The Wheel The Official Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Glendora



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Club Meeting

1020 E Rte 66 Glendora, CA 91740 Time: Tuesday at 08:00 AM

Club Leaders





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Events



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"Så lenge" to our friend Gordie Norman

By Sheila G. Gutierrez



Gordie (Gordan) Norman, long-term member of Glendora Rotary Club and two-time President of the club, passed away on February 19, 2025. He was predeceased by the love of his life, Diane.

Gordie was instrumental in forming the club's Mini-Grant Program and the Chorale Program with fellow Rotarian Keith Hilliard. He served a number of memorable years as Sargent at Arms for Rotary District Conferences (requiring fellow greeters to dress appropriately – as Vikings!), which endeared him to Rotarians around District 5300. Gordie also founded the Sister City Program with Moka, Japan for Glendora; he was the Band Director for Glendora High School for many years; Band Director for Cal State University Long Beach for many years; owned a local travel agency specializing in band travels throughout the world; and was the second parent to numerous Rotary exchange students from around the world. All around Good Guy! As Gordie would say, "Uf Duh", Norwegian for WOW!!



A Historical Digest

s, In and Around Glendora

magazine

"Citizens of the Year" Gordon & Diane orman

Hope and a Helping Hand **Shepherd's Pantry**

The Legacy Of Clardy-Engelhardt

Memoirs of endora's First City Manager

Birthdays

Suzy Gonzalez-Healthy Footprints

The Rotary Club of Glendora was pleased to welcome Suzy Gonzalez as the guest speaker yesterday. Suzy is a home-schooling parent, the founder of a non-profit, Healthy Footprints, and volunteer with the Glendora Trails committee.

Her mission is to empower youth through outdoor adventures. Her non-profit, Healthy Footprints, achieves this by programs such as their Field institute, the Adventure Leaders, California Jr. Naturalist program, summer camps and a Gear Library by which children can participate even if they can't afford outdoor equipment. The children who participate gain independence and leadership skills as well as respect and love for the environment. They can name plants, animals, trees, etc. Many of their programs take place on Catalina Island, where they also dive.

They serve children from kindergarten - grade 12, primarily in the home school community. They are inclusive to neuro-divergent children and can accommodate a parent, an aide or even supply an aide if necessary. They partner with California State Charter Schools.

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It's Time for Field of Heroes!

THE FIRST FIELD OF HEROES PLANNING MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE DIRECTLY AFTER NEXT TUESDAY'S REGULAR MEETING. PLEASE LEAVE A LITTLE EXTRA TIME SO THAT YOU CAN PARTICIPATE. WE WILL NEED EVERYONE'S HELP! Thank you!



Fines & Meeting Notes

Guests and Visiting Rotarians

The club welcomed Tim Moore, President-Elect of the Monrovia Rotary Club, Trevor Benson, Inaugural President of the Glendora Rotaract Club, Raquel McHann, and Guest Speaker Suzy Gonzalez.

Foundation and Pauline, "that's one fine Pig" Update

Club Foundation Chairperson, Craig Henderson, reports that the club has exceeded the \$1500 goal set by Rotary International, raising \$1779 via fines and recognitions. That, despite a month off when the fines were dedicated to diaster relief in North Carolina. Thank you to all the Rotarians, guests, visiting Rotarians who contributed to this goal. The Rotary Foundation will receive a generous match from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

As far as the lofty goal of \$10,000 towards the Rotary Foundation that the club president and board decided on for 2024/25, the total currently stands at \$7,700 leaving the club with \$2300 yet to give before the end of this Rotary year. Some members of the club contribute via auto-pay on Rotary Direct which is the easiest and most efficient way to give. The club leadership encourages all members to follow this path to Foundation Giving. Not only can you do good around the world but if you are giving to the Share fund, a percentage of those funds are returned to the district in three years and the District then "shares" those with clubs via grants.

Everyone wins!

Fines and Recognitions

- Kathy Boyer is glad to be back in Glendora!
- Gary Boyer is glad to be back in Glendora because
- he is tired of Kathy asking to go home. Tim Moore put the power of Rotary to work. After Michael Powers presentation last week, in which Tim learned that Michael was having a technical problem with the ID bracelets he was designing for his homeless friends, Tim realized that he had a friend with a specialty machine shop in Azusa near Michael's furniture store. He put those guys together and the problem was solved! What a great Rotary connections story!
- Falamak Zaltash was happy for the Collective Trauma final zoom.
- Raquel pitched in saying "I'm back". Dottie Hilliard gave "in remembrance" of Gene Morrill and when evidence was presented that Gene is alive and kicking (and seated next to Dottie), Dottie pivoted and said " I'm just planning ahead".
- Tricia Franklin is happy for her family coming to town to celebrate her daughter at a baby shower this weekend.



• Rudy Hayek is celebrating Rotary's anniversary (and his daughter's birthday) on Febrary 23.

All the Rotary "Stuff" in one Place

On instruction from the club board of directors, a 10x15x8 storage unit has been leased at CubeSmart in Glendora. Thanks to Lisa Frank for her research and finding a suitable location at a good price. According to the facility, this is enough space





for the contents of a two-bedroom apartment, so the club leadership thinks the flags, movies in the park stuff and everything else will fit in there. It is on the ground floor as well. Please contact Lisa, Rudy or Susanne if you have items in your garage or elsewhere that need to go to the storage unit. Thanks to Christine Smith the unit will have some shelving for organization. Once everything is in, there will be an organization event headed up by Lisa Frank.

Speaking of Field of Heroes...there will be an initial planning meeting held next Tuesday, March 11 directly after the regular Rotary meeting. The club is looking for maximum assistance on this as it is the club's biggest fundraiser. It is time and labor-intensive and everyone's help is requested (aka required).

