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**Important District Meetings To Bring To Your Attention**

By Pat and Skip Doyle



This past week's meetings reminded us of two things. One, we only have four months left as your district governors. And two, those four months are packed with district events and the meetings needed to plan them.

The meeting we would like to bring to your attention today is the Council Meeting with our past district governors, held last Thursday. Nine PDGs met with us, District Governor-Nominee Steve Sager and District Governor-Nominee-Designate Pam Anastasi. Our past district governors don't get a lot of mention and some might say they don't get a lot of attention, either. Finding an appropriate role in the years following a term as governor can be a challenge.

PDGs have knowledge, connections, training, experience - and lots of good ideas.  The challenge is translating that passion into action. Or, to quote a Rotary Zone 24/32 publication, having a PDG means having a "proactive, dynamic guide rather than past district governor."

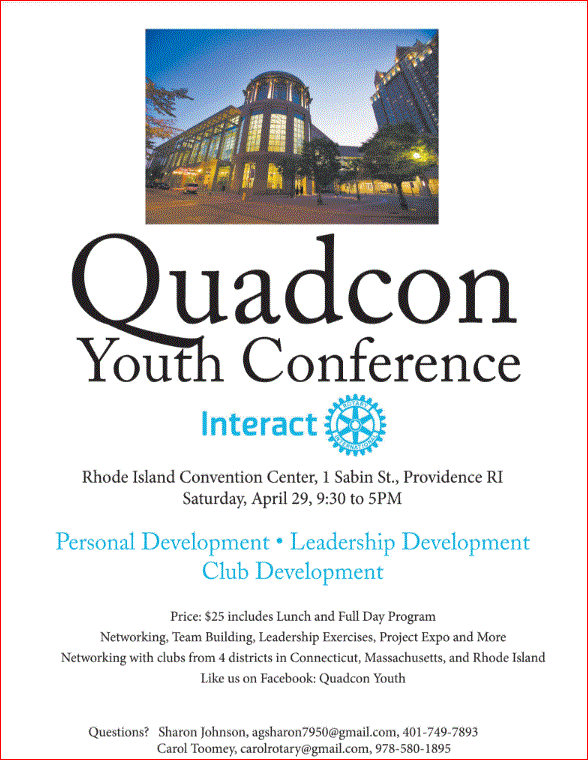
Rotary International spends a great deal of time and money training those of us in the district-governor track. The training we were exposed to at Zone Institutes and the International Assembly was of the highest caliber and we are sure RI expects us to continue to put this training to use for the good of our district, our zone and RI.

The PDGs we met with last Thursday evening represented 27 years of training and action. We thank them for sharing their guidance and wisdom. Many of the readers of this Governor's Message are newer members who have not had the privilege of meeting many of our PDGs. For this reason, we will be adding a column similar to <eet the Presidents, called meet the Past District Governors.  PDG Carol Toomey's interview is below.

Shown, front, left to right, are PDGs **Ed Hall, Val Callahan**, and **Roger Frost**

Shown back, left to right, are PDGs **Klaus Hachfeld,  Carol Toomey, Carl Kalisczski, Jim Fusco, Ed King**and **Bob Cassidy**

