



ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE



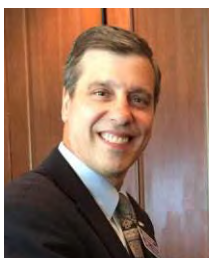
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ROTARIANS ARE UNIQUE:
COMMUNITY SERVICE ON A GLOBAL BASIS

JANUARY 2018

THE NEWSLETTER OF ROTARY DISTRICT 7300

Including Allegheny, Beaver and Parts
of Westmoreland Counties,
Pennsylvania



Dear Rotary Friends:

In support of "Give of yourself to Rotary,
and you will have a better life," we all know
that when we give, we get back.

Take this opportunity to write up YOUR
story of how Rotary gave back to you--and
send it, please, to editor@rotarydistrict7300.org
for inclusion in next month's newsletter.

Linda Fischer Bruce's story about one way
Rotary gave back to her is on page 3, and
Barbara Johnson's story is on page 4.

I will share one of my stories in next month's
newsletter--won't you share yours?

I look forward to hearing from you.

**In the meantime, please check out my
"Big BIG News," next page.**

District Governor Ward Garner

A Mid-Year Review to Remember



Big, BIG News!!!

A huge Rotary Public Relations Advertising Campaign will be running on most of the Pittsburgh area network and cable television stations over the next month. A total of 3,355 spots, each 30 seconds long ... almost 28 hours of ads ... will play to audiences of all kinds.

The message, from the Rotary International Media Department, has been customized to fit our District and will aim to inform the public about Rotary as well as, hopefully, interest them in the possibility of becoming a Rotarian.

Every one of us, as members of Rotary District 7300, should take advantage of this PR blitz. We should talk up Rotary, our 46 individual clubs and, most especially, the good things that we all accomplish by working together to help our fellow human beings both locally and throughout the entire world.

Be sure you have your 30-second to 2-minute "Elevator Speech" down pat. It should convey in as few words as possible, what Rotary is and what it means to you.

We all need to take advantage of the investment our District is making to help our clubs grow and prosper so that we may be more effective and truly follow this year's Rotary theme, "Make a Difference".

I Gave to Rotary—and Rotary Gave Back

by PDG Linda Fischer Bruce

When I was President of the Rotary Club of Pittsburgh in 2010-2011, my then soon-to-be husband, Jerry Bruce, faced a battle with stage-four cancer and impending major surgery. I was living in Pittsburgh and he still resided in his long-time home in Ohio, except—best case scenario—he was facing an extended hospital stay. I wanted to be with him as much as possible—but I did not want to shirk my President duties. As a result, I pretty much lived on the highways between the states, and kept my Rotary clothes in the car, to make quick changes for Rotary meetings and everything else that went into juggling my consulting business while I was on the road.

Everyone's cancer experience is different. In our case, the situation was tense and overwhelming. We prayed the Rosary together and stayed close, with long weekend support from Jerry's adult children, who flew in from CA, MA, DC and MD. The Bruce tribe knew their father and I would need ongoing post-surgery support and care. For me, I was experiencing internal turmoil and showing external calm as we approached a soon-to-be twelve-hour procedure. So many unknowns ... so many fears.

I reached out to legendary Rotarian Lou Piconi (now deceased) for a contact in District 6330 who might own a car rental agency offering favorable rates, because airport rental cars were so expensive. At that time, Jerry had a company car but his children weren't covered by that insurance plan. Lou told me not to worry.

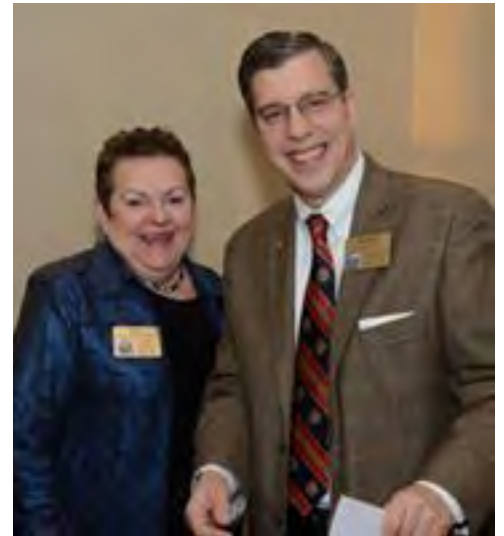
The next day, RI Trustee and Lou's great friend, Mike Johns, visited us at Cleveland Clinic. Jerry was being prepared for surgery. Mike asked me to step out for a quick hospital lunch. I wasn't eating or sleeping much, and I welcomed the respite. As soon as we sat down, he smiled and shared that I was not alone and that a delightful and caring lady, **Jane Swan, of the Rotary Club of Fairlawn, OH, was offering her support, by lending us a vehicle. He handed over a set of car keys and told me that the vehicle was now located in Jerry's driveway for use by the family for as long as we needed it.** I can't say enough about how incredibly blessed I felt.

