**https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000000011/Images/RotaryMoE_RGB.pngGOVERNOR'S MESSAGE**

**Clinton, nashoba valley, Sturbridge were our destinations last week**

By Pat and Skip Doyle



Last week, we visited two seasoned clubs, **Clinton** and **Sturbridg**e, and the newest club in the district, **Nashoba Valley**. Those of you whose clubs we have already visited and have heard our talk will appreciate the fact that while each of the three clubs is unique, **Nashoba Valley** most mirrors Rotary International President **John Germ**'s remark that we have entered into historic times. Again, we thank these clubs for their hospitality and attention to our message.

**Nomination Process 101**

As a retired Social Studies teacher, Pat is very disturbed with the current lack of knowledge exhibited by voters concerning our election process. She feels this should not be the case for Rotarians in District 7910 when it comes to our process for choosing a District Governor. This has led us to develop a crash course: **Nomination Process 101 District 7910.**

An invitation is sent by **August 15**each year to all clubs in the district to propose qualified candidates for **District Governor Nominee**, for 2018-2019. The invitation will outline the procedures to follow, the qualifications required and the necessary form to fill out. The **deadline**for receiving these nominations is **October 15.**

Regarding **District Governor for '19-'20**, all applicants must have served as a club president and have been in Rotary for a minimum of seven years.

The**District Nominating Committee** shall schedule and conduct interviews of the candidates proposed by the clubs. The committee may nominate additional candidates it feels would also fulfill the requirements. The committee **submits its selection** to the governor no later than **December 1.**

Further guidelines can be found on page 177 of the District Directory or in the [District Resolutions](https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000050053/en-ca/files/homepage/final-district-7910-resolutions-may-2016-pdf-format/FINAL---District-7910-Resolutions-May-2016---PDF-Format.pdf).

It is a fundamental principle in Rotary that the best-qualified candidate should be selected for service in Rotary’s elective offices. Therefore, any effort to influence the selection process in either a positive or negative manner by campaigning, canvassing, electioneering or otherwise is prohibited under the Rotary International Bylaws.

**District Governor and Trustee Nomination Time**

Remember that even though the Nominating Committee can only choose one District Governor each year, all Past Presidents are eligible to be considered. We have met so many qualified Past Presidents as we visited Clubs, and as we say any one of you could be District Governor. Give it a try. The **application deadline**is this**October 15**.

More than likely, all of you are just as tired as we are about elections, voting and candidates. But this reminder is for all Rotarians. Now is the time for Clubs to nominate candidates for the very important positions of District Governor and Trustee. Please review the nomination details and nomination forms, below. We hope to hear from many Clubs because there are so many potential candidates among our members.

* [Nomination Details](http://admin.clubrunner.ca/50053/CommunicationEmail/View?CommunicationEmailId=8ecee0f8-0307-4a21-af0e-32ac58b0ae8d&ShowMineOnly=False&EmailType=Communication)
* [Nominating Form Supplemental Statement](https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000050053/en-ca/files/homepage/nominating-form-supplemental-statement/Nominating-Form-Suplemental-Statement.pdf)
* [District Governor Nomination Form](https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000050053/en-ca/files/homepage/nominating-form-dg/districtgovernornominationform-h--1.pdf)
* [Trustee Nominating Form](https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000050053/en-ca/files/homepage/nomination-form-trustee/Nomination-Form-for-Trustee.pdf)

Always remember, you can call us with questions at**508-393-9031**.

District Governors Pat and Skip Doyle 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 **October 3 issue** to Immediate Past District Governor/Newsletter Editor**Jim Fusco.**