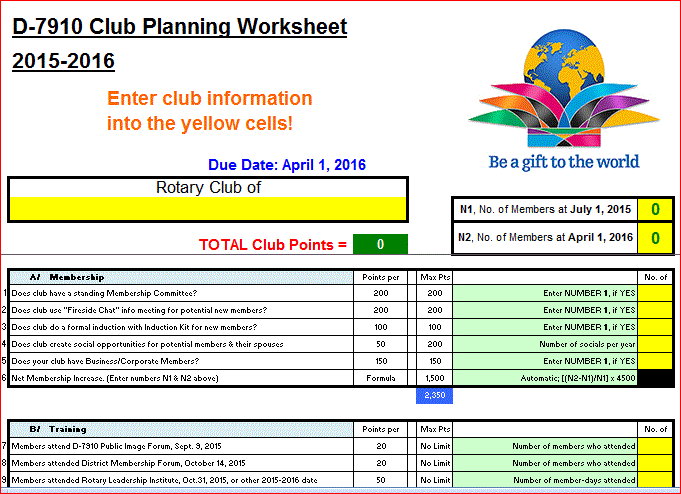
**QuadCon Call**

Interactors from all over the District 7910 are getting excited about the**Youth Conference** to be held as part of the **Multi District Conference** - QuadCon, for short - this **April**in  **Providence**. Check [Quadcon web page](http://www.rotaryconference2017.org/) for updates.

**Four important things to know:**

**1.**The weekly **submission deadline** for the Newsletter is **Friday.** As usual, **text** content must be submitted in **Word** format, and **image**content, in either **JPEG** or **PDF** format. Continue to **submit your content** to Immediate Past District Governor/Newsletter Editor **Jim Fusco** at [jim.fusco2@gmail.com](mailto:jim.fusco2@gmail.com).

**2. Rotary Youth Leadership Awards**: The **RYLA Club Pack** has been updated and posted on [RYLA7910.org](http://ryla7910.org/). When you download it, you will notice changes from last year. Please read the material carefully and direct your questions to**Christine Pinney**, chair of the **RYLA Committee,**who may be reached at [christine@christinepinney.com](mailto:christine@christinepinney.com). The RYLA season has begun and the RYLA Committee is working to make RYLA 2017 the "best RYLA ever." (See RYLA article, right-hand column.)

**3. Club Planning Worksheet:**To**download**the **Club Planning Worksheet,**[click here](http://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000050053/en-ca/files/homepage/club-planning-awards-form-version-110-9-21-2016-excel-format/Club-Planning---Awards-Form---Version-110---9-21-2016---Excel-Format.xlsx.)**.**This worksheet is made available to clubs so they can gauge their progress in achieving the goals they set last July.  This month is a good time to review the worksheet and see how far you have come and how much farther you need to go as a club. You may surprise yourselves and realize that you are well on the way to earning district recognition. We recommend the club president appoint the president-elect to be the "champion" of the Worksheet, and to use it as a guide for the club, and to report monthly to the club's membership and board on the club's progress.

**4.** As your **district governors**, we have **resolved** to:

* **Revisit**as many clubs as possible in the next few months.
* Help our clubs **achieve the goals** they set in July
* Do all we can to **build membership** in the district
* Plan a grand event to celebrate our **Million Dollar Foundation Journey**
* "Move the ball forward," in harmony, with District Governor-Elect**Karin Gaffney,**District Governor-Nominee **Steve Sager** and District Governor-Nominee-Designate **Pamela Anastasi**
* Celebrate all of this at our **Multi-District Conference** this April in in Providence

[**'GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE' PAGE**](http://rotary7910.org/page/governor-s-message-march-7-2017/) (in case you want to share a link to this article)

District Governors Pat and Skip Doyle (shown, right) may be reached

at [pwdoyle2@verizon.net](mailto:pwdoyle2@verizon.net) and [skipdoyle2@verizon.net](mailto:skipdoyle2@verizon.net), respectively.

[[](mailto:jim.fusco2@gmail.com)Click here](mailto:jim.fusco2@gmail.com) to **submit content** for the**Tuesday, March 14 issue.**

The **submission deadline**for this issue is**Friday, March 10.**

[](http://rotary7910.org/Page/newsletter-ebulletin-archive)[Click here](http://rotary7910.org/Page/newsletter-ebulletin-archive) for **past issues.**

**https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000000011/Images/RotaryMoE_RGB.pngWELCOME, NEW ROTARIANS**

Alphabetical, by last name

* **Robert Boley,** Westford
* **Margaret Grenier,** Worcester
* **Jin Huang,** Westborough
* **David Park**, Newton
* **Claudia Pietrewicz**, Milford
* **Chanel Prunier**, Worcester

Remember to **ask ... ask ... ask!**

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**New Deadline: April 15**

**Applications Sought for David and Eleanor Morley Endowed Global Grant Scholarship**

To **learn more** about the **Morley Scholarship,** [click here](http://rotary7910.org/page/rotary-district-7910-morley-scholarship/).

