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From the Governor's Desk

You Are A Leader

I've been speaking before numerous clubs in District 7190 over the past weeks, and during my "official" District Governor talk I make a little joke when I ask Rotarians to commit to being a leader. "Anyone can be a leader," I say. "You can even be a District Governor, because if they let me do it, anyone can do it."

In fact, everyone is already a leader, but they just don't recognize themselves as one yet. And we have established a definition of leadership as being something so lofty, so good, that we can only aspire but likely can never achieve such a status. To proclaim ourselves to be "a leader" suggests a level of arrogance or grandiosity that we just don't speak to it as we should, because each and every one of us is a leader.

This is a distinct problem in Rotary, which has prided itself (rightfully) on more than 100 years of Service Above Self. If our service is truly selfless, then humility is the order of the day – not some kind of arrogant proclamation that, even in the context of great service, we are "leading" or leaders.

This doesn't mean that we are not leading, but rather that we just don't tend to recognize it or proclaim it. That's why when you stop ten strangers on the street and ask them about Rotary, only three will have heard about Rotary and only one will actually know something about it.

I love TED Talks! In his funny TED Talk, leadership speaker and author Drew Dudley talks about why every person is a leader (https://www.ted.com/talks/drew_dudley_everyday_leadership#t-31501). He talks about how we exalt leadership as the outcome of incredible accomplishments that hardly anybody can actually do, and so we only recognize a few leaders who are doing such things... like changing the world.

As a result we devalue leadership as it pertains to the leadership activities we undertake each day, often

without even knowing it, without even understanding that we are, in fact, actually changing the world.

Drew's TED Talk lasts about 6 minutes, but it is well worth your time. As Rotarians we are changing the world every day, in ways both small and large, often without overt recognition and in humble ignorance of our impact, and we should be encouraged to be more aware and forthcoming about our own leadership activity.

He finishes his talk by standing a fundamental perspective on its head: "...we've made leadership about changing the world, (but) there is no world. There's only 6 billion understandings of the world, and if you change one person's understanding of it, one person's understanding of what they're capable of, one person's understanding of how much people care about them, one person's understanding of how powerful an agent for change they can be in this world, you've changed the whole thing. And if we can understand that, if we can define leadership like that, then we can change everything."

Are you a leader? You are a leader. Whether you are working with an elementary school student struggling to read, building a Habitat home, mentoring a new Rotarian, or saving a child from a lifetime of disease, you are a powerful agent of change. What you'll perhaps never know is whether the single understanding you helped to change ends up inspiring the person whose life you altered to make a choice, create something, or lead another person to do something that ultimately changes the world as we know it. Every single "known" leader who has done something incredible, whether microscopically small or infinitely large, started with someone else who inspired them and changed their understanding about their capability in this world. Now that's leadership! There can be no more worthy service that any Rotarian can provide.

Yours in Rotary service,

DG Fred

DISTRICT EVENTS AT A GLANCE

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- **November 12:** Peace Summit for Youth *p3*
- **November 16:** Foundation Dinner
- **December 9:** Adirondack Thunder Hockey vs Admirals Glens Falls 50/50 and Chuck a Puck to benefit End Polio Now Campaign
- **January 1:** Polio Plunge
- **June 23-27:** RI Convention/Toronto *pp5,7*

CLUB EVENTS AT A GLANCE

- **September 11:** 9/11 Memorial Dedication Sponsored by Ballston Spa Rotary *p 2*

Ballston Spa Rotary is gearing up for a 9/11 Memorial Dedication Monday September 11th 6:30pm *Rain or shine*

Ballston Spa Rotary will be participating in the dedication of the new 9/11 Memorial recently constructed next to the Village office on Front St. in Ballston Spa. The brainchild of one of their members, Pete Champagne, this memorial is dedicated to all those that gave all on that fateful day. The last 2 pieces available from the Twin Towers have been set into the memorial for everyone to see. They hope many fellow Rotarians will attend this great event.

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Gift of Life - District 7190 announces its 18th Annual Golf & Bocce Tournament Monday September 18th Pinehaven Golf Course

See flyer on page 4.

