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This Week's Program

**Martha Zavala, President
League of Women Voters**

"One Person One Vote - Redistricting"

Introducer: Jan Sanders



Martha Y. Zavala was selected president of the League of Women Voters-Pasadena Area in June 2020. Ms. Zavala joined the League in 2015 after years of "voting with the League".

In 2016, Ms. Zavala was selected Director of Voter Services responsible for voter education and voter engagement.

Ms. Zavala retired from Los Angeles County after 40 years of service. During her tenure, she helped manage replacement to the County's aging financial, purchasing, personnel and payroll systems. A daughter of immigrants from Mexico, Ms. Zavala was born and raised in East Los Angeles.

ONE PERSON ONE VOTE - Every 10 years, after the collection of the decennial census data, states redraw their state and congressional district lines. These districts determine how communities are represented at the local, state, and federal levels. The redistricting process is fundamental in influencing how our government works for us. Find out how redistricting works to ensure our voices are represented equally

LIVE MEETING: 11:45 am Greeter: Jane Waas
ZOOM MASTER: 12:15 pm - Kat Rogers

Song Leader: **Mary Lou Byrne**
Inspiration: **Marsha Rood**

Scoot Zone Reporter: **Mary Lou Byrne**
Photographer: **Wende Lee**
Tech Crew: **John Burton, David McAlexander, Don Andruess**

Pasadena Rotary invites you to its Weekly Wednesday Meeting
In-person or via Zoom. Attending In-person please **RSVP Below.**
September 15th - Lunch: 12:00pm Meeting: 12:30-1:30pm
Guest COST to attend live \$35.00 - Must RSVP

** All or part of our weekly Rotary meeting may be recorded to assist with documenting donations, input, or other Pasadena Rotary business.*

Join Zoom Meeting Wed. at 12:15pm
[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84583324183?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84583324183?pwd=R3p1bEtTWHp4R0FjLy82VIFKR0x3Zz09)
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Meeting ID: 845 8332 4183
Passcode: 073016

NOTE:

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CITY OF PASADENA HEALTH DEPARTMENT WE ARE REOPENING OUR CLUB, IN CONSIDERATION OF THE SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF THE PASADENA ROTARY CLUB

MEMBERSHIP. At this time, we will honor and comply with the standards set by the University Club, which are: In accordance with Pasadena Public Health Department, masks are required for all individuals whether vaccinated or unvaccinated except when actively eating or drinking.

At this time only members or guests with proof of vaccination or proof of Covid negative test within 48 hr of the noon meeting may attend.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



President Cory, Eric Klinkner, Shari Thomas

DONE IN A DAY RIDES AGAIN!

The Done In A Day Committee, chaired by Ken White and Angela Hawkotte, is designed to provide short term service to the community by engaging in projects that can be, as the name states, done in a single day. On this Saturday, September 11th, we are helping our friends at The Pasadena Senior Center by providing labor to paint a couple of rooms for them.

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO SIGN UP! Attention new members, members awaiting Board approval, and any guests who are curious to see what Rotary is really about: this is your chance! Contact Angela at Angela@ahh-law.com

If you have feeling sluggish of late, and feeling like life is passing you by, this is perfect for you. Meet some Rotarians. Feel good about your Rotary involvement. Get to know the Pasadena Senior Center, which does wonderful work in our community! And, if Angela winds up with enough volunteers, she may be able to split the work into a morning shift and an afternoon shift. This is an indoor painting project, do not worry about the weather outside! Contact Angela for more details. THIS IS WHO WE ARE! GO FOR IT! SEE YOU THERE MY FRIENDS. - Cory

THE SCOOT ZONE

By **Justene Adamec**, Bureau Chief
Ken Joe, Photographer



If you haven't attended a meeting by Zoom, or even if you have, I would like to share a vignette. At the beginning of the meeting, the podium mike was muted. So the Zoomers had absolutely no idea why **President Cory Brendel** was waving a spoon around while he opened the meeting. We wouldn't find out until the end.



Don Andruess, backed up by **President Cory** and Don's guest, Joe Tortomasi, retired schoolteacher and bassist, sang Under the Sea from a Little Mermaid.