To **download**the Morley Scholarship **flyer**in PDF format**,**[click here](https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000050053/en-ca/files/homepage/morley-scholarship-flyer-pdf-format/FINAL---Morley-Scholarship-flyer---PDF-Format.pdf).

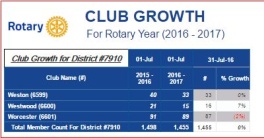
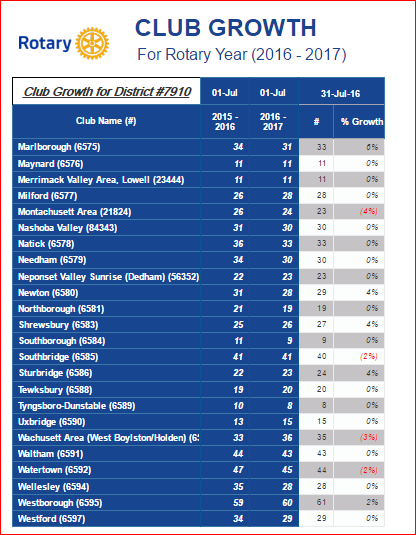
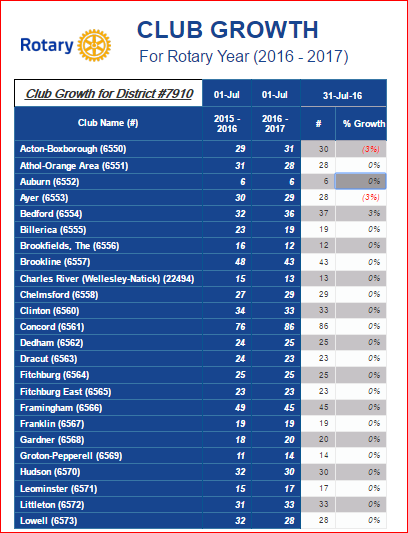


**https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000000011/Images/RotaryMoE_RGB.pngCLUB MEMBERSHIP GROWTH, ’16-‘17**

We share with you the results of **club-membership growth** in our district during Rotary year **2016-2017**, which began July 1.

This is a **unique opportunity** for Rotarians and friends to discuss **partnering on humanitarian projects**affecting our local communities.

[**READ MORE**](http://rotary7910.org/page/club-membership-growth-august-22-2016/)



**https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000000011/Images/RotaryMoE_RGB.pngINTERVIEWS WITH PDGS**

**Carol Toomey, Nashoba Valley**

**Past District Governor, 2009-2010**



**Please tell us what factors helped you decide to join Rotary.**

I met PDG Bob Erickson when I moved my Action Unlimited office from Marlboro to Maynard in 1970. My office was next door to his and I used to tease him about how much nicer his office was than mine. I started running ads in my paper for the pancake breakfast that the Acton Rotary had. In the ad, it said all the good things they did with the money. I went to them and asked if I could join. Little did I know that women weren’t allowed.

[**READ MORE**](http://rotary7910.org/page/interviews-with-pdgs-march-7-2017/)

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**Auburn Leverages 'Free Media' to Promote Fundraiser**





Check out the **Rotary Club of Auburn**'s[1/4-page, four-color ad](http://ow.ly/95ZY309DfNL) (page 3; shown, above left) and [article](http://ow.ly/95ZY309DfNL)(page 29, shown, above right) in the March 3 issue of the weekly **Yankee Xpress/Blackstone Valley Xpress** as part of a media sponsorship of Auburn Rotary and Friends of Auburn Music Education's upcoming 20176 St. Patrick's Day Music & Wine Fundraiser for Education. The ad and article will **run again** in the **March 17 issue**.This is one of many **"free media"**ways to **promote** your club's **events and activities**.