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ROTARY NIGHT

FOR ROTARY DISTRICT 7190

SPONSORED BY ROTARY AREA 1 CLUBS:
Lake George, North Creek, Chestertown,
Glens Falls, N. Lake George

Lake Theater Show and Dinner

Thursday October 12th

6:15 pm

\$58 per person

Holiday Inn Resort

Lake George, NY

"THE GREAT KOOSHOG LAKE"

(HOLLIS MCCAULEY)

-FISHING DERBY-

By Norm Foster

The regional premiere of this new comedy by the "Canadian Neil Simon", finds businessman James Bell stranded in a sleepy rural town during its annual fishing derby. It's a touching and funny play about much more than fishing in a small town where the inhabitants just might be wiser and ore worldly than James thinks. Sprinkled with a bit of romance, KOSSHOP LAKE is a funny, wise, heart-warming, and clever new comedy.

Show and Dinner: \$55.00 (includes Tax and Tips) plus a \$3.00 ticket service charge per ticket which is \$58.00 total **which is still a \$14 savings over standard prices.**

This is being planned in advance, please mark your calendars; it is anticipated we will have 100% Rotarians in attendance. Let's make it happen. Let's make it a truly Rotary Evening. It was a fun time last year.

Call & Reserve Early!!

DINNER MENU: **NOTE: Meal Choices are Due at Time of Reservations**

- **MEDALLIONS OF BEEF** with Bordelaise Sauce served with Roasted Potatoes
- **OVEN BAKED CHICKEN BREAST** with spinach, artichoke & cream cheese topped with roasted red pepper sauce, served with roasted potatoes (Gluten Free)
- **BROILED ATLANTIC SALMON** with lemon, white wine and caper sauce served with rice pilaf (Gluten Free)
- **VEGETARIAN PASTA** with sautéed vegetables over penne pasta

All entrees served with Salad, Rolls, Vegetables, Dessert & Coffee or Hot Tea

Call Sharon Reynolds to make your reservations and dinner selection

518/668-5762 ext. 421 or

sreynolds@turfhotels.com

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On November 12, 2017, District 7190 Rotarians will host a **Peace Summit for Youth** in Mechanicville.

For more than 110 years, Rotary members have been addressing challenges around the world and acting as ambassadors for peace. In today's global climate, our youth are anxious. Anxious about international relations, terrorism, America's position in the world, their personal future, and how they fit in. The Peace Summit for Youth will provide a forum to express their concerns and work collaboratively to consider pathways to peace – peace in their schools, on their streets, and in the world.

The District 7190 Peace Summit for Youth, organized using the World Café Model, will encourage our youth to explore deeper thought and awareness regarding the issues affecting peace worldwide. The objective is to create an environment where the youth generate all the content and develop the relevant outcomes for the day. Our keynote speaker will be Anne Kjaer Riechert, a Rotary Peace Scholar. Riechert is owner and managing director of an IT training school for Syrian refugees in Berlin, West Germany.

The Summit is open to high school students throughout the greater Capital Region, including our nine Interact clubs, Youth Exchange, and Rotary Youth Leadership. The intent is to reach into every high school where there is a Rotary club in the community. This not only provides students the ability to participate through Rotary sponsorship but also affords a learning opportunity about Rotary.

Funds are being raised and volunteers are being recruited. If you are interested in knowing more, please contact DG Fred at dghfred2017@gmail.com.

Countdown to the RI Convention in Toronto June 23-27, 2018

We are about ten months away from a very exciting opportunity for Rotarians and friends from District 7190 to attend an RI Convention close to home. The convention will be held in Toronto, Canada, less than a day's drive from anywhere in District 7190. No need for plane tickets, or long international flights. No language issues. This chance will likely not come again in many years! I have asked DG Fred to allow me to help promote this great event.

The District is encouraging all Rotarians to make the effort to attend this RI International Convention. Many Rotarians believe that you cannot truly understand the impact of Rotary without attending one of these meetings. Don't miss this opportunity!

