





a message from Bruce...

21-22 District Governor Bruce Mackey & wife Linda

Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution

We live in an unusual time. Our country, at long last, is at peace although the threat of conflict looms in many places. During this respite of peace, we should all examine how we can prolong this interlude that can be all too brief in our history.

As an amateur student of history and one who has been in and trained for war, I believe that conflict is often the result of miscommunication. From this miscommunication comes misunderstanding, fear and often a violent response.

When I lived and worked in another culture, I was constantly open to subtle nuances hinting I had somehow misunderstood or even offended my hosts. If I picked up on a clue I had done so, I immediately took great pains to explain that perhaps I had not expressed myself properly and asked that we discuss whatever I possibly had done to create this misunderstanding. It seemed like for several years the most common phrase I used was the formal statement I spoke in Arabic, "Please permit me a question." I got out of more than a few scrapes by clearing the air as soon as I sensed a problem. One of my favorite quotes is from Alan Greenspan, former Fed Chair, "I know you think you understand what you thought I said but I'm not sure you realize that what you heard is not what I meant".



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Another way we advance the cause of peace worldwide is through our community service and international projects. My club has been going back to a small community in the mountains of northern Guatemala for many years. While most tourists are viewed with suspicion and even hostility, Rotarians have built a reputation for honesty and humanitarianism. International projects promote the cause of peace. Currently this District is engaged in an ambitious project to bring water to villages in Thailand. If your Club is not already a a participant, I urge you to get in touch with PDG Mike Andritch for details. This will be another great "peace building" project!

Since 2002 Rotary Peace Centers have trained over 1,400 fellows now working in more than 115 countries. Additionally, 130 more candidates are selected each year for training. These are already highly qualified individuals, with a background in peacekeeping and conflict resolution drawn from many sectors, both private and government ,including members of the military. For further information on the program, please see this link. One recent trend in Rotary organizations is the formation of Peacebuilder Clubs to help expand the road to peace. If you have any questions, see this link.

In the past I've urged fellow Rotarians to attend other Club meetings, especially meetings in other countries. While the language and even some of the procedures may be foreign, I've always found the atmosphere of good will and the dedication to, "Service Above Self" is always present. The realization that you are with a group of fellow Rotarians dedicated to the same principles inevitably comes through and with it a realization that these principles transcend borders and national identity. Simply, we are a worldwide organization dedicated to the greater good for all of humankind.

While wars frequently have their roots in misunderstandings and misconceptions, nothing forwards the cause of peace more than shared bonds of dedication to a cause greater than insular and parochial concerns. Rotary, more than any other organization on earth, represents our best hope for forging these bonds of trust and understanding to bring an end to conflict.





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Getting to Know Assistant Governor Jeff Dippel Area 10 District 5230

The first Rotary meeting was absolutely awful! I hated it! I hated meeting new people, I hated making small talk with people I didn't know and I was so shy that when I had to stand up to be introduced, I nearly wet my pants. Of course, I was nine years old at the time and a guest of my Uncle George who was the Charter Secretary of the Vista Rotary club. My second Rotary meeting was some 15 years later, again as a guest of my Uncle George, and by that time I had gained a certain amount of self-confidence and nearly total bladder control, so it was much better.

When in 1996 the late Dick Sheppard, invited me to be his guest at the Airport Rotary club, memories of that first meeting came flashing back but I agreed to go anyway. As the cliché goes, it was a life-changing decision. I joined the Airport club that same year and was a member for just over a decade.

I moved over to the Fig Garden club in 2009 and that's when I got involved in Rotary at the district level. Over the years, I've held a number of district level jobs, the most recent being District Communications Chair (two years) and Assistant District Governor for Territory 10 (two years) And yeah, I used to visit clubs throughout the district playing Rotary Jeopardy.

As a Rotarian probably my most satisfying contributions were last year's Creek Fire Relief project where we raised more than \$40,000 to help three fire stations that had burned to the ground and the Rata Prom project which began when I was president of the Airport Rotary Club.