To **learn more** on **Auburn Rotary**, [click here](https://sites.google.com/site/rotaryclubofauburn/home).

**In Support of Polish-Ukrainian Rotary project**

By Roy Balfour



**Westborough Donates to Good Shepard Lutheran Church for Food-Packing Event**

Lett to right: Pastor**Jeff Goodrich;** Club Giving Chair **Betsy Moquin**; and President **Gerry Gross**



**Montachusett Area Hears from AG Kevin Fry on Hero's Cup Hockey**



Assistant Governor Kevin Fry is shown addressing the membership at a recent meeting of the **Rotary Club of Montachusett Area** at the DoubleTree Hotel in Leominster. He spoke about[Hero's Cup Hockey](http://www.heroscuphockey.com/) on April 21 to 23.

The weekend-long event designed to bring firefighters, police officers, EMS, and military members together in a fun weekend to raise money and awareness for multiple charities. Each team will be playing for the charity of their choice, with a cash prize going to the winning teams charity of each division.

[**LEARN MORE**](http://www.heroscuphockey.com/home.html)

**Nashoba Valley Celebrates 5th Birthday**



The**Rotary Club of Nashoba Valley** celebrated its 5th birthday on February 23, which happened to be Rotary International’s 112th birthday. The club, which was chartered on February 24, 2012, celebrated with party games, cake, decorations, video highlights from the past five years, and a speaker from Boston Gleaners. Check out the [Facebook photo album](https://www.facebook.com/pg/NashobaRotary/photos/?tab=album&album_id=1253139931442072) for more pictures, including a rousing game of Simon Says.

To **learn more**on **Nashoba Valley Rotary**, [click here.](https://nashobarotary.org/)

**Westborough Welcomes Exchange Student**

Left to right: M**arcia Davis**, chair of District 7910's Eastern States Student Exchange Committee; Exchange Student **YukaIchihawa;** **Jeanne Reimonn;**and President**Gerry Gross.**

[**READ MORE**](https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000050053/en-ca/files/homepage/westborough-exchange-student/17_02_15-Rotary-Club-of-Westborough-Newsletter.pdf)



To **learn more** on **Westborough Rotary,** [click here](http://www.westboroughrotary.org/)[.](https://portal.clubrunner.ca/3547)

**D7910 Well-Represented at Zone 24/32 Coordinator Training in Evanston**

****Among the people shown posing at the entrance to RI headquarters are District 7910 Rotarians who have appeared in our weekly newsletter and/or have spoken at D7910 events.

**CAN YOU FIND THEM?**

They are: Immediate Past District Governor **Jim Fusco;** Past District Governor **Carol Toome**y; District PR Chair **Laura Spear;** Past District Governor **Greg Roche**; **Carolyn Johnson**, of District 7780; Rotary International Director **Dean Rohrs**; Incoming RI Director **Jeffery Cadorette**; and Past RI Director **Bryn Styles**.

**Montachusett Area Sponsors New Interact Club**

Members of  the **Ro****tary Club of Montachuset Are**a gathered together on February 15 to celebrate Charter Night for the new **Interact Club at Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical High School**. Present at this celebration were many members of Montachusett Area Rotary.

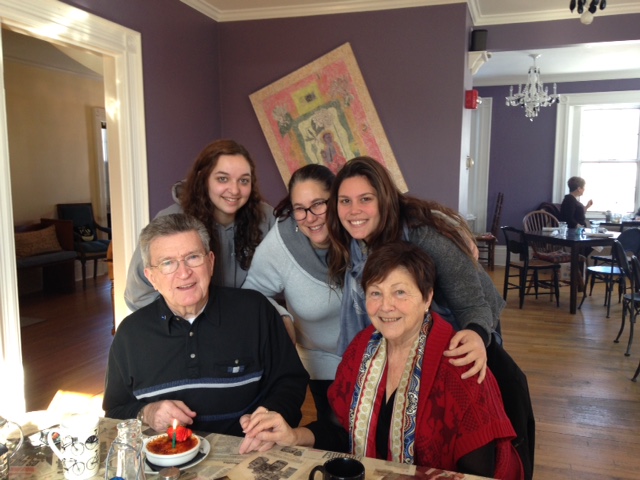
District Interact Chair**Bob Antho**ny, a Wellesley Rotarian, addressed the group as well as Monty Tech Principal **Thomas Browne** and Monty Tech Superintendent Dr. **Sheila Harrity**.

