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2015-2016
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Rotary District 7910 Newsletter - February 8, 2016



Upcoming Events

You may submit event information per the [District 7910 Promotional Guidelines](#). If your club does not use ClubRunner, please send your event information to [Rotary District 7910 Newsletter](#). And make sure to add jim.fusco2@gmail.com to your club's distribution list.

2016 District Conference: Plymouth Rocks!



by District 7910 Conference Committee

May 20, 21 and 22, 2016

Hotel 1620 At Plymouth Harbor, Plymouth

[Click here](#) to Register Now!



[Click here](#) to download the six-page 'District Conference Booklet,' which contains the Schedule, Pricing, Frequently Asked Questions, and our Facebook "Like" Contest



[Click here](#) to watch the three-minute promo video, produced by Assistant Governor Richard Simon



Rotaract Advisor Training Seminar



NOTICE: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Due to today's snow storm, tonight's Rotaract Advisor Training Seminar at Framingham State University has been postponed to Monday, February 29 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Framingham State, in a building to be determined. Additional details will be available soon. If you have any questions, please contact Rotaract Chair Carl Gomes at carlgomes56@icloud.com or Rotaract Vice Chair Steve Jones-D'Agostino at srdagostino@icloud.com.

Governor's Message

Only 20 More Weeks To Go

By Jim Fusco



It is hard to believe that I have now been your district governor for 32 weeks, with only 20 more weeks to go. While I still have plenty of things to do, my wife, Karen Fusco of the Fitchburg club and I are taking some R&R this week. Then, I will once again to hit the ground running. Fortunately, there is e-mail service and electricity where we are going, so even though I may be relaxing on a secluded island, I will have my laptop with me and will never be out of touch. [Read more](#)



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Download or print the meeting minutes for 2016 District Conference Committee
(Rotary member login is required)

- [September 2015](#)
- [December 2015](#)

Welcome, New Rotarians

Please welcome the newest Rotarians in our district (alphabetical order by last name):

- Sean Smith, [Concord](#)
- David Varchris, [Southborough](#)

District & Club Rounds

District's Pilgrim Pride On Display At Athol-Orange Meeting



Mitch Grosky of the Athol-Orange club.

Governor Jim Fusco (shown, left) and his wife, Karen Fusco (shown, right) of the Fitchburg club, posed in Pilgrim garb during the February 3 meeting of the Rotary Club of Athol-Orange. They dressed up to promote the 2016 District Conference on May 20, 21 and 22 in Plymouth. The conference theme is "Plymouth Rocks!" (Photo:

Southbridge Forms Interact Club

Southbridge Town Council Chair Esteban



Committee Spotlight

District Positions: Grants Subcommittee (Part 1 of 2)

By Jim Fusco



The Rotary Foundation is the vehicle that allows us to do good in the world through district and global grants.

Operating procedures and guidance for the Grant Program are defined in the Rotary Foundation Code of Policies, dated January 2016. Specific operating policies and guidance for the Grants Subcommittee are delineated in Section 7.020.2 of the COP. This section is as follows: [Read more](#)

Membership Corner: What is the vision of your Rotary club

By Tom Sturiale

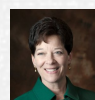


The time for annual revitalization of our Rotary clubs is rapidly approaching. All the new presidents will attend pre-PETS

(Presidents-Elect Training Seminar) and PETS. They will learn a great deal about Rotary and gather considerable information about how to guide their clubs through the next year. [Read more](#)

PR Tips: Know your local newspaper reporters and publishers

By Laura Spear



Build relationships with them. Know what they are interested in publishing, and thank them for their

coverage. Just because the newspaper in the next town published a Rotary article, it may or may not be appropriate to submit a similar article to your community. You need to know what will likely get published, based on the relationship you have with your local paper and the news it wants to cover.

Laura Spear, chair of District 7910's Public Image Committee, may be reached at laura@spear.net

by District 7910
Rotaract Committee

**NEW DATE, SAME
PLACE:** Monday, February 29,
5:30-8:30 p.m.

Framingham State University:
Building to be determined

This **free event** is open to all
Rotarians and Rotaractors

[Click here](#) to register now

[Click here](#) for the two-page event
flyer, in PDF format



Club Visits



Invite District Governor Jim
Fusco to your club's special
events!

[Just Ask!](#)

If you have any special club
events that you would like me
to attend or any inductions or
presentations that you would
like me to make, please let me
know.

DG Jim

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District Events

Monday, February 8-Monday,
February 29

[District Rotaract Advisor
Training Seminar - POSTPONED](#)

Monday, February 8 - Due to
today's snow storm, this event
has been rescheduled to
February 29

[PETS \(President-Elect Training
Seminar\) Prep](#)

Thursday, February 11

6:00-8:00 p.m.

