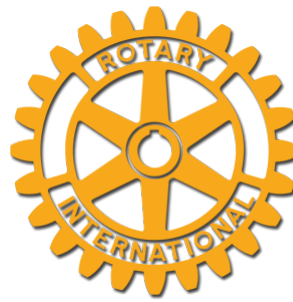


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District 5300



2023 District Conference News



The Horseshoe Hotel

(formerly Bally's Hotel)
3645 S. Las Vegas Blvd
Las Vegas, NV 89109

We are excited to have you join us for the 2023 District Conference at the Horseshoe Hotel (formerly Bally's Hotel) in Las Vegas from May 5 - May 7, 2023. Deadline for the special room rate is April 4, 2023.

Hotel Room Rates

Thursday Night Room Rate: \$79.00 USD

Friday/Saturday Night Room Rate:
\$179.00 USD per night

The rate posted includes the resort fee but not taxes.

Hotel Registration: [CLICK HERE](#)

Meal Package Registration: [CLICK HERE](#)

or use the QR code below



Roger's Corner



The Rotary year is moving at warp speed, as my 9-year-old grandson describes, fast movement. It has been an awesome journey to date, and there are more adventures to come. As you can see from the conference bulletin, there is a lot going on at the 2023 District Conference. We hope you will join us at the newly renovated Horseshoe, formerly Bally's.

For our members in California, be sure to take note of the buses we have planned for pickup - two locations, Arcadia and Ontario. Enjoy the scenic ride with restrooms and refreshments as you journey to Las Vegas.

I want to extend our sincere thanks on behalf of my district 5300 team for the warm reception and hospitality from all the clubs visited to date. We are looking forward to the remaining visits, which will conclude by mid-April.

The entire leadership team is looking forward to celebrating with you in May!

Thank you and take care.

Friday Night Honors!

Friday night begins with a social hour of hors d'oeuvres followed by an evening of celebrations. Come support the men and women who have served in the armed forces, the men and women who have served in leadership in your club; and those clubs that have achieved Centennial status!

Honoring our Men and Women in Service

Calling all Rotarian Veterans and Active duty personnel to join the conference! We start the

*** Next week we will highlight our special guests and keynote speakers. This is a conference you will not want to miss!

The FUN begins with YOU

Hospitality

You set the stage for this fun aspect of the conference. If you are interested in hosting a hospitality suite, please contact the interim Conference Chair, PDG Mama Lu, rotarylu@gmail.com for details.

Your own Adventure

We have set time aside for you to go out and enjoy Vegas your way. Look for sweet deals in your goodie bag when you sign in.

Buses – from CALIFORNIA - \$85.00 per seat

For all Californians – start your Conference Adventure early by riding a luxury bus to the District Conference. The bus will leave on Friday morning from two locations (Arcadia and Ontario, CA) at 9 am and will return early Sunday afternoon. Save yourself from the headaches of traffic and high gas prices. Instead, enjoy games, snacks, and a hospitality bus! You can reserve your space now and pay later!

Reserve your bus space NOW
[CLICK HERE](#)

We need your reservations before March 30, 2023 to hold your space.

An afternoon of Awards and Service

Saturday 2:00 – 2:30 Club Awards
Immediately following lunch, stay in the room and help us



celebrate your work this past year. We will showcase your awards on the big screen as Presidents or Club delegates pick up their awards and head stage right for a picture with Zone 26/27 Director, Vicki Puliz and Governor Gutierrez. Be sure to pick up your cheer gear at the front entrance when you



District Conference by honoring our brave men and women who are serving or have served in the armed forces. If your children or parents are serving or have served, they are invited as well. Our hope is to fill the room with as many active duty and veterans as we can! A special guest will be joining us, Lt. Colonel Bob Kelso, the youngest veteran to have fought in combat. He enlisted at 13 and was deployed at 14 because he stated he was 18 on his Draft paperwork. He will lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance, share a bit of his story, and help us welcome our keynote speaker. You will hear Kelso's full story at a Saturday breakout.

