Bleacher Patrol” is one of the activities involving our Noon Rotary Club, the After-Hours Club and Zeeland Rotary Club. Rotarian volunteers are assigned sections of bleachers to assist those holding tickets to the reserved bleacher seats during the two Tulip Time parades. Friendly “yelling” contests are usually held between Rotarians and their assigned bleacher sections. This is especially fun. Bleacher patrol is an activity to promote Rotary (yes, we all wear Rotary Gear!) and make Tulip Time a memory for all.

#### *Photography of Events/Facebook*

Various members take photos of Rotarians at events and work sites. These photos may be uploaded to the Holland Noon Rotary Facebook site. This PR action serves the membership with knowledge of what is going on in the club as well as inform the community what is happening through the Club.

A trifold brochure showing our presence and what Rotary can offer to those within the community is available at the West Coast Chamber of Commerce and other sites throughout the area.

#### *Advertising in HSRT Program*

Placement of an ad in the summer program of Hope Summer Reparatory Theater. Many people have commented on this placement, it hits our perspective target audience statistics.

#### *100th Anniversary*

A book about the history of the Holland Rotary has been published and made available to the community as well as members.

## **Rotary Fundraising Committee**

### **Responsibilities and Activities:**

- Secure resources to support Holland Rotary Charities programs and projects.
- Develop a plan to secure corporate sponsors for select charitable projects.
- Explore District grant support opportunities for other projects.
- Work with Board and PR Committee to identify signature annual service / fund raising events.

**Objectives:** The Fund-Raising Committee garners financial support for the club’s charitable programs and projects, including Polio Eradication; Youth Leadership Development Programs; Community Service Projects; International Service Projects; and Rotary Youth Exchange.

### **Goals:**

1. Raise up to \$20,000 from one or more fundraising activities to meet the Charities Budget.
2. Engage club members in our fundraising efforts through a commitment of time, talent and or treasure.
3. Implement one to three fund raising projects per year. Discover a signature event.

**Meeting Schedule:** The Fund-Raising Committee meets as needed.

## ***Avenue of Service – Community Service***

### **Community Service Committee**

**Community Service Objective:** The Community Service Committee hosts opportunities to promote community projects that demonstrate “Service Above Self” locally.

### **Overall Goals:**

1. Offer short-term and on-going service opportunities. These opportunities include Little Bookhouses



Oversight, Highway Cleanup, Thanksgiving Collection for Community Action House, and Christmas Bell Ringing for Salvation Army and continued participation with United Way Day of Caring.

2. We continue to ask our members to be involved in at least one service project per year.

Recent **Projects** of the Community Service Committee that have been accomplished include:

1. Support the creation and distribution of PPE masks
2. Support local restaurants during pandemic restrictions
3. Little Free Library Bookhouses
4. Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup
5. Support the City of Holland with the walking path around Windmill Island (Signature project).
6. Assisting Challenged Students Program
7. Thanksgiving baskets (money collected from the Club annually)
8. Salvation Army bell ringers
9. Habitat for Humanity house construction

**Meeting Schedule:** The Community Service Committee meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month.

## *Avenue of Service – International Service*

### **International Service Committee**

**Objective:** The International Service Committee (ISC) is dedicated to championing global service projects on behalf of the Rotary Club of Holland, Michigan. In addition to the global projects, our club financially contributes to the Eradication of Polio as part of the ISC budget.

#### **Goals and Projects:**

1. History of Global Projects

The Rotary Club of Holland, Michigan has a long history of participation in global projects. As part of our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, a book showcasing more than a century of service at home and abroad was published.

2. Rotary Global Visioning Trip

Lead Rotarians: In February 2023, Elizabeth Giddings, John Hoekstra, and Kathy DeVries along with Exchange Student Maria Eduarda Corsini Liz and Marj Hoekstra traveled to Kenya.

**Purpose:** Holland Rotary has participated in numerous international projects, many of which took place in Kenya. Since 2012 when Kathy went on her first tour of Kenya with a mentor, the Rotary Club of Holland has built connections with several Kenyan clubs including the Rotary Club of Eldoret and the Rotary Club of Kisumu.

