



# East Wind

News from the Santa Rosa East Rotary Club

## Zoom Website

[zoom.us](https://zoom.us)

Download *Zoom Client for Meetings* and follow the set-up instructions.

## Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Zoom as well.

## The details . . .

### Santa Rosa East Rotary

November 10, 12:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

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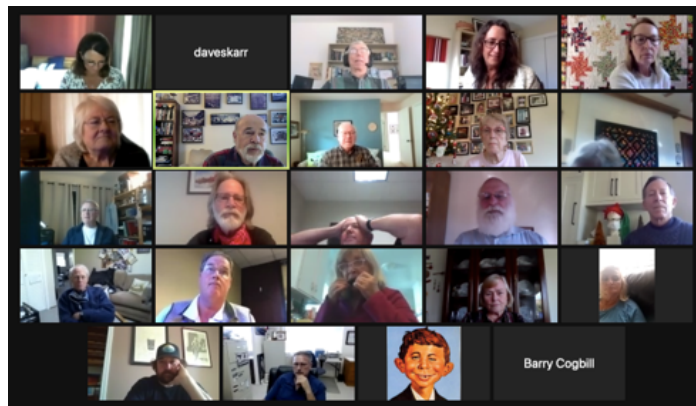


President Kim McD called the meeting to order from San Diego.

There were no visiting Rotarians. Ron Herreias and our speaker, Mate Iturri, were our guests.

Jeff S. took a quote from the Book of Oprah with “Cheers to a new year and another chance to get it right.”

Larry L. sang “Hail, Hail.” It was a unanimous hit.





## Program



Maite Iturri rejects the notion that “it can’t be done.” She figures if she allows herself to think too much about the enormity of need in her community, she risks losing faith and momentum. She won’t let that happen.

“I’ve got to keep hope alive,” she said.

So the Sonoma Valley educator keeps moving and stays focused on possibilities. During the 14 years she has been principal at El Verano Elementary School, where the student population is overwhelmingly Latino and from low-income homes, she has worked relentlessly to provide programs and services to give kids the best education possible and to make their lives and the lives of their families a little easier.

Read the Spirit Award Winner article in the P-D — [Click here](#)

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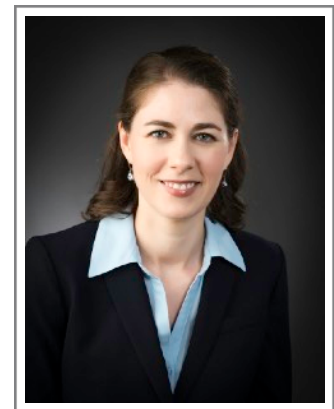
## Next Meeting

Tuesday, January 05, 2021 at 12 PM

### Voting 2020 and Fire Assessments With Marie Proto

Deva Marie Proto is Sonoma County’s Clerk-Recorder-Assessor-Registrar of Voters. She has been employed with the County since 2007, and in the Clerk-Recorder-Assessor department since 2009. She grew up in Sonoma County, has a Bachelor degree and a Master’s in Public Administration from Sonoma State University.

Deva won the primary election, against two opponents, with over 64% of the vote and took office in January 2019. Since then, she has had to deal with a flood, two fires and a pandemic.





## January Birthdays

<b>Larry L.</b>	<b>Jan. 4</b>
<b>Barr C.</b>	<b>Jan. 16</b>
<b>Traci R.</b>	<b>Jan. 17</b>
<b>Doug W.</b>	<b>Jan. 17</b>
<b>Les C.</b>	<b>Jan 23</b>

## Member Anniversaries for January

<b>Christie B.</b>	<b>1 year</b>
<b>Katrina Z.</b>	<b>3 years</b>
<b>Jeff S.</b>	<b>6 years</b>
<b>Jean C.</b>	<b>17 years</b>
<b>Kim McD</b>	<b>17 years</b>
<b>Deb S.</b>	<b>17 years</b>



## Club News

The vote to merge the East and West clubs passed. Committees from the two clubs will begin working on the details. President Kim McD asked that everyone give it a chance.

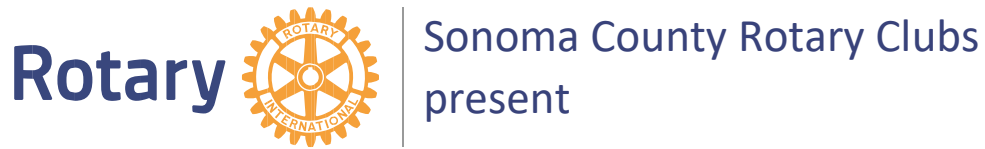
Fred P. (1 year), Tom J. (6 years) Marilyn L. (13 years) and John T. (20 years) had club anniversaries.

Jim W. has been married for 24 years. \$24 Happy Dollars to the club.

The Club collected 270 pounds of food over the holidays. It was donated to the Redwood Empire Food Bank.

Speaking of food donations . . . here is a picture of volunteers at Brook Hill Elementary continuing to help feed families during Covid-19.





## How Climate Change in the Arctic Affects You

Thurs., January 7, 2021 – Noon – 1:30pm

Program by Fran Ulmer

Global Chair, The Nature Conservancy



We are fortunate to have Fran Ulmer, an expert in climate change in the Arctic, with us. Fran's work in the Arctic and other public service includes:

- Chair of the US Arctic Research Commission from 2011-2020
- Advisor on Arctic Science & Policy at the State Dept. from 2014-2017.
- State of Alaska Lt. Governor, State Representative & Dir. of Policy Dev.
- Chancellor of the University of Alaska, Anchorage

**Login from 11:45a-Noon at the link below (no password required):**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88335042592?pwd=b2NCT3doWnJZNGZuYWdRMjFMa1NyZz09>

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## International News

### **Rotary and the U.S. Government support Italy's fight against COVID-19**

#### *US\$5 million for pandemic response, recovery and preparation for future outbreaks*

ROME, Italy (December 4, 2020) — In the face of surging infections in Italy, Rotary and the U.S. Government, through the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), are taking action to support the country's COVID-19 response and recovery efforts.

As part of an 18-month partnership, USAID will provide US\$5 million to The Rotary Foundation – Rotary's philanthropic arm, to support Italy's pandemic response, prepare communities for future outbreaks and address the long-term social and economic impacts of COVID-19.

This partnership is one element of America's commitment to Italy to help save lives and build resilience for the future. To date, the United States has provided \$60 million in assistance to Italy, through USAID and the U.S. military. USAID's work is one part of the overall U.S. Government response to the pandemic in Italy.

With Rotary's knowledge of local needs, we're now able to target our support to help those most affected by this pandemic, while building stronger and more resilient communities, said USAID Assistant Administrator Brock Bierman. "I am proud to support Rotary because of the organization's enduring commitment to community-led development."

USAID-Rotary in Italy: Communities Against COVID-19 partnership, Italy's 13 regional Rotary districts can each apply for a minimum of three, \$100,000 grants to support health, education and community development. Eligible activities include providing equipment for medical facilities, educational supplies and equipment to schools, students and families; and resources to help businesses remain open safely during the pandemic.

As we are part of the communities we serve, Rotary is dedicated to helping Italy and the world recover from this pandemic," said Rotary project lead Giulio Koch. "Our collaboration with USAID will provide us with valuable resources and expertise to help make our initiatives more impactful and sustainable."