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### February 2016 Newsletter

The PDGs Fellowship is planning three events in the next few months, which should be of interest to all our members:

**Council on Legislation Afterglow Party** - The PDGs Fellowship is sponsoring an afterglow party at the conclusion of the Council on Legislation in downtown Chicago, which is scheduled to end on Friday, 15 April, at noon. The event will include the [Chicago Architecture Foundation River Cruise](#) tour of Chicago on Friday afternoon at 3 PM (\$40 per person) and then dinner together on Friday evening, before the delegates and observers head home on Saturday morning. Experience the “top tour in Chicago and one of the top ten tours in the U.S.” according to [TripAdvisor](#) users. The Chicago Architecture Foundation River Cruise is a must for out-of-towners and Chicagoans alike. Volunteer tour guides—called docents—interpret more than 50 buildings along the Chicago River. You’ll find out how Chicago grew from a small settlement into one of the world’s largest cities in less than 100 years. In 90 minutes, get the real story on Chicago architecture and its history.

Following the river cruise participants will experience more fellowship by enjoying dinner with other PDGs in small groups at a choice of restaurants within a short walk of the Chicago Marriott Hotel (COL location). This will be dutch treat.

The afterglow event is open to all PDGs and guests, so if you are going to be in or near Chicago on 15 April, please make plans to join us. Regardless of why you will be in Chicago, advise Bruce Baumberger if you are interested in the boat tour and dinner. We need to learn how many people are interested in the afterglow party as soon as possible, so please advise Bruce of your interest without delay at [gov.bruce@rotary6440.org](mailto:gov.bruce@rotary6440.org).



**Seoul Convention** - The plans for the Seoul convention look great, and it now appears that the proposed mix and mingle event with the RI presidents will be held in the convention center, near the House of Friendship, from 3:00 to 4:00 on Saturday afternoon. Therefore, the PDGs Fellowship is planning a cash bar reception for its members in the House of Friendship immediately following the end of the presidents’ event at 4:00. Both of the events will be a good way to start the convention!

**Fellowship Event in Evanston** - The PDGs Fellowship is sponsoring an event in Evanston on the last weekend of June that will begin with a reception on Friday evening, 24 June, and end on Saturday afternoon, 25 June. The program is still being developed, but it will be educational with several Rotary Senior Leaders in attendance. So please place it on your calendars, and we will send the details to you in a month or so!

**Fellowship Website** - If you have not been to our website recently take a minute to click on [www.pdgsfellowship.com](http://www.pdgsfellowship.com) and to see news about PDGs Fellowship events, a collection of useful RI links, a

calendar listing key Rotary events and meetings and other useful information. As with all websites, we are always looking for new content, so please send your contributions to Philippe Lamoise ([Philippe@Lamoise.net](mailto:Philippe@Lamoise.net)).

**Newsletter** -All members are encouraged to contribute news they would like to share via this newsletter. Please send to Ann Lee Hussey ([annlee001@yahoo.com](mailto:annlee001@yahoo.com)).

**Facebook** – All members are invited to join our Facebook group “Fellowship of Rotarian PDGs (and friends)”. Check us out.

**Membership Status** - We are now past 380 members for our fellowship representing 189 districts and 44 countries. As mentioned before, this is a good time for you to alert your PDG friends about our fellowship. Despite our early success, most PDGs are still unaware of it, and a brief note from you will provide a new opportunity for your PDG friends. Just ask them to look at our website at [www.pdgsfellowship.org](http://www.pdgsfellowship.org), and they can enroll online. Together, we can make a difference!

For questions about the fellowship, please contact co chair, Johrita Solari ([johrita-rotary@solari-ent.com](mailto:johrita-rotary@solari-ent.com)) or Bruce Baumberger ([gov.bruce@rotary6440.org](mailto:gov.bruce@rotary6440.org)) or the vice chair, Ann Lee Hussey, at [annlee001@yahoo.com](mailto:annlee001@yahoo.com).

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