The thoughtfulness, generosity and support that came to us this way buoyed us at so many levels. After the surgery, Mike Johns came to our rescue again by facilitating our admission to an assisted living facility, run by another Ohio Rotarian, to help in Jerry's recuperation.

We returned the car to Jane with our love and gratitude, and new replacement brakes!

Oh, yes...Jerry made an impressively positive recovery; we have since been married four years. Jerry is now a Rotarian of the Rotary Club of Bedford, Ohio. He actively supported my year as District 7300 Governor in 2016-2017.

More Mid-Year Review Photos



A Surprising Way Rotary Gave Back to Me

by Barbara E. Johnson

When Linda Fischer Bruce stepped in as District Governor not too long ago, I had already agreed (happily) to serve as one of her Assistant Governors, when I realized she did not yet have a newsletter editor or newsletter staff. Taking a deep breath, I said, "Linda, I'll do it!" She agreed.

It was one of those "How am I going to do that?" moments, but I didn't let on. Inside my head, I knew I had a steep learning curve ahead. I purchased Adobe Pro software and learned how to do cool stuff like file size reduction, optimization for web and mobile--practical desktop publishing stuff I knew nothing about before.

What I didn't realize was the professional benefit I would reap from this.

A few weeks ago, under terrible time pressure, one of my technology company clients needed to produce certain due diligence documents to corroborate positively settled lawsuits, for review by an incoming new institutional investor. The company needed literally hundreds of legal documents back from me, basically by return electronic mail, to provide consolidated single pdf files with hundreds of pages each. All I had to work with was an endless series of individual documents, some from the courts, some from my associated litigation counsel, and some from my client.

If I hadn't learned Adobe Pro skills to work on the District newsletter, I would NEVER have been able to "stitch together" all these legal documents AND THEN to reduce the file sizes to something that would transmit by e-mail, and get it all done in a super short time.

So, I wonder, what will your District service end up giving back to you?

District 7300 Conference

Seven Springs Mountain Resort - May 17-20, 2018

Conference Highlights

- Thursday - a chance to enjoy dinner at Helen's (at your own expense) for anyone wishing to get a head start on the festivities.
- Annual Conference Golf Outing Friday afternoon.
- First time attendees staying one or more nights will get one night's dinner for free.
- Bring a display board highlighting your club's most significant project or event and be eligible to win a Paul Harris Award for use at the club's discretion.
- A club with 20% of its members attending the Saturday night banquet will get a Paul Harris Award for use at the club's discretion.
- Pinball and Corn Hole tournaments.
- Friday Night - Great Gatsby theme - music and dancing - prizes for best Gatsby outfits.
- Saturday night entertainment.
- Open bar Friday and Saturday nights.
- Coffee, pastries, snacks in The House of Friendship
- Trip to the Lenox Factory Outlet with a stop at the Stone Villa Winery for free wine tasting.
- Memorial Service Sunday morning.
- Room rate at Seven Springs is \$147.15 per night including all taxes.

Linda Fischer Bruce

A Dedicated Past District Governor

By Karl Ohrman

What was that whirlwind that flashed across District 7300 from July 2016 to the end of June 2017? Was it a bird? Was it a plane? No, it was super District Governor, Linda Fischer Bruce.

Most members of District 7300 were impressed by her devotion to Rotary, her willingness to help all clubs, her leadership skills and her quiet energy. Those who weren't impressed weren't paying attention.



Linda has always worked hard. She has achieved success that has been widely recognized. She served as the Rotary Club of Pittsburgh President during its Centennial Year in 2010-2011. She chaired the Pittsburgh Rotary Foundation in 2011-2012. She served as Assistant Governor in 2012 to 2014.

With the Rotary International theme of "Building Communities and Bridging Continents" Linda and her Pittsburgh Home Club focused on "Rebuilding Pittsburgh One Block at a Time." They coordinated two projects. One was a large sign stating "Welcome to Uptown." The other project was a successful Mentorship Program for Stowe Rocks High School.



Linda received the Rotary International Presidential Citation with Distinction and Significant Achievement Award in 2011 for fellowship and service. As District Governor 2016-2017 Linda received a Certificate of Recognition, as well as being acknowledged for assisting District 7300 towards its Centennial Foundation goal of raising 1.2 Million for doing good in the world.



Linda grew up on Pittsburgh's North Side in the Observatory Hill area and attended Perry Traditional Academy. Upon graduating with a diploma in Business, she became a Secretary, then a Legal Secretary/Administrative Assistant while attending night classes at Robert Morris University. She graduated in 1980 with a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration. Wanting to continue her education, she completed her Masters in Business Education from Robert Morris University in 1994.