Florence Rata High School is a Special Education School that caters to students with severe mental and/or physical handicaps and while the school is like a traditional high school in many ways, one thing it does not have is a Junior/Senior Prom. The Airport Rotary Club set about to change that. There were just under 30 juniors and seniors at the time (2001) and we created the full prom experience for them. We arranged for a live band, corsages, prom photos, refreshments and we decorated the gym. In subsequent years, we moved the prom to the Dante Club, which was donated, and added free hair and makeup which was donated by the Federico Beauty College. Twenty years later, the Rata Prom is still a major community service event and is now being produced by the members of the Fresno Sunrise Rotary Club.

The experiences that we created for the students at Rata High, and their parents, were unforgettable and stand out to me as an excellent example of what a small group of dedicated Rotarians can do to make a simple, but meaningful, impact on their community.











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Thank you for your dedication, leadership, and support on behalf of The Rotary Foundation. As a leader in Rotary, you play an essential role in ensuring that Rotary Foundation programs can continue to create positive and lasting change in your community and around the globe. One way you can help Rotary continue to do good in the world is by encouraging members to enroll in Rotary Direct, our Foundation's recurring giving program.

Last year, our Foundation funded more than 2,000 global grants that empowered Rotary members to take on projects they care about that make a difference in their community. Rotary Direct is one of the easiest and most secure ways for our donors to support the Foundation: because contributions are automated, donors don't need to worry about sending checks or remembering to make an annual contribution on time.

Monthly, quarterly, and annual gift options are available through Rotary Direct. Members can enroll at <u>my.rotary.org/rotary-direct</u>, return a completed <u>Rotary Direct enrollment form</u>, or enroll by phone by calling the <u>international office</u> that serves their area or +1-866-976-8279 if in the U.S.

Rotary Direct saves time and reduces administrative costs. And it makes a big impact. In the last Rotary year:

- ➤ 22,870 members gave US\$10.4M
- ➤ The average contribution was \$455
- > 76% of subscriptions supported Annual Fund-SHARE
- > 17% of subscriptions supported Polio Plus

Please encourage members to enroll by sharing <u>this video</u>. For more information, you can refer to <u>these frequently asked questions</u>.

If you have any questions, we are here to help! Reply to this email or write to our <u>Annual Fund</u> staff.

Thank you for your dedication to Doing Good in the World.

Sincerely, The Rotary Foundation





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RI president-elect announces 2022-23 presidential theme

By Ryan Hyland

Rotary International President-elect Jennifer Jones wants members to imagine the possibilities in the change they can make to transform the world.

Jones, a member of the Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland, Ontario, Canada, revealed the 2022-23 presidential theme, Imagine Rotary, as she urged people to dream big and harness their connections and the power of Rotary to turn those dreams into reality.

"Imagine, a world that deserves our best," Jones told incoming district governors on 20 January, "where we get up each day knowing that we can make a difference."

Jones, who will make history on 1 July by becoming Rotary's first female president, gave a live online address to precede Rotary's annual training event for district governors from around the world, the International Assembly. The assembly was rescheduled because of the COVID-19 pandemic and will now be held virtually 7-14 February.

Jones told the incoming governors about a chance she took when a member asked for assistance in getting a young peace activist out of Afghanistan during the U.S. troop withdrawal last year. At first unsure how she could help, she relied on "that certain Rotary magic" and contacted a former Rotary Peace Fellow she had met a few years earlier. Less than 24 hours later, the activist was on an evacuation list, and soon she was on her way to Europe.

Engaging members through meaningful responsibility

To better engage members, Rotary needs to "adapt and retool," Jones said, using her hometown as an example. Windsor was once the automotive hub of Canada. But after plant closings left thousands without work, the city needed to retool, in the same way an auto plant would, preparing for new parts or a new model. Now, Jones said, Windsor is a leader in agribusiness and medical and aerospace technology.

