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RANCHO DEL CHINO - 7:15 am Papachinos Grill & Greens 14501 Ramona Ave., Chino

WALNUT VALLEY - 7:15 am The Diamond Bar Golf Club 22751 Golden Springs Dr., Diamond Bar

WEDNESDAY:

CHINO - 12:00 pm Chino Community Building

CLAREMONT - Sunrise 7:15 am St. Ambrose Episcopal Church 830 W. Bonita Ave., Claremont

SAN DIMAS - 12:00 pm Via Verde Country Club 1400 Avenida Entrada, San Dimas

UPLAND - 12:00 pm Landecena Community Center 1325 E. San Bernardino Rd., Upland

WEST COVINA - 12:15 pm South Hills Country Club 2655 S. Citrus Ave., West Covina

THURSDAY.

COVINA - 12:10 pm South Hills Country Club 2655 S. Citrus St., West Covina

LA VERNE - 7:30 am Univ. of La Verne President's Dining Room 1950 3rd St., La Verne

ONTARIO - 12:00 pm DoubleTree Hotel 222 N. Vineyard Ave., Ontario

FRIDAY

ARCADIA - 12:00 pm Embassy Suites 211 E. Huntington Dr., Arcadia

CLAREMONT - 12:00 pm DoubleTree Hotel 555 W. Foothill Blvd., Claremont

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ROTARY AND FAIRPLEX - Pomona Rotarians had a strong hand in the formation of the Fair in 1922, the year after the club was chartered.

Charter President Fred W. Whyte brought a group of businessmen together for what was to become the Los Angeles County Fair Association which remains active today. Through the years, Rotarians have always been members of the Association, as well as serving on the board of directors.

Rotary Club of Pomona Meets on Tuesdays @ 12:10 PM



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THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

Dec 12 - Students

FUTURE PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Dec 19 - Yesenia Arias - Foothill Gold Line

Dec 26 - No meeting - Merry Christmas!

Jan 2 - No meeting - Happy New Year!

Jan 9 - Students

WEEK (Dec 5th, 2017)

GUESTS AND VISITING ROTARIANS

Rotarian **Nef Cortez** from Fontana joined our meeting. **Lisa Rodriguez**, Director of Title V Grants at Mt. SAC, joined Jill Dolan. **Andrew Quinones** from the SoCal Service Corps joined Victor Caceres.

AROUND THE CLUB

Congratulations and a big thank you to **Tom Hsieh**, who was awarded a Paul Harris recognition for reaching his next level of \$1,000 in total personal donations to the Rotary Foundation.

PRESIDENT'S MOMENT

As a group of folks in service we've accomplished much impact in our first 6 months of the year. Looking forward to the second half.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Curt Annett is inviting us to his house on December 12th at 6 p.m. for this year's Rotary Christmas party. If you would like to participate in the gift exchange, please bring a gift of around \$25 in value. We will also be collecting wrapped or unwrapped gifts to donate to the Casa Colina Christmas Party that evening or during our lunch meeting on December 12th. If you would like to attend, please RSVP as soon as possible.
- Paul Capraro will be retiring from Pomona Police this winter. We will be celebrating with a get-together at Darren Krohn's house on December 8th at 6 p.m.
- We will take part in the Pomona Express Christmas Parade on December 9th from 6 to 8 p.m. We will decorate the Rotary float that morning around 8 or 9 a.m. at Darren Krohn's house.
- The Pomona Chamber of Commerce is honoring our Public Safety Officers at their Holiday for Heroes event on December 13th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Avalon at Fairplex.
- THE CLUB was able to serve 500 youth and families during its first Christmas event this year in partnership with Mothers Helping Others and the Sheraton Hotel. The next event will be on December 14th.

MEMBER RECOGNITION - Gary George

• A big thank you to everyone involved in making TLC an unforgettable experience for all attending children.

Rotary is a dynamic community service organization which supports charitable causes locally and world-wide. Rotary International has over 1.2 million members in over 100 countries.

Care to see all photos from last week?
They can be viewed and downloaded from here:
http://bit.ly/PRotary120517
or scan QR Code



Dec 12th, 2017



• Congratulations to **Lorraine Canales** on her daughter's return from Kuwait, where she served as a Marine and earned her black belt in Karate. And a big thank you to Lorraine's daughter for her service.

PROGRAM - Raghada Khoury - District Governor

Raghada Khoury was born in Amman, Jordan and raised in Yonkers, NY. She moved to California in 1977 and finally settled in Apple Valley in 1987. In 2003, she decided to accept a friend's invitation to a Rotary lunch meeting, despite not being aware of ever having heard of Rotary. After 3 meetings, she was, in her own words, "guilted" into becoming a member, but after one year of attending meetings, which she experienced as somewhat impersonal, she decided to write her letter of resignation and hand it to the club's president. Instead of accepting her resignation, the president convinced her to become more involved to experience what Rotary was really about, which lead to her assisting a Rotary Christmas shopping spree for children in need. When seeing the children's faces light up with joy, she suddenly remembered that many decades ago, when she was a child in New York, she had actually been on the receiving end of such a Rotary event and that the first book that she ever owned had been a gift from Rotary. After this eyeopening experience, she started noticing the Rotary logo everywhere and began to see the true impact of Rotary's work. She has been an active member ever

since, including serving for many years on her club's board of directors and as the club's president.

In 2017, Raghada Khoury became the District Governor of District 5300, where she

has already made several significant changes:

- RYLA will now include 10th graders in addition to 11th graders, to give students more time to become actively involved at their school after returning from the camp. TLC was also grown from 200 invited students to 240 and clubs are starting to explore new avenues of funding, like outside sponsorships.
- This year, the Dan Stover Music Contest will be reinstituted and larger scholarship funds will be available for it and the Four-Way Speech Contest.
- The Rotary Group Study Exchange (GSE) with India will be revived as well.
- To fight Rotary's retention problems, the current Attendance Module that tracks meeting attendance will be replaced with an Engagement Module that tracks time and funds invested in the community. Not only does this shift the focus on the true mission of Rotary, it also increases scheduling flexibility for the clubs. Raghada Khoury complimented our club as "absolutely amazing" with "such active Rotarians" that have "a huge impact in the community" and "exemplify what [Rotary] represents and stands for".

• A big thank you to everyone involved in making TLC

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