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

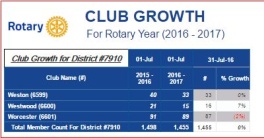
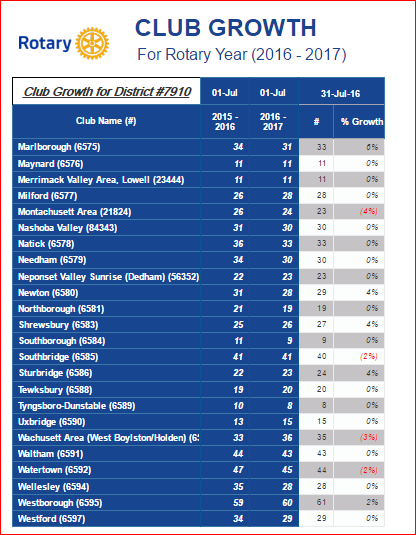
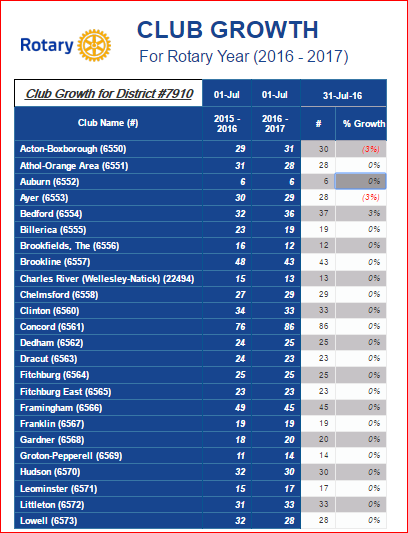
**https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000000011/Images/RotaryMoE_RGB.pngWELCOME, NEW ROTARIANS**

Please join us in welcoming these new Rotarians to clubs in our District (alphabetical by last name):

* **Ryan Donovan,** Southborough
* **Alan Herzog,** Marlborough

**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 2016-2017, which began July 1.



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

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

**https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000000011/Images/RotaryMoE_RGB.pngOUR PRESIDENTS SPEAK**

**Otto Prohaska, Sturbridge**

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

The reason for my being an excited and active Rotarian is that Rotary is a very effective and efficient organization with focus on local services, as well as international ones, our members’ hearts are in the right place, and our goals are exactly where the needs are.

[**READ MORE**](http://rotary7910.org/page/our-presidents-speak-september-26-2016/)

**https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000000011/Images/RotaryMoE_RGB.pngDISTRICT & CLUB ROUNDS**

**District Interact Teen and Advisor Training Seminar A Huge Success**

Nearly 50 participants from 14 Rotary communities took part in a **District Interact Teen and Advisor Training Seminar**, which was held on Saturday, **September 17** at the Sheraton Hotel in Needham.

**Bandey Hefler Report**

**District 7910 travelers** have safely arrived at **Heathrow Airport** in London for their [Bandey Hefler](http://www.rotaryma.org/bh/) visit.

[**READ MORE**](http://rotary7910.org/page/bandey-hefler-report-september-26-2016/)

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**Sturbridge Participates in Day of Caring**



For the seventh year, Sturbridge Rotary has participated in United Way's annual **Day of Carin**g. Nine club members were part of the 130 volunteers working at 14 project sites. This is yet another good example of '"service above Self" as Sturbridge Rotary members volunteer in their community.

Shown in the photo on the left are Sturbridge President **Otto Prohaska** (far left), an unidentified Sturbridge Rotarians (second from left), and Sturbridge Rotarians **Klaus Hachfeld** (second from right) and **Glenys Hachfeld** (far right).

Shown in the photo below are **several more Sturbridge Rotarians** who participated in a Day of Caring food drive.



**Westborough Sponsors Down Syndrome Buddy Walk**



One of **Westborough Rotary'**s giving requests was to be a sponsor of the **Down Syndrome Buddy Walk and Harvest Festival**, which was held on Sunday, September 18. A group of Rotarians (shown here) participated in the walk and had a great time supporting a wonderful cause.

**District Polio Team Visits Lowell Rotary**

**Carl Good III**, chair of the **District Polio Committee**, and his polio team continue to visit clubs. Recently, he visited **Lowell Rotary** to spread the polio message. He learned that Lowell has the largest artist colony in the U.S. and that the Lowell club promised to discuss a polio event at their next board meeting. Thank you, Lowell!

If you would to join the polio team, just let Carl know at [carlgood@yahoo.com](mailto:carlgood@yahoo.com?subject=Polio%20Team) or **978-273-7880.**

**Carl Good III**(left) posing with Lowell President **Maureen Couture.**



**Nashoba Valley Sponsors Razia's Ray Of Hope Event On October 27 - 'Celebrate 500 Tour' Features CNN Hero Razia Jan**

[](https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000050053/en-ca/files/homepage/razia-500-concord-nashoba-flyer/500_Tour_Razia-Concord_flier_9-15-16-Update.pdf)**Nashoba Valley** **Rotary**is proud to sponsor an exclusive showing of What Tomorrow Brings, a life-changing documentary that tells the intimate story of students and teachers at the **Zabuli Education Center**. It's a story of hope and empowerment that leaves viewers profoundly inspired.