You can register for the convention by going to riconvention.org. The registration fee is \$345 per person now and will increase on December 15.

Perhaps more important than registering for the convention now, is securing a place to stay in Toronto. Many hotels are sold out or close to selling out. District 7190 has designated the Courtyard Marriott Downtown, on Yonge Street, as the district hotel. Staying here will allow our District folks to be together if they wish. You can register for a hotel on the website above, by clicking on Convention Hotels. There are rooms available at the Courtyard Marriott as of this writing. You can of course, register for any hotel or any other housing you prefer. The important thing is to attend the Convention! You won't regret it!!

If you have any questions, please let me know and I will try to help.

Thank you,
PDG John Mucha



Rotary District 7190



Gift of Life
District 7190

18th Annual Golf & Bocce Tournament

Monday, September 18, 2017
Pinehaven Country Club
1151 Silver Rd
Guilderland, NY 12084



Yeny from Honduras

11 AM Golfer Registration
12 PM Shotgun Start
2 PM Bocce Registration
3 PM Play Bocce
5 PM Happy Hour
6 PM Awards Dinner & Raffle

For More Information contact:
Tournament Chairman Dennis McGlaufflin
(518) 495-4712

Rotary District 7190 Gift of Life Golf and Bocce Tournament

Thank you! Our program would not be able to continue healing little hearts around the world without your generous support. Please **CIRCLE** the appropriate Fees, Sponsorships, and Advertisements. →

Team/Club Name: _____

Player 1*: _____

Handicap: _____ Email: _____

Player 2: _____

Handicap: _____ Email: _____

Player 3: _____

Handicap: _____ Email: _____

Player 4: _____

Handicap: _____ Email: _____

* Company or Group: _____

* Address: _____

* Contact Person: _____ Phone _____

Sponsorship(s) &/or Advertisement(s)? _____

You will be contacted for additional details regarding your Sponsorships and Advertisements

\$ _____ Amt. ___ Check ___ Visa ___ MasterCard ___ AMEX

Name on credit card _____

Tournament Fees

\$125 Individual Golfer # _____
\$500 Foursome # _____
\$65 Individual Bocce # _____
\$40 Awards Dinner Only # _____

Sponsorship Opportunities

\$1,500 Host Club Sponsor (2)
\$1,500 Dinner Sponsor (4)
\$1,000 Golf Cart Sponsor (2)
\$750 Happy Hour Sponsor (4)
\$500 Tee Package Sponsor (18)
\$200 Bocce Tournament Sponsor (2)
\$100 Tee Sponsor (36 available)

Advertisement Opportunities

\$100 Program Full Page Ad
\$60 Program Half Page Ad
\$50 Ad on Bocce Court Banner
\$35 Program Quarter Page Ad

Please make checks payable to:

Gift of Life District 7190

Please mail your check and this completed registration form to:

Richard Hodge
44 Louise Lane
Lake George, NY 12845

Card Number _____
Expiration Date _____

rhodge@roadrunner.com

Tournament Schedule

11:00am Registration
12:00pm Shotgun Start
Handicapped Scramble Format
Hot dogs and hamburgers hot off the grill served at the turn!
2:00pm Bocce Registration
3:00pm Play Bocce
5:00pm Complimentary 19th hole
Cocktail & Cash Bar
6:00pm Buffet Dinner, Awards & Raffle

Prizes for:
1st, 2nd, 3rd, low and net
Best Rotary Club

On Course Contests:
Putting, Longest Ball, Closest to the Pin and more!

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Host Club Sponsor \$1500
Golf package for four golfers
Two tee signs
Full-page ad in awards program
Dining room signage
Reserved table at awards dinner

Dinner Sponsor \$1500
Golf package for four golfers
Two tee signs
Full-page ad in awards program
Dining room signage
Reserved table at awards dinner

Golf Cart Sponsor \$1000
Golf package for four golfers
Logo signage on all carts
Full-page ad in awards program
Reserved table at awards dinner

Happy Hour Sponsor \$750
Golf package for four golfers
Two tee signs
Half-page ad in awards program
Reserved table at awards dinner

Tee Package Sponsor \$500
Golf package for two players
Quarter page ad in awards program
Awards dinner recognition

Tournament Information Please Contact:
Dennis McGlaufflin (518) 495-4712

President's Message

This year I think we should hear from one of our patients Juan Carlos. Here is his letter.

