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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



[Click here To Watch Three-Minute Promotional Video](#)

Produced by Assistant Governor Richard Simon

Save The Dates!

May 20, 21 and 22, 2016

Radisson Hotel Plymouth Harbor, Plymouth

Club Visits



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JUST ASK!

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

For complete list of District/Club Events, [click here](#)

If your event does not show

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Governor's Message

The Holiday Season Is Upon Us

By Jim Fusco



I hope that you had a great Thanksgiving and that your favorite football team won the game!

The holiday season is upon us and many clubs will be having their holiday parties. While I will try to attend as many as possible, I can't attend all of them. Have a great time and enjoy the fellowship. [Read more](#)



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[Click here](#) to download and/or print the minutes of the District Conference Committee meeting in October. (Rotary member login required)

Welcome, New Rotarians!

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

- Leigh Carpenter, [Nashoba Valley](#)
- Ivan Galvis, [Bedford](#)

District Rounds

Next Rotarian Wine Appreciation Fellowship Dinner Set For January 19 In Sherborn



Planning has begun for the next District 7910 Rotarian Wine Appreciation Fellowship Dinner, which will be held on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. - with a snow date of Wednesday, January 27. The venue will be [Heritage of](#)



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Committee Spotlight

Membership Corner: A Rotary Thanksgiving

By Tom Sturiale



Happy Thanksgiving! It's a refrain exchanged among millions of Americans on this truly all-American holiday. The tradition

began with the pilgrims at the end of their second year in Plymouth and continued sporadically and unofficially for the next 240 years until Abraham Lincoln declared the last Thursday in November 1863 as a national holiday. He was urged by Sarah Josepha Hale, the editor of a women's magazine, who had strived for more 25 years to have Thanksgiving declared a national holiday. Even then, it had to be declared each and every year and continued in that manner until President Franklin Roosevelt finally declared it a permanent national holiday in 1941. [Read more](#)

Corporate Membership Opportunity

By Satya Mitra



During our visits to many clubs in our District, many Membership Committee members have discovered that

there is a great interest in finding out about the opportunity of Corporate Membership. Hence, here are details of Corporate Membership, answering some of the commonly asked questions about this concept. [Read more](#)

on that list, let me know.

DG Jim

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District Events

**Monday, November 30-
Monday, December 14**

[District Holiday Party](#)

White Sneakers Optional!

Sunday, December 6

12:00 noon-4:00 p.m.

DoubleTree Hotel, Leominster

[District Conference Committee Meeting](#)

Monday, December 7

6:30-9:00 p.m.

DoubleTree Hotel, Leominster

[Area 4 Team Meeting](#)

Tuesday, December 8

6:30-8:30 p.m.

**Office of Satya Mitra,
Worcester**

[Area 1 Team Meeting](#)

Wednesday, December 9

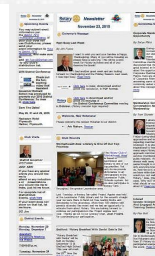
4:00-5:30 p.m.

**Office of Wayne
Carney, Rollstone Bank**

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upcoming District Events](#)



Submit Newsletter Content



To submit content for consideration for the Monday, December 7 issue of Rotary District 7910

Newsletter,

please e-mail it

Jim Fusco at jim.fusco2@gmail.com.

The submission deadline is Friday, December 4. Text *must* be in Word format. Images *must* be in either JPEG or PDF format.



2015-2016 District



[Sherborn](#), formerly known as the Sherborn Inn, located at 33 North Main St. in Sherborn. The property has been renovated and is a stunning attraction. To view and print the event flyer, in PDF format, [click here](#).

In order to secure our primary and snow dates, payment of \$70 per person (*both Rotarians and non-Rotarians are invited to attend*) must be received by December 10. To make your payment via PayPal, [click here](#).

On Wednesday, December 9 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at the home of Nashoba Valley Rotarians **Richard and Fatima Simon**, which is located at [33 Fox Run Rd. in Sudbury](#), the Fellowship will hold a general membership meeting to further organize itself, elect officers, and discuss and schedule events for 2016. Please respond by Monday, November 9 indicating whether you be able to attend the organizational meeting and officers election on December 9.

The inaugural Fellowship Dinner on October 21 at Tomasso Ristorante in Southborough was a wonderful success. All who attended had a marvelous, fun-filled evening. To a person, everyone was impressed with the quality of the food and wine selections. To view photos of that event, [click here](#). Show, left to right, are **Laura Spear** of the Rotary Club of Nashoba Valley posing with Past District Governor **Rich Dietz** of the Rotary Club of Southborough.

For more information, contact either **Carl Gomes** of the Rotary Club of Nashoba Valley at 508-450-3374 or carlcgomes56@icloud.com, or **Steve Jones-D'Agostino** of the Rotary Club of Auburn at 508-930-8675 or sdagostino@icloud.com.



