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This Week's Program

**COMMUNITY
GRANTS**

**SPEAKER: Announcement of Community Grants,
Deborah Lewis and Gail Scanlan, Co-Chairs**

Song Leader: Cory Brendel

Inspiration: Shirley Burton

zoom

beginning at noon on April 22, 2020

Pasadena Rotary Club is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Pasadena Rotary Club – April 22, 2020

Time: Apr 22, 2020 12:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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NOTE:

IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE AND COUNTY MANDATES, AND IN CONSIDERATION OF THE SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF THE PASADENA ROTARY CLUB MEMBERSHIP, ALL IN-PERSON MEETINGS THROUGH **MAY 15, 2020 ARE CANCELLED**. CURRENTLY OUR NEXT, OFFICIAL IN-PERSON MEETING WILL BE MAY 20, 2020.

THEREFORE, THE PASADENA ROTARY CLUB'S WEEKLY IN-PERSON MEETING SCHEDULE FOR **APRIL 22, 2020 IS CANCELLED**.

SEE ABOVE FOR VIRTUAL MEETING INVITATION – SEE YOU THERE!

STAY SAFE, PASADENA ROTARY!



by President Scott Vandrick

As we go through a learning curve with this pandemic together, we're

switching up our virtual



President Scott in a reference to our unusual online circumstances – here with a "light cycle" from the movie TRON.

need as you enter the meeting. My sincere thanks again to **Paul Martin** for getting the Pasadena Rotary Club up and running so quickly on a digital platform, and his understanding as we learn what works for our Club.

ONWARD, Pasadena Rotary: As last week, above is the invitation for the Pasadena Rotary Club's next virtual meeting on Zoom on Wednesday, April 22, 2020 beginning at noon. I wanted to offer once again this step-by-step of "how-to participate in a virtual meeting":

1. At noon, click on or cut-and-paste the website address from above.
2. At that time, your computer will join you to an online video conference chat room. You'll need to download the Zoom program onto your device before you can enter the meeting room. Once you're ready, you can decide to a) use your computer's camera and microphone or b) block the camera and just use the audio. Your choice. I do recommend the video option as we haven't seen other members for a while, and it will be really nice to see as many of you as possible. You can also just call in from the number and access code provided in the invitation.
- 3) The Pasadena Rotary Club bell will ring at noon, and the meeting will begin with a Song, the Pledge, an Inspirational moment and Club announcements to make them to the Club one by one. **HOW DO YOU MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT?** Email Wendy at Office@PasadenaRotary.com before Tuesday, April 21, 2020 at 5pm and let her know you'd like to make a quick 1 minute announcement. We'll gather a list together and I'll call on you during the meeting.
- 4) After announcements... we'll hear a short presentation by a guest speaker within our Club – next week will feature Community Grants Co-Chairs, **Deborah Lewis and Gail Scanlan** who will be presenting this year's Community Grant Awardees.

switching up our virtual meetings to the Zoom platform. PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE.

You'll still need to download the program when you enter the "meeting room" for the first time, but as members have told me, Zoom is much more user-friendly for larger groups and our meetings are averaging 90 currently. You also note that Zoom is tightening up their security measures including a "Meeting Password" which you'll

Again, here are some tips for a successful meeting:

- Sign in a few minutes before the meeting begins to get comfortable with the navigation toolbar.
- Once you enter the meeting, **MUTE** your computer's microphone by hitting the green microphone icon and making it red. This will reduce feedback and echo. As the meeting progresses, we'll learn how to mute/unmute when you want to talk.
- There's a "chat" connected to the balloon icon in the upper right – you can click that and ask questions of the group or have side conversation in private by selecting a member from the "pull-up" menu at the bottom of the chat sidebar.
- If you have technical issues that you'd like to discuss, our fantastic Office Administrator and fellow Rotarian, **Wendy Anderson**, will help you as best she can, just email her at Office@PasadenaRotary.com

MEMBERS HELPING MEMBERS: A few members have offered to help others with brief errands, meal pickup, pet care, etc. should you need support as a Pasadena Rotary Club member during this time. If you need some help, please email Wendy at Office@PasadenaRotary.com or telephone her at (626) 683-8243. If you'd like to be on the growing list of Rotarians who are available to assist members with tasks, email Wendy and put yourself on the "I'm Here to Help!" list!