Dear Pat,

I really feel very grateful to all of you for what you did for me. Hopefully someday I can meet you and give each of you a hug for making me so happy. Because of you I will be able to do what I like to and play soccer in four months as the doctor told me.

I will be sending you photos when I can do it and so you can see, even if it is a photo, how happy I have been.

Thank you once again and a hug to each of the Rotarians who made me happy again.

God bless you always,
Jean Carlos



Jean Carlos from Panama



Angel from Panama

DG FRED DANIELS INVITES YOU TO ATTEND ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

NEW LOCATION!!.....NEW LOWER COST!!

**LOCATION:
GEORGE EDUCATION CENTER
UNIVERSITY OF ALBANY**

**EAST CAMPUS
1 UNIVERSITY PLACE
RENSSELAER, NY**

**DATE: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2018
REGISTRATION and BREAKFAST 7:30am,
CLASSES FROM 8:00am to 3:30pm**

COST: \$75.00 PER PERSON



WHY ATTEND RLI:

ATTENDANCE AT RLI IS A GREAT START FOR PRESIDENT-ELECT TRAINING. IT IS RECOMMENDED AS WELL FOR CLUB VICE-PRESIDENTS AND OTHERS WHO WANT TO BECOME MORE INVOLVED

YOUR YEAR AS CLUB PRESIDENT WILL BE ONE OF THE BEST YEARS IN YOUR LIFE, PREPARATION WILL MAKE IT FANTASTIC!

YOUR LEADERSHIP WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF OTHERS, BOTH NEAR AND FAR

AS A CLUB PRESIDENT YOU'LL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPAND YOUR CIRCLE OF FRIENDS IN ROTARY AND THE COMMUNITY THAT WILL STAY WITH YOU FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE

RLI IS A THREE-PART PROGRAM CULMINATING IN GRADUATION AT PART III. YOU'LL BE SHARING IDEAS FOR NEW AND BETTER PROJECTS FOR YOUR CLUB, AND LEARNING FROM CERTIFIED ROTARY FACILITATORS ABOUT WHAT IT TAKES TO MAKE A SUCCESSFUL CLUB

MEET ROTARIANS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT AND DISCUSS WHAT THEIR CLUBS ARE DOING ABOUT MEMBERSHIP, ATTENDANCE AND OTHER CLUB ISSUES

DEVELOP LEADERSHIP SKILLS THAT APPLY IN ANY ORGANIZATION OR BUSINESS, AND IN PEOPLE'S DAILY LIVES

CATCH THE PASSION OF ROTARY!

**REGISTRATION AND MORE INFORMATION AT www.rlinea.org
Other questions? Contact PDG Bill Nathan at bbnathan@outlook.com**

We NEED you.
Can you HELP?



The Polio Committee is looking for team members who are passionate about ways to assist our clubs and the district with our Polio efforts.

Events

- Polar Plunge
- Bowling for Polio
- Night at Thunder

Fundraising assistance for Rotary clubs

- Hannaford Clynk Program
- Quarter holders

If you are interested in joining this team-please contact either-

Doug Ford at ford@curtislumber.com & 518-490-1434

Sandy McAlonie at smrotary1213@gmail.com & 518-339-9904

REGISTER EARLY AND SAVE!

Our convenient online system makes registering easy for all Rotary members, Rotaractors, and Rotary club and district employees.

Register today at riconvention.org.

Deadlines

Deadline	Fee (US\$)	
	Rotarians	Rotaractors
15 December 2017	\$345	\$70
31 March 2018	\$420	\$100
After 31 March 2018 until the convention closes	\$495	\$130

Cancellation deadline: 30 April 2018

New this year! Receive \$10 off your full adult registration fee if you register online by 31 March 2018.



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Schenectady, NY 12309



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DIFFERENCE**