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Fun with Rotarians are our special small group dinner parties designed to provide an opportunity for club members, spouses, and guests to become better acquainted. The above photo is one such party at Leslie Howard's home. Participating were Bre and Eric Zientarski, Chris and Christiane Millar, Joe and Wendy Guyton.

Speakers

July 25, 2024

Joan Gilbert
Mom's demand action for gun safety

August 01, 2024

Angela Lopez - RI and Diane Demeroutis - membership chair
Membership & New Club Development

August 15, 2024

Bruce Monro
Membership District 5500

Events

No Events found

Birthdays

Dan Watson
August 3rd
Joseph Guyton Jr.
August 14th
Sloan Gallipeo
August 14th

Moms Demand Action-Speaker for July 25, 2024

Our speaker for the July 25, 2024 meeting is Joan Gilbert. Joan is an active member and spokesperson for Moms Demand Action, an organization whose purpose is to prevent gun violence.

Joan will share her personal story about why this organization is critically important to her and she will share some alarming statistics about gun violence in the US.

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We Learn about Families First, Oracle, AZ Non Profit



Family First supports young mothers with education and resources. Clare Grochocki is the very busy Director and Founder of Family First and the Family Diaper Bank in Oracle. Clare, a dedicated mother and nonprofit leader, has spent 21 years serving families.





Clare shared story of opening a pregnancy center in Arizona to support teen moms.

â€¢ Moms share stories of babies with rare genetic disorders, highlighting their resilience and community support.

â€¢ Clare explains the program's core concept: earn while you learn and take classes to receive necessities for their child.

â€¢ Classes are designed to teach parents about their developing baby, nutrition, health, and discipline, with the goal of supporting young parents with love and commitment.

Community programs for families, including diaper bank, back-to-school event, and mentoring for teens.

â€¢ The program started by Dinah Monahan in Show Low, Arizona has been providing beneficial services to pregnancy centers and resource centers across the US for 30 years.

â€¢ The storytime program for moms and kids helps them learn together through activities like preparing for preschool, playing, and socializing, with a focus on skill building and hand coordination.

â€¢ Family Diaper Bank distributes 33,000 diapers, hosts back-to-school event.

â€¢ Organization supports teen parents and volunteers through various programs and donations.

Ceramics Club

By Diane G. Demeroutis

SaddleBrooke ceramics will once again do the clay ornaments for us to use in one of our kids projects. Last year we had them at the Orade Holiday kids event at OCC. They are donating the clay, rolling it out and cutting ornaments. They are doing this in July and will be doing about 100 ornaments. They have invited anyone from Rotary who might want to cut out ornaments and get a photo op for our bulletins, newspaper articles etc.



Pictured above: Saddlebrooke Rotarians Helping children decorate donated ceramic ornaments December 2023

Date: July 25th prior to our meeting

Time: 9:30

Location: SB Ceramics studio located in the Arts & Craft building between Mountainview & the MV pool (just west of the Administration building)

A Message from President Wendy Guyton



I am so proud to be a Rotarian! I'm honored and humbled to have been elected President of the Rotary Club of SaddleBrooke for the years 2024-2025, and with the help and support of my Board members and fellow club members, I will do my best to meet this challenge.

The Rotary Club of SaddleBrooke has been built on a strong leadership foundation and the active use of committees. I'm fortunate to have a membership that is fully committed to the Rotary ideal of "Service Above Self", who continue to go the extra mile in building the club, and carrying out the many worthwhile projects we undertake for the benefit of our community and the larger world.

I would also like to congratulate each of the new Board members. Our fellow club members have shown their confidence in you -- and me -- by electing us to our respective positions, and I look forward to serving with you. I have seen the energy, enthusiasm, and commitment of the Board through the strategic planning process. Each of the Directors has already begun activities in their respective avenues of service.

Our carefully executed Strategic Plan will be implemented this year. It will provide guidance for our club for this year and in the future --- in terms of setting and achieving our goals.

Rotary International and our new President of Rotary International, Stephanie Urchick, selected the theme "The Magic of Rotary" for the 2024-2025 Rotary year. In doing so, I'm sure they had in mind the shared commitment of every Rotarian to provide "Service Above Self" and as a reminder to all of us that we create *magic* in the many lives we are *privileged* to touch.

Our compassion and our ability to open our hearts to those in need combined with our commitment to share our time, talent, and treasures with those who are less fortunate -- is what causes ordinary Rotarians such as us to do the extraordinary things we do. It's what makes Rotary so magical.

Some Rotarians will tell you that the fifth component to the Rotary 4-way test is - is it fun?' Our club is widely known for its lively lunch meetings and wonderful socials. Our small groups, "Fun with Rotarians" have been a huge success and given us the opportunity to know each other on a deeper level. These are proof positive that we are a fun-loving club. I shall endeavor to keep the fun and fellowship in our meetings, in our club projects, and our fellowship events.

There are many people in need throughout our community and the world whose only hope will come from Rotary. Let us all leave here today ready to make their lives better in any way we can.

As Rotarians, it won't be good enough to give only what we have left over or what we can spare, but we must truly give of ourselves with new energy in support of the ideals of Rotary. I want us to continue to lead the way in our community and District 5500 as Rotary shares its legacy of "Service Above Self". Our charge is to get out there and "Share the Magic of Rotary"! I am so proud to be a Rotarian! I'm honored and humbled to have been elected President of the Rotary Club of SaddleBrooke for the years 2024-2025, and with the help and support of my Board members and fellow club members, I will do my best to meet this challenge.

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RC SaddleBrooke has been busy coordinating a hands-on international project to build a house in a day in Tecate, MX.

This project is done under the direction of Corazon, Inc, a California non-profit that works with service clubs, churches, families and employers to provide services to Northern Baja including building houses.

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