After the *Scout Zone* this week recapping our second virtual meeting, you'll find an overview and link of what Rotary International is doing to combat COVID-19 as well as a summary on the CARES Act (and opportunities for small businesses and nonprofits), a link to a new Community Resource Page created by District 5300 to support members, and an reminder and menu from the University Club, Pasadena Rotary Club's community partner, who are offering curbside takeout lunch/dinner service.

Notice how the light is changing, Pasadena Rotary, and we'll be grateful for the little things.

Yours in service,



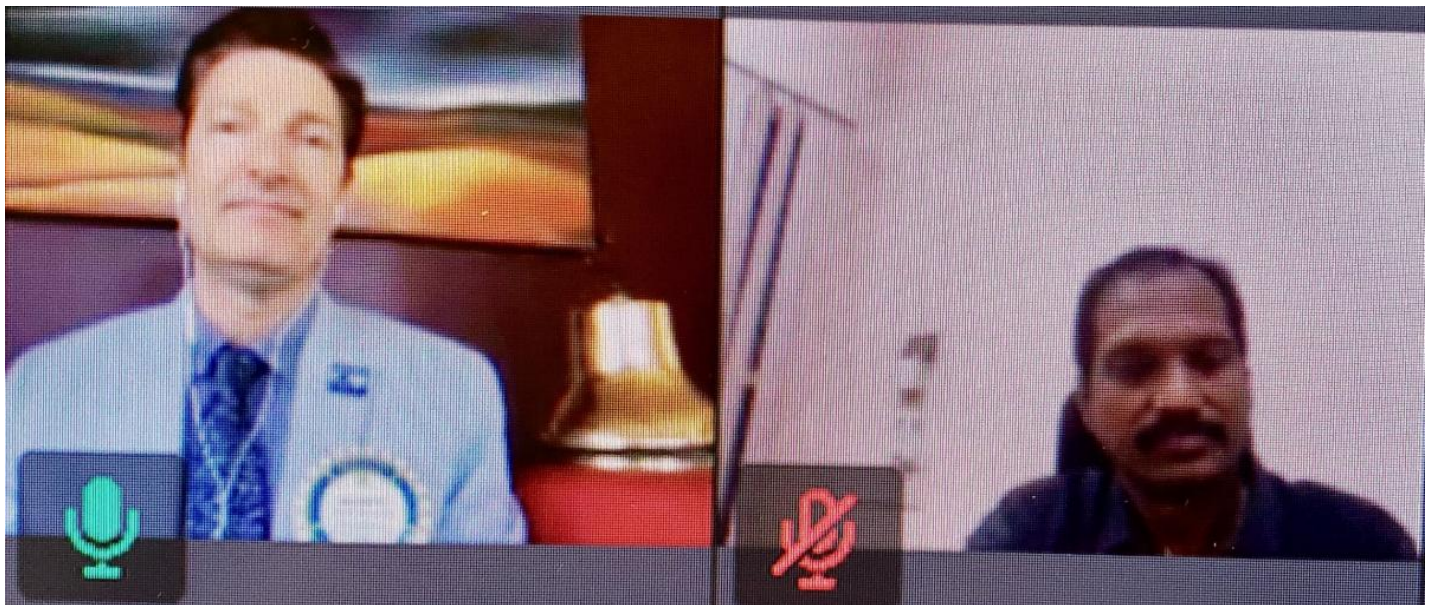
President Scott, 2019-2020

PS: This is sure to brighten your day – John Krasinski and SGN, Episode 2 with the cast of Hamilton.