Her first professional job was with Westinghouse Credit, liquidating a surface coal portfolio. Then she progressed to Commercial Real Estate before becoming intrigued with selling telecommunications systems. She started her first consulting practice in 1987, which evolved into McKinley Group, Ltd. in 1990.

Linda is the president/owner of the McKinley Group, a certified Women Business Enterprise, which provides independent telecommunications expertise focusing on School Districts. She assists them in the procurement of voice and network services. Linda has launched three tech-based companies sustaining success with McKinley Group, Ltd.

Always having a desire to challenge herself, she facilitated workshops and seminars in Leadership and Organization which resulted in being invited to become an adjunct professor at Point Park University. This has become her dream job and one that she fully embraces. She teaches freshmen public speaking and presentation skills.

Linda gives me credit for introducing her to Rotary in the fall of 1995. She says that Rotary has changed her life. Because of her hard work with Rotary, many lives have been positively affected. She has recruited a good number of new Rotarians, thus multiplying her impact.

To add to all that, Linda received the 2013 Woman of Integrity Award presented by Pittsburgh Professional Women. She has certifications in women in crisis intervention and protective services counseling. She was involved in delivering Meals on Wheels for ten years and continues to provide Elder Advocacy services. Seems she's wired to work tirelessly, volunteering in her local community fund raising efforts, and in supporting church based activities.

Linda serves on a number of boards

Rotary Club of Pittsburgh, Board Member, District 7300 Foundation Committee,

Allegheny County Regional Alliance for Homeland Security, World Affairs

Council, Women's Business Network, North Hills Community Outreach



Linda is happily married to Jerry Bruce, a fellow Rotarian. They first met in 1982 and became re-acquainted in 1997. They married in 2013. Linda loves her new family of Jerry's four grown children and four grandchildren.

Jerry's background is also entrepreneurial. He owns RailCrane Corporation and additionally managed sales of capital equipment for Caterpillar. Jerry, a former Marine Air Traffic Controller and Commercial Pilot, is also a Motorcycle Safety and Skills Instructor and involved with commercial trucking and training of new CDL drivers. Jerry has completed twenty marathons. He is active in St. Barnabas Church and its Knights of Columbus Council. Like Linda, Jerry is passionate about giving back to others.



Linda also considers Rotary her extended family. She says that Rotary has broadened and enhanced her sphere of influence. What she doesn't like about Rotary is the shyness of some in gifting the opportunity for others to join.

Secret facts about Linda: She collects white lucky stones and unique heart-shaped plates. She also loves studying Native American culture.

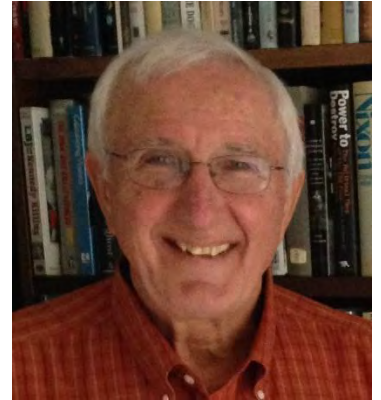
Linda Fischer Bruce is the ideal role model for all Rotarians and others to emulate.



Membership Minute

I Am a Proud Rotarian

By Karl Ohrman



I am a proud Rotarian.

I am proud of my fellow dedicated Rotarians.

I am proud of the work they do both in our District 7300 and internationally.

I am proud of the wonderful Rotary clubs in our district that meet weekly and continue the humanitarian work of Rotary.

I am proud of the talented and resourceful leaders that we are blessed with in District 7300.

I am proud of Rotary International and its effective and efficient foundation.

I am a proud Rotarian.

I enjoy being a Rotarian.

I will do everything I can do to share Rotary with others.

I will do all that I can to make Rotary grow even stronger.

I am a proud Rotarian.

Rwanda Reflections

by Bob Dove, January 9, 2018

It's been a while since I posted observations from Rwanda, so this post is meant to get you caught up on our activities and observations. Amy began teaching English classes for the teachers at Urukundo Learning Center last week. I've been playing a support role in that effort, but I couldn't help her when a major rainstorm caused such a din on the metal roof of the classroom on Thursday (the second day of class) that she and the teachers couldn't hear each other speak for an hour. She had to give them a writing assignment to do during the storm and only resumed teaching once the storm had abated to a light shower. This is the rainy season, so we anticipate more problems before classes are over. They wrap up on Friday the 19th at the end of the school's semester break.

Once the English classes are finished for the teachers, Amy will begin working with staff members (all of whom have some skill in English) and the sewing center staff (who have no familiarity with English).

I have been writing job descriptions for the positions at Urukundo Village and now will move on to writing them for the Learning Center and Sewing Center. I am also putting together performance evaluation forms for use by managers. Once school begins on January 22, I will be doing classroom observations and providing feedback for teaching improvement. I am also working with the ICDL Foundation in Kigali on marketing and funding (grant exploration) issues as well as working with Urukundo's ICDL program.

