



Rotary Club of Oro Valley AZ - Bulletin for 27 June 2024

Club Meeting

Oro Valley
Meets at Westward Look
Wyndham Grand Resort
245 E Ina Rd
Oro Valley, AZ 85704
Time: Thursday at 07:30 AM

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Club Leaders



[Leo J. Lawrenson](#)
President

[Emily Erickson](#)
President-Elect

[Gerald N.](#)

The Torch Has Been PASSED!

By Leo J. Lawrenson on Monday, July 1, 2024

2023-24 Club President Linda Stratton welcomed about 23 members and guests to the annual Pass the Torch and year-end-party at The Keg on Thursday, 27 Jun, including our esteemed new District Governor Sue Archibald and our beloved Assistant Governor, Barbara Bengen. AG Barbara introduced DG Sue, who proceeded to formally install new Club President Leo Lawrenson for the 2024-25 Rotary Year.



Leo thanked Linda for her remarkable tenure as 2023-24 Club President, and gave her a nicely engraved gavel in recognition of her leadership and service to the Rotary Club of Oro Valley. He also gave her the coveted Immediate Past President pin, and gave the honored President-Elect pin to Emily Erickson. Due to environmental constraints of the venue, speeches were kept to a minimum and Leo did not get the opportunity to outline the many achievements Linda had as President, but they are listed in the Read More section of this story.



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Rotary is Magic

By Kasia Yuska on Monday, July 1, 2024

The Magic of Rotary is a wonderful 2024-25 theme for District 5500! It encapsulates the transformative power of Rotary in communities around the world.

Just like magic, Rotary brings people together, creates positive change, and makes the impossible possible. It reflects the spirit of fellowship, service, and dedication that Rotary members embody as they work to make the world a better place.

With "The Magic of Rotary" as a theme, I know we can continue to inspire and uplift our communities through impactful projects and initiatives.

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McReynolds III
Secretary
Membership Chair



Stacey Stein Fox
Club Foundation
Treasurer
Community Service
Chair

Gary D Coxon
Rotary Foundation
Chair

Jane Shurtleff
Club Service Chair

Richard D. Chimblo
International Service
Chair



Linda Stratton
iPast President

Events

July 4th
**NO CLUB MEETING -
Happy Independence Day!**

July 6th
**Weekly Impact of So AZ
Trader Joe's Food Pickup**

July 11th
**Oro Valley Weekly Club
Meeting**
Speaker: Club President Leo
Lawrenson
Subject: Club Assembly -
Club Health Check

July 11th
Oro Valley Board Meeting

July 13th
**Weekly Impact of So AZ
Trader Joe's Food Pickup**

July 18th
**Oro Valley Weekly Club
Meeting**
Speaker: Rosalyn Epting
Subject: Oro Valley Parks
and Rec

July 20th
**Weekly Impact of So AZ
Trader Joe's Food Pickup**

July 25th
**Oro Valley Weekly Club
Meeting**
Speaker: Dr. Patti Lopez,
Exec. Director
Subject: Angel Heart Pajama
Project

July 27th
**Weekly Impact of So AZ
Trader Joe's Food Pickup**

August 1st
Oro Valley Weekly Club

Honduras Compassion Partners

By Leo J. Lawrenson on Monday, June 17, 2024



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Our Honorary Cub Member, Bruce Grant of the RC of Prince Frederick MD, and Jonathan Zelaya spoke to our club on 13 Jun 2024 about Honduras Compassion Partners and the various International Service Projects being conducted in Las Paz, Honduras. Rick Chimblo has spearheaded our club's (and District 5500's) participation in these projects, and we have donated \$2,000 to date. For more info on Honduras Compassion Partners, click [HERE](#), and for the presentation click [HERE](#).

El Rocio Home for Children at Risk in Tarapoto, Peru

By Richard D. Chimblo on Monday, July 1, 2024

JUNE 30, 2024 "THE END OF
ANOTHER ROTARY YEAR

Dear Fellow Oro Valley Rotarians:

Since I am reporting from Spain,
we have a final photo report from
the "El Rocio Home for
Children at Risk in Tarapoto,
Peru".