Scout Zone

By Past President Mary Lou Byrne, Bureau Chief Emeritus



President Scott welcomes K. Saravanan from the Rotary Club of Chennai, India – partners in the Caring Little Hearts project.

Centennial President Scott called our online meeting to order promptly at 12:00 noon with 50 members present (Ed note: the total went as high as 90–something during the course of the meeting!) He asked members to use the chat bar to ask questions of our speaker rather than using mics.

Don Andruess, accompanying himself on his guitar, led us in singing Home on the Range with lyrics adjusted to reflect how we may be feeling about the lockdown:

*I'm here in my home, On the couch all alone,
But it's not as bad as you think.
I sleep late in my room, Do my business by Zoom,
And by lunch time I'm having a drink.*

*Home, Home, ain't it strange?
Where relaxing is now my main thing,
When I'm called back to work,
That job I might shirk,
Till I'm through watching the Tiger King.*

Don followed that up with an old favorite, saying, "Even I know that song is stupid, but this one is not," and led us in America the Beautiful. Finally, he led us in the Pledge of Allegiance with a picture of the American flag he had printed out.

Russ Guiney provided the inspiration from Kevin Foss, writing for Psychology Today, "How to stay positive in the pandemic:"

"After some time in quarantine and being surrounded by bad news, you can start to believe that nothing is getting better, thinking things like: "The government isn't helping," "Doctors don't know what they're doing," or "People don't respect the health guidelines." "At the risk of sounding like a cliché, we can find hope in the oft-quoted line from Mister Rogers, "When I was a boy, I would see scary things in the news, my mother would say to me, 'Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping.'"

"There are stories of police officers shopping for the elderly, doctors coming out of retirement to lend a hand, and families sharing their food and toilet paper (that's right, even their coveted toilet paper!) with those in need. Your anxiety and depression can minimize these stories, so it's your job to seek them out and remind yourself that there are helpers and people who care to make the situation better."

Past President Shel Capeloto introduced a special guest: "It is my honor and privilege to introduce to you someone halfway around the world, calling from Chennai India, where it is 12:30 a.m. his time, the immediate past president of our sister club of Madras South. I had the privilege of visiting him six weeks ago, but I've been working with him for three years on the Caring Little Hearts project, providing more than 300 lifesaving heart surgeries. K. Saravanan. He allows me to call him Sara."

Sara said "a very early good morning. It's April 16 here. Let me begin by thanking your president for allowing me to join your meeting. I want to thank you all for the great success of our Caring Little Hearts project which has helped 340 children and families so far. Thank all the Rotarians in the Rotary Club of Pasadena from all the kids who live in this part of the world. Thank you, Rotarian **Shel** for those wonderful words, and thank you, **Past President Cathy Simms** for all your help. Thank you all for this wonderful opportunity to connect with you."

President Scott thanked Sara for joining us and noted it's great that our virtual meetings allows us to be with our fellow Rotarians around the world.

President Scott announced **Dean Billman's** father passed away this week. **Dean** thanked everybody for all their support and noted that his dad Neil was a very proud Ohio State Buckeye who came to the Rose Bowl every year and loved coming to Pasadena Rotary. "He always said I was in a very great group," said Dean.

Debi Kroman, co-chair of Social Committee, announced we will be having a virtual happy hour next Friday, April 24 at 5 p.m. Watch for an email with all the details. Bring your favorite cocktail and hors d'oeuvres and we will have a party!

President Scott announced in-person meetings are, as of now, canceled through May 15 per government regulations. Watch Spokes for details, also Spokes is giving resources re the CARES Act. **Dave Mans** noted that PCC Help Center for SBA is extremely helpful regarding CARES Act, and the sbdc@pasadena.edu. Call or email Dave and he can connect you with the help center.

On behalf of **Debbie Unruh**, **Wendy Anderson** donated to the Polio Pig and announced the virtual fundraiser gala April 9–25 for Elizabeth House. You can go to <http://www.elizabethhouse.net> to join in. Their theme is Together We Care.