Our club was able to reconnect with members of the Rotary Club of Eldoret and confirm that the Rotary tractor and silage chopper were still serving the community of Plateau in Uasin Gishu county and to actually see it in action for the first time.

Our club was also able to visit the clinic where Kisumu Rotarians distributed COVID relief supplies in 2020 and save lives through an intense door-to-door campaign, partially funded by our club.

The team was able to visit the busy Oyugis market where our current project is underway. We saw the borehole (well head) and sites where public bathrooms are being built through a current Rotary Global Grant.

The team gathered first-hand information on several potential future grants for a vocational training



program in Kampala, Uganda, a home for 24 differently-abled children in Kitengela, a program to serve homeless children on the streets of Kisumu and Eldoret, provide a hospital with capacity to diagnose sickle cell anemia in patients, an opportunity to provide water and sanitation resources at schools, a request to outfit a preschool/Kindergarten room at a local school, and more. In this Rotary year and the next, we will focus on fundraising and begin the process of laying the groundwork for our next Rotary Global Grant.

### 3. Participation in WEHOP (Water and Environmental Humanitarian Outreach Projects)

Holland Rotary is a long-standing member of this ancillary non-profit organization. WEHOP helps Rotary clubs develop capacity around global projects that include experience, relationships with other clubs, subject area experts, suppliers, and funding.

Through participation in WEHOP, our club has helped “hop on” many projects that other clubs are doing. For example, Grand Haven Rotary has led the initiative to install water filters in Honduras for over a decade. About fifteen thousand water filters have been installed to date, and there is a plan for checking them to be sure they are still producing clean water year after year. Each water filter serves about twenty people, on average. Gail Ringelberg reports that because so many more children are healthy and not dying from water-borne diseases, schools there are now asking Rotary clubs to help build more classrooms.

WEHOP is brought in to support Rotary projects outside of the West Michigan area as well. The Rotary Club of Holland has had steady support from WEHOP on its projects over the years through non-matchable grants.

### 4. Native American Projects

The ISC budget includes funds for various projects on Native American lands that Rotary categorizes as International. Holland Rotary has been active in supplying a tractor for local food production through an NGO partner called Re-Member. Our club recently contributed to a Veggie Wagon to help distribute this healthy food to the remote areas of the reservation that are likely not in proximity to grocery stores or food distribution centers of any kind.

Holland Rotary has also participated in a clean water project in recent years to expand the clean water pipeline that runs from the Missouri River some 300 miles away to Pine Ridge Reservation. This partnership was with the Rotary Club of Boulder and with the NGO Running Strong for American Indian Youth.

Rotarians Charles Elwood and David Beattie and others maintain a close relationship to Pine Ridge Reservation and visit occasionally. Our International Service Committee is made up of members from the Holland After Hours club in addition to our members.

Past projects also include bringing COVID supplies and 3-D printers, thanks to Charles Elwood.

Lead Holland Rotarians: John Hoekstra, Jim Hagel, Charles Warren, Kathy DeVries, John Gronberg, Pat Avery, Howard Fink, and others.

### 5. Collaborative projects with other Rotary Clubs and/or NGOs

The Rotary Club of Holland enjoys collaborative participation in service projects.

Haiti HanWASH: Lead Rotarian John Gronberg. District 6290 has undertaken a leadership role in working toward the goal of bringing clean water to every citizen of Haiti. Despite political setbacks, Haiti HanWASH continues to advance toward this goal. This long-term project will continue to evolve over time, and the Rotary Club of Holland hopes to play a key role in its success.



#### 6. Charitable Travel Support

To encourage Rotarians to travel, to support, and observe the ISC projects limited travel expenses have been budgeted in the past. The Rotary Global Grant Vision team was able to benefit from this support last year. Unfortunately, this has been suspended until further notice due to budget constraints.

#### 7. Polio Eradication.

\$2,000 of the ISC budget is earmarked to support polio eradication.

#### 8. Meeting Schedule: The ISC meets as needed. Sub-committees meet more often to accomplish tasks.

#### 9. Committee Members: Patrick Avery, David Beattie, Gary Bogle, Kathy DeVries, Charles Ellwood, Sue Franz, John Gronberg, Jim Hagel, John Hoekstra, Howard Fink, Charles Warren.