Chamber Ad Revealed

The Chamber of Commerce released the 2025 Community Guide and Membership Directory and it is outstanding! The quality of the book makes it even more special to see the full page ad the Rotary Board approved recently. Congratulations to the Chamber and the Club Board for their visionary thinking!

*Includes PolioPlus, Rotary Peace Centers, other districts, and the Endowment Fund (areas of focus)



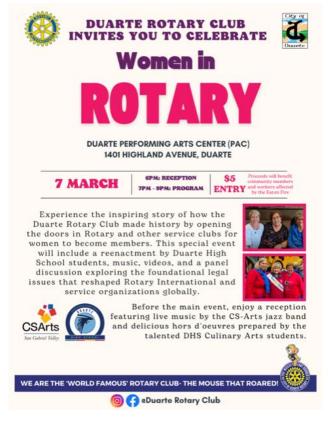
Dinner with A Scout

The Deadline to RSVP has been extended to 28th. Clark Mason and our Cub Scout Troop would love to see some Rotarians there!



RSVP BY 2/22 TO ANGIE LONDON AT 626-922-4595 OR ANGIETHECUPCAKELADY@YAHOO.COM

Women in Rotary



Eaton Fire Day of Service

Dennis and Tricia Franklin represented the club at the recent Eaton Fire Day of Service at which thousands of fire survivors were given food, clothing, gift cards, Verizon wireless cards, etc. Dennis spoke of meeting the CEO of Shelter Box. Here is a link to the video Shelterbox produced from that special day: (look closely, you will see people you know)

https://www.youtube. com/watch?v=V8CVSkcwKgY

That beautiful day is in the books but there will another opportunity to participate. Our Club was invited to join the Altadena RC to participate in the Saturday, March 15 event -*Eaton Fire Day of Service*. The Altadena Rotary Club has made arrangements to set up another disaster relief giveaway at *Grocery Outlet Bargain Market, 2270 North Lake Ave. Altadena*.

This will be the final day of distribution of this initial campaign, so we are hoping for a high level of hands-on club participation.

District 5300 has provided our club with \$5000 in gift cards to distribute! What an incredible opportunity for us to serve, support, and comfort those courageous people and their families.

Music and Magic to Heal the Soul



addition to the March 15th Distribution event, please also consider attending this amazing event at the Alex Theater in Glendale. Most of the performers are from Altadena and Sierra Madre. If you can't attend in person, consider a watch party! While you are on Instagram getting more information, give the Altadena Rotary club a "Follow".

Conference & Assembly at Disneyland

The combined D5180 and D5300 Assembly and Conference will be held at the Disneyland Hotel on Friday April 11-12. This is a new format for the District, both as far as the shared event with another district and combining the assembly and the conference into one event on two consecutive days. Registration for both the conference and the hotel is now open, with links being available on the District website. The conference portion is technically free but you will want the meal package because good stuff happens during the meals. There are always exceptional speakers as well as the District finals for the Dan Stover Music Competition and the 4-way Speech Contest. Friday and Saturday evenings after dinner feature the ever popular "Hospitality Suites" which are a great opportunity to socialize with friends from around the district and make some new friends too. There are snacks and drinks in abundance. Sunday is a free day with discounted Disneyland tickets also available to conference attendees. President Rudy and Susanne have signed up to attend and hope to see other Glendora Rotarians there as well.

D5180 and D5300 Joint District Conference and D5300 Training Assembly 4/11/25 – 4/12/25 Disneyland Hotel and Resort 1150 W Magic Way, Anaheim, CA 92802		
	District 5300 Training Assembly Friday, April 11, 2025 8:30 am – 1:00 pm	
Registration opens a Program begins at 9:		
The Rotary Founda Youth Service (RYI Secretary/Treasure Community and Vo Grants Manageme AG/XAG Training	ublic Image, Membership, Rotaract, and Inclusive Leadership ation A, TLC, Interact, and Youth Competitions) r Training cational Service	
 Club Leadership **Snacks and finger f 	foods will be provided	
Friday April 11, 202 4:30 – 5:45 pm	Tarnished Brass reception by invitation only	
5:30 – 6:30 pm 6:30 – 8:30 pm	Pre-dinner reception with no host bar for all attendees Conference Dinner Session – plated meal Welcome and Recognition of Rotarians that have passed Major Donor Recognitions	Interact/Rotaract United Nations Breakout
8:30 – 10:00 pm	United Nations Keynote speaker Hospitality Suites	Saturday ONLY 9:30 – 11:30 am 2:30 – 4:30 pm
Saturday April 12, 2 7:30 – 9:30 am	025 Breakfast session - buffet • 4 Way Test speech contest • <i>Rotary Past</i> Keynote speaker – Johrita Solari	Interactors, Student Exchange participants, and
9:30 – 11:30 am 12:00 – 2:20 pm	Locary Past Register Speaker – John ta Solari Leadership Institute session Lunch session – plated President Procession Rotary Present Keynote Presentation – RI Presidents Rep Dan Stover Music Competition	Rotaractor's from across both districts will meet with the United Nations Leader to discuss global
2:30 – 4:30 pm	Afternoon Breakout Sessions - D5300 Vocational Training Team Australia Human Trafficking trip update Panel discussion with Survivor Programs in D5300 and SoCal Hands on project – stuffing 300 backpacks for survivors	challenges affecting youth. Attendees will discuss solutions and best practices. It is an opportunity
4:30 – 5:00 pm 6:45 pm – 8:45 pm	D5300 Business Session Dinner Session – plated • Veteran Recognition • <i>Rotary Future</i> Keynote Presentation – Brad Howard • Changing of the Guard	for the youth to have a voice in global change.
	 Recognitions 	