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CLAREMONT ROTARY NEWSLETTER

IN SERVICE ABOVE SELF

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PROGRAM: OUR ACTIVE FOUNDATION

Submitted by Evan Freund

Alan Jack introduced the speaker for today- OUR OWN



John Tulac, Chair of the Claremont Rotary Foundation! He brought two very special guests, Madame Glove and Monsieur Sock, who are inseparable and asked John to reacquaint the audience with the safety features of the meeting room. But thank goodness,

there was no cause for exit today. Like any good flight attendant, Madame Glove thanks you for choosing the Rotary Club of Claremont.

John slipped inconspicuously into the role of the Claremont Rotary Foundation chair by describing open decision processes at the Foundation. Following a description of another setting where tensions run high during discussion of a new way to make a difference in people's lives, he asked that members engage in dispassionate listening to the accomplishments of the Foundation in relationship to the District and Rotary International and its plans with an open mind.

Accomplishments start with a District Grant for \$3,414 for emergency wrenches for householders to turn off gas in emergencies. There will be opportunities to participate. We also have proposed a \$1000 Lefler grant that we match

with \$1000 to focus on the mental health of students at Claremont High School. It will be led by Brett O'Connor and Jim Mitchell. This will be accomplished by instructing teachers to learn an application of mindfulness techniques that will enable teachers to recognize when students are stressed, and when a response is needed. We'll describe how you can participate later.

Internationally, our Foundation is sponsoring a \$16,000 project in for water facilities in Tanzania, both household and agricultural. This project will make use of existing reserves of the Foundation from prior years. A second is a \$900 peacekeeping project, in Uganda. In addition, Francis Limbe is working with the club to position a Global Grant in South Sudanese refugee camps in Uganda. An ongoing project in South Africa instructs students how to make menstrual pads and, in the process, learn how to sew, a valuable skill, while keeping them in school. This project will be transformed into a Global Grant in the coming year, and can expand infinitely as a model project in areas of need.

Locally, our Foundation has also been very active. The Bikes for Kids projects for families unable to purchase a bike at Christmastime continues. (Donations are welcome, as our designated reserve has been depleted by the increases in costs.)

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SAVE THE DATE

Come to the Multi-Club Social

November 29 @ 5:30 at the Last Name Brewery

Next Hybrid Meeting Nov. 3

Police Chief, Aaron Fate

12:10 pm @ HUGHES CENTER

ZOOM LINK

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Rotary (the hybrid) Meeting.

Submitted by Christine Hayes-Shaner

President Nona brought the meeting to order this week in a very blond wig! **Chris Shaner** was the song leader with Cameron Troxell as accompanist. Don Ralls led the Pledge to the Flag.



WELCOME GUESTS AND VISITING ROTARIANS

Marla Lefler introduced her son Paul Lefler and his dog, with special appearances from **John Tulac's Mr. Sock** and **Madame Glove**.

Visiting Rotarians: **Ed Coates** from Livermore, and, on zoom, **Jack Davis** from Illinois and **Biffy Danckwerts** from Claremont, South Africa.

Chris Shaner led the Welcome song.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Harry Sparrow encouraged all, especially new members, to attend the Rotary Leadership Institute I and II on November 4 in Glendora. This also counts for Blue Badge. The Club will pay the \$45 registration fee. It's not too late to register! (See the cover memo for this Clarifier.)

Tour de Foothills Rest Stop on Nov. 11 from 8-11 am. We will be sponsoring "Tour de Foothills" on Saturday Nov. 11th at Manooshian Park in Glendora. See the [Tour website](http://www.tourdefoothills.com/) for more information about the ride! www.tourdefoothills.com/ Last year our club and Interactors had a great turnout and there is a lot to do with snack prep and distribution and a lot of grateful bike riders.

A Morocco Relief Fund has been set up with matching funds approved by the Board for \$1000 of donations. You can contribute by sending a check to our Claremont Rotary Foundation at PO Box 357, Claremont 91711

New T-Shirts for our Rotary club are on sale for \$20. Please order on the sheet passed around or respond to Nona's email.

The Claremont Sunrise Turkey Trot tickets are on sale. If you want to burn a few calories before Thanksgiving dinner, [sign up!](#)

Registration for the January 27 Peace Conference opens Friday. (See attached flier—Register by scanning the UPC code)

POLIO UPDATE: Our Polio Eradication efforts are not over! The 2023 Wild Polio case total to date is 8: Afghanistan 6, Pakistan 2. There have been no new cases in the past 4 weeks.

Each donation made to Rotary's End Polio Now effort is matched 2:1 by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to maximize its effect. As such, if you give US\$10 to the effort, as an example, the amount becomes US\$30, and with that, 60 children will be vaccinated in the remaining affected countries.