For Rotary, "finding the right 'part' to engage each member should be our core function," Jones said. "It comes down to the comfort and care of our members."

Engaging members is crucial to retaining members, she said, adding that we need to ask members what they want to get from Rotary and give them meaningful responsibilities.

"It is our offer of hands-on service, personal growth, leadership development, and lifelong friendships that creates purpose and passion," Jones said.





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Embracing change also means embracing new club models, Jones said, as she asked the incoming governors to form at least two new innovative or cause-based clubs during their term. "Let's make sure we engage our members so they love their clubs and their Rotary experience," she added.

Jones also announced the appointment of a Rotaract member as a Rotary public image coordinator and said that she has included Rotaractors on several committees and will assign some Rotaractors as president's representatives.

"We have been entrusted with leadership in our great organization," Jones said.
"Now it is up to us to be brave and intentional in our actions, and let others help us lead."

Jones noted that Rotary has little time left to achieve the RI Board of Directors' goal of having women make up 30% of Rotary's members by 2023. Rotary has achieved this in more than 110 countries, she said, but it has a long way to go. She pointed out that Rotaract has already achieved 50% female members.

To raise Rotary's profile, Jones plans to hold a global impact tour that will include talking with leaders about working together to address the world's most pressing challenges. "Rotary opens these doors and we need to harness our connections, to deepen these relationships and create new partnerships," Jones said. "And the best part is, this can happen at every level of leadership."

Jones closed her address by saying that although we all have dreams, acting on them is a choice we make. When an organization like Rotary dreams about big things like ending polio and creating peace, she said, it becomes our responsibility to make them happen. "You don't imagine yesterday," Jones said, "you imagine tomorrow."





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Submitted by Belinda Daguio District 5230 Polio Plus Chair

Pakistan completed one year without any Polio cases. Well done Rotarians, friends and leaders of Pakistan. But don't relax. Be vigilant. Now we have but one country – Afghanistan. So close to our goal of a polio free world!



The PolioPlus Society
District 5230
A great opportunity for you to do good in the world. It's easy to become a member!



All you need to do is complete the PolioPlus Society pledge form, scan and send to District PolioPlus Chair, Belinda Daguio, at: BDaguio@Aol.com. As a member of the Society you pledge to donate a minimum of \$100 USD each year until the world is certified polio free by the World Health Organization. Rotarians and their friends who join the Society will be honored with a special pin, certificate and an "End Polio Now" bracelet which will be presented at your Club meeting. Of course, all donations will be matched 2 to 1 by the Gates Foundation making this an even better opportunity, as well as receiving Paul Harris Credit for your donation.

The easiest way to donate is to go to go to https://www.endpolio.org/donate

You can then: • Make a onetime donation of \$100 (or more) with your credit card by clicking on the "One-time donation" button and choosing the appropriate amount from the boxes below. • The other choice is what we call the "easy" way to become a PolioPlus Society member by utilizing the monthly payment option. Click the "Recurring Donation" button. For frequency choose "monthly" and for amount choose "other" and enter \$10 in the "enter other amount" box. If you wish to donate more, or quarterly or annually instead, you have those choices as well. (To donate online, make sure you have registered on rotary.org for a My Rotary account for you and your club to receive proper credit. Signing up is quick and easy). You can also donate by writing a check to "The Rotary Foundation" with "PolioPlus" in the memo section and submitting to your club's Foundation Chair. Help Rotarians reach every last child and achieve our vision of a polio free world





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CLUB MEMBERSHIP TRAININGS

Susan Winey - Education Chair

District Harassment Policy

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 15

ZOOM

6:00 PM



Presented by **Steve McCartha - Pacific Employers**Visalia County Center Rotary

Use this link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85166604027?pwd=VjlSbmI5M1hUZnU5WGJMZ Ud0S0VoQT09

Melio Online Banking

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 22

ZOOM

6:00 PM



Presented by Kim Holland - KD Holland Solutions

Fig Garden Rotary Clu**b**

Use this link:

Also find link on the Rotary5230.org Calendar.





