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### MAKE-UP LOCATIONS

COVINA - Sunrise 7:15 am South Hills Country Club 2655 N. Citrus Ave., West Covina

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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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.

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## THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

Jan 9 - Students

### **FUTURE PROGRAMS AND EVENTS**

Jan 16 - Van Muse - Pathways College

Jan 23 - Marilyn Hokanson - Early Learning Literacy

Jan 30 - Matt Gilson - PGA Foundation

Feb 6 - Tom Hsieh - Starfish

WEEK (Dec 19th, 2017)

### **GUESTS AND VISITING ROTARIANS**

No guests or visitors this week.

### AROUND THE CLUB

Our Rotary Christmas Party this year on Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at Curt Annett's house was a great way to kick off the holiday season! Thank you to everyone who attended, contributed appetizers and desserts, or participated in the White Elephant gift exchange. It was a lot of fun! Photos can be viewed and uploaded at http://bit.ly/PREvent121217 or by scanning the QR code on the left.



## PRESIDENT'S MOMENT

Fellowship is a cornerstone of our Pomona Rotary Club.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

• We will be voting for new board members during our meeting on January 9<sup>th</sup>. Please hand your ballot to Hue by the end of the meeting.

# **MEMBER RECOGNITION - Gary George**

- A big, big thank you to **Curt Annett** for hosting our amazing Christmas party at his house.
- Thanks also to **Darren Krohn** for adding some extra fun and adrenaline to the Pomona Express Christmas Parade with the train horn in his truck.

### PROGRAM - Yesenia Arias - Foothill Gold Line

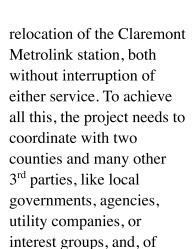
The population of Los Angeles County is projected to grow by 5.9% to 10.7 million by 2024. 18% of this growth is expected to be taken on by the San Gabriel Valley. Having to accommodate the associated growth in commuter traffic will place a huge burden on all existing means of transportation, especially freeways. The Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension will be able to help service this traffic by providing an alternative mode of transportation that, unlike buses, will not be affected by increased freeway congestion. The Gold Line is a light rail system, which operates fully electrically with trains running every 15 minutes, servicing stations that are usually about 1-2 miles apart. This makes it quite different from the commuter-targeted Metrolink, which is diesel powered 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.

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and runs much fewer trains, primarily during peak



Jan 9th, 2018





course, all construction providers. The project's costs are estimated to sum to \$1.5 billion, most of which (over \$1.1 billion) will be provided by Measure M and left-over funds from Measure R.

When the main part of the work begins in 2020, some streets will need to be closed for the construction of crossing. Closure notifications will be posted and mailed to local residents. While large construction equipment will have to be used, no major pile driving is expected, which should help to limit noise. Pomona's Gold Line Station will be located right next to Metrolink's Pomona (North) station for convenient transfers. It will include a new 980-space parking garage shared with Metrolink with charging spaces for EV vehicles, bicycle parking, and a bus drop-off location. The station will feature a commemorative walkway on the overpass staircase designed by artist Stephen Farley.

hours with stations spaced about 2-5 miles apart. The value of the Metro Gold Line is apparent from its ridership on the already existing section, which is at an all-time high with around 54 thousand boardings every weekday and around 58 thousand boardings every weekend, leading to a total of around 1.4 million boardings and 8.5 million miles travelled every month.

In 1998, the Foothill Gold Line Construction Authority (FGL) was created to plan, design, and build the Gold Line from LA Union Station to Montclair. After construction is completed, the FGL will be closed and the line will be handed over to Metro for operation. The first two of the three construction phases (Union Station to Pasadena and Pasadena to Asuza) have already been completed, both on time and under

budget. The third phase (from Asuza to Montclair) just celebrated its ground breaking ceremony on December 2<sup>nd</sup> to begin utility relocation as the first Measure M funded project. As per the current time plan, construction should be completed and operation will start by 2026.

The third phase will extend the Gold Line by another 12.5 miles to 6 new stations in 6 cities. It will include building 26 at-grade street crossings, 25 bridges, 11 power supply stations and several pedestrian crossings. Since it shares part of its the corridor with the BNSF freight line and with Metrolink, the project also needs to include relocation of existing tracks and the



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