Wendy also noted that **Kathy Meagher** donated \$100 to [Polio Plus](#) in honor of Dean's father. **Past President Mary Lou Byrne** unmuted and announced that she would also donate \$100 to Polio Plus in honor of Mr. Billman.

President Elect Ken Joe made a \$100 Polio Pig contribution and proudly announced that his son and daughter in law welcomed **Adelyn Sarah Joe** on Good Friday, April 10! It is their first grandchild and to their surprise instead of a Joe Boy, they had a Joe Girl!

Cathy Simms introduced our newest corporate member, Union Station Homeless Services. The representatives will be **Anne Miskey**, who has been a regular member for over a year and has participated in Take Five with the President with Scott a while back. The other members will be **Dana Bean**, Sr Director of Development, who has a BA from UCLA and MPA from Cal State Northridge, and **Calvin Chan**, Major Gifts Officer. **Calvin** graduated from Cal State LA with a Bachelor's in Business Administration. He is a former member and board member of L.A. Five Rotary Club. **President Scott** noted that Union Station has always been a special partner of Pasadena Rotary and especially this year when we donated \$75,000 for their kitchen as part of our Centennial celebration.



President Elect Ken Joe's newest family member, Adelyn Sarah Joe.

Leah Snell introduced our speaker, **Eric Duyshart**. **Eric** is Division Manager of Economic Development for City of Pasadena, responsible for business outreach and recruitment, the City's real estate portfolio, filming permits, and other businessy activities. He spoke to us from his home and said he is most looking forward to going out with friends when this whole thing is over.

Eric said he misses everyone and hopes we are all healthy and doing as well as possible. 60% of City staff is still working normally, including police and fire, the health department, and the permit office. About 30% of staff is working mostly from home. About 10% is in transition mode, including people who normally work in recreation, filming and permits, and some librarians. Said **Eric**, "they are not fully idle but leaning that way," and so are getting transitioned to other emergency work modes.

The pandemic has caused a hard stop to much of our consumer-oriented economy. We

are lagging behind on data so much of our information is anecdotal. **Eric** said to no one's shock retail has been hit the hardest along with restaurants. His office did a webinar with

PCC Small Business Development Center that is online here.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fkfh-vWq7DI&feature=youtu.be>

They are a great resource – obviously you can't walk in right now but you can connect [online](#) or by phone at 626-535-3105.

Eric noted that online groceries and food deliveries, including meal kits and alcohol, are trending up. Everything relating to travel is down significantly, sadly. [This very interesting chart](#) in the New York Times shows the change in different sectors. Car sales are down 80-plus percent. Car dealers are open but not in person: Online or by phone only. Service departments are open.

Not surprisingly, restaurants are seeing a 70-plus percent drop in sales. It will be interesting to see whether the shift away from restaurants and towards groceries continues as we get back to normal. And when they open up we will need to retain social distancing, so query whether restaurants can survive with fewer tables? Eric encourages Rotarians to order out – and remember you can buy alcohol with your to-go orders!

Hotels are at 80% vacancy or more. The Langham has shut down and others are at 70-80% vacancy and have had to furlough staff. We don't know how that will come back.

On the construction side, some projects are slowly continuing but some have stopped. It's a mixed bag. From a permit standpoint, a lot of projects in the pipeline are getting finalized but the permits aren't being actually pulled because that's when they have to pay and really get serious. A lot of projects are in a holding pattern. Kaiser Medical School is continuing construction, as is the large development around Parsons and Home Depot in East Pasadena, among others.

Regarding jobs, in Pasadena we have a nice diversified workforce so we're relatively fortunate. Our top local industries are education, health, and various professional services. Hospitality and food service are getting hit hard, which along with retail are a bit of a worry especially because those jobs have lowest requirements, also those jobs are open to replacement by automation e.g. electronic ordering at fast food places. That could represent a recovery that never gets back to previous number of jobs.

