

Rotary Club of Tysons Corner

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Nearby Clubs

Monday	7:30 am	Alexandria South, IHOP, 7694 Richmond Highway, Alexandria
	12:15 pm	Fairfax, American Legion Post 177, Fairfax City
	12:30 pm	Sterling, Logan's Roadhouse, Sterling
Tuesday	7:30 am	Burke, Brion's Grille, Burke
	11:30 am	Centreville, Eggspectations Restaurant, Chantilly
	12:00 pm	McLean, Lutheran Church of the Redeemer Fellowship Hall, McLean
	12:15 pm	Alexandria, Belle Haven Country Club, Alexandria
Wednesday	12:30 pm	Rosslyn-Fort Myer, Vantage Point Restaurant at Holiday Inn, Arlington
	7:30 am	Herndon, Amphora Diner Deluxe, Herndon
	7:30 am	Fair Lakes, Fairfax Marriott at Fair Oaks, Fairfax
	7:30 am	West Springfield, Springfield Golf and Country Club, Springfield
	7:30 am	Crystal City-Pentagon, Crystal City Sports Pub, Arlington
	12:15 pm	Reston, Hidden Creek Country Club, Reston
	12:15 pm	Annandale, Juke Box Diner, Annandale
	12:15 pm	Vienna, Marco Polo Restaurant, Vienna
Thursday	6:45 pm	Mount Vernon, Cedar Knoll Inn on the Potomac, Alexandria
	7:30 am	Great Falls, Riverbend Golf & Country Club, Great Falls
	12:00 pm	Ashburn, 1757 Golf Club, Dulles
	12:15 pm	Arlington, La Cote D'or Restaurant, Arlington
	12:15 pm	Springfield, JW & Friends Restaurant, Springfield
Friday	6:30 pm	Falls Church, Harvest Moon Restaurant, Falls Church
	7:30 am	Bailey's Crossroads, Goodwin House, Falls Church
	7:30 am	Dulles International Airport, Hilton Washington Dulles, Dulles Airport
	12:30 pm	Dunn Loring-Merrifield, Shula's in the Tysons Corner Marriott, Vienna

Tower Talk

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Today's Speaker

Vance Zavela

PolioPlus Update

This morning we are pleased to welcome Vance Zavela from the Rotary Club of McLean. Vance currently serves as an Area Foundation Advisor for District 7610. He had been the District's PolioPlus Chair from 2008 to 2012, and has held many district-level positions. Vance will discuss the status

of the PolioPlus project, which is funded by The Rotary Foundation.

Vance was recognized in 2007-08 as the District 7610 Rotarian of the Year, and also received the RI Four Avenues of Service Citation that year. He is deeply committed to supporting the work of The Rotary Foundation, as a Benefactor, Major Donor, and Paul Harris Society member.

As Vance will report, in 2012 only 193 cases of polio had been reported worldwide as of November, compared to 650 in 2011.



Fanning the Flames: President Mary Edwards delivers a fireside chat (literally) for new members at the home of Tony Rounds on Jan. 22. At left are Mary Ann Young (wife of new member Dave Young), Ross Anderson, and Huong Van. This was the Club's first Rotary Fireside Chat that featured an actual fire. More on page 2.



Hot Time: New members learned about Rotary from Club officers and directors at the Fireside Chat on Jan. 22 at the home of Tony Rounds. His wife, "Toni Girl," snapped the group photo.

Wizards and District 7610 Plan 'End Polio Now' Night

The Washington Wizards are hosting an "End Polio Now" Night with Rotary District 7610 on Saturday, March 16. The game versus the Phoenix Suns is scheduled for 7 p.m. at the Verizon Center in Washington.

Tickets for the game are \$43 in the Club Level and \$30 in the Upper Level. Eight dollars from each ticket will be donated to The Rotary Foundation's PolioPlus program.

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Rotary clubs will have one opportunity to purchase a block of seats by contacting Group Sales Manager Ralph Wong at 202-527-7537. Tickets for individual Rotarians and others can be purchased through the Wizards website by using promo code "endpolio."

For more information, please contact Vance Zavala at:

vance.zavala@verizon.net.

Future Speakers

Feb 14	Joy Hayes	Ethical Decision Making
Feb 21	Ardell Fleeson	Changes at Tysons Corner
Feb 28	Huong Van Daniel Edgell	Classification Talks

On the Brink of Disaster



A monetary cliff would've been far worse than the fiscal cliff, according to economist Jerome La Pittus, Ph.D. But that fate was avoided when Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke bought up corporate assets to preserve the financial system. Jerry discussed the 2008 financial debacle on Jan. 24 in his provocatively titled talk, "Thank God for Ben Bernanke."

More financial crises loom unless bankers' incentives are revamped and assets are valued accurately, Jerry said.

SAVE THE DATE...

TONIGHT, Jan. 31: Wine Tasting Committee meeting via conference call, 7-8 p.m. Dial 213-493-0441, passcode 40952.

Monday, Feb. 25: Board of Directors meeting via conference call, 7-8 p.m. Details to follow.

Saturday, March 16: Washington Wizards "End Polio Now" Night vs. Phoenix Suns at Verizon Center, 7 p.m. (Story on page 2.)

April 25-28: Multi-District Conference at Hyatt Regency Crystal City Hotel in Arlington.

Thursday Thought:

A dead fish can float downstream, but it takes a live fish to swim upstream.

Dinner Schedule for Alternative House

Feb 6	David Young	Mar 13	David Danner
Feb 13	Daniel Edgell	Mar 20	Ingrid Parris-Hicklin
Feb 20	Dick Strean	Mar 27	Glenn Rounsevell
Feb 27	Bill Schipper	Apr 3	Laurie Kent
Mar 6	Ross Anderson	Apr 10	Bill Keen

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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