

The Wheel

The Official Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Glendora



November 5, 2024



Club Meeting

Glendora
Meets at Village Eatery
221 N. Glendora Ave.
Glendora, CA 91741
Time: Tuesday at 08:00 AM

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Club Director
Club RYLA Chair
Youth Service Chair

Events

Karen Davis-Where Creativity Meets Faith

Karen Davis is not only the pastor of First Christian Church of Glendora but also serves as a Councilmember of the Glendora City Council to which she was first elected in 2005. Her regional appointments include the Glendora Community Coordinating Council, Sanitation District of LA County, City Selection Committee, Metro Gold Line Extension Construction Authority, Independent Cities Association of Los Angeles County, and the League of California Cities.

Ms. Davis did not mention any of this impressive list of accomplishments to the Rotary Club, preferring to focus on another claim to fame: she met Sylvester Stallone at an advance screening of Rocky to which she had been invited as a high school entertainment editor. Karen's review for the movie was very positive, prompting her teacher to ask her for a re-write saying "this movie isn't going anywhere"!



After this amusing opening, Ms. Davis turned her attention to her intended topic, the First Christian Church Art Academy. The Academy began in 2000, inspired by two teachers who felt that the extracurricular programs at schools were not readily available. Classes offered are ceramics, drawing, painting, mosaic tile and cooking. The classes serve children as young as five, all the way to adults. Karen believes that art touches the soul and allows one to be expressive without words. The Academy sees art as very connected to what the church does as a community of faith.

The church has also expanded the art classes into outreach through their Empty Bowls and Empty Cups project. Artists create ceramic bowls and cups which are purchased by the public (filled with soup or coffee) and can then take the art

home. The proceeds from these projects go to Shepherd's Pantry, St. Vincent de Paul, and vouchers at the Police Department.

[More information is available on the Art Academy website here.](#)



30,000 Meals Packed for Shepherd's Pantry

This past Saturday, November 2, 2024, The Glendora Rotary Club, together with The Outreach Program and a dedicated army of volunteers stormed the large hall at Glenkirk Church to package a staggering 30,000 meals for Shepherd's Pantry, a local food bank.

A super-hero army of volunteers wearing red hair caps, manned long tables and filled bag after bag of nutritious breakfasts and lunch/dinner meals. Box after completed box was then loaded onto a box truck for delivery to the food bank. It was an efficient and organized effort that would have rivaled a military supply mission or a modern Amazon facility.

Spearheaded by Dennis Franklin on behalf of the Rotary Club, with assistance from Christopher Romero from The Outreach Program, with the ideal location provided generously by the

It's time to fund the Teacher Mini Grants!

[Donate here via PayPal](#)

11/9 Weeding with Interact at Spartan Garden 9-11 @ Sandburg School

11/13 Fireside Chat at Garrett Residence 6pm

11/22 Holiday Stroll

12/3 AI for Business (Chamber seminar)

12/7 Gingerbread House Build

12/10 Senior Luncheon

12/14 Glendora Christmas Parade

12/18 Rotary Holiday Party-we will be collecting NEW toys or donations for [Warrior for Children](#)

12/24 Dark

12/31 Dark

1/28 Rotary Peace Conference

Upcoming Programs:

11/12 Rae Kearny-Rotoplast Mission

11/19 Jessica Graham Craft Talk/Ambassadorial Scholar Experience

11/26 Kathy Boyer-Warrior for Children

12/3 TBD

12/10 Dan Maydeck-Haynes Family of Programs

12/17 TBD

Birthdays

Carl F Colley
November 8th
Dennis M. Franklin
December 1st



Glenkirk Church, this annual event was a coming together of like-minded hearts to help feed the hungry and food insecure. Volunteers from the Interact Club, (the Rotary sponsored youth group at Glendora High School), Walmart employees, Glenkirk Church members, Rotarians, community volunteers, and more, the work was done in roughly three hours.

[The full photo album may be viewed on the club's Facebook Page.](#)



From 30K Meals in the Morning to Hot Dogs for the Trails Days Volunteers in the Afternoon

Saturday, November 2nd was all about food for the Rotary Club of Glendora.