The [City web site](#) has information about COVID-19 effects and you're encouraged to check it out, whether as a resident or a business person. We have a consortium of six cities to help with training and unemployment payments for people who are out of work. That's a supplemental resource to the state unemployment office. <https://www.cityofpasadena.net/economicdevelopment/covid-19-business-resources/>

We've been working with Convention Center to try to let people maneuver through our cultural resources virtually, also to promote our restaurants even though they're closed.

A few general city points: Crime is down because everyone is at home. As a City we are helping the school district, which is still feeding the children on the lunch program Monday through Friday, and the City is paying over the weekend. It's \$23,000 per day but it's an important service for our community.

Our Health Department is working hard to respond to this crisis. There is testing for COVID-19 at the Rose Bowl: You need to go online to get pre-registered but you do not have to have symptoms to get tested. The trailers around the Rose Bowl are public safety related, not for COVID-19 patients.

Our office is putting together a newsletter. Subscribe at www.cityofpasadena.net and click on "business." We had a very busy May planned at the Rose Bowl but obviously

that's all been canceled. I have no crystal ball regarding when it will open again," said Eric ruefully.

President Scott thanked Eric for his information.

Next week we will be announcing our Community Grants awards so don't miss it, and fortuitously our category of grant recipients is healthcare related! Because it's our Centennial year our grants will be even larger than usual, and our recipients will be here to wave at us online. Also we are making some changes due to the COVID-19 emergency so don't miss the meeting so you can hear all about it!

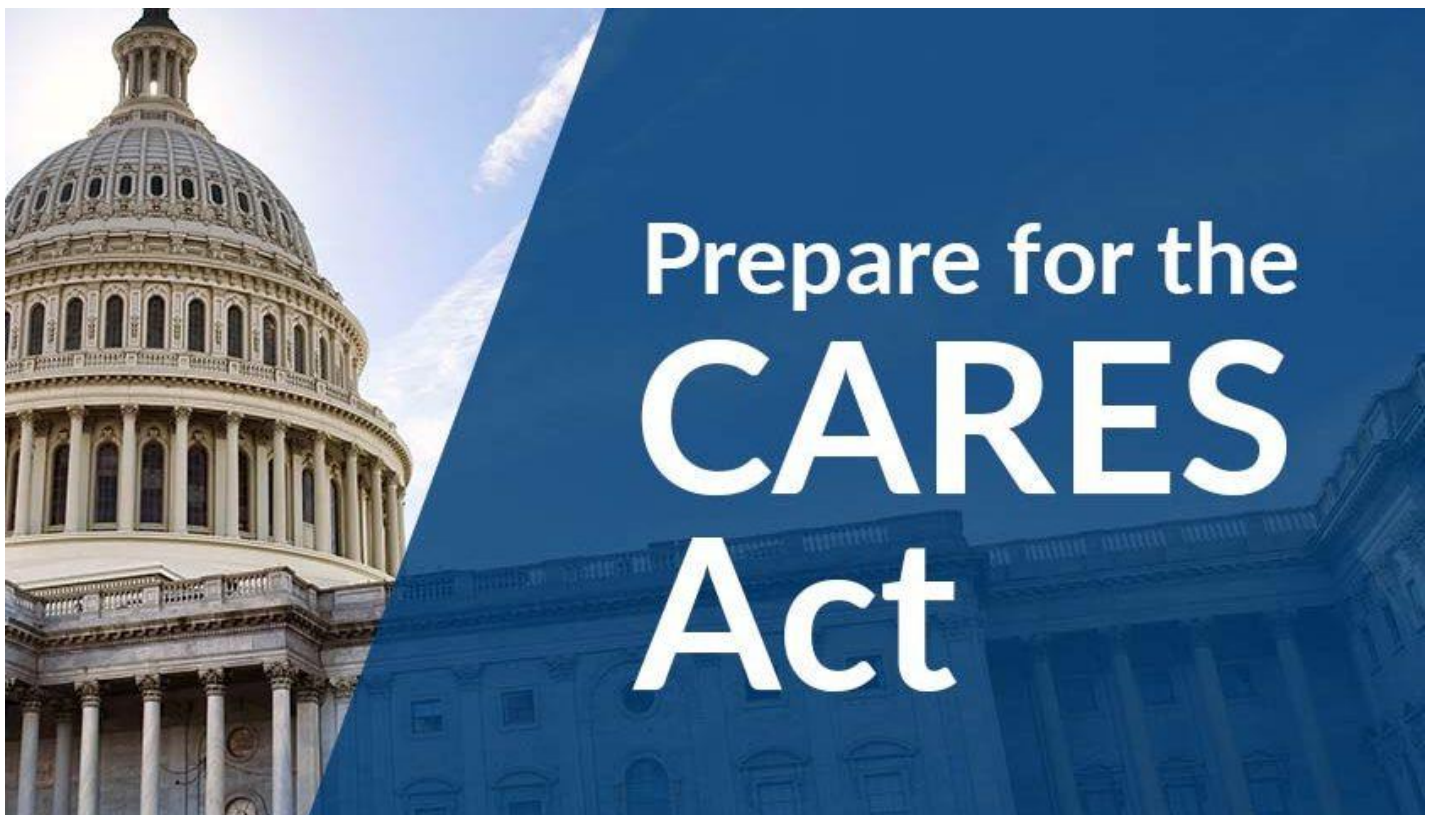
The meeting was adjourned at 12:49 with the usual hearty "We all have the power to connect the world!"