The Interact club, which has 20 members, was born because Co-Presidents **Kayla Gerry** (shown, left) and **Casey Szlosek**(shown, right)learned about Interact during RYLA 2016 and wanted to form a club.

To **learn more** on **Montachusett Area Rotary,** [click here.](https://portal.clubrunner.ca/3547)

**Our Co-DGs Reunite with ESSEX Student**

Co-District Governors **Pat Doyle**(seated, right) and**Skip Doyle**(seated, left) pose with, left to right, **Alex Incorvia** (daughter of the host mom), Host Mom **Stacy Incorvi**a, and former ESSEX Student**Marilia Lomani.**



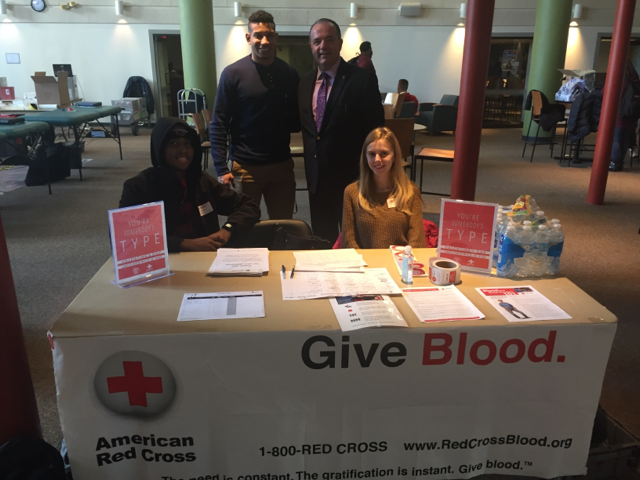
To**learn more** on **ESSEX,**[click here](http://www.actonboxboroughrotary.org/youth-exchange-programs/).

**Dean College Rotaract Organizes, Holds Blood Drive**

During a recent blood drive by the **Interact Club of Dean College**, more than 40 people pre-registered to donate.

Left to right, sitting: Dean College Rotaractors **Dean Bennett**and**Elizabeth Donahue**

Left to right ,standing: Dean College Rotaract President **Nua Toy-Giles**and Franklin Rotary President **Terry Katsaros**



**Uxbridge Donates $500 to Tri-County Meals On Wheels**



On February 7, the **Rotary Club of Uxbridge**presented a $500 check to **Tri County Meals on Wheels**.

Left to right:**Joan MacKinnon; Bev Clarke**, fundraiser; **Kristen McCarthy,**President **Linn Doll-Butler**and **Mike Rooney.**

To**learn more**on**Uxbridge Rotary,** [click here.](https://portal.clubrunner.ca/3700)

**Needham, National Honor Society Join Forces for Food Packaging**



The **Rotary Club of Needham** recently joined forces with 80 students from **Needham High School's National Honor Society**. They teamed up with **Stop Hunger Now.**

To **view**the event's **photo album,** [click here](http://portal.clubrunner.ca/3694/PhotoAlbums/2017-packaging-meals-for-stop-hunger-now).

[**READ MORE**](http://portal.clubrunner.ca/3694/Stories/packaging-meals-for-stop-hunger-now)

To **learn more**on **Needham Rotary,** [click her](https://portal.clubrunner.ca/3694)

**Multi-Club Power Play: Needham Teams Up with Framingham, Newton, Waltham and Watertown on India Solar-Power Project**



The **Rotary Clubs of Needham, Framingham, Newton, Waltham and Watertown** have partnered to fund a **$6,000 solar-power project** (shown, left) for **Film Nagar High School** in **Hyerabad, India**. The host club there is the **Rotary Club of Jubilee Hills**, in District 3150.

