

# Rotary



## Club of Temecula



Monday, December 30, 2024

### THIS WEEK'S MEETING IS DARK!

# NO MEETING *this week!*

## No club meeting This Week. Happy New Year!!!

## See you Wednesday, January 8th!!

### President Bob Sweeney's Message

Monday, December 30, 2024

Dear Rotary Family,

As 2024 draws to a close, I want to take this opportunity to thank each one of you, my Rotary family, for your unwavering commitment to making our community, and the world, a better place, and for your tireless energy in planning and implementing all the wonderful programs in which our club is involved.

Together you have helped to provide food and gifts to hundreds of families in need during the holiday season, you have helped provide continued support to mothers and children, to veterans and active military families, to those facing housing insecurity and to our senior population. You have helped our local community through clean-up projects, you have helped support and cultivate our future leaders through PRYDE, you have supported peace and understanding through our Youth Exchange program, and you have helped support communities in Ethiopia, Kenya and Nepal. I am truly humbled to be surrounded by so many people, who don't just say, but actually live, "Service Above Self".



### Club Meeting

Temecula  
Meets at Mt. San Jacinto Community College Temecula 3 times a month first week of the month to the third week of the month. The exceptions are Holidays.  
41888 Motor Car Parkway  
Temecula, CA 92591  
Time: Wednesday at 12:00 PM

### Events

January 1st  
[Temecula Weekly Club Meeting](#)

January 8th  
[Temecula Weekly Club Meeting](#)

January 15th  
[Temecula Weekly Club Meeting](#)

January 28th  
[BRIDGE Committee](#)

### Club Leaders



[Robert Sweeney](#)  
President



[Esther Naniki Phahla](#)  
President-Elect



Bizhan Fazeli  
Vice  
President



Lisa Locke  
Secretary



Julie Ngo  
Treasurer



Stephanie Bast  
Public  
Relations  
Chair



Maggie Boylston  
Membership  
Chair



Sam Payne  
Rotary  
Foundation  
Chair



Terry L. Whittington  
Sergeant-  
at-Arms



Wendy Dumlao  
Community  
Service  
Chair



Cyndi Light  
Club Service  
Chair



Connie Stopher  
Club  
Programs  
Chair



Ambur Gorman  
International  
Service  
Chair



Will Joyce  
Vocational  
Service  
Chair



Cynthia Mansell  
Youth  
Services

I look forward to what our club can accomplish in 2025. I know it will be a great year. Wishing you and your loved ones a year of health and happiness, and I can't wait to see you all at our first meeting on Wednesday, January 8, 2025, where we'll hear some good old Craft Talking from Past President Mike Noon.

Happy New Year!

Yours in Rotary Service,

Bob

Rotary Action News Anchor, Terry Ro, will be returning to the airwaves soon!

## Rotary Opportunities



January 7, 2025 - Military Committee Meeting, 5:00 p.m. - Craig Davis Family Insurance Agency, 27625 Jefferson Ave., #100, Temecula, CA 92590.

January 8, 2025 - Club Meeting, 12:00 p.m., Speaker: Craft Talkin' with Past President Mike Noon, MSJC 3rd Floor, Board Room, 41888 Motor Car Parkway, Temecula, CA 92591.

January 15, 2025 - Rotary Club of Temecula's Post Holiday Hootenanny and Kick Off the New Year Soirée - 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., The Stampede, 28721 Old Town Front St., Temecula, CA 92590. (No Regular Club Meeting)

January 22, 2025 - Board Meeting, 12:00 p.m., TVE2, 43200 Business Park Dr., Temecula, CA 92590.

January 28, 2025 - BRIDGE Committee Meeting, 5:00 p.m. - Craig Davis Family Insurance Agency, 27625 Jefferson Ave., #100, Temecula, CA 92590.

February 5, 2025 - Club Meeting, 12:00 p.m., 4-Way Test Speech Contest, MSJC 3rd Floor, Board Room, 41888 Motor Car Parkway, Temecula, CA 92591.

February 13, 2025 - Music Competition - 5:30 p.m. - The Merc, 42051 Main St., Temecula, CA 92590.

February 28, 2025 - Read Across America Day - Temecula Elementary School - Details to Be Announced.

March 21-23, 2025 and April 11-13, 2025 - RYLA Camps.