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FEBRUARY 26TH, 2022

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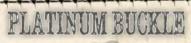


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ELECTRONIC AD ON WEBSITE
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FULL PAGE AD
DEDICATED ROTARIAN SERVER
PREMIUM TABLE LOCATION
30 SEC. COMMERCIAL

\$3,500

GOLDEN SPUR



8 TICKETS
UPGRADED TABLE
WINE AT TABLE
RECOGNITION AT EVENT
ELECTRONIC AD ON WEBSITE
VIP EARLY ACCESS RECEPTION
FULL PAGE AD
DEDICATED ROTARIAN SERVER

\$2,500

SILVER BULLET

8 TICKETS
UPGRADED TABLE
RECOGNITION AT EVENT
ELECTRONIC AD ON WEBSITE
VIP EARLY ACCESS RECEPTION
1/2 PAGE AD

\$1,500



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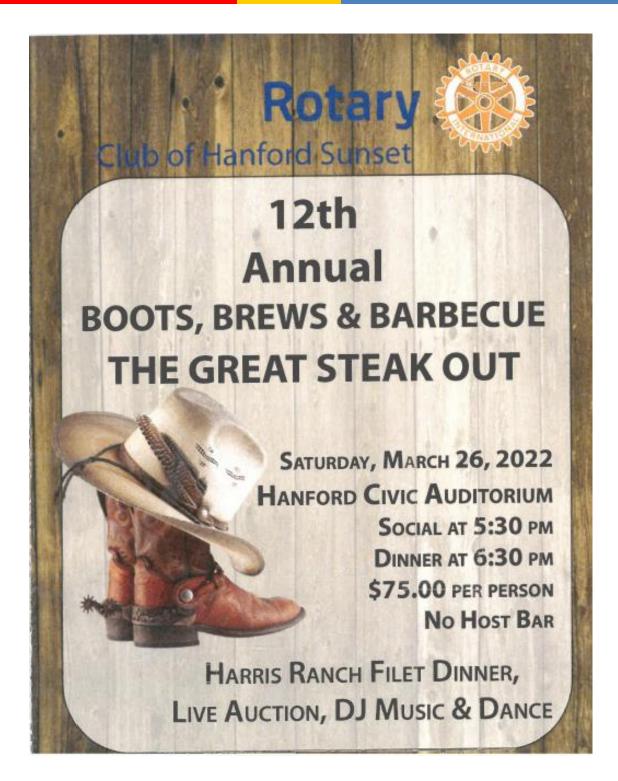






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Empowering Youth Through the Arts



Maureen L. Lynch Youth Art Scholarship Fund

Maureen L. Lynch, Carmel Sunset Rotary Club Member and Paul Harris Fellow, passed away on December 19, 2021. Maureen was an active member, attending meetings, fundraising and enjoying social events. She fully embraced the club's mission of Empowering Youth Through the Arts.

In her memory, The Carmel Sunset Rotary Club has established the Maureen L. Lynch Youth Art Scholarship Fund. The club will award an annual scholarship to a student in Monterey County who has shown achievement in the arts and plans to continue the study of art. For more information or to donate, log on to our website at carmelsunsetrotatyclub.org.

Maureen L. Lynch

Paint & Sip Fundraiser – The Carmel Sunset Rotary Club's Paint & Sip Fundraiser was a huge success thanks to the leadership of President-Elect Carmeron Stoddard and Ashley Bennett Stoddard, and to all the participants who supported the event. Pictured below. See our Facebook page for more photos.









Final Friday - Carmel Sunset Rotary Club members donned their cowboy boots to celebrate January's Final Friday at the famous Running Iron. The event was hosted by the Carmel Valley Club. Thank you Carmel Valley Club for a great time! Pictured left.

Paul Harris Fellows Honored - On January 19, 2022, District Governor Bruce Mackey presented Carmel Sunset Rotary Club member Robert Slawinski with a Triple Ruby Paul Harris pin. Also joining the Paul Harris Fellow family are Robert's wife and daughter, Theresa Wan and Anna Slawinski. Pictured right.