Needham paid $3,000 of the $6,000 - $1,500 of which should come back as District Grant match. Watertown, Waltham, Newton and Framingham paid $500 each.

[**READ MORE**](http://rotary7910.org/page/multi-club-india-pv-project-january-24-2017/)

To **learn more** about:

* **Framingham Rotary**, [click here](http://www.framinghamrotary.org/)
* **Jubilee Hills Rotary**, [click here](http://www.rotaryjh.org/)
* **Needham Rotary,** [click here](http://portal.clubrunner.ca/3694)
* **Newton Rotary**, [click here](http://newtonrotaryclub.com/)
* **Waltham Rotary**, [click here](http://portal.clubrunner.ca/3665)
* **Watertown Rotary**, [click here](http://portal.clubrunner.ca/3702)

**Bedford Gears Up  for April Meal-Packing Event**

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Members of the**Rotary Club of** **Bedford** were recently invited to speak with **Rod Brooks**, president and CEO, and the **Marc Vermouth**, New England program manager of **Stop Hunger Now**. Held at the Red Heat Tavern in Bedford, the meeting was in recognition of Bedford Rotary’s enduring (annually since 2013) and successful meal-packing programs (more than one-quarter-million total meals packaged to date) in the Bedford area assisted by other Rotary clubs and industry partners. Rod Brooks congratulated and thanked Bedford Rotarians for their efforts, and revealed expanded directions for Stop Hunger Now, including water, agriculture and educational programs to combat worldwide hunger. In the next few weeks, Stop Hunger Now will announce a new global branding and logo to reflect this focus.

For 2017, Bedford Rotary has secured the morning of Saturday, **April 8** at **Middlesex Community College** (Bedford Campus) for this year’s exciting meal-packing event. The club plans to have again multiple Rotary club and industry partners, including **BAE Systems** as the major corporate sponsor.  If you are interested in joining this year’s event, please contact this year’s chair, Past District Governor **Bob Cassidy**, at [rac011846@comcast.net](mailto:rac011846@comcast.net).

Shown right: During Bedford Rotary's 2016 meal-packing event, volunteers from Rotary, industry and nearby communities had fun fighting world hunger, with assembly lines running from raw rice, in the foreground, to packaged boxes, in the background.

To learn more about Bedford Rotary, [click here](http://www.bedfordmarotary.org/).

**Great Fundraising Tool for All Clubs: Westborough uses PayPal to raise nearly $2,000 for Polio Plus**

[**READ MORE**](http://rotary7910.org/page/westborough-uses-paypal-for-polio-plus-january-2-2017/)



To **research charities** that have a **registered 501(c)3 account**with **PayPal**, click here[.](https://www.paypal.com/fundraiser/hub)

To**learn more** about **Westborough Rotary**,[click here](http://www.westboroughrotary.org/).

**District Highlights Fundraising Goals in Video**

[](http://vimeo.com/185501224)

We are all well aware that **The Rotary Foundation**is celebrating its **100th anniversary** in 2017.**Steve Kirk**, president of the Rotary Club of Concord, has produced a **five-minute video** that outlines our own **district’s fundraising goals**for the current Rotary year, which ends next June 30.

[**WATCH VIDEO**](https://vimeo.com/185501224)

To**learn more** about **The Rotary Foundation**, [click here](https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/rotary-foundation).

**Video Now Available: Governor Baker addresses district Rotarians**

[](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vzTcHmis_0M)

The **Rotary Club of Billerica**has provided a **video** of **Governor Charlie Baker**'s address to **District 7910 Rotarians**on September 27 at the DoubleTree Hotel in Bedford. To **watch**the two-hour-47-minute **video**, [click here](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vzTcHmis_0M).