MEMBER RESOURCES:

Rotary International and PolioPlus Responding to the Covid-19 Challenge

A program begun by Rotary is employing thousands of health workers to address the Covid-19 pandemic. The program is the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) which includes Rotary's PolioPlus program. From the earliest days of polio eradication in the Philippines, the generosity and advocacy of Rotarians and our partners has nearly stopped polio, stopped Ebola from becoming an epidemic in Nigeria and now responds to COVID-19. [READ MORE HERE...](#)

Dave Mans forwarded a summary of the CARES Act, recently signed into law during the COVID-19 health crisis, which outlines resources resources for small business including nonprofits. [CLICK HERE OR ON THE IMAGE BELOW TO REVIEW THE SUMMARY.](#)



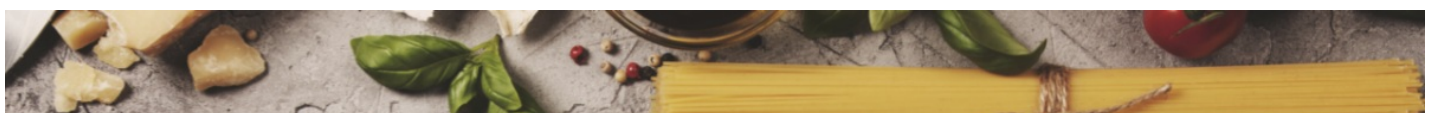
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District 5300

The leadership of **Rotary International District 5300** is offering a webpage of COVID-19 resources for members, their families and their business during this difficult time. Click on the logo or [HERE for more information](#).

The University Club of Pasadena is now offering curbside pickup for lunch and dinner to go Monday-Friday! Simply call (626) 793-5157 to place your order between 10am-3pm and schedule your curbside pickup between 11:30am-6pm. When you arrive to pickup your order, call the Club and a member of their staff will take your order to your car with gloved hands. During these unprecedented times, the University Club hopes their service can help make your days easier. Pasadena Rotarians can have meals charged to their Rotary accounts!



UNIVERSITY CLUB OF PASADENA

TO GO MENU

Monday - Friday

Place Orders 10am - 3pm | Pickup 11:30am - 6pm
(626) 793-5157 | **NEW** Ask about Delivery Options!

