

Rotary



Club of Temecula



Club Meeting

Temecula
Meets at Mt. San Jacinto Community College Temecula 3 times a month first week of the month to the third week of the month. The exceptions are Holidays.
41888 Motor Car Parkway
Temecula, CA 92591
Time: Wednesday at 12:00 PM

Events

No Events found

Club Leaders



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Monday, March 17, 2025

RSVP For This Week's Meeting

This Week's Meeting Be Sure To RSVP:

Our speaker is Jason Martin, General Manager, Rancho California Water District, and his topic will be "Enhancing Local Water Resiliency: Strategic Planning for a Sustainable Future".

President Bob Sweeney's Message

Monday, March 17, 2025



Dear Rotary Family,

First off, Happy St. Patrick's Day and Happy Birthday to my wife Ingrid!!!! (Beer won't be the only thing green I am dealing with this week, as I also see a fine coming my way.)

What a fantastic meeting last week! Our speaker, Samuel Nehemiah, told us a truly moving story about his childhood in Nigeria. How he was stricken with Polio and placed in an orphanage, where he suffered food deprivation and abuse, and how he overcame these terrible obstacles by literally crawling miles, each day, to obtain an education, something he knew would provide him with a way out of his horrible situation. He persevered, becoming an athlete, and eventually settling in the United States, where his past life has informed his passion to speak to students about the gift of education and to help those with physical disabilities obtain the equipment they direly need.

He even graced us with his beautiful singing voice!



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[Click Here or Photo to View Samuel's Entire Address to Rotary Club](#)
[Click Here to View Samuel's Beautiful Singing Voice](#)

This last Saturday was the Temecula Chamber of Commerce's 59th Annual Awards Gala, at which many of our own members were honored. John and Kim Kelliher received the 2024 Sterling Business of the Year Award for their business Grapeline Wine Tours, Becky Young was on stage with Katelyn Gilmore, accepting the 2024 Platinum Business of the Year Award for Paradise Chevrolet Cadillac, and Kim Gerrish received the 2024 Citizen of the Year Award, or should that be for the "decade"? IYKYK! A whole bunch of us Rotarians were there to celebrate, and we all had a great time. I'm just hoping there's no video of me dancing...no one needs to see that! Congratulations go out to all the winners and the nominees for all that you do to make Temecula such a wonderful city in which to live and work.



Chair



Shane
Lesovsky
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President

Birthdays

Deanne Stott
March 22nd
Kate Kusters
March 27th
Becky Young
March 28th
Will Joyce
April 1st
David T. Frank
April 2nd
Brian Parker
April 7th
Craig Davis
April 8th
Nanette Jimenez-
Whittington
April 13th
Kimberly Freize-Uhler
April 15th



Now get ready to mark your calendars, because we have some big events coming up.

First, we will be having our club's Fireside Chat on March 26, 2025, at 4:30 p.m. at Oscar's Brewing Company. It is a great opportunity to learn about all the different projects and committees that our club does and has.

ROTARY CLUB
OF TEMECULA
FIRESIDE
CHAT

OSCAR'S
BREWING CO.

MARCH 26TH
4:30PM

29375 RANCHO CALIFORNIA
RD TEMECULA, CA

RSVP TO MAGGIE
951-395-4965

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Next, on May 7, 2025, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., we will be having the Rotary Club of Temecula's 50th Anniversary Party at Baily's Restaurant. Please RSVP to Cyndi Light by May 1, 2025. It promises to be a great time filled with Rotary stories!

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**ROTARY CLUB OF TEMECULA
50TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY!!!**

**PLEASE JOIN US TO TOAST AND
CELEBRATE OUR TEMECULA ROTARY
50TH ANNIVERSARY!!!**

DATE: WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 2025

TIME: 4:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

PLACE: BAILY'S RESTAURANT

28677 OLD TOWN FRONT STREET, TEMECULA, CA

APPETIZERS WILL BE SERVED

**RSVP: CYNDI LIGHT BY MAY 1ST
CYNDIL@CBCSOCALGROUP.COM
951-452-3000**

Finally, on May 17, 2025, from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Rotary District 5330 will be holding the District Conference and Community Celebration at Galway Downs. Come out and join in on a day of service, leadership and fun!!! Get your tickets now!

ROTARY DISTRICT 5330
DISTRICT CONFERENCE AND COMMUNITY CELEBRATION
MAY 17TH, 2025 11:30-6 PM

CONFERENCE
ROTARY DAY
AT GALWAY
 CELEBRATION COMMUNITY

LOCATION:
GALWAY DOWNS
38801 LOS CORRALITOS RD.
TEMECULA, CA
(HOME OF THE 2028 EQUESTRIAN OLYMPICS)

JOIN US FOR A DAY OF SERVICE, LEADERSHIP, AND FUN WITH ACTIVITIES, SPEAKERS, AND SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS, ENDING IN CELEBRATION!

GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!
TICKETS RANGE FROM \$31-\$42



At this week's meeting, in honor of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) month, we will hear from Jason Martin, General Manager, Rancho California Water District, and his topic will be "Enhancing Local Water Resiliency: Strategic Planning for a Sustainable Future". I am looking forward to it and I hope to see you all there!

Yours In Rotary Service,

Bob

Rotary Opportunities



March 18, 2025 - International Committee Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Lieberg Oberhansley, LLP, 41911 5th St., Ste. 300, Temecula, CA 92590.

March 19, 2025 - Club Meeting, 12:00 p.m., Speaker: Jason Martin, General Manager Rancho Water, Topic: Enhancing Local Water Resiliency: Strategic Planning for a Sustainable Future,

MSJC, 3rd Floor, Board Room, 41888 Motor Car Parkway, Temecula, CA 92591.

March 21-23, 2025 and April 11-13, 2025 - RYLA Camps.

March 25, 2025 - BRIDGE Committee Meeting, 5:00 p.m., Craig Davis Family Insurance Agency, 27625 Jefferson Ave., #100, Temecula, CA 92590.

March 26, 2025 - Fireside Chat, 4:30 p.m., Oscar's Brewing Company, 29375 Rancho California Rd., Temecula, CA 92591.

April 2, 2025 - Senior Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Sweeney, Sweeney & Sweeney, 27450 Ynez Rd., Ste. 230, Temecula, CA 92591.

April 19, 2025 - District Training Assembly, 8:00 a.m., Tahquitz High School, 4425 Titan Trail, Hemet, CA 92545.

May 1, 2025 - Rotary Club of Temecula - Youth Scholarship Event, 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Fazeli Cellars Winery, 37320 De Portola Rd., Temecula, CA 92592.

May 3, 2025 - Rotary Leadership Institute, 8:00 a.m., Beaumont Presbyterian Church, 702 Euclid Ave., Beaumont, CA 92223.

May 7, 2025 - The Rotary Club of Temecula's 50th Anniversary Celebration!!!, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Baily's Restaurant, 28677 Old Town Front St., Temecula, CA 92590.

May 8, 2025 - Mother's Day Celebration at Mary Phillips Senior Center, 10:30 a.m. to Noon, 41845 6th St., Temecula, CA 92590.

May 8, 2025 - Senior Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Sweeney, Sweeney & Sweeney, 27450 Ynez Rd., Ste. 230, Temecula, CA 92591.

May 17, 2025 - District 5330 Conference, Celebration and Community!, Noon to 6 p.m., Galway Downs, 38801 Los Corralitos Rd., Temecula, CA 92592.

June 12, 2025 - Father's Day Celebration at Mary Phillips Senior Center, 10:30 a.m. to Noon, 41845 6th St., Temecula, CA 92590.

June 21, 2025 - Senior Prom at the Mary Phillips Senior Center, 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., 41845 6th St., Temecula, CA 92590.

OPENING DUTY SIGN UP



SIGN UP Opening Duties



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0949AAAA2EA4FDC43-476347>

Bridge Committee Update

Our club, through our BRIDGE Committee, provided a Birthday in a Box for a boy who is turning 5, as part of our Birthday in a Box for Moms and Tots program in conjunction with Mission Hope Empowerment Village. Thank you to Dave and Marcy Thompson for shopping for the youngster.



Also, our club, through our BRIDGE Committee, in connection with the Rose Again Foundation, is looking for donations of the following household items to assist young adults who have aged out of the foster care system:

- Laundry detergent (many pay to do their laundry: \$2.50 per load & \$2.00 to dry)
- Men's shampoo
- Men's body wash
- Women's shampoo
- Women's conditioner
- Feminine hygiene items (pads, tampons)
- Dish soap
- Sponges for washing dishes

Please feel free to bring any donations you have to our club meetings.

Military Committee Update

Our club, through our Military Committee, was able to provide two Baby Shower in a Boxes for expecting families at the MEU (Marine Expeditionary Unit) at Camp Pendleton. Thank yous go out to Jana Swenson for shopping for the families.



Youth Committee Update

Our club will be awarding scholarships to local students on May 1, 2025, at Fazeli Winery. We are accepting applications from students and they can apply using this application:

Rotary Club of Temecula
Service Above Self Scholarship
Apply Here
May 1st Award Ceremony

\$1,000
Scholarship
Opportunity

<https://forms.gle/q8eMK8t5CCyMT6Yt6>

Discuss an accomplishment, event, or realization that sparked a period of personal growth and a new understanding of yourself or others.

Submit a video 2 min or less answering the question above.

Deadline April 4th, 2025

Vocational Committee Update

Congratulations go out to Adelina Taylor, an 11th grade student at Linfield Christian School, who came in third place at the District's Music Competition, which took place over the weekend in Redlands.



Rotary Anniversaries



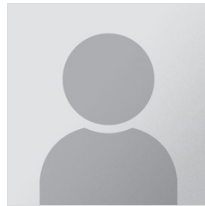
[Sandy Vilella](#)
14 Years



[Susie Marshall](#)
13 Years



[Miquella Gaunt](#)
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[Aaron Gaunt](#)
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