Club Rounds

Marlborough Club Raises More Than \$12,000 In Annual Turkey Shoot



The Rotary Club of Marlborough raised more than \$12,000 during its 33rd Annual Turkey Shoot fundraiser on November 21 at Assabet Valley Regional Technical High School in Marlborough. Shown, left, is club President **Mike Lashua** posing before a crowd of more than 600 guests.

To view two sets of photos of the event, [click here](#) and [click here](#).

District Seeks Funds For Guyana Playground Project

Does your club have an international project? Would you like one?

Each year, a group of Rotarians on behalf of District 7910 travels to a third-world country to do a hands-on project with local Rotarians there. Next February, the group is traveling to Guyana to help construct a playground at a school for special needs.



Swing & Slide Set



Foundation Notes: Way Ahead Of This Time Last Year

By Ralph Hammond



Now that we are all rested from a hearty Thanksgiving celebration, we can enter the holidays with a most positive

pride of doing our part and thinking of what we can actually achieve in the future. The two bar graphs, below, may seem bleak, but more importantly both graphs show the fantastic future we can have and serious opportunities we can enjoy as we plan for the year ahead. [Read more](#)

District Positions: Archivist

By Jim Fusco

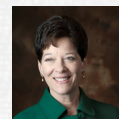


The District Archivist is elected for a term of three years by the District Nominating Committee (*see next week's newsletter*) in

accordance with the District Resolutions. There is no restriction to the number of terms the District Archivist may serve. [Read more](#)

PR Tips: Keep Your Press Releases To The Point

By Laura Spear



Recognize you're competing with many other announcements and organizations for

coverage. Emphasize the key points you want to communicate, and put the most important information at the beginning, focusing on the who-what-when-where-why facts. Review your releases before you send them out. If you can cut anything, do so. You'll have a better shot of getting the article printed - especially in smaller, local papers.

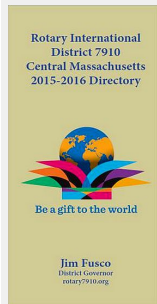
Laura Spear, chair of District 7910's Public Image Committee, may be reached at laura@spear.net.

Club Planning & Awards: How To Become An Active And Vibrant Club

This is a look at the

2015-2016 District Directory

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for special-needs students.

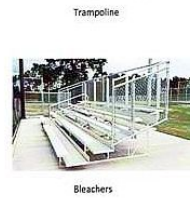
Your club can either make a contribution toward the project or sponsor (first come, first served) a particular playground item. If your requested item has already been sponsored, your contribution would be applied to another item.

Club checks, payable to "District 7910 - Guayana Project," should be sent to: Past District Governor **Dick Manelis**, 929 Worcester Rd., Framingham, MA 01701. Payments need to be received prior to December 31.

For any contribution of \$500 or more, Dick will visit your club and do a presentation about the project. For more information, contact Dick at manelis711@yahoo.com.



4 Seater See-Saw



Trampoline

Monkey Bars

Bleachers

Chelmsford Club's Holiday Concert Set For December 21



Join the Rotary Club of Chelmsford for some holiday cheer on Monday, December 21 from 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m., during the club's weekly luncheon meeting at the Radisson Hotel in Chelmsford. Students from the Chelmsford High School Band and

Chorus will be performing.

Please RSVP by Monday, December 14 if anyone from your club will be attending, to plan accordingly for the meals. This will be a great way to "make-up" a meeting and spend time with your fellow Rotarians! The cost for the luncheon is \$12 per person.

We hope to see you there! Happy Holidays!

Dawn Ferrari, president of the Rotary Club of Chelmsford, may be reached at dferrari@nbt.com.



Major District Happenings: December

District Holiday Party - December 6, DoubleTree Hotel, Leominster
[Click here](#)



White Sneakers Optional

Major Club Happenings: December

Waltham: 90th Birthday Celebration, December 4
[Click here](#)



Clinton: Pancake Breakfast and \$uper Raffle - December 6, Clinton Elementary School
[Click here](#)



THIS is a look at the new Club Planning & Awards form. While it looks very similar to the old Best Club form, the

similarity stops there. This is much more than just a form. It is a new methodology at the district level to get clubs organized and productive while at the same time helping them to recognize, through awards, the members of their club who are doing a lot of things to make the world a better place. How this form will help, is what this article is about. [Read more](#)

Club Planning: Worksheet reminder

By Jim Fusco



Have you yet reviewed your club's progress with your Board of Director and your membership? [Read more](#)

RI Spotlight

Celebrities, Health Officials Come Together To Hail Progress Toward Polio's End



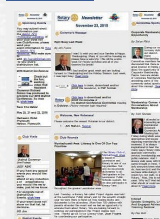
After a historic year during which transmission of the wild

poliovirus was stopped in Nigeria and on the entire African continent, the worldwide eradication of polio is closer than ever, said top health experts at Rotary's third annual World Polio Day event, held on 23 October in New York City. More than 150 people attended the [live-streamed program](#) co-sponsored by UNICEF, and thousands more around the world watched online. [Jeffrey Kluger](#), Time magazine's editor at-large, moderated the event.

To read more of the November issue of the End Polio Now newsletter, [click here](#).

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