



ROTARY CLUB OF ORO VALLEY BULLETIN - 3/27/2025

Club Meeting

Oro Valley
Meets at Westward Look
Wyndham Grand Resort
(1st four Thursdays each
month)
245 E Ina Rd
Tucson, AZ 85704
Time: Thursday at 07:30
AM

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Club Leaders



Leo J.
Lawrenson
President



Emily Erickson
President-Elect

Join us for our meetings!

Rotary
Club of Oro Valley



The Rotary Club of Oro Valley meets at 7:30AM MST the first four non-holiday Thursdays of every month at Westward Look Wyndham Grand Resort at [245 E Ina Rd, Oro Valley, AZ 85704](#) and on Zoom at: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83038868976>
Passcode: 85737.

NOTE: THE THURSDAY, APRIL 3 MEETING WILL BE

HELD AT THE CASAS ADOBES CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 6801 North Oracle Road, Meetings Rooms 10/11.

Emerge Center Against Domestic Violence Collection

By Jane Shurtleff on Thursday, March 27, 2025



Please help Emerge victims of domestic abuse rebuild their lives. Having access to basic items such as toiletries, hygiene items and living supplies are the last things a person should have to worry about in a crisis. They are also critical to the process of rebuilding life and finding a way forward in surviving domestic abuse. While individuals and families focus on healing, we can help Emerge ensure their basic needs are met.

Please sign up using the link below to bring items to our Rotary meeting on Thursday, April 3rd:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F044BA4AC29ABF49-55877054-collection>

Intercountry Committees - Good News for District 5500

By Claudine Odette Schooley on Thursday, March 27, 2025



A new Intercountry Committee is forming in District 5500 to promote the work of the ICC with the USA districts. ICC is very well known in Europe, as CIP (Comité Inter Pays) is not so famous in the USA. Most of American Rotarians have never heard of ICC! If you are curious and want to know more about the role of the ICC worldwide,



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Chair
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Chair
Club Programs
Chair

Events

March 27th

**Taste of Oro Valley
Committee Meeting**

March 27th

**Oro Valley Weekly
Meeting**

Speaker: Adrienne
Ledford, Treasures 4
Teachers

Subject: Education
supplies

April 3rd

**Oro Valley Weekly
Meeting**

Speaker: Orlando Ford,
Veterans Affairs Tucson,
Community Affairs

Subject: Veterans'
Healthcare

April 3rd

**Taste of Oro Valley
Committee Meeting**

April 10th

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and how it is an excellent network for international projects, you are invited to attend Claudine Schooley's presentation at Rotary Club of Oro Valley breakfast meeting on Thursday, April 24 at 7:30 am in person at the Westward Look Wyndham Grand Resort 245 E. Ina Rd, Oro Valley AZ 85704 or on Zoom at:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83038868976> - Passcode : 85737.

[Read More](#)

Treasures 4 Teachers

By Jane Shurtleff on Thursday, March 27, 2025



Adrienne Ledford, Founder and Executive Director of Treasures 4 Educators (DBA Treasures 4 Teachers of Tucson) presented the urgent need to provide Tucson educators with the right supplies they need to teach their students. With education funds being cut both at the state and federal levels, many teachers are buying their students supplies out of their own pockets. Treasures 4 Teachers supports teachers by giving them access to much-needed supplies to keep their classrooms running. According to Adrienne, "It is like a Costco for teachers!" Adrienne was joined by Mary Gruensfelder-Cox, the incoming Executive Director for Treasures for Teachers. **[Download the Treasures 4 Teachers presentation.](#)**

Rotary BNI Presentation

By Jane Shurtleff on Thursday, March 27, 2025



Linda Stratton, Rotary Club of Oro Valley and BNI member, presented the multitude of service projects that our club does locally and internationally to the Oro Valley BNI 6 Figure Success club. Rotary Club members Tim Aalbu, Sheree Anderson, Rick Chimblo, Leo Lawrenson, Jane Shurtleff and Karen Woodford were also in attendance at the meeting and provided their individual perspectives on what our Rotary Club means to them.

A Taste of Oro Valley Update - Volunteers Needed!

Friday, January 31, 2025

*A Taste of
Oro Valley*

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A Taste of Oro Valley (TOV) planning is underway and our Club Secretary **[Tanya Edwards](#)** is chairing the TOV Committee! TOV 2025 will be held on Sunday, April 13th at Steam Pump Ranch from 3:30 PM - 6:30 PM. Our TOV nonprofit beneficiaries are: Edge High School, Freedom Warriors, IMPACT of Southern Arizona, Make Way for Books and the Oro Valley Rotary Foundation.

