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President's Corner

Written by Paul Brassard

FEB 27 DARK AT THE CHURCH BUT WEDDING RECEPTION IN THE EVENING

Dennis and Liz Kneier have graciously opened their home to allow Rotarians to celebrate and congratulate newlywed Valeria and her husband. Make sure you have RSVP to Dennis.

FEB 20 MEETING RECAP Neil Mottinger, JPL Navigation Engineer

We welcomed Neil Mottinger who is a 58-year JPL veteran whose career began during the Apollo program and covered decades of work with planetary space probes. His specialty was deep space navigation, and he worked with the space agencies of other countries—such as German, Japan and India—to help them guide their spacecraft. He talked about growing up on a farm in the Midwest and becoming interested in space while looking at planets through a backyard telescope. He also mentioned that 200 people at JPL lost their homes and 300 were displaced by the recent fires. We thank Bill Payne for bringing us this program.



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NEW NAME FOR OUR YMCA You heard it here first.

It was not my desire to scoop the Tribune, but Jason Ramos invited me to a ceremony on Tuesday where a new name was unveiled for the local YMCA (formerly the South Pasadena / San Marino YMCA) now the Crowell Family YMCA. The name change is part of a \$7 million gift to remodel the 60-year-old structure. A member of the Crowell family has been on the board of the Los Angeles Metropolitan YMCA since 1938, and this gift demonstrates the family's continued commitment to this institution.



DISTRICT CONVENTION AT DISNEYLAND REGISTER NOW!

The Magic of Rotary – Past, Present, and Future

Join your fellow club members at the 2025 Joint District Conference at the Disneyland Hotel Resort, 1150 W. Magic Way Anaheim, CA 92802. A Conference where the Magic of Rotary joins with the Magic of Disney to celebrate the Past, Present, and Future of your work in the communities you serve.

Make your room reservation now! The special rate for the conference is \$369.00. A limited number of rooms are reserved at this rate. To secure a room please contact the Disneyland® Resort by booking online 24/7 at <https://www.mydisneygroup.com/GDDD25A> or by calling (714) 520-5005, M-F from 8 am to 5 pm PST. Reservations must be made by Thursday, March 20, 2025--our cutoff date or before the group rooms are sold out. So do not delay. Prevailing rates may apply after this date or when the group rooms are sold out, whichever occurs first. Rooms are subject to availability. Please note, you will be able to use the same link to purchase Discounted Special Group Theme Park tickets. *The online ticket store will close on Thursday, April 10, 2025, at 9:00 pm. These special ticket prices are NOT available once you arrive at the Resort.* Bring your family and friends along so they can benefit from the specially priced tickets!

HAPPY 120TH ANNIVERSARY

In case you missed it, Rotary celebrated its 120th Birthday on February 23rd. On that day in 1905, Paul Harris and his three friends started something very special when they met in room 711 of the Unity Building in Chicago. Rotary has come a long way, since then, but we still have a long way to go to achieve the goodwill, peace, and understanding among all people that we so desire.

Upcoming Program and Event Schedule (Invite a Friend)

Feb 27 DARK for lunch. Evening Private Wedding Reception for Valeria: Rotarians invited.

Mar 6 Contestants, Dan Stover Music Competition

Mar 13 Annual Foundation Luncheon, Huntington Library, RSVP Required

Mar 20 Danny Feldman, Pasadena Playhouse, What's New at the Playhouse

Mar 27 Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) Delegate Presentations