The Rotary Clubs of **Bedford**, **Billerica,** **Lowell**, **Newto**n and **Shrewsbury**sponsored the event, which  was a unique opportunity for Rotarians and friends to discuss partnering on humanitarian projects affecting our local communities. To**view**event **photos**, [click here](https://photos.google.com/share/AF1QipOS3iG2R-bOrIWjcNDTWpYE3xTj2IQhDRktzUJoXRCsSiognoeAYvofwTxGTiwwIw?key=cl8zejNMS0pvWkx4UGpBQXZjUVRGOWxpVy1sVHlB).

**Great Fundraising Idea for All Clubs: Milford distributes '16 Tab to 13,000 homes with record sales, 94 photos, 334 smiling faces**

To **read** the **Milford  RotaryTab**, [click here](https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000050053/en-ca/files/homepage/milford-tab-2015-16/_tab-2016-Final-small-Milford.pdf).

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To learn more about**Milford Rotary,** [click here.](http://portal.clubrunner.ca/3478)

**On to Atlanta in 2017: Register now!**

**For more information on the RI Convention,**[**click here**](http://social.bluehornet.com/p/v7Fl4GybnN)

**Planning to attend? Contact District RI Convention Chair**[**Steve Glines**](mailto:steveglines@gmail.com?subject=RI%20Convention%20in%20Atlanta)**.**

[](http://www.riconvention.org/en/atlanta/register)

To **learn more**, [click here.](http://echo4.bluehornet.com/ct/87562376:T5z_ZlY4N:m:1:2906161915:1D30F004613034BB7ECDA28CCEF62293:r)

To **register** for the **2017 RI Convention**in**Atlanta,**[click here](http://echo4.bluehornet.com/ct/87562377:T5z_ZlY4N:m:1:2906161915:1D30F004613034BB7ECDA28CCEF62293:r).

**Pat and Skip Doyle Installed as '16-'17 DGs**

To **watch** a video of the **installation**, [click here](https://www.youtube.com/embed/3YE2G-75FgA).

**District Banners Available**



Our **district banners**are **available for your use**when you have an upcoming **event or fundraiser.**

If you want to **reserve** one of the banners, please **contact**PR Chair **Laura Spear** at [laura@spear.net](mailto:laura@spear.net).

**https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000000011/Images/RotaryMoE_RGB.pngMAJOR DISTRICT & CLUB HAPPENINGS: WINTER & SPRING 2017**

**Friday, March 10:  Hudson - 'LOL Comedy Night'**

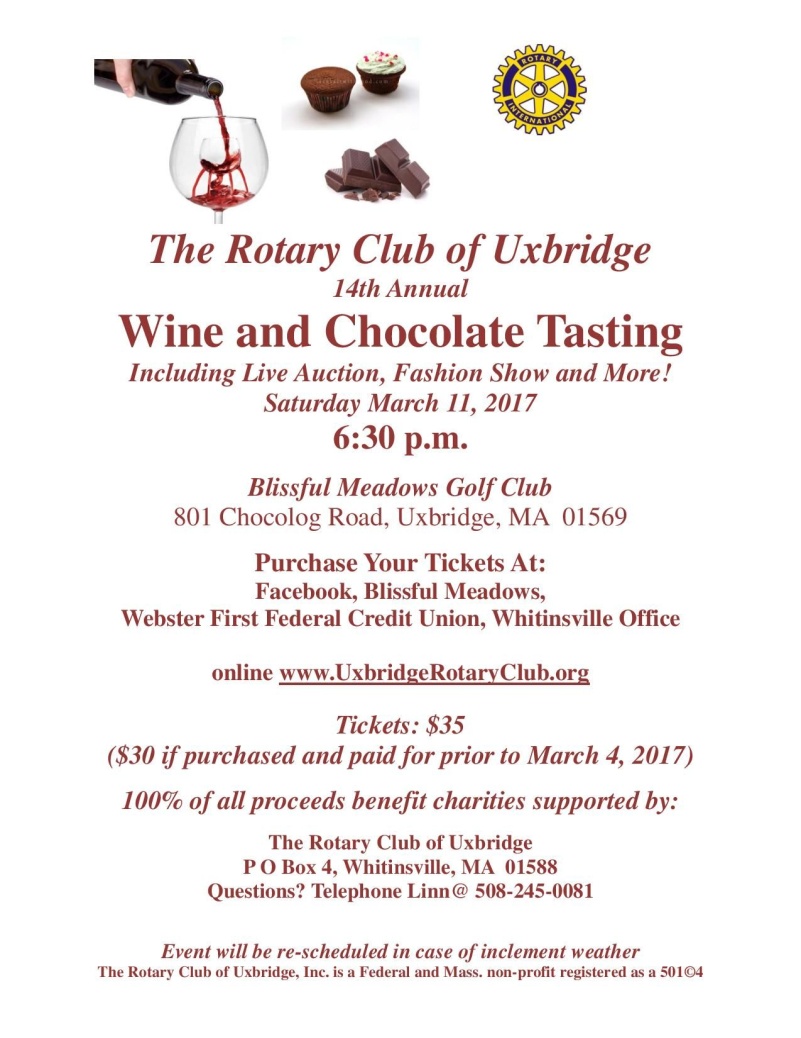
**For more information,**[**click here**](https://www.facebook.com/events/1075193135923710/?ti=icl)