Chair and Board Representative: Kathy DeVries

## Rotary Foundation Committee

**Objective:** The primary function of the Rotary Foundation Committee is to maintain an awareness of the work of the Foundation for our members and encourage their participation in the work of the Foundation through regular financial contributions.

### Responsibilities & Activities:

- Spread the knowledge of and promote support for the Rotary Foundation.
- Promote and encourage all members to become Paul Harris Fellows.
- Promote and encourage members to become Paul Harris Society Members.
- Promote and encourage all members to make annual gifts to the Rotary Foundation.

### On-going Goals:

1. To increase member awareness of the work of the Foundation through new approaches.
2. To award a minimum of 5 new Paul Harris Fellowships per year.
3. To encourage all members to contribute a minimum of \$100.00 to the Foundation annually.
4. To increase the club's number of Paul Harris Society Members. There are currently 4 Paul Harris Society Members in our club.
5. To increase the club's number of Foundation Benefactors. There are currently 6 Bequest Society Members in our club.
6. To increase the club's number of Major Donors. There are currently two major donors in our club.
7. To celebrate and express gratitude to our Paul Harris Fellows, past and present, the Major Donors, the Benefactors and the Bequest Society members in appropriate ways.

### Results in Recent Years:

1. We have continued to exceed our minimum contribution to the Foundation, so we qualify for grants.
2. We currently have 50+ Paul Harris Fellows in our club. We have awarded several this past year.
3. We received a Rotary Citation in 2019. The only club in district 6290 to do so.

## Foundation Scholarships Committee

**Objective:** The Foundation Scholarships Committee supports our District's efforts in identifying outstanding candidates for Rotary Scholarships.



## Goals:

1. Work cooperatively with other Greater Holland Rotary clubs to assure the success of all clubs in identifying and qualifying candidates for scholarships.
2. Solicit assistance from and recruit students from Hope College and Western Theological Seminary for Rotary's Peace Fellowship and Global Scholarships.
3. Identify and inform potential applicants of Rotary Scholarship opportunities.
4. Interview applicants and select a candidate to be sent to the District Committee for Rotary Scholarship interviews.

**Other Information:** One of our former students Sara Sanderson Doyle, who was a Peace Scholar has a position with the U.S. Foreign Service as a Consular Affairs Officer. She credits the opportunities that have been given her through exchange and the mentorship of those who made a difference in her life in forging this career. She currently is employed by the U.S. State Department and stationed in China.

**Meeting Schedule:** This team meets as needed.

## *Avenue of Service – Vocational Service*

### Vocation Services/Vocations @Work Committee

*This committee is not currently functioning.*

**Note:** We tried to give this committee something to do. So, we tried assigning the social initiatives for the club to this committee. Unfortunately, this committee ceased to function.

## *Avenue of Service – New Generations/Youth Service*

### Youth Services Committee

The Board of Directors recently brought all the club's youth programs under one umbrella (Youth Service) for planning and budgeting purposes. The following youth programs have been active this past Rotary year. Each activity has an advisor or champion who adds additional club members from one or more of the Rotary clubs in the Holland/Macatawa region. Unfortunately, Covid hurt many of our youth programs over the past three years making this past year one for rebuilding or starting over.

**Youth Exchange.** This program has a long history in Holland. It is recognized throughout the community and schools as a positive addition to the Holland area. This past year the club had two outbound students (one to India and one to Taiwan), as well as one inbound from Brazil. We have one inbound from Thailand for this coming year.

**Leaders For the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.** This summer leadership program is often referred to as the club's signature youth program. There is a long (20+ year) history with all three Rotary clubs participating in its planning and execution. Leaders bring students who have completed sixth grade and are entering into seventh grade onto the campus of Hope College for a two day/one overnight leadership camp, taught by former Leaders -- local high school and college students, and Rotarians.

Students from any middle school in the Holland area are invited to participate. The highest number of students this past June came from the Corpus Christi Catholic School primarily because the Director for Leaders volunteers at the school and was able to incorporate the Leaders curriculum and service projects there -- even during COVID.