It has been good to finally focus on our purpose for being here after using our first two months to become acclimated to the culture and rhythms of Urukundo Village. During the month of November, we lived in the main house with Mama Arlene and spent a lot of time with the kids. We ate breakfast with Arlene, but lunch and dinner with the kids. Institutional food, heavy on the starch, wasn't our cup of tea, so we didn't find many of those meals appealing. Devotions are held every evening, and we attended those with the children. Singing, dancing and a Bible lesson or story with a moral provides the mainstay for devotions. Songs are mostly in English, but the lessons mostly in Kinyarwanda, so we were in a fog for a good bit of the time unless a visitor from the U.S. was leading devotions at the time. There were a number of visitors present during November, so we weren't the only "Mazungus" (Muzungu = white person) in the mix. Sunday worship services are lead by a pastor who is a full-time employee of Urukundo. Services typically last two hours with dancing, singing, prayer and Bible lesson in the mix. Half the congregation is from the surrounding village. The service is delivered in Kinyarwanda but translated by Olive for those of us who only speak English. The pastor also attends evening devotions with the kids and often leads them.

Amy spent time with the kids in the library and the computer lab during November and December. I spent some time in the computer lab with them in the afternoons, but soon passed that duty on to Amy so that I could focus on completing job descriptions and preparing Urukundo to market the ICDL program.

In December we moved into our house, a four-bedroom place that's a 5-minute walk from Urukundo Village. We now have privacy and cook our own meals with food that we purchase ourselves or have our "girl" purchase. Okay, so our privacy includes a guard who has his own guardhouse on the premises and a 22-year old girl named Beatrice, who cleans, cooks, and watches the house during the day hours when the guard is off. Only recently have we asked her to cook some meals for us, since we

were tired of eating Rwandan food and made meals that were foreign to her. Watching her make her food made us realize that the food that we ate at Urukundo was institutional and not always representative of Rwandan home cooking. Beatrice's living quarters are on our property, but in a separate building behind our house. Our property is enclosed by a wall with broken glass on the top to deter robbers. In addition to the two buildings and guard house, there is a garage and a garden that is home to lettuce, beans, maize, cabbage and cucumbers. There are no deer or rabbits to interfere with our harvest and no need for pesticides.

December was a time of adjusting to our new home, new relationships and living conditions. We were also busy helping Urukundo prepare for the Christmas holiday as they commit to hosting three separate parties: one for staff and their children (around 200 people), one for the community (500+ people), and one for the children of Urukundo Village (29+). See the latest newsletter at hopemadereal.org for photos.

Amy and I have committed to doing "A Course in Miracles" during 2018. There are 365 lessons, so we are doing one a day and have kept up with it so far. Their website is www.acimi.com if you are curious. Being rather isolated in a foreign country seems like the perfect setting for the life altering experience that this course offers. We are also committed to completing a 1000-piece puzzle that we started on Christmas Day. Well, I am anyway. It's level of difficulty should make it last to at least mid-January.

The weather has been cooler than expected. Yes, we are near the equator and happy not to be in Pittsburgh where cold, wind and snow are the norm, but I have been wearing a sweater in the morning and evening recently. Today is particularly chilly with clouds sitting on our hilltop and temperatures in the high 50's to low 60's. Glad I brought warm clothes along with my summer togs.

I'm going to stop here, to give you a break and start on the next post.

Bob Dove, PhD
WD&E Consulting LLC
ICDL Accreditation Agent



More Mid-Year Review Photos



WORLDWIDE POLIO UPDATE

by PDG Walt Sickles

As we know, there were only 37 new cases of Polio caused by the Wild Polio Virus in 2016. In 2017, there were only 22 new cases. So far in 2018, there has been only one new case. We really are “This Close” to eradicating this horrible disease.

SAVE THE DATE – MARCH 7, 2018 *

ETHICS SYMPOSIUM



SAVE THE DATE - MARCH 10, 2018

DISTRICT GOVERNOR ELECT SINGH AJMANI'S PETS TRAINING FOR PRESIDENTS ELECT WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2018 AT THE RIVERS CASINO.



SAVE THE DATE – APRIL 15, 2018

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION LUNCHEON AT RIVERS CASINO



SAVE THE DATE – TBD 2018 *

DISTRICT GOVERNOR ELECT SINGH AJMANI'S DISTRICT ASSEMBLY AT THE CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL IN GREEN TREE.



SAVE THE DATE – MAY 18-20, 2018

DISTRICT CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT SEVEN SPRINGS ON MAY 18-20, 2018. MARK YOUR CALENDAR. WATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION IN EARLY 2018.