The Rotary Club of Denia, Spain,
submitted this humanitarian project
to us for collaboration and, in turn,
The ICC USA-SPAIN was
informed. The Home provides for
girls, adolescents and single
mothers in a situation of social exclusion with the aim of giving them a safe home, self-esteem
and training to make a substantial change in their future. The RC of Denia obtained the
financing to complete the electrical installation in the dormitories and to purchase 40 bunk
beds with 80 mattresses. The cost of this first phase was 15,000.00 US Dollars.

Once again, Rotary's efforts encouraged the local government to move forward on
its commitment to this facility and, as you can see in the photos in the Read More section, the
dormitories have been completed and painted, too! [Read More](#)



Rotary Club de Denia 2024 06 30

Meeting

Speaker: David Flores,
Community Outreach
Coordinator
Subject: JobPath

August 3rd

Weekly Impact of So AZ
Trader Joe's Food Pickup

August 8th

Oro Valley Weekly Club
Meeting DG VISIT

Speaker: DG Sue Krahe-
Archibald

Subject: Official DG Visit

August 8th

Oro Valley Board Meeting

August 10th

Weekly Impact of So AZ
Trader Joe's Food Pickup

August 15th

Oro Valley Weekly Club
Meeting

Speaker: Kara Riley, Chief

Subject: Oro Valley Police
Department

August 17th

Weekly Impact of So AZ
Trader Joe's Food Pickup

August 22nd

Oro Valley Weekly Club
Meeting

Speaker: Deb Dale, Chief
Development Officer

Subject: Arizona Public
Media®

August 29th

NO CLUB MEETING - Trip
to Rotary Intl HQ!

September 26th

Oro Valley Weekly Club
Meeting

Speaker: Club Members
TBD

Subject: Bios

Birthdays

Gerald N. McReynolds III
July 9th

Barbara Jean Harrison
July 13th

Tanya G. Edwards
July 30th

Linda Stratton
August 4th

Timothy Aalbu
August 6th

District 5500 Leaders



Ron Darrah
District Conference
Chair

Rotary Club de Denia 2024-06-30

By Richard D. Chimblo on Sunday, June 30, 2024



I have heard it called many different ways:
PASSING THE GAVEL
PASSING THE TORCH
CAMBIAR LOS COLORES
CAMBIAR EL COLLAR
CAMBIO DE JUNTA DIRECTIVA

Attached is the event at The Rotary Club of Denia today.

ENJOY!!!

[Read More](#)

Father's Day Activity in Aldea El Jute Usumatlan Zacapa

By Richard D. Chimblo on Monday, July 1, 2024

The Father's Day Fiesta & Meal was a big success. I think our \$500 was well spent. Thank you all.

-Rick

Hello friends, the Father's Day activity in Aldea El Jute Usumatlan Zacapa was a success, everyone was very happy, the COCODE headed by Carina worked hard to make the meal for the parents. Thank you very much for everything.

-Erick Mauricio Contreras Jordan

[Read More](#)



Writers Needed!

By Leo J. Lawrenson on Monday, June 17, 2024



We need YOU to help write and photograph content for our club website and bulletin! Our Club Service Chair, Jane Shurtleff, is responsible overall for club publicity and public image issues, and our webmaster, Leo Lawrenson, will be editing and publishing the website and weekly club bulletins, but neither will be producing all of the stories and photographs that go into those publications. Please submit stories about club activities or other Rotary-related subject matter to either Jane or Leo, preferably either as a Club ezStory on DACdb, or as an MS Word file or even a PDF file. Please send any images either embedded in a DACdb ezStory or as attachments (not embedded in text!) to emails, preferably as PNG files. The club's weekly bulletin is usually published and distributed on Mondays, so get your contributions in at least by Sunday to be included that week. Thanks for helping make YOUR club better!

Trip to Rotary International Headquarters



Gary R. Friedman
District Conference
Chair



Susan Mary Archibald
District Governor



Bruce Monro
District Governor
Elect



Emma Carrillo
District Governor
Nominee



Kristi Ann Halvorson
District Rotary
Foundation Chair



Diane Ventura-Goodyear
District Rotary
Foundation Chair



Steve Johns
Executive Assistant
Governor



Donald G. Jorgensen
Immediate Past
District Governor

By Leo J. Lawrenson on Saturday, June 1, 2024

SAVE YOUR SPOT!