**Life Leadership.** Unfortunately, we did not send any students this year. Our goal is to send at least three students next year.

**Challenged Students.** This one-day event pairs handicapped students from the West Ottawa School District with Rotarians and community leaders for a fun lunch time where conversation can take place along with a short presentation by the students. The club provides materials in the form of hard goods (donations that day, from individual Rotarians, of school supplies, personal hygiene items, etc.) as well as a cash donation to the special education director to use for whatever needs their students and programs have at the time.

**Junior Rotarians.** High school seniors are invited to attend a Rotary lunch meeting for one month during the school year with a goal of learning a bit about Rotary and the club members. Students are selected by their school counselors as leaders who may be interested in learning more about Rotary and furthering their knowledge of a particular vocation. It is the goal to phase out Jr. Rotarians in favor of starting an Interact Club in each school.

**High School Interact.** Another victim of Covid was the Holland High School Interact Club which hasn't met for the past three years. We hope to restart the club this next school year with a new school advisor and local Rotarian liaisons/advisors. A new Interact Club at West Ottawa High School was officially chartered this past year by all three Holland Rotary Clubs (Holland Noon, Holland After Hours, Lakeshore Community Rotaract Club). The club started with a strong core group of students who have focused on water safety both here in the Holland lakeshore area, as well as in other countries (Thailand and American Samoa). They have many ideas and have just designed, with funding assistance from the Rotaract Club and Holland Noon, a t-shirt to sell in order to raise funds for their ambitious ideas.

**Future Ambitions.** The committee hopes to start one or more additional Interact Clubs next year. Besides the Holland High School Club, the Holland Middle School administration has expressed an interest in starting a club. In addition, a local elementary school is also interested in starting an Early Act Club next school year. As of this time we need school advisors for all the new clubs. We have Rotarians who have already volunteered.

**Challenges Ahead.** There are three ongoing challenges we face – first, we do not have a budget large enough to support all of our programs fully. We will need to be creative in how we fund them. Second is finding additional volunteer Rotarians to serve with each program. Third, related to the budget shortfall, is that teachers often must provide supplies out of their own pockets because of a lack of school funding for student activities.

**Overall Objectives.** It is the intent that all Youth Services programs are designed to build leadership skills in all students who participate and that the programs listed here are intertwined and should not be viewed as separate programs. The Youth Services Committee will meet periodically throughout the year.

**Noteworthy.** I had the opportunity to meet individually with both the Holland and West Ottawa Superintendents, with the purpose of garnering support for all of the different youth programs Rotary can offer their students. Both were very supportive and pledged to support these programs with their building principals.

Submitted by Jim White, Youth Services Chair 2023-24

# Rotaract Support Committee



## Introduction and Objective:

We assisted the formation of a Rotaract Club (or more) in our community which provides a continuum of connection to our area Rotary clubs as well as provide a hub for emerging leaders to bond together.

## Rotaract

Along with the After-Hours Club, we continue to assist the **Community Rotaract Club**. This chartered Club is doing well. They have hosted the Holland Rotary clubs at a social event. The Community Rotaract Club is interested in joint service projects with the clubs.

**Rotary Guides:** Noon club: Russ Miller. After Hours: Ed Hansen



# Financial Statements

***Holland Rotary Charities Balance Sheet***, as of June 30, 2023

ASSETS	Jun 30, 23
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking - Charities-107	60,180.22
Total Checking/Savings	60,180.22
Other Current Assets	
Undeposited Funds	6,159.92
Total Other Current Assets	6,159.92
Total Current Assets	66,340.14
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>66,340.14</b>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Due to After Hours Club	3,340.50
3rd Place Raffle Payable	8.00
Int'l Youth Exchange Emergency	500.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	3,848.50
Total Current Liabilities	3,848.50
Total Liabilities	3,848.50
Equity	
Charitable Fund	
Charitable Fund-Designated	
Thomas G Bos Scholarship Fund	6,425.00
Designated-Interact Club	448.30
Designated-Exchange Fundraiser	11,933.64
Designated-AM Rotary Club	605.00
Total Charitable Fund-Designated	19,411.94
Charitable Fund - Other	40,412.64
Total Charitable Fund	59,824.58
Net Income	2,667.06
Total Equity	62,491.64
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>66,340.14</b>