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**Saturday, March 11: Uxbridge - 'Wine and Chocolate Tasting'**

**To visit and "like" our Facebook page,**[**click here**](https://www.facebook.com/events/1168207603233175/)

**To download event flyer,**[**click here**](https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000050053/en-ca/files/homepage/updated-uxbridge-wine-chocolate-tasting-flyer-pdf-format/Updated---Uxbridge-Wine---Chocolate-Tasting-flyer---PDF-Format.pdf)



**Saturday, April 15: District 7910 - 'Extended Deadline for Morley Scholarship Applications'**

**To learn more,**[**click here**](http://rotary7910.org/page/rotary-district-7910-morley-scholarship/)

**To download revised flyer in PDF format,**[**click here**](https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000050053/en-ca/files/homepage/final-revised-2-morley-scholarship-flyer-pdf-format/FINAL---REVISED-2---Morley-Scholarship-flyer---PDF-Format.pdf)

[](http://rotary7910.org/page/rotary-district-7910-morley-scholarship/)

**Friday, March 17: Auburn - 'St. Patrick's Day Music & Wine Fundraiser'**

**To learn more, and to purchase tickets,**[**click here**](https://sites.google.com/site/rotaryclubofauburn/2017-music-wine-event)

**To download event flyer in PDF format,**[**click here**](https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000050053/en-ca/files/homepage/final-auburn-rotary-music-wine-flyer-pdf-format/FINAL---Auburn-Rotary-Music---Wine-Flyer---PDF-Format.pdf)

**To watch one-minute TV PSA,**[**click here**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1-JBnNFwavo&feature=youtu.be)

[**READ MORE**](http://campaign.r20.constantcontact.com/render?m=1101891381614&ca=d332735d-39aa-4360-b85b-81dcffee998e)

[](http://sites.google.com/site/rotaryclubofauburn/2017-music-wine-event)

**Friday, March 17: Billerica - 'Finnegan's Wake Hilarious'**

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**Tuesday, March 21; Thursday, March 23; Tuesday, March 28; or Thursday, Match 30: - District 7910 - 'Membership Workshops'**

**To register for March 21 in Auburn,**[**click here**](http://bit.ly/2mCtmaV)

**To register for March 23 in Acton:**[**click here**](http://bit.ly/2n2Z4eX)

**To register for March 28 in Wellesley,**[**click here**](http://bit.ly/2mysRyp)

**To register for March 30 in West Boylston,**[**click here**](http://bit.ly/2nbMjOt)

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**Friday, April 7: Concord - 'Pops for a Playground'**

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