SAVE THE DATE – JUNE 23-27, 2018

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION – TORONTO, CANADA



SAVE THE DATE – JUNE 17-22, 2018

RYLA – LA ROCHE COLLEGE



SAVE THE DATE – AUGUST 27, 2018

DISTRICT GOLF OUTING – INTRODUCING SINGH AJMANI, WHO WILL SERVE AS DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2018-2019. THE EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE EDGEWOOD COUNTRY CLUB. THE DISTRICT REQUESTS NO OTHER CLUB EVENTS BE PLANNED FOR THIS DATE.



*** MORE INFORMATION SOON**

PETS & POETS

Saturday, March 10, is a very important day in Rotary District 7300

On that day we will be holding our Annual “Presidents Elect Training Seminar”, which is commonly known as “PETS”. There are, however, several very significant changes to the event this year:

Only our District 7300 clubs will be participating.

The name of the event will also be called “POETS”, “Presidents Elect & Officer Training Seminar”, since this year, not only incoming Club Presidents, who are required by RI to attend in order to hold the position of Club President, but also other incoming Club Officers, Vice Presidents. Presidents Nominee, Secretaries and Treasurers are invited and encouraged to attend.

This year’s “POETS” will be a one day only event at the Rivers Casino.

It will begin at 8:00 AM and end at 5:15 PM - so there are no overnight expenses involved.

The \$140 Club Assessment will cover the costs of the above-mentioned incoming club officers. Having these officers attend this training event will help to improve the individual clubs by giving all members of the club’s leadership team the information and instructions needed to run a club efficiently and enthusiastically.

All of our clubs should be making their plans now to send their incoming officers to this groundbreaking seminar, one that will help make the clubs even stronger and more effective than ever.



February 2, 2018

Dear D7300 Rotary Club Leaders,

In an effort to make PETS more effective for our personal growth and for serving our community through Rotary, the PETS Committee has put together a comprehensive action-packed training program for Rotary Club Presidents and Leaders.

This one-day session offers meaningful experience and has practical information in the areas of organizational management, engagement, awareness, growth and service; and all of these apply to our personal, professional and Rotary life.

Please review the attached information, schedule and the registration form. Send completed registration forms by February 10, 2018 so that the information can be sent to the Seminar facility in a timely manner.

We look forward to seeing you at PETS.

Best,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Singh Ajmani".

Singh Ajmani
District Governor Elect

Attachments: Registration Form
 Agenda

P. S. To make the seminar more effective for the 2018-19 Rotary year, it is suggested that each club have an outline of Club Goals and be prepared to discuss these with fellow officers in roundtable.

One of the outcomes at the Seminar will be that every Rotary Club will have their Goals put together, along with the list of actions required to reach those goals.

POETS Committee

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TO: Club Presidents/Club Leaders
RE: PETS/POETS March 10, 2018
Rivers Casino



This upcoming Rotary year our District has decided to make some changes with the PETS/POETS Training program.

1. The training will be for District 7300 incoming Presidents and Club Officers.
2. PETS will be a one-day session at Rivers Casino.
3. We are focusing membership development and successful club achievements.
4. We want to include club leaders as well as Presidents.

Our goal is to make it a very meaningful experience for all attending. We want every attendee to leave with numerous ideas to improve their clubs. Please take this opportunity to invite younger members who have shown an interest in your club to attend.

Questions: Bob Rupp 412 953-9076 rrupp@ruppfiore.com

Club Charge \$140 (This includes lunch for all club attendees)

Club: _____

Email: _____

President Elect (2018-19) _____

President (2019-20) _____

Club Attendees: _____

Please return by February 26 to: district.secretary@rotarydistrict7300.org

(Presidents Elect & Leadership Training Seminar)

MARCH 10, 2018 – RIVERS CASINO

District Governor Elect – Singh Ajmani

District Trainer – PDG Bob Rupp

MC – PDG Walt Sickles

**WE ARE VERY PLEASED TO WELCOME ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION DIRECTOR,
MARY BETH GROWNEY SELENE, TO PITTSBURGH FOR OUR PETS EVENT**

(Each Speaker is asked to plan their presentation to allow for a 2–3 minute Q & A period at the end.)

