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Corazon Superbuild -- May 4: Register or Donate NOW

The 2024 Corazon SuperBuild is approaching FAST and we urge you to support our next build on Saturday, **May 4th.**

Members (and Clubs) can financially support the Corazon SuperBuild even if one can't make the trip! No experience nor extraordinary effort is required. This trip has provided many Rotary Moments and changes lives!

Each home costs \$15,500 and clubs and participants have raised enough to build one home. Based on last year's response, we would like to build two homes this year!

Each home takes 40 volunteers and you (and friends and family) are authorized to sign up for the Rotary teams on the Corazon.org site. We have project numbers 3449 & 3450 (We need to fill up 3449 before we start on 3450)

Rotary Volunteer registration pages:

https://www.corazon.org/3449 rotary5300 https://www.corazon.org/3450 rotary5300

More information can be found on the <u>Corazon.org website</u> or email District 5300 Superbuild Chair <u>Robin Smith</u>.

Did You Make Contributions To Charities in 2023?

By Mark Mariscal, District Rotary Club Foundation Chair

Today is the normal deadline for filing and paying your taxes for the 2023 tax year. Many people, my wife and I included, have filed for an extension. But this does not mean we didn't have to figure out what was owed to ensure we are not penalized when we eventually file our Federal and State returns. One thing that truly helps us out is our giving to the different charities we support. What about you?

Even with the limited amounts that can be deducted known as State and Local Taxes (SALT), there are strategic ways to give to charity such as using a Donor Advisor Fund, bundling contributions for payment every other year, etc. Now, I am NOT a CPA or specialist in taxes. I am a volunteer who is fortunate enough to speak to Rotarians throughout our district to say THANK YOU for making a difference in the world with charitable contributions to The Rotary Foundation (TRF).

So far this Rotary year, our district members have contributed more than \$220,000 to the Annual Fund, a part of TRF. Our goal for this year is \$270,000. Funds contributed to the Annual Fund are invested for three years and then have almost 50% returned to the district to be used for local club projects and Global Grants.

With this in mind, I would encourage those of you who are interested in receiving a different level of Paul Harris Fellow Recognition or are thinking of reaching the Major Donor Level to consider attending the District's Foundation Dinner on May 18th in Pomona (registration is open via DacDb). At that event, we will be recognizing the new Major Donors and also encouraging attendees to add to their personal level of giving before June 30th.

District Training Assembly & Foundation Gala, May 18. REGISTER NOW!

By Mike Driebe, District Governor-Elect District Training Assembly (DTA) is right around the corner and I hope you'II make plans to join us on May 18th at the Sheraton Fairplex Hotel and Conference Center in Pomona, CA. It's designed to provide training for Presidents-Elect, club committee chairs, secretaries, treasurers, and board members. There is a wealth of information for experienced Rotarians and newer Rotarians, too. DTA offers something for everyone. If you want to learn more about Rotary and all of the programs of District 5300, DTA is where you'll find the information you seek, and it will help take your club to new heights! In addition to the variety of training programs, this year we're doing something new. The day will feature three important youth programs that I'm sure you'll find inspiring. The 4-Way Speech Contest finals will be presented at lunch along with the winner of the George Hensel Ethics Essay Contest. The Foundation Gala in the evening will feature the finalists of the Dan Stover Music Contest, a program unique to our district and one that will lift your spirits through the power of some very talented young musicians. Finally, the evening also celebrates some of our district's top donors during this year's Foundation Dinner.

Whether or not you've been to DTA in the past, this is one you don't want to miss. Please register today by going to the link below. Registration for the luncheon and 4-way Test Speech contest and the Foundation Gala will close on May 8th. The DTA will remain open until May 18th.

I hope to see you and your fellow club members there!

Club and District Events and Reminders

April 16th, 7:00-10:00 PM LV-Red Rock Aviators Social

April 17th, 4:15-5:15 PM <u>LV After Hours - Agassi Birthday</u> <u>Hour</u> April 17th, 10:00-1:30 PM

Altadena - Help Serve Lunch

Pasadena Villages Volunteer Awards

April 17th, 6:00-7:30 PM

LV After Hours - Book Cleaning for

Spread the Word Nevada

April 19th, 6:00-10:00 PM

Montebello - 100th Anniversary

Dinner

April 25th, 5:00-8:00 PM

Event Postponed - Eat to Support Azusa Rotary

April 27th, 5:00-9:00 PM

Claremont - Taste of Claremont

April 30th, 5:00-7:00 PM

<u>LV-Summerlin - It's Time to Mingle -</u>

Lazy Dog Cafe

May 4th, 8:00-12:00 PM

Lancaster Sunrise Bike Clinic

May 7th, 8:00-10:00 AM LV Southwest - Happy Feet

May 9th, 12:00-1:00 PM

Ontario-Montclair Students of the Year

May 16th, 11:30-12:30 PM

LaVerne - Fairplex -Day at the Fair

May 21st, 12:00-1:00 PM

<u>Alhambra Weekly Club Meeting -</u>

Peppy's Heart Walk

May 29th, 4:00-6:00 PM

LV Southwest Feed the Homeless

April 19th, 6:30-10:00 PM

<u>Downtown Las Vegas Rotary Casino</u> <u>Night</u>

April 27th, 6:00-2:00 PM

Covina Rotary 2024 FUN RUN

April 30th, 5:00-6:30 PM Alhambra Club SOCIAL

May 2nd, 7:00

Green Valley - Career Day at Green

Valley High SchoolMay 5th, 9:00-4:00 PM

Rotary Booth - Altadena Guild Home

& Garden Tour

May 8th, 6:00-9:00 PM

LV Southwest - Greenspokes

May 10th, 9:00-5:00 PM

Lancaster West - 26th Annual

Charity Golf Classic

May 18th, 10:00-9:30 PM

2024-25 DTA And Foundation Gala -

One Day Event

May 25th, 10:00-11:00 AM

<u> Altadena - Put Up Flags for Memorial</u>

Day til Independence Day