**Charities Profit & Loss Statement** July 2022 through June 2023

Income	
Donations	
Donation-International Services	1,200.00
Donations-Exchange Students	1,000.00
Donations-Corporate & Other	975.00
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Total Donations	3,175.00
Special Collections	
Pine Ridge - Veggie Wagon	450.00
Turkey Relief	2,600.00
Kenya Project Receipts	1,261.00
Donations-Leaders 21st Century	567.00
Pollo Eradication	50.00
Special Collection - CAH	695.00
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Total Special Collections	5,623.00
Fundraising	
Photo Contest	
Votes	5,040.00
Entry Fee	1,765.00
Sponsorship	1,625.00
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Total Photo Contest	8,430.00
Team Fundraiser	3,859.79
Wkly Raffle Ticket Sales	1,235.00
Happy Dollars	499.00
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Total Fundraising	14,023.79
Interest Income	18.61
Miscellaneous Income	400.00
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Total Income	23,240.40
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Gross Profit	23,240.40
Expense	
Supplies	522.82
Bank/Credit Card Charges	80.00
Credit Card Charges	645.08
Fundrasing	
Prizes	507.75
Photo Contest Expenses	0.00
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Total Fundrasing	507.75
Community Service Avenue	
Community Service	
Little Libraries	411.16
Donation-CAH	845.00
Challenged Students	950.00
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Total Community Service	2,206.16
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Total Community Service Avenue	2,206.16

International Service Avenue	
International Service	
Pine Ridge Veggie Wagon	2,500.00
Kenya Project	1,261.00
HHOP/WEHOP	1,000.00
Other	1,000.00
Travel Fund	750.00
Polio Eradication	2,140.79
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Total International Service	8,651.79
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Total International Service Avenue	8,651.79
Youth Services Avenue	
International Youth Exchange	4,329.08
Youth, Schools and Colleges	
Interact Club Expenses	96.19
Leaders of 21st Century	1,928.76
Other	780.00
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Total Youth, Schools and Colleges	2,804.95
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Total Youth Services Avenue	7,134.03
Miscellaneous Expense	
3rd Place Raffle Expense	229.00
Miscellaneous Expense - Other	596.71
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Total Miscellaneous Expense	825.71
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Total Expense	20,573.34
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Net Income	2,667.06

**Holland Noon Club Balance Sheet** as of June 30, 2023

ASSETS

Checking/Savings	
Checking - Club	46,828.07
Total Checking/Savings	<u>46,828.07</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>46,828.07</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>46,828.07</u>

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Dues Assistance Fund	265.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>265.00</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>265.00</u>
Total Liabilities	265.00
Equity	
Retained Earnings	43,215.08
Net Income	3,347.99
Total Equity	<u>46,563.07</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>46,828.07</u>

*Noon Club Profit & Loss Statement* July 2022 through June 2023

INCOME

Membership Dues	
Membership Dues - Corporate	3,324.00
Membership Dues - Other	43,210.00
Total Membership Dues	46,534.00
Meals	2,528.00
Total Income	<hr/> 49,062.00
Gross Profit	<hr/> \$49,062.00

EXPENSES

Credit Card Fees	835.12
Supplies, Printing, Postage	1,826.89
Dues Paid to District 6290	2,842.00
Dues Paid to RI	
RI Magazine-Honorary/Other	1,133.38
Dues Paid to RI - Other	3,940.50
Total Dues Paid to RI	5,073.88
(Club Service Committees)	
Club Development Committees	
Member Involvement	354.39
Club Development Committees - Other	250.00
Total Club Development Committees	604.39
Member Services Committee	
Room Rental	647.00
Chamber Fees	360.00
Meals	32,141.86
Awards - DSA & Other	370.98
Total Member Services Committee	33,519.84
Communications Committee	
Website Maint/Development	635.00
Other Communication Comm. Exp	356.89
Total Communications Committee	991.89
Total Club Service Committees	35,116.12
Other Expenses	20.00
Total Expense	<hr/> \$45,714.01

NET INCOME	<hr/> <hr/> \$3,347.99
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