TIME	SUBJECT/TOPIC	PRESENTER	CLUB
8:00-8:40	LIGHT BREAKFAST/GET ACQUAINTED		
8:40-9:00	Opening Remarks & Introductions	DGE Singh Ajmani	Turtle Creek
9:00-9:20	Membership	PDG Bill Segar	Monroeville
9:20-9:40	Women in Rotary	Kelli Robbins	Pittsburgh
9:40-10:00	Young Executives in Rotary	Ethan Nicholas	Pittsburgh
10:00-10:15	Member Retention	PDG Bill Segar	Monroeville
10:15-10:30	Public Relations	Lynn Antonelli	Pittsburgh
10:30-10:45	Social Media	Felicia Mycyk	Ambridge
10:45-11:00	Membership	Mary Beth Growney Selene	
11:00-11:15	BREAK		
11:15-12:15	ROUND TABLE-Develop Club Member Growth Plan	PDG Bob Rupp	Turtle Creek
	AG's meet with their clubs	Dennis Piper	Crafton/Ingram
12:15-1:00	LUNCH		
1:00-1:30	Keynote Speaker introduced by PDG Denny Crawford	Mary Beth Growney Selene	RIFD
1:30-1:40	FUNDRAISING – 5K Race	John Mock	Turtle Creek
1:40-1:50	“ - Place Mats	Joe Weiss	Pleasant Hills
1:50-2:00	“ - Wine Tasting Dinner	Ruth Forsythe	CarnegieCollier
2:00-2:10	SERVICE PROJECTS – Medical Equipment Loan Service	PDG Walt Sickles	Ambridge
2:10-2:20	“ “ - Disabled Ramps	Larry Anlauf	White Oak
2:20-2:30	“ “ - Turkey Dinner for the Needy	Heather Dieckmann	Bethel-St. Clair
2:30-2:40	YOUTH PROGRAMS – RYLA	PDG Tom Fallon	Pittsburgh East
2:40-2:50	“ “ - Youth Exchange (RYE)	Wayne Skelley	N. Allegheny
2:50-3:00	“ “ - Interact, EarlyAct & Rotaract	Sandy Grimes	Green Tree
3:00-3:15	BREAK		
3:15-4:00	Goal Setting & Volunteer Hours, etc. Reporting	Dennis Piper	Crafton-Ingram
4:00-5:00	FOUNDATION TRAINING	PDG Sue Kelly	CarnegieCollier
	FOR	PDG Denny Crawford	N. Allegheny
	GRANT CERTIFICATION	Mary Beth Growney Selene	RIFD
5:00-5:15	Wrap Up & “Safe Travels”	DGE Singh Ajmani	Turtle Creek



Issue 1

October 2017

The Top Ten Reasons to Attend the Toronto Convention

1. The breathtaking Lake Ontario skyline
2. **Diversity** - 1/2 of the residents were born in other countries
3. A trip to see **Niagara Falls** before or after the Convention
4. **Great food**—all kinds including Sushi Pizza
5. **The Arts**—Toronto is called “The Broadway of Canada”
6. Ease of getting around—Toronto is a **walking city**
7. **Fun Events** planned by the Host Organizing Committee (HOC)
8. Hear **RI President Ian Riseley** and other Rotary leaders
9. Toronto is the “**IT City**”
10. And most importantly, you’ll find

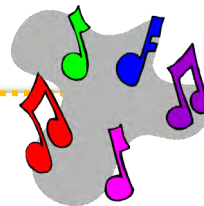
Inspiration Around Every Corner

‘It’s a small world, after all . . . ‘

“I have visited many Rotary clubs over the years, with some incredible service opportunities and lots of great meetings, yet nothing has compared to seeing 200 countries come together, as flags were presented during the opening ceremony. From every corner of the globe, the week included every language, religion, race and color. We were all connected by the Rotary wheel.”

Tim Lane, President of the Rotary Club of Bettendorf, Iowa

After attending the 2017 Atlanta International Convention



IMPORTANT DATES

June 23—27, 2018 —
Rotary Toronto Convention

December 4, 2017 - last
day to pay first and last
nights deposit for Group
Housing reservations

December 15, 2017—
Last day for \$345 online
Registration rate

USEFUL LINKS

Registration—[http://
riconvention.org/en/
toronto](http://riconvention.org/en/toronto)

Hotel Reservations—
[http://
registra-
tion.experientevent.com/
showROT181](http://registration.experientevent.com/showROT181)

Host Organizing
Committee & Events—
<http://rotary2018.org>

Rotary Convention
Facebook Page—
[www.facebook.com/
events/438387189858705](http://www.facebook.com/events/438387189858705)

Convention Program
Highlights—[http://
www.riconvention.org/en/
toronto/program](http://www.riconvention.org/en/toronto/program)

Promotional videos—
[www.riconvention.org/en/
toronto/videos](http://www.riconvention.org/en/toronto/videos)

“The Rotarian” Article -
[https://www.rotary.org/en/
tour-toronto-site-2018-
rotary-convention](https://www.rotary.org/en/tour-toronto-site-2018-rotary-convention)

Tourism Toronto video -
[https://www.youtube.com/
watch?v=V3YhYLn7uM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V3YhYLn7uM)



ROTARY DISTRICT 7300
DISTRICT CONFERENCE
May 17-20, 2018

TO: District 7300 Presidents/Assistant Governors

RE: District Conference Ad Book

This year's District Conference is slowly creeping up on us. It is scheduled for Seven Springs Mountain Resort on May 17-20, 2018. Plans are well underway and the registration form will be available February 9th.