NEW ASK ABOUT OUR WEEKLY SPECIALS,
FAMILY STYLE & CHILDREN'S MEALS,
PLUS COCKTAILS, WINE, & BEER* TO GO

*Purchase of Food Required
with Alcoholic Beverages To Go

SOUP

Chef's Daily Soup of the Day \$3

SALADS

Spring Mix Salad

Sliced Strawberries, Fresh Mozzarella,
Grape Tomatoes, Sweet & Sticky Pecans,
Balsamic Vinaigrette \$8

NEW Classic Cobb Salad

Bacon, Diced Chicken, Tomatoes, Eggs, Avocado,
Blue Cheese Crumbles, Italian Dressing \$11

NEW Pan Seared Salmon Salad

Spinach, Baby Kale, Avocado, Blueberries,
Walnuts, Citrus Herb Vinaigrette \$12

Caesar Salad

Romaine Hearts, Grape Tomatoes, Garlic Herb
Croutons, Shaved Parmesan, Caesar Dressing \$8

Beets Salad

Golden Beets, Crumbled Bleu Cheese,
Sliced Apples, Walnuts, Poppy Seed Dressing \$10

*Add salmon, chicken, or steak
to any salad for an additional \$6

COMPLIMENTARY DESSERT

Homemade Chocolate Chip Cookie

SANDWICHES & WRAPS

Chicken Caesar Wrap

Romaine, Croutons, Shaved Parmesan,
Creamy Dressing, Wrapped in a Tortilla \$10

BBQ Chopped Tri Tip Wrap

Mixed Greens, Black Beans, Roasted Corn,
Tortilla Strips, Wrapped in a Tortilla \$12

Chicken Pesto Panini

Grilled Chicken Breast, Homemade Pesto,
Tomatoes, Provolone Cheese \$10

Tuna Melt

Homeade Tuna Salad, Tomatoes, Avocado,
Jalapeños, Cheddar Cheese, Wheat Bread \$11

ENTRÉES

NEW Chicken Florentine Pasta

Spinach, Mushrooms, Garlic Herb Cream Sauce \$12

Mediterranean Grilled Chicken Kabobs

Jasmine White Rice \$12

Slow Oven Roasted Brisket

Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable Medley \$12

Pan Seared Basa Sole

Quinoa Rice Pilaf, Steamed Broccoli,
Homemade Tartar Sauce \$12

NEW Orange Ginger Glazed Chicken Thigh

Sesame Scallion Rice, Pan Sauteed Broccoli \$12

NEW Lemon Garlic Parmesan Shrimp Pasta

Spinach, Cherry Tomatoes, Parmesan Cheese,
White Wine Butter Sauce \$12



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Upcoming Events

You are Invited

You are invited
Pasadena Rotary's
Virtual Happy Hour

Friday
April 24, 2020
5:00 pm

BYOB
Join us on Zoom

Instructions on Spokes 4/24/20
& Email Invitation



[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ROTARY INTERNATIONAL 2020 CONVENTION CANCELLATION](#)

DISTRICT 5300 ASSEMBLY & CONFERENCE

MAY 1 & MAY 2, 2020

WESTIN, PASADENA



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION GALA DINNER

SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2020

WESTIN, PASADENA



PASADENA ROTARY CLUB WILL BE MAKING A BIG ANNOUNCEMENT THAT EVENING
– YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS IT! MAK YOUR CALENDARS TO JOIN US!

Happy Birthday To These Rotarians!

Richard Gray	April 20
Joel Sheldon	April 20
Will Hoyman	April 20
Eric Duyshart	April 21
Anne Miskey	April 22

Rotaversary

Leah Snell	April 16, 2008	12 years
Eric Klinkner	April 16, 2014	6 years
Diana Peterson-More	April 22, 1998	22 years
Jennifer DeVoll	April 23, 2003	17 years

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Chet Specht	Honorary Member
Sandi Mejia	Honorary Member

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