INSPIRATION FOR THE DAY

Submitted by Lisa Hahn

"As Rotarians, we have the power to speak and share, to explain and to educate, to inspire and to influence. It is our responsibility to share our talents and ideas and to find meaning in other people's messages.

May we use our skills to provide service to others less fortunate and help them to be self-sustaining. May we continue to grow as Rotarians so that we stand in our community as a symbol of those willing to freely put service above self and make this, our community, and the world a better place to live." *(from Rotary Moments of Inspiration.)*



Donations in the month of October to Polio Plus or the pig were dedicated toward our Club's donation to World Polio Day. This includes your donation to Polio Plus through quarterly dues paid in October.

Susie Ilsley and Buff Wright joined a A Global Get Together on zoom in Aid of Polio Plus On Oc-

ttober 26th, 2023. Biffy Danckwerts, our honorary member from Claremont South Africa helped two other clubs to organize the event for Polio. Clubs and individuals from the US, UK, Spain, India, South Africa, Uganda, Germany and Belarus join in online. Attendees downloaded the international cook book pulled together from all the countries that belong to Rotary by registering for the event. (It's still available!)

Rotarians can join the new **RI Polio Plus Society** ([donate online](#) or with a donation of \$25 a quarter with dues) and help strengthen our effort to eradicate polio forever. If you donate a hundred dollars a year, you get a pin for the polio plus society and the funds will go to a good cause. **Nona** sent out a PayPal link or you can give by check, cash, or charge.



Fine Time with a ghoulish Jerry Tambe

With Steve Juliar on pig duty

Jerry Tambe (in costume with wig) announced the Day of the Dead. **Mark Carson** said it in Spanish: Dia de los Muertes. WooHoo!

Nick Quackenbos had his picture in the Courier again, didn't know it and so can't appreciate whether he got business from it.. Fine!

At the Oktoberfest Social at the Troxell's home last Saturday, thanks go out to **Steve Juliar** for the Music and of course **Barbara and Cameron** for the use of their backyard.

Anita Hughes was in charge of making sure everyone paid for the Oktoberfest Social.

Jeff Bonhus volunteered to be the Cashier this month (No Ilagniappe changed hands with Anita Hughes to convince him to do it)

Ian Stanley drained the keg at the Barbecue to be sure it was fully employed.

Don Ralls provided the Wig today for Nona, but was fined for making his son provide support for him in his retirement..

Lucinda Mc Dade has been in many newspapers including the LA Times, and the Bulletin. She was fined \$200 for not knowing and not being properly dressed.

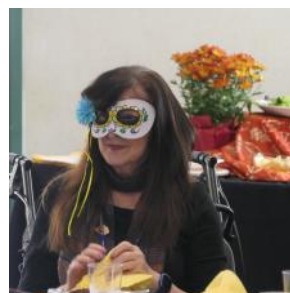
People not dressed properly according to Jerry, received help: **Lisa Hahn, Jerry Goldman.**

Paul Lefler was not properly dressed and volunteered to pay, though guests ought not be charged!

Bridget Healy was fined because USC sucks (according to Jerry) with 2 losses. Her shirt from the Addams Family says: I want one normal night.

John Howland was awarded candy for Grand Kids.

Pat Hauducœur received the last reward for not being properly dressed for the day.



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It's relatively easy to join a club, but that's really not enough to be a Rotarian. When John became a Rotarian in 2003, the new District Governor was a nurse with four kids. Her project for the year was a wheelchair project. An anonymous donor put up \$75 for every donation of \$75. In December, each donor got a picture of the recipient with a chair. John realized he had made a difference. He gave one to each of his kids and his wife as a gift under the tree. Openness to new projects and new ideas with an awareness of the difference that personal connections with people around the world can make, is the reward for being a Rotarian. How do we do that as individuals and as a club?

Personal financial commitment to all parts of the dues structure, no matter the amount, is important to full participation. Dues help pay for our meeting space and operational expenses — that's the least part of the bill. The donations section enables our Club and Rotary International to sponsor programs around the world. Our donations to

the Rotary Club of Claremont Foundation and the Rotary Paul Harris Foundation (including Polio Plus) provide the opportunities for Rotary to make a difference. Please review your donations and add a little bit extra.

John challenged members to make a difference, and a connection, locally and around the world, not just by writing a check, but by making a connection! Accomplishment through service is the reason for membership in Rotary, it's the reason for my membership in Rotary. Make a difference, as a member of a stronger club! I'm proud of the Club and hope we all keep thinking of ways to make a difference. We don't all have to do everything, the way Sylvia Whitlock has, nor go to India for NID day or Columbia and the Philippines for Rotaplast the way Bonita Ramos has — though you're all encouraged to be adventurous as you serve the mission of Rotary.

A donation of \$500 was made to Hope Partners in John's name.

Pictures of the banners outside the rented office of the Bari Community Global (BCG) Peace Project in Uganda.