Presidential Parade

Join us on Friday night for our Presidential Parade as Club Presidents enter the room carrying the flag of a nation where Rotary has a presence. Our Club Presidents have weathered the lingering effects of the pandemic and have raised the bar for performance across the District. Help us recognize YOUR President on Friday night.

Centennial Celebration



We culminate the evening by recognizing those clubs that have achieved their Centennial year of service. It is not an easy task for a club to reach Centennial status and we want to honor the men and

women who have served under the Rotary Banner – truly changing the world and making it a better place. Join us to celebrate these clubs as they share highlights from their 100 years. Some stories will make you laugh, and others will make you cry. Everything will leave you feeling inspired to continue to go out and do what we do as Rotarians.

Breakout Sessions



You won't want to miss the Conference Breakout sessions. We have listened to your comments about what YOU want to see at our conference and have

planned interactive and engaging sessions that will get you out of your seats and share ideas with your fellow Rotarians, friends, family, and special guests.

Friday 3:00 – 3:50 pm: International

Join us for the International breakout session where we will hear about Rotaplast, Super Build and Global Grants. This session will showcase the work we do

arrive for lunch!



Hands-on project

Saturday 2:40 – 4:00 pm

Take a quick break after the awards and head back to the main room for our hands-on service project – Case for Character

Youth Project. Help us fill suitcases with supplies for foster youth. For many, these cases are the only thing they own as they navigate the Foster system. Come one – Come all and help us make an immediate impact on the lives of foster youth.

There is so much to look forward to at District Conference 2023! Register now to come join the fun and celebrate a great 2022-2023 club year.

abroad and encourage your ideas about what is possible in the coming year.

Friday 4:00 – 4:50 pm: Membership/Public Image – Pick Your Poison

This is a session like no other session. Join our Zone 26 Rotary Coordinator, PDG John Chase and Zone 26 Rotary Public Image Coordinator, PDG Mama Lu Arredondo, as they kick it up a notch with an engaging and interactive look at Membership and Public Relations. Come prepared to engage!

Friday 5:00 – 5:30 pm: Business meeting (if needed)

This session will highlight the business of the district and any proposed Bylaw changes. This is also a session where you can ask questions of the District leadership.

Saturday 9:30 – 10:50 am: Leadership

Join us on Saturday morning after breakfast for an engaging look at leadership. The session will begin with tips and tools from our Centennial clubs, a panel discussion with our Gen Z and Millennials – the leaders for today and tomorrow. Finally, the session will conclude with a round table of district leadership positions. This is your chance to ask questions about committees you would like to serve on or just learn more about.

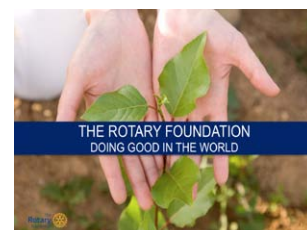
Saturday 11:00 – 11:50 am: DEI with Thomas Allison

Take an up-close look at what diversity, equity, and inclusion look like at the club level. We all know what it means, but do we know how to execute it at the club level? Join us as we have a candid talk with DEI expert and Rotarian Thomas Allison.

Saturday Night Highlights

Unlike other conferences, we will conclude this District Conference on Saturday night with a BANG. Doors will open for a procession and recognition of our **Club**

Champions as they make their way into the room. We will also be showcasing the impact we have made through our Foundation giving with a **Foundation Celebration**. Hear first-hand accounts from those who have dealt personally with Polio, and stories of beneficiaries who have been given hope as a result of our DDF funds. Celebrate our first time Paul Harris Fellows, our Major Donors, our Bequest Society and Endowment donors. This is a night when we celebrate not only all that was made possible by Rotary, but all that is yet to become possible.



*We make a living by what we get
But we make a life by what we give.
~ Winston Churchill*



Finally, we will celebrate the **Governor's Bell Award** winners and help with the transition of Rotary years with the traditional



Changing of the Guard. Come join us as we congratulate Governor Roger Gutierrez and First Lady Sheila Gutierrez on a great year; and, help welcome incoming Governor, Michael Soden and First Lady Sylvia Soden.

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