DoubleTree Hotel, Leominster

[RYLA \(Rotary Youth Leadership
Awards\) Chairs Prep](#)

Thursday, February 11

7:00-8:00 p.m.

DoubleTree Hotel, Leominster

[PETS Prep](#)

Tuesday, February 16

6:00-8:00 p.m.

Holiday Inn, Boxborough

[RYLA Chairs Prep](#)

Tuesday, February 16

6:00-8:00 p.m.

Holiday Inn, Boxborough

Carrasco recently congratulated the members of the newly formed
**Interact Club of
Southbridge
Middle/High School** for
their spirit and desire to
determine their own goals
and create an outlet for
service to their school
and community. He
encouraged them the
path they have chosen
was a positive statement
to their parents, the staff
at SMHS and the community.
The ideas and effort made to accomplish
their goals will be a benefit to all.



Rotarian **Jeff Davenport** also thanked the students for so quickly jumping
in and working together to brainstorm ideas and choosing to mentor the
8th graders to prepare them for high school level work. He also thanked
Club Advisor **Sheila Jalbert** and Principal **Melissa Earls** for their efforts in
making the Interact Club a reality. He asked the Rotarians to stand and
reminded the students all of us were ready to help them and make the
Interact Club a success.



District Governor **Jim Fusco** (shown, left) also
extended his congratulations to the
students. He encouraged them to follow the
Rotary motto, "Service Above Self."

Shown, left to right, in the photo at top-right are
these Southbridge Interactors: **Kaytlyn Mekal,**
Callie Mathieu, Gianna O'Brien,
Mikayla O'Brien, Bill Trifone, Jake Boisvert, Jordan
Velez Bomba, Ruben Rodriguez, Cam Boisvert and Kaleb Blackmore.

Missing from that photo are these Southbridge Interactors: **Ashleigh**
Prince, Jessica Emery and Jonathan Poulin.

Southborough Club Inducts David Vachris

The Rotary Club of Southborough
recently inducted **David Vachris** (shown,
center) as a new member. He is shown
posing with District Governor **Jim**
Fusco (left) and **Lori Karlsson** (right),
another new club member.



Governors-Elect Pat And Skip Doyle Attend RI Training Session



Governors-
Elect **Skip** and **Pat Doyle** (shown, far left
and second from left) recently
attended the Rotary International
Training Session in San Diego. They are
shown posing with Rotary International
President Elect **John Germ** (second from
right) and his wife and fellow
Rotarian, **Judy Germ** (far right), during
the Training Session.

Ukraine Rotary Clubs Need Our Help With Recent Polio Outbreaks

Twenty-five years ago, the Rotary Club of **Shrewsbury** co-sponsored the
first Rotary club in Ukraine, which was the
Rotary Club of **Kiev**. Now, a quarter-
century later, Ukraine needs our help with
recent polio outbreaks in that eastern
European nation.



Rotary in Ukraine has now grown to
more 43 clubs. [Click here](#) to watch a
video posted by our fellow Rotarians in Ukraine regarding the recent
outbreak of polio. It demonstrates that with low awareness and low
vaccination rates, one plane ride can cause this disease reappear again
overnight and anywhere - even in America. Ukraine Rotary clubs are
looking for help. The best way is to make a donation of any size. To make
a donation, [click here](#).

Every donation gets amplified by the **Bill and Melinda Gates**
Foundation, which donates \$2 for every \$1 donated by Rotarians. That
causes each donation of \$1 to triple to \$3. [Click here](#) to learn more about
that match.

Register Now For This Free 'New Generations' Event!

District 7910's First-Ever Rotaract Advisor Training Seminar

NEW DATE, SAME PLACE: Monday, February 29, 5:30 to 8:30
p.m., Framingham State University, in a building to be determined

To Register Now for this free event, which is open to all Rotarians
and Rotaractors, [click here](#)

at [rotary.org/central-ri](#).

**Peace Fellowships: Application
Deadline Is May 31**

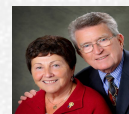
By Terry Parker



Each year, Rotary
International selects
up to 100 individuals
from around
the world to receive
fully funded
academic fellowships at one of
RI's Peace Centers. These
fellowships cover tuition and fees,
room and board, round-trip
transportation, and all internship
and field-study expenses. [Read
more](#)

PETS Alert:
Training, Training, Training

By Pat and Skip Doyle

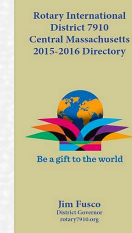


We and all of you
have embarked
on the adventure
of a lifetime. We
have attended
the Rotary
International Training Session in
San Diego, so we are ready to
help all of you become well-
prepared club presidents in 2016-
2017. [Read more](#)



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February 15, 2016

consideration for the
Monday, February 15
issue of *Rotary District 7910
Newsletter*, please e-mail it to
District
Governor **Jim Fusco** at jim.fusco2@gmail.com. The submission
deadline is Friday, February 12.
All text must be in Word format.
All images must be in either JPEG
or PDF format.