The morning saw the Club out in force for the annual meal packing event at Glenkirk Church where 30,000 meals were packed for Shepherd's Pantry. At 10AM, a splinter group of the club, led by Community Services Chairperson Christine Smith, headed down to South Hills Park, to set up the grill and prepare to feed a group of hungry Trails Days volunteers. The trails days volunteers gather twice a year to clean and maintain the local hiking trails and the Rotary Club gives them lunch when they are done.

Thanks to Dan Tran who provided ice and got the barbecue and cooking going until he had to hand off to Carol Seward, 23/24 Rotarian of the Year, who spent the rest of the event cooking "dogs", and Christine Smith who had everything organized and ready to go, from tablecloths to napkins, to snacks and drinks. Dottie Hilliard brought her horse, who was very popular with President Rudy's grandson, William and pretty much everyone else.

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Fines & Meeting Notes

A big "Thanks" to everyone for donating to Paul the Disaster Pig...club members and guests raised a whopping \$628 in October which will be sent to Rotary Zones 33&34 for their disaster relief efforts!

Today's Fines & Recognitions:

- Rudy and Susanne Hayek co-fined (because only one of us had cash) in honor of our grandson being named "Student of the Month" in his preschool class. Isn't that just so cute!
- Guest Raquel McHann chipped in just out of kindness :)
- Joe Babineau had a triple header: Happy about the Dodgers, happy for the new grandchild coming soon, and happy for the great men's retreat he recently returned from. (his pastor Tom Stricklin had some feelings about Joe's men's retreat also)
- Lisa Frank was happy that she and her friends packed Thanksgiving baskets for Shepherd's Pantry
- Dottie paid in honor of Dennis Bock being her new best friend since he helped her load her horse and back her trailer out of the dead end at South Hills Park. Susanne Hayek thought Dennis was HER new best friend because he loaded her car for her after trails days. I guess we can share him Dottie!
- Jane Bock fined Dennis Bock for helping all his new girlfriends (I do believe Dottie and I said "best friend", not "boyfriend". We would never break the girl code!
- Christine Smith paid up to thank the Trails Days volunteers.
- Maria Thompson fined herself for not attending often (although I have it on good authority that she has several jobs at the Charter Oak schools and is practically superwoman).
- Visiting Rotarian Tim Moore fined himself for arriving late but his excuse was that he went to the Village Eatery instead.

Welcome Guests

Guests are always welcome at the Rotary Club of Glendora! Thank you for visiting Karen Davis, Glendora City Council, Pastor of the First Christian Church of Glendora, and today's speaker. Also visiting, Tim Moore, President-Elect, Rotary Club of Monrovia, Hector Rojero, Project 29:11 Food Bank, and Raquel McHann.

Save the Date - November 13

The Club will be holding a "Fireside Chat" at the home of Steve and Marge Garrett. The topic is "What is Rotary?" This is

a wonderful opportunity to invite a potential member to learn about the rewards of Rotary service. Please plan to be at the Garrett's home at 6PM. An RSVP will be sent out shortly.

Youth Services

The club has two open spots left for Teen Leadership camp. If you know an 8th grader who would enjoy/benefit from a weekend in the mountains consisting of fun, leadership training, projects and camaraderie, please let Lisa Frank know asap.

The Interact Club will be pulling weeds at the Spartan Garden at Sandburg Middle School on November 9 from 9-11am. Lisa would love to see some Rotarian support for the Interactors at this project.

Warrior for Children

Most of you will remember the program we had last year from Warrior for Children. This is an amazing, heart-warming organization that is doing so much for an absolutely heart-breaking problem. Their mission is to provide gap services for children experiencing trauma. The "gap" referred to is that period of time (can be weeks or months) between the time a child is either rescued from exploitation or removed from a dangerous family situation and placed in emergency foster care and the time that all the paperwork can be completed for that child/foster family to receive the funding reimbursement for their most basic needs. Day or night, when Warrior for Children receives a call from an agency that there is an emergency need, they spring into action to deliver everything from all the necessities of an infant, or clothing, toiletries, comforting blankets, pillows, toys etc. Most of the time these children are removed with absolutely nothing to their name.