Past President Mel Cohen gave the inspiration. Rosh Hashanah started Monday night, beginning a 10 day period ending in Yom Kippur. Orthodox Jews celebrate Tuesday and Wednesday. **PP Mel** then read a poem entitled On Rosh Hashanah It is Written. On Yom Kippur It is Sealed.

Announcements:

The President Elect Elect will be chosen in December. If you are interested, please let **President Cory** know. The President Elect Elect will become President Elect on July 1, when **Angela**

Hawekotte takes over as President.

Past President Scott Vandrick donated to the Polio Pig on behalf of the Tarnished Brass to honor and to thank **Past President Bob Monk**. The Tarnished Brass is the society of Past Presidents. At their last gathering, they all read their plaques, created by **PP Bob** and each individualized to that Presidential year. The members of the Tarnished Brass collected a total of \$815 to donate. **PP Bob**, now an honorary member, attends by Zoom. He thanked the Tarnished Brass.

Johanna Clark, part of the Planned Parenthood Corporate Member, donated to the Polio Pig to announce that Planned Parenthood is hosting a LIVE

fundraiser, outside at someone's home on Saturday November 6, 2021. There will be a wine tasting, a tango demonstration, and a store to start your holiday shopping. Email Johanna for more details. jclark@pppsgv.org

Past President and Assistant District Governor Mary Lou Byrne donated to the Polio Pig in honor of her 5th wedding anniversary with **Gary Kearney** on Friday. Since \$5 wasn't really enough, she donated \$60 for the number of months it's been.

Then **PP and ADG Mary Lou Byrne** announced that the next TYROS meeting is lunch on Monday at the University Club.



Immediate Past President Ken Joe introduced his guests, including Dr Rishi Agarwal, of Ascension Pain Specialists, a prospective corporate member. (Photo: Guests Gary Kinley, Dr. Rishi & Ariel Agarwal)

President Cory said that today's in person attendance was 53 and he has set a goal for 70 in person attendees by November. He had sheets on the table on which he asked people to write down which of

their fellow Rotarians that they thought would come. If you didn't sign the sheet and have suggestions, please [email Cory](#).



Then **Phyllis Currie** introduced **Eric Klinkner**, Pasadena Rotary member and Deputy General Manager, Pasadena Water and Power (PWP). He spoke on "Water and Electric Shortages: Similar Challenges, Similar Solutions."

Pasadena's water usage has been steadily dropping with a blip up in 2021. Pasadena is in a Level 2 Water Shortage, with limits on watering

The US Bureau of Reclamation has declared it first ever river cutback, with Arizona, Nevada and Mexico losing some of their share of the Colorado River. California has senior rights. Lake Mead is 35% full. Lake Oroville is 24% full. Diamond Valley Lake, a Metropolitan Water District reservoir, is 80% full.

Relating water and electricity, the hydro-electric output is reduced by 20%. The Hyatt Power Plant is shut down for the first time because there isn't enough water to run it.

Pasadena's electricity usage has dropped by 20% and the resources are getting cleaner. Many people have installed solar panels. There are no longer subsidies but the



savings on the purchase of electricity will be enough to justify the costs.

The projections for summer 2022 are concerning. There is a shortage predicted, particularly in the early evening hours. That could result in rolling blackouts.

On July 30, Governor Newsom issued an Emergency Proclamation. Solutions to the shortfall include: Accelerate new clean energy and storage projects by streamlining the process; Additional use of existing/backup generation in part by issuing air permit waivers; and incentivizing load reduction.

There was a lively question and answer before **President Cory** closed the meeting.

So - the spoon. The Presidential gavel is missing so **President Cory** had to use a spoon to open and close the meeting.



RSVP to IN-PERSON LIVE ROTARY MEETING 9-15-21
DEADLINE IS MONDAY 9-13-21 at 5:00 pm

WELCOME ROTARIANS!
Join Us Wednesday!

ADDITIONAL PARKING at the Women's Club
across the street - enter lot off Madison Ave.



Check in with Jane & be counted!

This Week's Menu

Beef and Cheese Enchiladas, Pico de Gallo, Guacamole, Sour Cream, Spanish rice

Club Cobb Salad with Choice of Blue Cheese or Italian Dressing

Mushroom and Pesto Pasta, Tomatoes, Basil, Parmesan (V)

**CLICK HERE TO
RSVP TODAY**

You will always receive a CONFIRMATION of your reservation.
You may also RSVP by emailing Wendy at office@pasadenarotary.com
or 626-683-8243 and remember to give your menu selection.