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Area #4 Team Meeting

Wednesday, February 17

6:30-8:30 p.m.

Worcester office of Assistant Governor Satya Mitra

Foundation Transition Meeting

Monday, February 22

6:30-9:00 p.m.

Holiday Inn Boxborough

District Assistant Governors Meeting via Webx

Tuesday, February 23

7:00- 8:00 p.m.

Area #6 Team Meeting

Wednesday, February 24

4:00 PM – 5:30 p.m.

Hilton Garden Inn, Waltham

Area #7 Team Meeting

Wednesday, February 24

4:00- 5:30 p.m.

Hilton Garden Inn, Waltham

RYLA Group Leader (GF) Callbacks

Wednesday, February 24

6:00- 8:30 p.m.

Holiday Inn, Boxborough

District Rotaract Advisor Training Seminar - NEW DATE, SAME PLACE

Monday, February 29

5:30-8:30 p.m.

Framingham State University

Area #3 Team Meeting

Monday, February 29

6:00-8:00 p.m.

Home of Assistant Governor Richard Simon, Sudbury

View these plus more upcoming District Events

RI Spotlight

2016-2017 Rotary Theme: 'Rotary Serving Humanity'



To download the image in JPEG format, [click here](#).

Zone 32 Holds Foundation Webinar



On February 2, Rotary Zone 32, of which District 7910 is a part, held a webinar titled "Rotary Serving Humanity"

To download the two-page Event Flyer, in PDF format, [click here](#)



Youth are the future of Rotary. If you lead a veteran Rotary club, what are the diversity, energy and youth metrics for your club? Rotary is at a crossroads in terms of membership – particularly, in North America. Many clubs have stagnant, minimal or decreasing membership. Rotary International along with District Governor Jim Fusco and our district's leadership of New Generations programs are addressing this issue. One of the solutions is to attract and engage younger members – those under 40 - and to develop strong and vibrant youth programs, in particular, Interact and Rotaract. [Read more](#)

Register Now! May 20, 21 and 22

In just 102 days - our 2016 District Conference will take place at The Hotel 1620 at Plymouth Harbor in Plymouth.

THESE DISCOUNTED PRICES ARE IN EFFECT THROUGH FEBRUARY 13:

- **Governor's Package:** All Meals, Friday Night Hotel and Saturday Night Hotel, \$399 single & \$499 double
- **Paul Harris Package:** Friday Dinner, Friday Night Hotel and Saturday Breakfast, \$199 single & \$269 double
- **Mayflower Package:** Saturday Dinner, Saturday Night Hotel and Sunday Breakfast, \$199 single & \$269 double
- **Pilgrim Package:** All Meals only, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, \$119 single & \$238 double

Registration is now open. To register, [click here](#).

To watch the **promo video**, which was produced by Assistant Governor **Richard Simon** of the Rotary Club of Nashoba Valley, [click here](#).



To download the six-page District Conference Booklet, [click here](#).

To download the District Conference Souvenir Book order form, [click here](#).

[Register Now!](#)



Major District & Club Happenings: February

Saturday, February 13: Concord's 'Trek-On For Rotary'

[Click here](#) for promo flyer
[Click here](#) for registration form & information sheet



Monday, February 29: District 7910's 'Rotaract Advisor Training Seminar' (rescheduled from February 8 due to snow storm)

[Click here](#) to Register Now for this free event, which is open to all Rotarians and Rotaractors

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here a webinar titled "Best Practices to Improve Foundation Giving." If you missed that webinar, [click here](#) to watch video of it, and [click here](#) to download the PowerPoint presentation for it.

To read Zone 24 & 32's February "Beyond Borders" newsletter, [click here](#).

Attend A Presidential Conference



Find innovative ways to improve your community by attending one of five presidential conferences in 2016, hosted by Rotary International President K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran (*shown*) and The Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair Ray Klinginsmith. Each will highlight one or more of Rotary's areas of focus:

- [Disease Prevention and Treatment, February 19-20 in Cannes, France](#)
- [Economic Development, February 27 in Cape Town, South Africa](#)
- [Literacy and WASH in Schools, March 11-13 in Kolkata, India](#)
- [WASH in Schools, March 18-19 in Pasay City, Metro Manila, Philippines](#)

Conferences will be led by local Rotary districts and are open to both members and non-members. They will feature engaging speakers, informative general sessions, and hands-on workshops. Attendees will have the opportunity to network with fellow leaders and take away new ideas and strategies to put into action.

Check Out *Rotary Voices* Blog



Check

out [Rotary Voices](#), the official blog of Rotary International. This blog features stories by and about Rotary members, Rotary program alumni, and the people we partner and work with.



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