As a follow up to last week’s *Meet and Greet ,* please find additional information below:

         (2) 7910 members will be participating in displays in the House of Friendship – look for Geoff Kerr (Acton-Boxborough) at the RV fellowship display and look for Bob Anthony (Wellesley) at the Interact District 5170: *Circle of Love project;*-Rotarian Action Group: *Health Education and Wellness;*-Rotarian Action Group: *Mental Health Initiatives.*

         Amy Luckiewicz from District 7930 will deliver a presentation on Tuesday the 13th at 1pm in Room B405-407 on the following topic: *What if a project could be completed by the end of your next club meeting? Learn how to design innovative activities that are cost effective, time restrained and beneficial to your community. Harness your creativity and start thinking about potential mini projects that will engage your members and leave them with a real sense of accomplishment at the end of your meeting.*

         Many have asked for a copy of the RI Conference presentation/webinar. Here you go -   
<https://vimeo.com/217075961>  
[View a summary of frequently asked questions and their answers](https://www.slideshare.net/Rotary_International/2017-international-convention-atlanta-faq)  
[View the slides](https://www.slideshare.net/Rotary_International/2017-international-convention-orientation-webinar)

        **Key takeaways from the webinar:**

* **UBER** and **LYFT** are both available in Atlanta and operate from the airport.
* The **MARTA** is the public transit and goes to the convention hall. Visit [www.itsmarta.com](http://www.itsmarta.com/) for more info.
* Don't pay more than $40 (plus $2/pp) for a taxi from the airport.
* There's going to be a cool new concept called the **CULTURE LOUNGE** in Room B310 in the convention hall. Learn an art in a new culture or play a game. They're looking for people to bring fun card or board games!
* There are over 90 breakouts available including a track called **ROTARY BUSINESS SCHOOL**. When selecting your programs, they recommend looking into your personal interests and mixing up programs that are good for your club too.
* You can pick up your badges at **SATILLITE LOCATIONS** including:  
  The airport international terminal at baggage claim  
  Omni Hotel @CNN  
  Hyatt  
  Hilton Atlanta  
  I HIGHLY recommend picking up your badge early. They are available June 7th starting at 3p (8a after June 7th). You'll need your ID.
* They recommend visiting the **HOUSE OF FRIENDSHIP** daily. Be sure to visit the Social Media Lounge and pick up your **SCAVENGER HUNT CARD**. The ribbon booth and Rotary Resource Center is always a must!
* The official hashtag for the event is **#Rotary17**. Be sure to also tag **@Rotary7930** in your posts and photos. We'll be taking lots!
* It's highly recommended that you download the **MOBILE APP**. You can have your guidebook loaded and rate breakouts! Visit your mobile app store and search for ROTARY EVENTS. There is no Passphrase needed. Click on 2017 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION. Begin exploring and update your profile!
* Dress code is **BUSINESS CASUAL** unless attending a formal dinner.

Now about **BILL GATES**... the exact date/time of his presentation is being held back until closer to the event BUT I did learn he'll speak at a **GENERAL SESSION**. The last general session is Wednesday, June 14th and goes from 10a-12p. So if you're staying past 12p on Wednesday, you should be good in terms of hearing his presentation.

The webinar also covered safety and other logistics.

Lastly, there is still space available for the District 7930 [**RECEPTION**](https://portal.clubrunner.ca/50227/Event/atlanta-convention--appetizer-reception---cash-bar) and [**DINNER**](https://portal.clubrunner.ca/50227/Event/atlanta-convention--dinner-and-cash-bar). Please click on the links to register. There is room for 100 at the reception, however the dinner has a much more limited capacity, so if you want to attend, don’t delay signing up.

See attached overview calendar and flyer with events!

SEE YOU IN ATLANTA!! Text or email me with any questions or if you need additional information,

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