This local premiere of the **What Tomorrow Bring**s event to benefit [Razia’s Ray of Hope](https://raziasrayofhope.org/) will be on Thursday, October 27 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Ward Hall of the Fenn School, located at 6 Monument St. in Concord. All proceeds support Razia’s Ray of Hope.

A **Q&A session** will follow screening. The **fee** is **$25 per person** - **free** to **students under age 18.**

**VIP Reception** tickets are available for **$250**, and include **refreshments** and a **personal conversation** with **Razia Jan** at **5:45 p.m**. at the **Woods Hill Table.**

To **purchase tickets**, [click here.](http://bit.ly/500_Concord_MA)

[**READ MORE**](http://portal.clubrunner.ca/50053/page/razia-jan-in-concord)

**District Governors' Visits Last Week**

**Sturbridge (chartered 1972)**

Shown, left to right, are Sturbridge President **Otto Prohaska** and District Governors **Pat** and **Skip Doyle.**



**Nashoba Valley** **(chartered 2012)**

Shown,left to right, are DGs **Skip** and **Pat Doyle**, Nashoba Valley President **Chris Spea**r and his wife, Nashoba Valley Rotarian **Laura Spear**, who chairs the District PR Committee.



**President Elects Start Their Pre-PETS Training**

District Governor-Elect **Karin Gaffney** recentlykicked off the training for presidents-elect at Concord Academy. Karin is shown motivating the PEs.



**Rotary Alumni: Where Are They Now?**

Congratulations to **Honore Johnson**(shown), a former Youth Exchange student, on being selected to be a Fulbright Scholar. She graduated from Cornell University in May 2016. While at Cornell, she was a member of the Rotaract Club. Honore's studies will be in the area of conflict resolution in Taiwan.

[**READ MORE**](https://www.ilr.cornell.edu/news/fulbright-award)

**Marlborough Partners With Local Groups On Mental-Health Crisis Intervention**

The **Rotary** **Club of Marlborough**,**Employment Options**and the MetroWest chapter of the **National Alliance on Mental Illness**have partnered to conduct an event on mental-health crisis intervention, **Many Hands, Many Partnerships**, thisThursday, **September 29**from **6:00 to 8:00 p.m.** at **Employment Options,** located at **82 Brigham St.** in **Marlborough.**Networking will start at **5:30 p.m**., with **food and beverages served.** The partnering organizations invite all members of the community to attend and join the conversation.

Many Hands, Many Partnerships will be a community dialogue on how we can better work together to help individuals and families in a mental-health crisis get the support they need. It takes a community to manage a mental-health crisis. All too often, we rely entirely on the police to manage such a crisis. Although our local police departments play a valuable role in a crisis, emergency first-responders, mental-health clinicians, individuals with lived experience, and family members all play equally valuable roles.

The event will include a feature presentation and panel discussion. Audience questions and participation will be encouraged. Feature presenter, Chief **Craig Davis** of the **Ashland Police Department,**will speak on “Crisis Diversion and Linkages.” The topic of the panel will be “Crisis Intervention to Crisis Management to Family Need and Support to Recovery.” Chief Davis will join Chief **Mark Leonard** of the **Marlborough Police Department** and **John Deronck**of **Emergency Services Advocates** in the panel discussion.

The Many Hands, Many Partnerships event is part of a community mental-health-awareness campaign to draw attention to the needs of those with mental illness, change negative perceptions, and promote recovery and healthy communities. The partners’ objectives include finding innovative community-based solutions to mental-health needs, with a focus on helping young people, and developing clear steps for communities to address their mental-health needs in a way that complements existing local activities.

For **more information**on the Many Hands, Many Partnerships event, visit [marlboroughrotary.org](http://www.marlboroughrotary.org/), [employmentoptions.org](http://www.employmentoptions.org/), or [namimetrowest.org](http://www.namimetrowest.org/)

To **register in advance**, call **508-251-9595** or email [namimetroWest@namimetrowest.org](mailto:NAMIMetroWest@NAMIMetroWest.org).

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

District 7910's 2016 Rotary Youth Leadership Awards were held on June 24 through 26 at Fitchburg State University, ending with the installation of longtime RYLA supporters**Pat**and **Skip Doyle**as District Governors for 2016-2017. The three-day RYLA event was attended by 188 sophomores. To learn more about RYLA, visit [ryla7910.org](http://www.ryla7910.org/).

