

## Rotary Club of Tysons Corner

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### Nearby Clubs

Monday	7:30 am	Fair Lakes, Fair Lakes Hyatt
	12:15 pm	Fairfax, American Legion Post 177, Fairfax City
	12:30 pm	Alexandria West, Sheraton across from Steak & Ale
	12:30 pm	Sterling, Logan's Roadhouse
Tuesday	7:30 am	Burke, Brion's Grille
	12:00 pm	McLean, Redeemer Lutheran Church
	12:15 pm	Alexandria, Belle Haven Country Club
	12:30 pm	Rosslyn/Fort Myer, Holiday Inn Westpark
Wednesday	7:30 am	Crystal City/Pentagon, Crystal City Marriott
	7:30 am	Herndon, Amphora Diner
	12:15 pm	Annandale, Squire Rockwell
	12:15 pm	Reston, Hidden Creek County Club
	12:15 pm	Vienna, Marco Polo Restaurant
Thursday	7:30 am	Tysons Corner, Tower Club (8000 Towers Crescent Drive, Vienna)
	12:00 pm	Ashburn, 1757 Golf Club
	12:15 pm	Arlington, La Cote D'or (2201 N. Westmoreland St.)
	12:15 pm	Springfield, J.W. and Friends Restaurant (6531 Backlick Road)
	6:30 pm	Falls Church, Harvest Moon Restaurant
Friday	7:30 am	Bailey's Crossroads, Goodwin House (3440 S. Jefferson St., Falls Church)
	7:30 am	Dulles, Dulles Hilton
	12:30 pm	Dunn Loring, J.R.'s Stockyards Inn

# Tower Talk

## The Weekly Journal of the Rotary Club of Tysons Corner

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### Today's Speaker

### Duane Dodwell Classification Talk

This morning we welcome our own Duane Dodwell, who will present his classification talk. Duane is Deputy Fire Chief of Support Services for the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department.

With a budget of \$11 million and a staff of 60, Duane is responsible for

oversight and delivery of all the critical services that allow the organization to function (e.g., apparatus, communications, IT, facilities, purchasing and accounts payable, etc.). A New York native, he joined the department in 1984.

Duane has been instrumental in gaining the Club's financial and volunteer support for the Fire and Rescue Department's school backpack, winter coat, and Christmas toy drives.



**Gifted Guest:** President Denise Dixon-Basil (left) accepts one of several handcrafted gifts from Peruvian visitor Ximena Cedamanos at our Jan. 20 meeting. Ximena also brought a banner from her Rotaract Club of Los Olivos in Lima, Peru.

## Wine Venue Chosen

The Spring Wine Tasting Gala slated for April 16 will have a new home — the Habatat Art Gallery, located next to the Tower Club's building in the Towers Crescent Complex.

Event Chair Mary Edwards announced the new venue Jan. 20 after she and her committee toured the facility.

The committee will meet on Feb. 10 at Mary's office near Tysons Galleria to continue planning.

## Volunteer for JA

Junior Achievement needs volunteers who can share their experiences with eighth-grade students on Wednesday, Feb. 2.

The session will take place from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Finance Park, JA's state-of-the-art training center at 4099 Pickett Rd. in Fairfax. A mandatory 60-minute training session for volunteers will start between 8 a.m. and 8:30 a.m.

No preparation is needed. Contact Zaheer Poptani to volunteer.

## DisCon 2011 Coming

Registration is now open for DisCon 2011, District 7610's conference scheduled for April 7–10 in Gettysburg, Pa.

District Governor George "Ron" Marion reports that speakers have been selected and that plans are set for Rotary fellowship, learning, and "just plain fun."

Cost for the full conference is \$215 per person, which jumps to \$250 on March 1. Register at rotary7610.org under "Calendar."

## Kettle Clout

Tysons Corner Rotarians rang up \$555.99 in donations at the Salvation Army kettle outside Nordstrom on Dec. 11. Congratulations to our bell-ringing volunteers!

### Thursday Thought:

**"He is not only dull himself; he is the cause of dullness in others."**

— Samuel Johnson

## Future Speakers

Feb 3	Michael Trautermann	German Overview
Feb 10	TBA	
Feb 17	John Mumford	Author of <i>Broke</i>

## Best Foot Forward\*



Creating an executive presence is important to career success, as Jean O'Brien demonstrated at our Jan. 20 meeting. Jean is creator of the Executive Presence Program, in which she teaches skills such as networking, positive office politics, first impressions and body language, and how to communicate one's strengths in 30 seconds.

Jean pointed out that 20 different behaviors occur within the first 30 seconds of meeting someone. And a good first impression depends on getting them right!

*\*The actual quotation is "Put ye your better foot before." (Shakespeare knew we only have two feet.)*

## SAVE THE DATE...

**TONIGHT, Jan. 27:** Board of Directors meeting at office of Martin Shields in McLean, 6:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, Feb. 2:** Volunteer day at Junior Achievement Finance Park in Fairfax, 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Contact Zaheer Poptani.

**Thursday, Feb. 10:** Spring Wine Tasting Gala Committee meeting at office of Mary Edwards in McLean, 6:30 p.m. Volunteers welcome.

**Thurs. April 7 to Sun. April 10:** "DisCon 2011," District 7610 Conference in Gettysburg, Pa. Register online at the district website: rotary7610.org.

**Saturday, April 16:** Spring Wine Tasting Gala at Habatat Art Gallery (which is near Tower Club), 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

## Dinner Schedule for Alternative House

Feb 2	Campbell Maloney	Mar 9	David Danner
Feb 9	Dick Strean	Mar 16	Ingrid Parris-Hicklin
Feb 16	Bill Schipper	Mar 23	Carolyn Stys
Feb 23	Ed Beck	Mar 30	Glenn Rounsevell
Mar 2	Denise Dixon-Basil	Apr 6	Zaheer Poptani

Dinner providers should call 703-356-6360 on the Tuesday before delivering dinner on Wednesday and ask the counselor on duty how many persons are expected to be present for the meal at 2100 Gallows Road, Vienna.

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