As in the past, there will not be a registration fee so we are trying to cover some expenses by selling advertising in the program book. We are asking all clubs to consider a \$100 full page ad in the book. We are also encouraging individual Rotarians and businesses to support the Conference by placing an ad in the program book.

In addition, we have decided to reinstate our "First Time Attendee" promotional campaign. This program will provide a "first time" Rotarian attendee staying overnight, one night, a \$52.00 credit towards a Friday or Saturday night dinner. Ad sponsorships will also help to defer this cost.

Please send checks (payable to Rotary District 7300) and camera ready art work to:

Dan Kravetz
134 Elm Drive
Trafford, PA 15085
C-412-605-2337

Also email art to:

e-mail-gdkravetz@gmail.com

We thank you for your consideration.

Dan Kravetz



ROTARY DISTRICT 7300
2017-2018 District Conference
May 17-20, 2018
Governor: Ward Garner

Program Book Advertising

Please help to support the 2017-2018 Rotary District 7300 Conference with the purchase of one of the following advertisements in the Conference program book. Checks should be payable to Rotary District 7300.

N/A	Outside Back Cover (5 ½" x 8 ½")	\$250.00	SOLD
N/A	Inside Front Cover (5 ½" x 8 ½")	\$200.00	SOLD
N/A	Inside Back Cover (5 ½" x 8 ½")	\$200.00	SOLD
___	Full Page Ad (5 ½" x 8 ½")	\$100.00	
___	Half Page Ad (5 ½" x 8 ½")	\$ 50.00	
___	Quarter Page Ad (business card size)	\$ 30.00	

DEADLINE: Camera ready artwork must be received by: May 3, 2018

ARTWORK: Please send camera-ready artwork for all ads over business card size. We can use your business card for business-card size ads if it is printed in Blue or Black ink.

Name: _____ Club _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

E-Mail: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____ Make check payable to Rotary District 7300

Mail artwork and payment to:

Dan Kravetz, District Conference Golf & Ad Chairman
134 Elm Drive
Trafford, PA 15085
Cell – 412-605-2337
Also can email art to:
e-mail – gdkravetz@gmail.com

ROTARY DISTRICT 7300 CONFERENCE GOLF OUTING

Friday, May 18, 2018



SEVEN SPRINGS MOUNTAIN RESORT

Light Lunch11:30 AM
Shotgun Start12:30 PM
Awards & Surprises at
Alpine Room following
Conference Dinner Friday
Night

All Inclusive Package - Only \$95.00

Return Completed Form & Check to:

Dan Kravetz • 134 Elm Drive. • Trafford, PA 15085 • (412) 605-2337

Make Checks Payable to: ROTARY DISTRICT 7300

Payment due no later than MAY 5, 2018

- ☐ Enclosed is a contribution of \$380 for a foursome.
- ☐ Enclosed is a contribution of \$95 for each single golfer.
- ☐ Enclosed is a contribution of \$100 for a tee sponsorship.
- ☐ Enclosed is a contribution of \$450.00 for a foursome and tee sponsorship.

THE ROTARY DISTRICT 7300 CONFERENCE GOLF OUTING

Friday, May 18, 2018

SEVEN SPRINGS MOUNTAIN RESORT



QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
	Golf Hole Sponsorship	\$100.00	

Make checks payable to: ROTARY DISTRICT 7300

Mail to: Dan Kravetz • 134 Elm Drive • Trafford, PA 15085 • (412) 605-2337 •
gdkravetz@gmail.com

COMPANY _____ Contact _____

_____ Credit Card # _____ Exp. _____

_____ CVV. _____ Name _____

on Card _____

_____ Card Billing Address _____

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF DISTRICT 7300

Tee Sign to Read: _____

\$95.00 per golfer fee includes: Lunch, 18 Holes of Golf & Golf Cart

Contact Name (Company) _____

_____ Address _____

_____ City _____ State _____

_____ Zip _____ Phone _____

_____ Email _____

☐ I am registering as part of a foursome. ☐ I am registering as an individual. *(Please match me with three other golfers.)*

The remaining members of my group are:

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District 7300 J O B Board

Did you know we have a Job Board on the home page of the District 7300 website? This is a good place for Rotarians to post job openings in their companies, and for those who are seeking employment to post their resumes.

The Job Board is a relatively new feature on the website, but we look forward to new postings as they come in.

For job seekers, post your resume so potential employers have a resource for finding qualified employees with character. For Rotarians in business, post your job openings on the Job Board ... and hire Rotarians!



LAUGHING
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BEST
exercise

4/15/2017

ANNUAL FOUNDATION BRUNCH

Rotary District 7300 Funny Business

Join us to as we raise money for the District 7300 Foundation Brunch.