Click on the image, to view a video of the installation of Pat and Skip Doyle as '16-'17 DGs

**District Leadership Meeting A Huge Success**

How HUGE? So HUGE that another is planned for October 17!



District Governors **Pat**and **Skip Doyle**held their**Leadership Meeting**on July 19 at the DoubleTree Hotel in Leominster. This is an annual event for which DGs bring their District leadersand committee chairs together to review the goals for the new Rotary year.

This, year the event was presented in a facilitated format. The results will be consolidated and sent to all attendees so that the District Goals for each committee can be set.

**District Banners Available**

Our district banners are available for your to 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).



**On To Atlanta In 2017**

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

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

More than 43,000 attendees left the Rotary International Convention in South Korea inspired to end polio for good, to celebrate The Rotary Foundation's centennial, and to champion changes that will help Rotary appeal to a broader audience.

On the last day, RI President **K.R. “Ravi” Ravindran**shared a personal story of his mother’s triumph over polio.

To read the story, [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)

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

**Tuesday, September 27: Bedford, Billerica, Lowell, Newton and Shrewsbury Rotary - '**[**Governor Baker - Featured Speaker at Rotary**](http://portal.clubrunner.ca/50053/Event/visioning---athol-orange)**'**

**5:00-9:00 p.m., DoubleTree Bedford Glen Hotel, Bedford**

**To RSVP,**[**click here**](http://rotary7910.org/event/meet---greet-with-governor-charlie-baker/)

**To view a 4-minute video by Concord Rotarian Steve Kirk titled "District 7910 Welcomes Governor Charlie Baker,"** [**click here**](https://youtu.be/7gZ5HGt-2SE)

[](http://rotary7910.org/event/meet---greet-with-governor-charlie-baker/)

**Thursday, September 29: Marlborough Rotary - 'Many Hands, Many Partnerships'**

**To download the event flyer,**[**click here**](http://www.marlboroughrotary.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/FlyerMentalHealth.pdf).

[](http://rotary7910.org/http/www.marlboroughrotary.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/FlyerMentalHealth.pdf)

**Saturday October 1: Ayer Rotary - 'Senior BBQ,' Bob Eisengrein Community Center, Devens**

**To download the flyer,**[**click here**](http://ayerrotary.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=c73b5ed2a23d866bb47027b36&id=65ace088af&e=66298d8c2f)**.**

[](http://ayerrotary.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=c73b5ed2a23d866bb47027b36&id=65ace088af&e=66298d8c2f)

**Wednesday, October 5: Boston Rotaract - 'Women in Rotary'**

**To buy tickets,**[**click here**](http://womeninrotary.eventbrite.com/)**.**

**To hear a 29-minute radio interview by Auburn Rotarian Steve Jones-D'Agostino with Boston Rotaract President Amy Collinsworth, District 7930 Governor Sheryl Meehan and D7930 Governor-Elect David Gardner, which aired this Sunday, September 25 on 90.5 WICN,**[**click here**](http://www.wicn.org/podcasts/audio/amy-collinsworth-sheryl-meehan-and-dave-gardner-women-rotary-all-new-episode)**.**



**Friday, October 14: Montachusett Area Rotary - 'Comedy Night,' Knights of Columbus, Leominster**

**For tickets and information, contact Club President Jennifer Peck at**[**montachusettarearotary@gmail.com**](mailto:montachusettarearotary@gmail.com)**.**

[](mailto:montachusettarearotary@gmail.com?subject=Comedy%20Night)

**Saturday October 15: Franklin Rotary in conjunction with Simon Properties - 'Chalkfest,' Wrentham Outlets, Wrentham**

[**READ MORE**](http://www.milforddailynews.com/news/20160915/franklin-rotary-club-to-hold-chalkfest)



**Saturday, October 29: Sturbridge Rotary - 'Antique Appraisal Show'**

**To download the event flyer,**[**click here**](https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000050053/en-ca/files/homepage/sturbridge-rotary-antique-appraisal-show-pdf-format/Sturbridge-Rotary---Antique-Appraisal-Show---PDF-Format.pdf)

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M**onday, December 5: Sturbridge - 'Lottery Ticket Raffle'**

**To download the event flyer,**[**click here**](https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000050053/en-ca/files/homepage/sturbridge-rotary-lottery-basket-flyer-pdf-format/Sturbridge-Rotary---Lottery-Basket-flyer----PDF-Format.pdf)**.**

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