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### Club Meeting

Oro Valley Meets at Westward Look Wyndham Grand Resort (1st four Thursdays each month) 245 E Ina Rd Tucson, AZ 85704 Time: Thursday at 07:30 AM

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President


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President-Elect

 [Tanya G. Edwards](#)  
Secretary

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 [Richard D. Chimblo](#)  
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Club Young Leaders Contact  
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Treasurer  
Interact Chair  
[Linda Stratton](#)  
iPast President

## Welcome New Member Sara Parsonault

By Leo J. Lawrenson on Thursday, November 14, 2024



The RCOV Board is pleased to announce that it has, in accordance with our Club Bylaws, unanimously approved Sara Parsonault for membership in our club! She has been attending meetings for several weeks and has already been very active in supporting our service projects, including painting at the Springboard Home for Girls last weekend and attending the Community Service Committee meetings. We will schedule her official induction ASAP, but please welcome her to the club! She has been added to our Proposed Club Members in DACdb, so you can get her contact info there.

## Update on Our Rotary Youth Exchange Student, Javier Salamanca

By Leo J. Lawrenson on Thursday, November 14, 2024



Javier Salamanca, our 2024-25 Rotary Youth Exchange student from Burgos, Spain, is attending Ironwood Ridge HS (IRHS) as a junior and living with Leo, Lucy and Monica since his arrival in early August. He is taking physics, engineering, calculus, English, American history and physical education and is carrying an A average! He has just completed swimming for the IRHS fall varsity swim team and already started on the winter varsity wrestling team.

He has many friends at school and on his teams and is very much adjusted to life in these United States. As soon as the final home visits can be



completed for Emily Erickson's family, he will be transitioning to her home for the next three months to give him a broader perspective. After that, he will either transition to a third host family, yet to be determined, or be welcomed back to the Lawrenson home for his last 3 months. If you know of a suitable third host family, let Leo, Stacey or Rick know ASAP.

[Read More](#)

## Springboard Home For Girls Workday

By Jane Shurtleff on Friday, November 15, 2024



We had a wonderful work day at the Springboard Home for Girls. Rotary and BNI volunteers joined Springboard's Director, Rev. Candace Mayer to paint the group's common room and help lay down flooring for their storage shed. [Read More](#)

## IMPACT of Southern Arizona 25th Anniversary Celebration

By Jane Shurtleff on Friday, November 15, 2024



## Events

November 15th  
**Rotary District 5500 Happy Hour**

**Speaker:** Hosted by the Rotary Club of Oro Valley

November 16th  
**Weekly Oro Valley IMPACT Food Bank Service Project**

November 21st  
**Oro Valley Weekly Club Meeting**

**Speaker:** Joe Winfield, Mayor of Oro Valley  
**Subject:** Oro Valley Town Vision

November 21st  
**Oro Valley TOV Committee Meeting**

**Speaker:** Tanya Edwards, 2025 TOV Chair  
**Subject:** Taste of Oro Valley Committee Meeting

November 22nd  
**BNI Fashion Fusion Fundraiser**

**Speaker:** NA  
**Subject:** Fundraiser

November 23rd  
**Weekly Oro Valley IMPACT Food Bank Service Project**

November 28th  
**NO CLUB MEETING - Happy Thanksgiving!**

November 30th  
**Weekly Oro Valley IMPACT Food Bank Service Project**

December 5th  
**Oro Valley Weekly Club Meeting**

**Speaker:** Joellen Russell, U of A Head, Department of Geosciences & Climate Change  
**Subject:** Climate Change

December 7th  
**Weekly Oro Valley IMPACT Food Bank Service Project**

December 8th  
**Rotary Club of Oro Valley Holiday Concert and Happy Hour Social**

**Speaker:** NA  
**Subject:** Club Holiday Social - Civic Orchestra of Tucson Concert & Happy Hour

December 12th  
**Oro Valley Weekly Club Meeting**

**Speaker:** Emilia Honkasaari Vice President of Communications and Development, The Haven  
**Subject:** Women Substance Abuse Services

December 12th  
**Oro Valley Board Meeting**

December 14th  
**Weekly Oro Valley IMPACT Food Bank Service Project**

## Birthdays

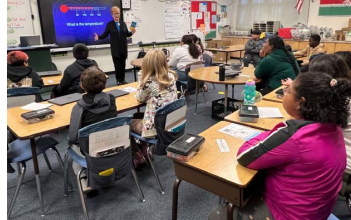
Jane Shurtleff  
November 18th  
Karen Woodford  
December 1st



Rotary Club of Oro Valley members, (left to right) Karen Woodruff, Jane Shurtleff, Linda Stratton and Gary Coxon attended the IMPACT of So. AZ 25th Anniversary Celebration in honor of our long-standing relationship in support of the services they provide to an underserved community. [Read More](#)

## Rotary Club of Oro Valley Dictionary Project

By Jane Shurtleff on Friday, November 15, 2024



Karen Woodruff explains how to use dictionaries and thesaurus to 3rd and 5th graders who received them as part of our club's Dictionary Service Project. [Read More](#)

## Rotary District 5500-Wide Happy Hour

Dear District 5500 Rotarians,



You are invited to join us for a District-wide Happy Hour, hosted by the Rotary Club of Oro Valley. The Happy Hour will be held at the Westward Look Wyndham Grand Resort on 245 E Ina Rd, in the Palm Room from 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM, starting on Friday, November 15th.