**Annual Foundation
Brunch**

Comedian

David Kaye

Rivers Casino

**Chinese Auction,
Dessert Auction**

**All to Benefit The
Rotary Foundation**

**THE ROTARY
FOUNDATION BRUNCH**

RIVERS CASINO

777 Casino Dr
Pittsburg, PA 15212

Questions: Call

Debbie DiLorenzo or Bella
Kennelly

412-378-3006 or

412-607-6073



Foundation Buffet Luncheon – RIVERS CASINO

Sunday April 15, 2017

Registration and Fellowship 12:00 PM

Buffet Served 1:00 pm

Cost: \$60.00 per person includes the luncheon and a \$10.00 gambling coupon for the Casino. Tables of 10 receive a Paul Harris Fellow to use at club's discretion. Cash Bar.

Club Name _____

Contact Person _____ Phone Number _____

_____	_____
_____	_____
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_____	_____
_____	_____

**Please send Registration Form to
Bella Kennelly or Debbie DiLorenzo
190 Seanor Rd Irwin, PA 15642
DebbieDilorenzo@remax.net
412 607-6073(Bella) or 412-378-3006(Debbie)**

Cash, check payable to Rotary District 7300 Foundation, or credit card

Credit Card Information

Type of Card _____ Charge Card # _____

Name as Shown on Card _____

Expiration Date _____ Security Code _____

Zip Code associated with card _____

**18th Annual
Steel Valley Rotary
Dinner Dance
Saturday, March 24th, 2018**

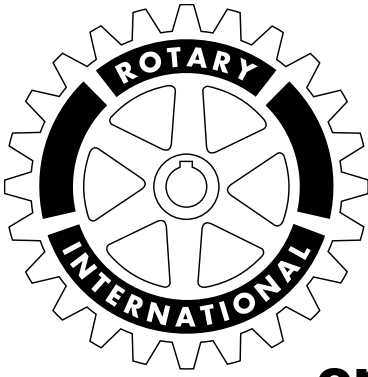
Featuring:

*Chuck
Corby & QUIET STORM*



**St. John's Cathedral Hall
210 Greentree Rd
Munhall, PA
Cocktail Hour (cash bar) 5:00-6:00
Dinner 6:00
Dancing 7:00-10:00
Tickets: \$45.00**

For tickets call: Jack Seckel (H) 412-464-1772 (C) 412-721-9978



Announcing . . . The Area Rotary Clubs' 31st Annual AUCTION

on 1230 WBVP and 1460 WMBA Radio

Saturday, April 21, 2018 • 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

1. WHAT IS THIS EVENT? It is an auction of new merchandise and services over WBVP and WMBA Radio Stations on Saturday, April 21, 2018 from 8:00 am until all items are sold.

2. WHO BENEFITS FROM THE MONIES RAISED? All net proceeds benefit the Rotary Clubs' Charities and Projects.

3. WHO PROVIDES THE ITEMS? Merchants, professionals, businesses, manufacturers and individuals participate as advertisers and provide items for the auction.

4. HOW DO YOU BENEFIT? You receive plenty of publicity and special promotion. Every time YOUR item is mentioned on the radio, YOUR NAME will be mentioned and both will also be published on a link in an ad in *The Beaver County Times*. The greater the retail value of the item you provide, the greater advertising value you will receive. Also, the value of the item is a deductible advertising expense.

5. DO THE ROTARY CLUBS PICK UP THESE ITEMS? No, the items stay at your place of business for DISPLAY. Rotary will provide a special auction poster to be posted in a conspicuous location in your place of business, indicating your participation as an advertiser in this worthy endeavor.

6. HOW CAN YOU PARTICIPATE? Decide what you would like to promote and then when a Rotarian calls on you, just sign up for the advertising and we will do the rest.

7. HOW ARE THE ITEMS CLAIMED? The highest bidder will pay for the item and receive a Merchandise Certificate at Huntington Bank, 671 Third Street, Beaver, PA. These Merchandise Certificates will be available for pick up from a Rotarian on Monday April 23, 2018 and Tuesday April 24, 2018, 9:00 am to 3:30 pm. Your Certificate can also be picked up on Saturday, April 28, 2018, 9:00 am to 11:00 am.

8. SUPPOSE NO BIDS ARE RECEIVED ON MY ITEM OR THE BIDDER FAILS TO PICK UP HIS/HER CERTIFICATE? If the successful bidder fails to redeem their purchase, you can put the merchandise offer back into stock. You will have received the advertising *absolutely free*.

9. IS THERE ANY OUTSIDER OR PROFESSIONAL FUND RAISER INVOLVED IN THIS AUCTION? Absolutely not, this whole event is being produced entirely by the area Rotary Clubs with valued cooperation from Radio Stations WBVP and WMBA.