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EDWARD MORALES, President, Tournament of Roses

A Parade, A Game, and a Worldwide Welcome to 2025

INTRODUCER: Catherine Hany



Edward J. Morales is the Managing Partner of the Los Angeles office of Borton Petrini, LLP. He received his undergraduate degree in History from University of California, Los Angeles, and earned his Juris Doctorate from Loyola Law School in 1992.

Edward is a member of the California State Bar, Los Angeles County Bar Association and admitted to practice in United States Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and United States District Court, Central District of California. His primary emphasis is civil litigation, employment law, insurance defense, estate planning, trust litigation, personal injury, and premises liability.

While in law school, Edward utilized his bilingual skills and counseled low-income clients and worked extensively on large first amendment cases involving language rights.

Outside the office, Edward has been a long-standing member of the Tournament of Roses Association and currently serves on its Executive Committee. He served as President of the 2024 Tournament of Roses.

Currently, he is on the School Board of St. Philip the Apostle School in Pasadena. He has also served on the Boards of Directors of several Pasadena non-profit organizations including Hathaway Sycamores and Foothill Family Services. Edward is a past President and former Board Member of the Pasadena Jaycees. Edward and his wife, Lisa Morales, have two daughters, Lainey and Jessie.

WEDNESDAY – JANUARY 8, 2025
UNIVERSITY CLUB OF PASADENA - 12:00 pm
175 N. Oakland Ave, Pasadena 91101
RSVP A MUST - Deadline: 5:00 pm MONDAY

OVERFLOW PARKING: Pasadena Heritage Blinn House
Enter parking off Madison Ave. - Do not park in any reserved parking space

Reception: Alan Schier & Mike Bernard
Lunchtime Interlude: Ann Louise Christensen
Song Leader: Eric Olson & Four Way Test Singers
Inspiration: Marilyn Buchanan
Scout Zone Reporter: Dean Billman
Photographer: Tammy Silver
Technical: Frank Fish & Scott Carlson
Sergeant At Arms: Robert Lyons
Non-members are welcome - \$45.00 includes lunch

ZOOM is back and opens at 12:15 pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86515101523?pwd=dHhNZnV5c2ZqbzNQbWthbDNhYTladz09>
Meeting ID: 865 1510 1523. - Passcode: 667356

Simply Stephen Smith's Spokes Speaks



As we celebrate the spirit of the Rose Bowl Parade, we remember the lives lost in recent attacks. Together, we stand strong with New Orleans, Las Vegas, and all those affected. Let's make today the best day ever, filled with hope, resilience, and unity.

While Rotary International's exact vision may evolve with the new challenges and opportunities, the core mission of Rotary International remains clear: to foster a better world through service and collaboration. As we start a new year, our own Pasadena Rotary is poised to continue its impactful work, working alongside individuals and organizations to build a more inclusive, sustainable future. Let's try our best to build stronger communities and work toward lasting, positive change across the globe.

Photo: Congratulations: The Rotary Float won the Tournament Volunteer Award for the Most Outstanding Floral Presentation for a float under 35 feet in length.

Stephen D. Smith
President 2024 - 2025
Rotary Club of Pasadena
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ATTENDING THE MEETING -

BUFFET LUNCH by Chef Tony Lu

MEALS & SEATING ARE PROVIDED BASED ON RSVP'S WE RECEIVE

CLICK HERE TO **RSVP TODAY**

Please **RSVP** if you are attending!
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ROTARY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES & EVENTS

EATON CANYON TRAIL CLEAN-UP ON 12/27/24 & ROTARY ROAMERS HIKE

THANKS TO 8 Rotarians with 6 Impact Club Members

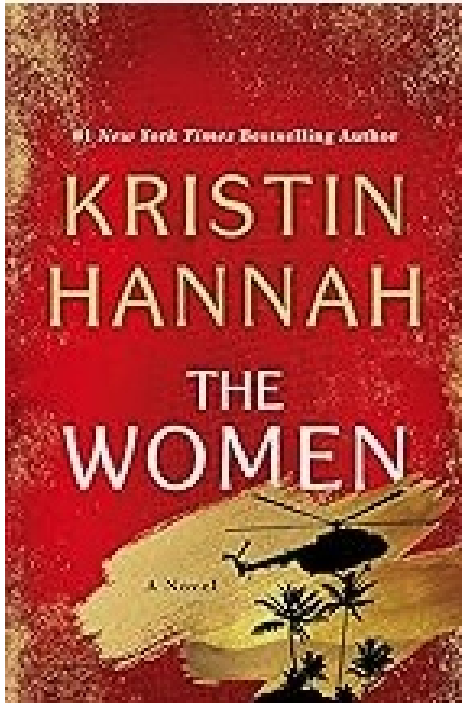
Amanda Pumilia, Impact Club Chair along with President-Elect Hillary Schenk and Gui Bittencourt, were Impact Members Stewart Espinosa, Sam Whalen, Jan Adams, Chuck O'Neill and Shlley De Leon who took on the Eaton Canyon Trail Clean-Up and Hike.

According to Amanda: *"Everyone enjoyed themselves and is enthusiastic about doing it again. We were also thanked along the trail by members of the community, which always feels great as Rotarians out there doing service."*

Photo: L2R Sam, Gui, Stewart, Amanda, Hillary & Shelley. Not pictured as they took a different path is Jan and Chuck.



ROTARY READERS



Rotary Readers meet monthly on the first Monday at 6 pm.

MONDAY - JANUARY 6th

Bring something to share for dinner.

Helen Baatz will review The Women by Kristin Hannah at the lovely home of Liza Billington and Cory Brendel.

PLEASE RSVP to Liza

at lbillington56@gmail.com or Cory at corybrendel@gmail.com.

If you have any questions, email Cathy Simms at simmsie1@pacbell.net.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

Melissa Froehlich	Jan. 5
Stephen McCurry	Jan. 7
Estela Richeda	Jan 9

HAPPY ROTAVERSARY!!!

Richard Cornfield	1/3/18	7 Years
Tammy Silver	1/8/20	5 Years
Sam Gopinathan	1/8/24	1 Year
Ellen Batzel Palm-Leis	1/8/24	1 Year
Lisa Cavalier	1/9/19	6 Years
Debb Raupp	1/9/24	1 Year

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

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Jan. 15, 2025 - Naomi Hirahara - "*Pasadena Girl Investigates: How Japanese Influences and Immigrants Transformed a City*"

Jan. 22, 2025 - Dan Stover Instrumental Music Competition

Jan. 29, 2025 - Miguel Marquez, Pasadena City Manager - Housing in Pasadena

Feb. 5, 2025 - Jose Gomz, PCC President/Superintendent - The History & Future of PCC

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Pasadena Rotary Club
Stephen Smith, President 2024-25

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MEETS the 3rd Thursday of every month at 5pm - University Club of Pasadena**

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