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Rotarians Have Talent!

Audition to perform at the April 23 District Celebration Talent Show

Do you have a talent that you want to share with fellow Rotarians? Perhaps you always wanted to sing the National Anthem at a baseball game. Or you have a touching story you'd like to share about how Rotary inspired you to serve to change lives. Or maybe you can share a humorous story that will have everyone rolling in the aisles (as opposed to rolling their eyes). If so, then **we invite you to audition for the Rotary Talent show!**

There are three categories of competition:

- National Anthem
- Inspirational Story
- > Humorous Story

The winners in each category will win a free registration and be invited to perform at the District Celebration on April 23 at the Fresno Fairgrounds.

Now maybe your talent lies in other areas – that's o.k, because surely you know someone in your club who is a great performer. If so, please volunteer them to enter the competition!



Debbie Hale is talented in sleeping soundly regardless of how loudly her cat is meowing. She also knows how to order beer in several languages.

To enter, send your name, Rotary Club, email, competition category and story summary to Debbie Hale at <u>debndora@gmail.com</u> no later than Friday, February 11, 2022.

Auditions will be held in late February and performers will be selected in early March. Inspirational or humorous stories should be 2 to 3 minutes long (including the American National Anthem!). Please email, or call Debbie at (831) 596-4542, if you have any questions.

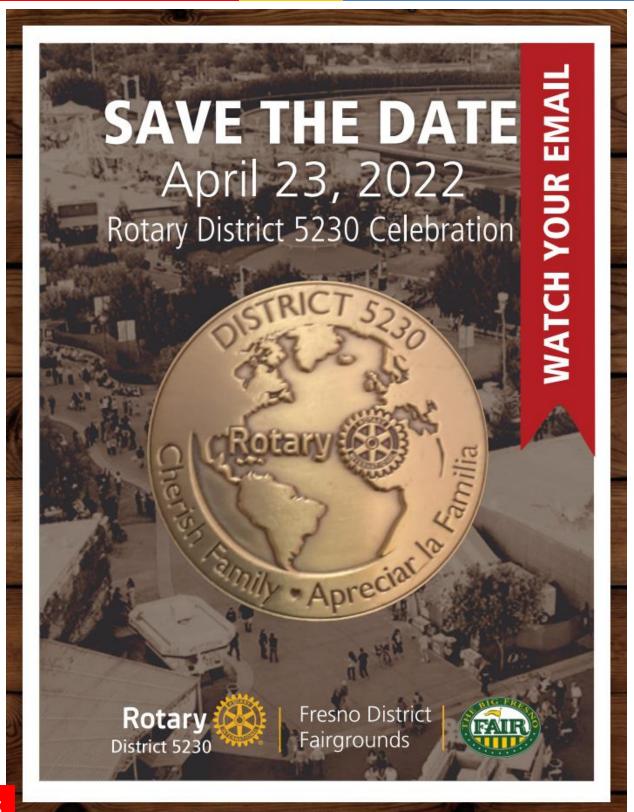
As with all Rotary endeavors, if we don't get enough volunteers, we will select participants at random from the audience...hopefully it won't come to that!





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Rotary International Conference



June 4-6, 2022

Registration begins online June 12, 2021

This convention gives us a chance to share our Texas hospitality and welcome our Rotary family and friends from around the globe. Together, we'll share ideas about how "Rotary Opens Opportunities" to create positive and sustainable change to our world's most important issues. District 5890 is the home of 2020-2022 Rotary International Director Suzi Howe, and she looks forward to seeing all of you here!

Volunteer opportunities available! See website for details!

http://www.houstonri2022.org/

For upcoming newsletter submissions please send information to Mark Daniel:

mdaniel@hanfordsentinel.com

Deadline for submissions is 15th of the month for the upcoming newsletter. Thank you!





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2021-2022 District Leadership

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Becky Moser

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