"Enhancing Innovation for Sustainable Peaceful Co-Existence", giving credit to support from our Club. (photos from Francis Limbe)



Save the date. Buy a book!

What: Timeless Claremont Book Unveiling Party

When: Saturday, December 2, 3-6pm (festivities start at 4pm)

Where: Claremont Graduate University, Jenkins Courtyard

About: This photo-driven, Claremont Courier 170-page coffee table photography book has over 200 award-winning images produced by Courier photojournalists. Altogether, this stunning collection of images will amaze, delight, make you laugh, and maybe even cry. Find people you know!

Reserve or purchase your book

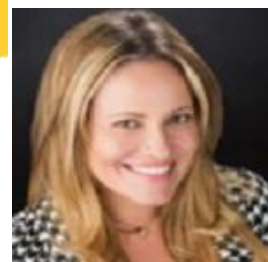
Timeless Claremont will first be unveiled at our December 2 party. We have saved 75 copies just for this event. Come support our town and gown community and the nonprofit Courier's independent, local fact-based journalism! And leave with an incredible book!

claremont-courier.com/payment-form-photo-book

Claremont COURIER
A LOCAL, NONPROFIT NEWSROOM



Own a piece of Claremont with this one-of-a-kind, 170-page coffee table book loaded with award-winning photographs from the past 50 years! Don't miss out!



Nona Tirre Miranda
Claremont Rotary
President
2023-2024

UPCOMING PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Nov 3	Claremont Police Chief, Aaron Fate
Nov 10	Dark for Veteran's Day (no meeting)
Nov 17	District Governor's visit — and a chance for us to show what we're about!
Nov 24	Dark for Thanksgiving



**CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD**



Bacon Bits

Let's fill up the pig!

Help Rotary fight disease! Feed the pig at the meeting, send fines and donations for Polio Plus [here](#), or mail your check to:
**Claremont Rotary
Foundation
PO Box 357
Claremont 91711**



Photo by Kebokile Dengu-Zvobgo in Maui for her birthday!

Website

Information about the club and back editions of this newsletter are available on [DACdb](#) and claremontrotary.com

Visit: [Taste of Claremont 2023](#)

Join us on Facebook:

www.facebook.com/RotaryofClaremont

Club [Bylaws](#) and [Policies](#) are posted for member access on DACdb

November Birthdays

Kebokile Dengu-Zvobgo 11/3

Marla Lefler 11/6

Blanca Aguiar 11/10

Mike Pearlman 11/15

Jim Marchant 11/22



**Sergeants committee
gathers before each
meeting .**

**Anyone is welcome to
share information!!**

Steve Juliar, chair

Clarifier Committee

Mike DeWees

Evan Freund

Chris Hayes Shaner

Harry Sparrow

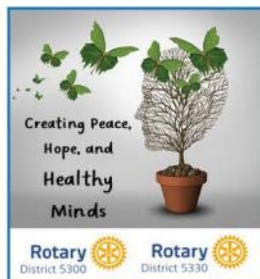
Alan Jack (ph)

Beatrice Casagran (ph)

Buff Wright, *editor*

YOU?

*Submitted by Evan Freund and Chris Hayes-Shaner; photos by Buff Wright
Claremont Rotary Club meets on Friday at 12:10 at the Hughes Center and on zoom*



Garbis Der-Yeghian 34th Annual Peace Conference

THEME: Creating Peace, Hope, and Healthy Minds

Saturday, January 27, 2024

Registration Check-in/Continental Breakfast 8:00 a.m.

Conference Begins Promptly at 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum



Keynote Speaker:

Brian Rusch

CEO—Out for Equality

Founding Member of RI DEI Task Force

Vice Chair- RI Joint Advisory Council of DEI

Past President and Founder of Rotary eClub for Global Action



Engaging Panel on Mental Health, covering:

Destigmatizing Conversations, Raising Awareness, and Advancing Access



Jenn Freeman

Autistic American
choreographer, dance
performer, and educator



Lora Illig

Former Executive
Director for NAMI
Pomona Valley



Chris Florendo

Team Support Leader
CalHOPE & NAMI Greater
Los Angeles County



Sally Sagario

Operations Manager for
NAMI Long Beach/
Whittier

Registration/Admission

(includes continental breakfast and tour of the museum)

\$40.00: early registration by January 26, 2024

\$45.00: at the door if seats are available

**Students/Interact Clubs/Rotaract Clubs free
registration**

To **REGISTER** and for more information, visit the event website at:

<http://district5300.org/peace-conference/>



Scan for Event Page and
Registration



Rotary District 5300
District Governor
Michael Soden



Rotary District 5330
District Governor and
Panelist Moderator
Jamie Zinn



Conference Chair and
Emcee
Rotary District 5300
Mary Ann Lutz