Rotary
District 5500



THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

**Visit Rotary International Headquarters and
Tour Paul Harris Home with DG Sue, DGN
Emma, and PDG Hank**

August 26 – 29, 2024



Aug 26 (Monday - Travel Day/or come earlier)
Group welcome reception

Aug 27 (Rotary International Headquarters Day)
7:00 AM – Hotel shuttle to Rotary International Headquarters
7:30 AM – Club meeting with Evanston Lighthouse Rotary Club
9:00 AM – Headquarters tour, meetings with RI staff
12:00 PM – Group Lunch – afternoon free

Aug 28 (Paul Harris Home Tour)
8:30 AM – Travel to Paul Harris home
10:00-11:00 AM – Paul Harris home tour
Lunch – Afternoon free
5:30 PM – Group farewell Dinner



Aug 29 (Thursday – Trip ends, travel day or as desired)
Travel is on your own

Rotary Group accommodations (\$205/night includes breakfast and parking)
Make your hotel reservation from now to August 9
Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn, Chicago North Shore/Evanston
1818 Maple Ave., Evanston, Ill
<https://hiltongardeninnchicagonorthshoreevanston.reservationstays.com>

Contact PDG Hank Huisking to be on the list!
pasadenahank@gmail.com
(520) 732-0361
Sierra Vista Sunrise Rotary Club
Sierra Vista, AZ

PDG Hank Huisking is leading an exciting trip to RI Headquarters 27-29 August, 2024.

The trip is limited to 25 people, so please RSVP [HERE](#) or email Hank at pasadenahank@gmail.com as soon as possible if you'd like her to add you to the list. RI staff has asked if members wish to meet with particular departments while there, so add your request to the email.

For more information (including a draft itinerary) and to RSVP, please click [HERE](#) or [email Hank](#) if you have any questions.

Register Now for RI Convention 2025

By Leo J. Lawrenson on Sunday, June 2, 2024

Rotary International Convention 2025 - Calgary Canada, June 21-25, 2025

The most economical time to sign up for the 2025 Convention is NOW- the registration fee goes up over time!

Usually you will have several months to change your mind with the cancellation fee of \$50.

[Click here](#) to sign up.



Welcome to DACdb!

By Leo J. Lawrenson on Friday, May 31, 2024



District and Club database

Welcome to DACdb (District and Club Database), our new club membership and information manager, replacing ClubRunner! District 5500 leadership made the decision to replace ClubRunner with DACdb, due to its lower cost for clubs (including ours!) and increased functionality and ease of use.

Our club's membership data from ClubRunner and Rotary International has been brought into DACdb, but is only as accurate and complete as YOU make it by clicking on the Edit My Profile in the dropdown box when you click on your name in the upper right of the homepage after you log in to DACdb using the login info provided via email earlier. If you have any problems, please contact Leo at leo@lawrenson.com.

The homepage (and this exBulletin) now shows several ezStories for the club and around the district, as well as upcoming Calendar Events in the sidebar. You can click on any of those to see more info about the event and even RSVP or register for some, including letting us know whether you will or will not be attending (either in-person or via Zoom) weekly club meetings. This would allow us to save both club and Westward Look money (and food waste!) by permitting us to give them a better estimate of attendance, which we must do by 0730 on each Tuesday before each Thursday meeting. As the district gets more over to DACdb, you will see more D5500 events showing up, too. **You can also see details about and RSVP to the club's end-of-year "Pass the Torch" party event on 27 June where you can say thanks to our wonderful outgoing Club President, Linda Stratton, and hello to her replacement!**

We will no longer need to use SignUp Genius or other platforms for events or projects, as everything can be done on the Calendar on the My CLUB tab of DACdb.

There will be several opportunities for training on using DACdb more fully, but you can probably start enjoying its benefits right now. Use the Support/Learning tab at the top to find in-depth DACdb training and help topics. You can also download the IGNITE app by MemberMinder Pro on your Apple or Android smartphone to have much of the power of DACdb in your hand.