Kathy Boyer, whose sister-in-law works with Warrior for Children, arranged a tour of the facilities for Susanne Hayek and Tricia Franklin. Moved by the work being done by this organization, and with the belief that Christmas is for children, we hope Rotarians will bring a new toy or a gift card for one of the organization's preferred stores (Amazon, Walmart and Target) to our Christmas party. Kathy will be presenting a program to the club on November 26. We know you will be touched. [To learn more in the meantime, please visit their website here.](#)

Club Succession

President-Elect, Kathy Clark celebrated a birthday and attended the D5300 Pre-PETS (President-Elect Training Seminar). This is a great way to kick off the months of training and activities and allows her to meet her fellow incoming presidents from other district clubs while also rubbing elbows with District Leadership. Seen below with Kathy are District Governor Mike Driebe, Past District Governor Mike Soden, and District Governor Elect-Elect, Dennis Franklin, among others.



Rotary Leadership Institute....and Beer

By DGN Dennis Franklin



On Saturday, November 16, we'll be holding Rotary Leadership Institute Parts I, II, and if we have enough demand, Part III, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. in Azusa California. After the event, participants can join us at Angry Horse Brewing in Montebello. We'll provide dinner, take our guests on a tour of the brewery, and enjoy a tasting session with the owners. It's all included in your \$45 registration fee. You'll end the day understanding how to be a more effective Rotarian, not to mention about what goes into a quality beer and how to find the flavors that you love.

To register:

<https://Registrations.DACdb.com/Register/index.cfm?EventID=77791530&NoCaptcha>

Also, on Saturday, February 1, we'll be holding a Rotary Leadership Institute event in Boulder City. Afterwards, participants can join us for

some social time where we'll learn about the fascinating history of, you guessed it . . . the Hoover Dam.

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Cheers!

Dennis Franklin

Rotary Friendship Exchange. Jan '25


By PDG Rampur Viswanath

Vizag, Andra Pradesh, India
Experience Different Cultures
Build Goodwill
Strengthen International Friendships
Expand International Understanding
Create A More Global Community And
Foster Peace

All exchanges are funded by the participants. Hosts are not expected to assume significant financial burden. Participants pay their own way but they are rewarded with warm hospitality and an international travel experience unlike any other!

Email District 5300 RFE chair, PDG Rampur Viswanath at r.viswanath@yahoo.com or call 509-546-1534 for more details.

2025 ROTARY FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE



JOIN US ON THE TRIP OF A LIFETIME TO INDIA!

EMAIL PDG DR. RAMPUR VISWANATH AT
[R.VISWANATH@YAHOO.COM](mailto:r.viswanath@yahoo.com)

OR CALL 509-546-1534
FOR MORE DETAILS

District 3020 invites you to Vizag to experience India's legendary hospitality from **January 20th to February 1st!** Enjoy her culture, cuisine, history, and art. Be hosted in the homes of fellow Rotarians, and help grow "peace through understanding." You can even extend your visit to see Agra, the Taj Mahal, Jaipur and New Delhi.

Rotaplast Mission to Uganda June 2025

By Drexel L. Smith, Chair

Planning is underway to sponsor the next Cleft Lip Project Mission. District 5300 is partnering again with Rotaplast International for a two-week Mission to **Uganda – June 7 to June 22, 2025**. The Team will travel together from and return to San Francisco. The team members pay for their own travel to and from Uganda, but expenses on the ground are covered. Indicate your interest **by Dec. 2**. (see details below) A Mission Team of volunteers includes medical members -- surgeons, nurses and therapists, and eight non-medical, each with a specific job assignment:

1. Medical Record Keeper
2. Sterilizer
3. Mission Historian (Documentarian/photographer)
4. Quartermaster
5. PACU assistant
6. Recreation Therapist
7. Ward Coordinator
8. Patient Transporter



The impact of providing surgical assistance repairing cleft lip, palate and burn-scar repair is life-changing for each patient and for Team members as well.

- * If you are interested in being considered as a non-medical volunteer please let us know.
- * If you would like to schedule a guest speaker on this important work please let us know.
- * If you would like to make a donation, please do not hesitate.

For more information, contact a Committee Member:

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Applicants need to:

* Complete the [linked Interest Form](#).

* Submit a short personal statement addressing: "Why you might be interested in joining a Rotaplast team and what skills you would bring to the team."

* Email the interest form and personal statement to: dls@drexelcg.com by December 02, 2024