This Happy Hour will be held at the same place and at the same time on the 3rd Friday of each month. Your guests can also be included.

Any Rotarian attending will also be given a 20% discount card for all current and future meals and drinks + 9 guests at Westward Look!!

Please join us!

## Save These Important Dates!

Friday, November 15, 2024



**DON'T MISS THESE EXCITING EVENTS!**

# BNI

**BNI 6 FIGURE \$UCCESS FASHION SHOW/FUNDRAISER**  
**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22:**  
**5:30 PM - 8:00 PM**  
**Tohonol Chul Park**

The 3rd annual BNI 6 Figure \$uccess Fashion Show Fundraiser will once again benefit Oro Valley Rotary Foundation's nonprofits. This year's beneficiaries will be the Springboard Home for Girls and The Rotary Vocational Foundation of Arizona. This fun and entertaining event, with Fashion show from local boutiques, appetizers and drinks, Silent Auction, and prizes, will be held on Friday, November 22 at Tohono Chul Park. Order your tickets today at [www.FashionFusionShow.com](http://www.FashionFusionShow.com).



Christopher Boyd  
December 1st  
Michelle Chavez DDS  
December 1st  
Kris Cohen  
December 1st  
Sarah J Lee  
December 1st  
Susan Roser  
December 1st  
Bruce Grant  
December 1st  
Dixie Agnew  
December 1st  
Caryl Altman  
December 1st  
John S. Mead  
December 9th  
Mark Monroe Branham  
December 10th

### District 5500 Leaders



**Sue Archibald**  
District Governor



**Bruce Monro**  
District Governor  
Elect



**Emma M. Carrillo**  
District Governor  
Nominee



**Leo J. Lawrenson**  
District Governor  
Nominee Designate



**Ronald George Darrah**  
District Conference  
Chair



**Gary R. Friedman**  
District Conference  
Chair



**Kristi A. Halvorson**  
District Rotary  
Foundation Chair



**Donald Jorgensen**  
Immediate Past  
District Governor

### FREE HOLIDAY CONCERT AND AFTER-PARTY! SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8: LET IT SNOW! LET IT SNOW! LET IT SNOW! FREE COT HOLIDAY CONCERT & CLUB HOLIDAY PARTY!

Celebrate the holiday season with your fellow Oro Valley Rotary Club members and partners with a free [Civic Orchestra of Tucson](#) concert at the El Conquistador Tucson, a the Hilton Resort, at 10000 N Oracle Rd, Tucson, Grand Ballroom from 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM. This is a free concert, so no tickets are required!

After the concert, swing over to our annual RCOV Holiday Party with drinks and delicious appetizers at the Westward Look Wyndham Grand Resort from 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM.

### Rotaract Bingo Night



#### ROTARACT OF U OF ARIZONA

#### SAVE THE DATE - EVENT ALERT!!

All hands on deck for the U of A Rotaract Yacht Rock Disco-themed Bingo Night Fundraiser! On 12/3 from 6-7:30 we will be rolling the bingo wheel to Steely Dan, ABBA, The Eagles, and more all in the name of fun and raising money for our Period Poverty Project.

-\$5 Per Bingo Card.

-Free for Rotaractors.

-Chance to win spectacular prizes!

### The Rotary Foundation Month Topic: Grants

By Sue Archibald

The Rotary International Foundation has four grant programs that help solve the toughest problems in both the world and our communities.

These grants bring service project ideas to life.



1. **District grants** fund small-scale, short-term activities that address needs in your community and communities abroad.
2. **Global grants** support large international activities with sustainable, measurable outcomes in Rotary's areas of focus.
3. **Disaster response grants** support relief and recovery efforts in areas that have been affected by natural disaster.
4. **Programs of scale grants** fund intentional effort by Rotary members, in partnership with others, to expand proven program models within our areas of focus in order to benefit more people in more places and to foster lasting change.

[Read More](#)

### The Ride to End Polio is Saturday, November 23rd

The Ride to End Polio is a signature event for District 5500 in the annual El Tour de Tucson. And it's less than two weeks away!

You can visit the 2024 District 5500 Ride to End Polio [website](#) for details about how to participate, donate, support the riders and more.

#### New Post-Ride Gathering Area!

Rainbow Rotary Club of Tucson is hosting the booth at the finish line. You'll find them one block from the finish line in a great spot to gather, share stories, eat, drink and reminisce. [Click here](#) for a map.



### Weekly Trader Joe's Food Pickup for IMPACT of So. AZ

By Jane Shurtleff on Wednesday, July 31, 2024

It is hard to believe, but children and their families in Tucson go to bed hungry. In fact, the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona serves more than 18,000 people in Pima County every month, with a 30% increase in need over the holidays. For the

last eight years, the Rotary Club of Oro Valley, along with Interact students, have gone to Trade Joe's every Saturday morning to pick up food for the IMPACT Community Food Bank - an estimated 26,000 lbs of food per year. By providing food for families, children and seniors, IMPACT is helping people stretch their budgets as well as ensure they have healthy food options and food to prepare at home. [Read More](#)



Join us for our meetings!

**Rotary**  
**Club of Oro Valley**



The Rotary Club of Oro Valley meets the first four non-holiday Thursdays of every month at Westward Look Wyndham Grand Resort at [245 E Ina Rd. Oro Valley, AZ 85704](#) and on Zoom at:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83038868976>  
Passcode: 85737.