Individualized DACdb Training for Clubs



District and Club database

The DACdb Transition Team is ready to schedule individualized training for club boards and members! If your club is interested in adding the DACdb Finance module to allow bookkeeping and direct member invoicing for dues and events, a club website, or both, have one of your club officers contact Patrick Longano (patrick.longano@memberminderpro.com) or Katie Tocci (katie.tocci@memberminderpro.com) at DACdb.

To schedule the actual training for your club, contact Elizabeth Kirby at DACdb to schedule for your club. If she or another member of the DACdb Team hasn't already reached out to your club leadership, have one of your club officers contact her at elizabeth.kirby@memberminderpro.com with a few dates and times.

Remember that the District is switching to DACdb completely in the next few weeks, but the DACdb system is already up and operating and available for all D5550 clubs and members to use NOW! You just need a login which your club officers or Leo Lawrenson can provide.

If your club still hasn't authorized DACdb as a View-Only Membership Management vendor on MyRotary, you will NOT have access to DACdb, and your club will soon lose contact with the district and be unable to apply for 2024-25 District Grants! Your club does NOT need to switch to DACdb from ClubRunner- just to do this View-Only authorization.

Contact Leo Lawrenson (Leo@Lawrenson.com) with any questions or for help.

Successful 2024 D5500 Training Assembly!

By Leo J. Lawrenson on Sunday, June 2, 2024

Rotary District 5500
District Assembly - May 18, 2024

2024 D5500 Training Assembly - 18 May 2024			
9:00am - 9:05am			
Welcome - Sue Archibald & Don Jorgensen			
9:05am - 9:20am			
General Session	My Rotary and DACdb Overview		Leo Lawrenson
Learn more about My Rotary and the transition from Club Runner to DACdb			
9:20am - 10:05am			
Breakout Sessions - Block I			
The Rotary Foundation: The Rotarian's Charity Kristi Halvorson & Michael Drake	Membership Wendy Guyton & Diane Demeroutis	Club Treasurer Mike Suba	Community Service Projects Roundtable
A brief history of The Rotary Foundation and the End Polio Now Campaign with an overview of the Program Side and the Giving Side of the Foundation. Great for newer Rotarians, a review for seasoned Rotarians and a must for Rotary Foundation Chairs.	Learn more about member recruitment and engagement	Gain a basic understanding of the club treasurer role and important requirements	Join a discussion to learn more about community services projects throughout the district - and share information about yours.
10:15am - 11:00am			
Breakout Sessions - Block II			
Successful Meetings Don Jorgensen	Club Secretary Candy Pardee	Youth Services John Fanning & Cindy Dooling	Club Culture Angela Lopez
Learn more about how to plan for and facilitate productive club, board, and committee meetings	Gain a basic understanding of the club secretary role and important requirements	During this session, you will learn more about youth programs, including RYLA, youth exchange, Interact, and Rotaract	Join our zone xxx to learn more about strategies to build a positive culture that helps to engage and retain members
11:10am - 11:55am			
Breakout Sessions - Block III			
Grants Management Seminar Kristi Halvorson, Tere Bergman, & Barbara Kiernan	Fellowship Roundtable Sue Archibald	Club Marketing & Promotion Kasia Yuska	Engaging Volunteers Bruce Monro
To participate Global and District Grants each year, at least 2 club members must complete the Grant Management Seminar. Includes Club Qualification requirements, Global Grants and District Grant procedures. We are moving to the DACdb Grants Module - which will be an easier process for your club to use.	Share information about building relationships, planning successful events, and having fun	Learn more about creative marketing approaches to promote club events and activities using RI approved resources and materials	Learn about how to effectively engage volunteers to have successful committees, projects, and fundraisers

Over 100 D5500 members gathered via Zoom on 18 May 2024 to enjoy some camaraderie, get some information on the District's transition from ClubRunner to DACdb, and have multiple excellent training opportunities for various club positions and club functions. To view the schedule with links to various presentations that were made, click [HERE](#) or on the image. Thanks to all the organizers, presenters and attendees! As more copies of presentations or session recordings become available, they will be added to this Story and links.