MEETINGS & EVENTS CALENDAR

DONE IN A DAY COMMITTEE

Seeking VOLUNTEERS for SATURDAY!

9/11/21 - Pasadena Senior Center - Painting two rooms

Co-chairs: [Angela Hawekotte](#) & [Ken White](#)

TYROS MEETING

Monday, September 13 at 12 noon
University Club of Pasadena, Library - Lunch \$35
Co-chairs: [Mary Lou Byrne](#) & [Dean Billman](#)

ROTARY READERS MEETING

Monday, September 13 at 6:13 pm
Home of Mary Lou Byrne & Gary Kearney - Provide proof of vaccination
Anxious People by Frederic Bachman
Chair: [Jan Sanders](#)

ADOPT-A-MEAL PROGRAM

Seeking committee members. It's a fun and easy job: We provide dinner once a month to the families at Union Station Homeless Services and support local restaurants by buying the meals from them! Committee members split the cost of the meals among themselves and also take turns picking up and delivering the food and, if desired, serving it to the families. Contact Co-Chair [Mary Lou Byrne](#) if you'd like to join!

POLIO PIG & COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wish to show a photo & tell us what you are up to or make an announcement about your family or favorite nonprofit or a Committee announcement. Email Wendy at office@pasadenarotary.com **by Tues at noon**. Minimum donation for Polio Pig Announcement: \$20.00. We can accommodate flyers & song lyrics if provided by deadline.



Walk the Painted Stairs of Silver Lake With the Rotary Roamers

When: Saturday, October 9, 2021

Time: 9am to 11am-ish

Where: Meet up near La Mill Coffee, 1636 Silver Lake Blvd, LA

What: 2.25 mile walk in the "stairway capital of LA" and see and climb six painted stairs.

We will walk through the charming and hilly neighborhood of Silver Lake. The area's many public stairways are vestiges from when the city had a trolley system. This is not a long walk but be prepared to go up and down LOTS of stairs.

Questions? Contact Tammy Silver, 626-744-

9533 or tamaramsilver@gmail.com



Garbis Der-Yeghian Rotary District 5300 32nd Annual Peace Conference

Saturday, October 23, 2021 / 9:00 am – 1:30pm
VIRTUAL – Free via Zoom

[CLICK FOR PEACE CONFERENCE FLYER & REGISTRATION](#)



IDEA: A Path to Peace
Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Access



UNIVERSITY CLUB OF PASADENA

**Enjoy Weekly Lunch Specials Monday-Friday
& Thursday Nights at the Patio from 5pm-8pm**

*Please call (626) 793-5157 for reservations & to go orders, & view menus
on the calendar & weekly dining pages at universityclubpasadena.com*

7 DAY NOTICE

Roy Wild - Sponsor Howard Raff

Barbara Bishop - Sponsor Howard Raff

RESIGNATIONS

Sean Cain

Jim Belcher

Edsel D'Souza

Gil Kerkbashian

Happy Birthday To These Rotarians!

Mel Cohen	Sept 10th
Marsha Rood	Sept 10th
Shel Capeloto	Sept 12th
Dave Cardenas	Sept 12th

Rotaversary!

John Cooper	September 10, 2008	13 years
Desiree Alvarado	September 10, 2014	7 years
Dave Minasian	September 13, 2017	4 years
Bobbi Abram	September 15, 2020	1 year
Calvin Chan	September 15, 2020	1 year

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Sept. 22	Pasadena Heritage - At the Movies
Sept. 29	Lisa Clements, Chief Executive Officer, Kidspace
Oct. 6th	Yavuz Atila: Intro to Rotary Environmental Focus
Oct, 13th	Professor Mike Brown: The Man Who Killed Pluto

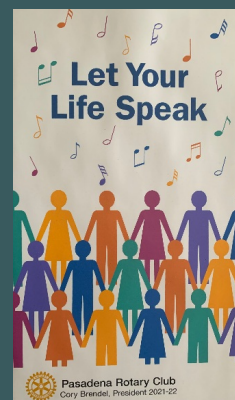
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