We are looking for volunteers from our club to help with the planning to make our signature fundraising event a huge success! If you would like to volunteer to help with the planning, please contact the appropriate TOV committee lead below. If you would like to volunteer to help out on the day of the event, please contact **[Sara Parsonneault](#)**. TOV meetings are held every Thursday at 3:00 PM. You can use our regular meeting Zoom link and password to join us!

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83038868976>

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Meeting
Speaker: No speaker - Club Assembly
Subject: TOV and parade volunteer prep
 April 10th
Oro Valley Board Meeting
 April 10th
Taste of Oro Valley Committee Meeting
 April 13th
A Taste of Oro Valley
 April 17th
Oro Valley Weekly Meeting
Speaker: Joellen Russell, Department of Geosciences & Climate Change, U of A Head
Subject: Climate Change

April 24th
Oro Valley Weekly Club Meeting
Speaker: Claudine Schooley, USA President, Rotary Intercountry Committees (ICC)
Subject: ICC
 April 24th
Oro Valley President Emily's Installation Party


Birthdays

Thomas Allen DuPlain
 April 7th
 Wendy Wise
 April 14th


District 5500 Leaders




Sue Archibald
 District Governor




Bruce Monro
 District Governor Elect



Emma M. Carrillo
 District Governor Nominee



Leo J. Lawrenson
 District Governor Nominee Designate



Ronald George Darrah
 District Conference Chair

Taste of Oro Valley Committee:

TOV CHAIR; Tanya Edwards
TOWN OF ORO VALLEY
LIAISON: John Barnett
RESTAURANTS: Steve Witthoef
WINE VINEYARDS: Rick Chimblo
BREWERY: Rick Chimblo
BEVERAGES: Rick Chimblo
SILENT AUCTION: Barbara McClure
KID'S TABLE - FACE PAINTING - Tanya Edwards
ENTERTAINMENT: John Barnett
BENEFICIARY COORDINATION: Jane Shurtleff
SPONSORS: Linda Stratton and Tanya Edwards
FOUNDATIONS: Jane Shurtleff
MARKETING: Jane Shurtleff
LOGISTICS: John Barnett
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR: Sara Parsoneault
SELLING TICKETS: Sheree Anderson & Sara Parsoneault
TREASURER: Stacey Fox

Weekly Trader Joe's Food Pickup for IMPACT of So. AZ

By Jane Shurtleff on Wednesday, July 31, 2024

It is hard to believe, but children and their families in Tuscon go to bed hungry. In fact, the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona serves more than 18,000 people in Pima County every month, with a 30% increase in need over the holidays. For the last eight years, the Rotary Club of Oro Valley, along with Interact students, have gone to Trade Joe's every Saturday morning to pick up food for the IMPACT Community Food Bank - an estimated 26,000 lbs of food per year. By providing food for families, children and seniors, IMPACT is helping people stretch their budgets as well as ensure they have healthy food options and food to prepare at home. [Read More](#)



2025 District Conference of Rotarians and Friends

SAVE THESE DATES: September 26-27, 2025

It's not too early to start planning for District 5500's biggest event of the year. The 2025 District Conference of Rotarians and Friends will be held at the wonderful Tubac Golf Resort & Spa.

Make your room reservations early! Call 1-800-848-7893 and mention group code ROTA25.

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2025 District Conference of Rotarians and Friends

September 26-27

Tubac Golf Resort & Spa



Gary R. Friedman
District Conference Chair



Kristi A. Halvorson
District Rotary Foundation Chair



Donald Jorgensen
Immediate Past District Governor

District Conference Sponsorship Opportunities Available NOW

September 26-27

If you've ever attended a Rotary district Conference, you know how fun, engaging, educational and inspiring they can be!

This year, we are excited to host the District 5500 Conference of Clubs at the Tubac Golf Resort & Spa, a venue that has proven to be the perfect setting for connection, learning and collaboration. Along with dynamic speakers and presentations, one of the biggest reasons for the conference's success is the strong attendance by Rotarians from across our District. Thanks to the generous support of our sponsors, we've managed to keep the attendance fee low, ensuring that more members can attend and participate, especially those who might otherwise not be able to.



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TRF Weekly Message: What is a Global Grant for Vocational Training?

Vocational training teams are groups of professionals who travel to another country, either to learn more about their profession or to teach local professionals more about it.

The Rotary Foundation funds some vocational training teams in our areas of focus through global grants. This training is often carried out in conjunction with a humanitarian project.

A team should include at least three people. The team leader needs to be a Rotary member, while the other participants can be members or nonmembers who have experience in the area of focus.

Rotary previously had a program called Group Study Exchange, which promoted international understanding and offered person-to-person opportunities for participants to learn how their vocation was practiced in other countries. It was phased out when we updated our grant model and placed this activity within global grants.

Think about whether you could join a vocational training team, or know a non-member who could participate.



