

# District Governor Shelby Rhodes Weekly Newsletter October 11 2021



# THIS EMAIL IS BEING SENT TO ALL DISTRICT 7475 ROTARIANS.

Happy Sunday Rotarians!

I'm golfing Monday in the End Hunger 3.6 Golf Outing, so you are getting your weekly news early. Let's get started:

# SO YOU WANT TO BE A ROTARY CLUB PRESIDENT:

District Governor-Elect John Shockley shared a great video for all the Club Presidents and Presidents-Elect. CLICK HERE to watch it.

### WHAT'S UP IN CLUBS AROUND THE DISTRICT:

<u>CLICK HERE</u> to access this week's article on the District website. Induct a new member? Holding a fundraiser? Presenting a Paul Harris Fellow/Major Donor recognition? Service projects? Social Event? ... These are all great things to share with your fellow Rotarians via our weekly Club news. How does your Club get included next week? Simply email your news to <u>Rotary7475news@gmail.com</u>. Our deadline is every Friday around 5 pm.

# **YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM:**

The Eastern State Student Exchange program (ESSEX) is planning to restart the youth exchange in the Fall 2022. If our District wishes to participate, we must now identify clubs who will support the exchange. ESSEX wants feedback from us by **October 20**. That means clubs who are interested must identify possible outbound students, identify host families who will take inbound students and determine whether their school district will accept a student from another country for the 2022-2023 school year. The cost for Essex to administer the program is \$250 per student. Any club who wishes to consider this program should contact PDG Jim Allison by email at <a href="mailto:JRA188@aol.com">JRA188@aol.com</a> or by phone at 201-213-6382.

# **DISTRICT GOVERNOR VISITS:**

Inducting a new member? Holding a fundraiser? Presenting a Paul Harris Fellow/Major Donor recognition? Community service projects? Social events? ...Those are all great opportunities for me to come visit with your Club. Please work directly with District Chief of Staff Mark Hartmann. He can be reached at 1-973-296-9507 (cell/text) or <a href="Mark@HartmannRhodes.com">Mark@HartmannRhodes.com</a>.

# **NEED A SPEAKER FOR YOUR CLUB?**

We maintain a list of speakers who are willing to speak at one of your club meetings either in person or via Zoom. The information is on the District website at <a href="https://www.njrotary.org">www.njrotary.org</a>. You will find the link to speaker information on the right side of the website or you can access it <a href="https://www.njrotary.org">HERE</a>. You may wish to bookmark this for the future.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Thursday, October 21 at 6 pm – District Finance Committee – The District Finance Committee will meet

online via Zoom. Committee Members are encouraged to sign-up <u>HERE</u>. Advance Registration Required. For more information, contact Chair Larry Wefferling at <u>larry@wefferlingcpa.com</u>.

**Tuesday, October 26 at 6 pm** – **Rotary District Foundation Committee (RDFC)** – Will meet in-person at the Park Avenue Club, 184 Florham Park, NJ 07932. Committee members must register in advance by **Tuesday, October 19** to attend. Please register by emailing RDFC Chair PDG Mike Hart at drmhart@yahoo.com.

**Thursday, October 28 at 6 pm – Districtwide President's Council**— Club Presidents, Assistant Governors and select invited District Officials are invited to in-person Districtwide President's Council. We'll focus on fundraising at this training session which will be held at the Park Avenue Club, 184 Park Ave, Florham Park. Presidents, Assistant Governors and select invited District Officials were emailed invites.

**Friday, October 29 at 12 noon – Membership Lunch & Learn** District 7475 sponsors a monthly Lunch and Learn focusing on membership development the last Friday of each month at 12 noon. Advance registration is required - click <u>HERE</u> to register. In the month of October, Membership Lunch and Learn will focus on how to use the Learning Center at Rotary International. Take advantage of a wealth of training materials designed to help you learn new skills and become more successful in what you do. You can access information based upon your position in Rotary i.e. Club President, Club Secretary, Rotary member, etc., or you can access training information based upon topic. Topics include: membership development, fundraising, projects, grants, starting a new Rotary club, awards, public relations, Rotaract, Interact and more. Learn about Rotary club activities that support strategic goals. Find best practices and resources to ensure your club succeeds.



**Monday, November 8 at 7 pm – Assistant Governor's Meeting** – This online meeting is for Assistant Governor's and select invited District Leaders. Advance registration required. Sign-up online HERE.



Thursday, November 18 at 7 pm – Gift of Life of New Jersey Annual Meeting – Gift of Life's mission is to save the lives of children by providing resources to treat congenital heart defects. Children are brought to the United States for surgery plus overseas missions to train foreign surgeons and bring them needed equipment through Gift of Life's efforts. Come learn about the organization's efforts during the pandemic year. If your Club would like to present its annual contribution to Gift of Life at the virtual meeting, please contact PDG Jim Allison, Gift of Life NJ Chair, by email at JRA188@aol.com so he can add your Club's name to the agenda. This session is online via Zoom. Advance registration required. Please sign-up <a href="here">here</a>.



# **SAVE THE DATE! - PRESIDENT ELECT TRAINING SEMINAR** (aka "PETS")

PETS is in-person this Rotary year! ... PETS will be held at the Marriott in Hanover, NJ on March 24-26. PETS training is <u>MANDATORY</u> for all Presidents-Elect, even if you are currently a President with a 2-year term or were President in the past. Plus, we'll have two online Pre-PETS sessions on March 1 and March 8. Please save these dates now and future information will be sent out.

That's all for this week!

Be well + stay safe as we Serve to Change Lives together!



Be well and stay safe as we Serve to Change Lives,

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Need to meet with Shelby? Click here to schedule a time.

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