## OPENING DUTY SIGN UP



Chair  
Shane  
Lesovsky  
iPast  
President



## SIGN UP Opening Duties

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0949AAAA2EA4FDC43-4763478820202020>

### Birthdays

- Mark S Banasiak  
December 30th
- Selina Hudgins  
January 1st
- Debbie Payne  
January 1st
- Addie Noon  
January 1st
- Erica Stamper  
January 1st
- Kate Kusters  
January 1st
- Denyse Wilson  
January 1st
- Homa Aimen  
January 1st
- Vickie L. Walker  
January 2nd
- Paul Evenson  
January 3rd
- Allyson J. Trantum  
January 8th
- Kimberly Kelliher  
January 11th
- Terry L. Whittington  
January 15th
- John Kelliher  
January 19th
- Michelle Brown  
January 23rd
- Shane Lesovsky  
January 24th
- Jennifer Mejares  
Pham  
January 26th
- John Gabriele  
January 29th
- Cesar Hernandez  
January 29th

### Bridge Committee Update



Our club, through our BRIDGE Committee, was able to provide beanies, socks and underwear, as part of the Winter Warm drive, to the Social Work Action Group (SWAG), along with gift cards for gas and food, to help those facing housing insecurity this winter. Thanks go out to all those who were able to donate, and to our BRIDGE Committee Chair Jami Fencel for making this happen. Please keep donating beanies, socks and underwear, as there are still many cold months ahead.

### Community Christmas Dinner







Once again, on Christmas Day, the Rotary Clubs of Temecula, led by the Temecula Sunrise Rotary Club, came together at MSJC to provide meals for over 900 people in person and for 275 people by delivery. Thanks go out to all those who were able to help volunteer, to Craig and Kathy Davis for having Santa appear (even after he had such a busy night), and to Julie Ngo for helping to organize this remarkable event!!!

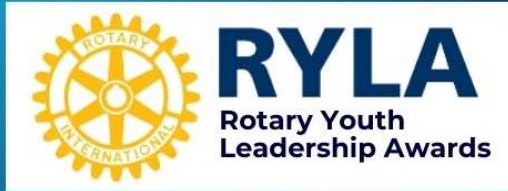
## Youth Committee Update

We ask that our club members and friends reach out and take the opportunity to plan a fun activity with Martina, it can be something as simple as a meal at home with your family.

We are still looking for host families for our current Inbound Youth Exchange Student, Martina, and we are now looking for students who may be interested in going abroad next year as part of the Rotary Youth Exchange. If you know of a student who may be interested, please reach out to our club members Jim McLaughlin or Cynthia Mansell, our Youth Services Chair, for more details.

Don't forget that RYLA is coming up, with two camps, one March 21-23, 2025 and one April 11-13, 2025. If you know of anyone with a Junior in high school, please make sure to reach out to them and let them know about this wonderful opportunity. Applications are due by January 10, 2025.

## RYLA Applications Due By Jan 10!



**Camp Dates:**  
**March 21-23, 2025**  
**or**  
**April 11-13, 2025**

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is an intensive leadership experience organized by Rotary clubs and districts where you develop your skills as a leader while having fun and making connections.

**Open to All Students in the Temecula Area**  
**Must be a Junior in High School to Participate**

Scan QR Code for Application or visit  
[rotarycluboftemecula.com](http://rotarycluboftemecula.com)  
Participation is at No Cost to students  
Sponsored by Temecula Rotary Club!



[www.RYLA5330.org](http://www.RYLA5330.org)  
For questions-Email Kathy Sizemore  
[katsize98@gmail.com](mailto:katsize98@gmail.com)



RYLA is an intense and incredibly challenging program, sponsored by Rotary Districts 5330 and has been designed to engender passion, resilience, determination, mental toughness, gratitude and compassion. In addition, the program will instill in the participants the value of Service Above Self, a core Rotary belief.

Attendance at RYLA is supported by fully paid scholarships provided by the generosity of the men and women Rotarians of Rotary Districts 5330.

[RYLA 2025 Application](#)

Upcoming dates:  
March 21-23 2025  
April 11-13 2025

# Rotary Anniversaries



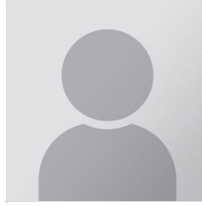
[David Shaun Neault](#)  
16 Years



[Susie Marshall](#)  
13 Years



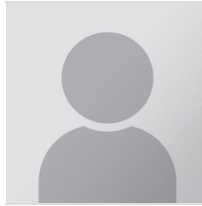
[Adam A. Ruiz](#)  
1 Year



[Miquella Gaunt](#)  
0 Years



[Aaron Gaunt](#)  
0 Years



[Kathryn Weiner](#)  
0 Years



[Aaron Weiner](#)  
0 Years