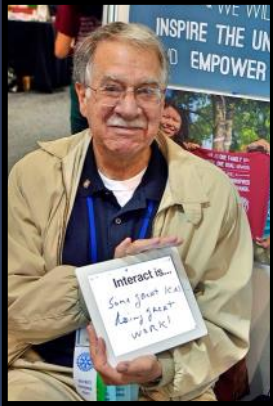


District 5170

December 2014

From the desk of District Governor Ed Jellen



Calendar of Events

January 31st
Pre-PETS for Presidents Elect

February 4th
[Cabinet Meeting](#)

March 4th
[Cabinet Meeting](#)

April 17-19
[District Conference @ DoubleTree San Jose](#)

May 6th
[Cabinet Meeting](#)

Dear District 5170 Rotarians,

Those of you that missed our December cabinet meeting really missed something. Our Interactors outdid themselves with some terrific presentations about their upcoming local and international projects for the year. And the Rotarians who were there even got to help by providing on-the-spot artwork for jigsaw puzzles the Interactors will distribute as holiday gifts to some grateful children.

Our next District Cabinet meeting will be on Wednesday, February 4, 2015. *We will be at a new location, to be announced.* That evening, we will have the honor of hosting, as our guest speaker, Past Rotary International Director John Blount. Many of our current and past club Presidents will remember John's inspirational message from PETS. This will be a cabinet meeting that you will definitely want to attend.

Speaking of speakers, I am pleased to announce that our keynote speaker at the opening of

our upcoming District Conference, April 17-19, 2015, will be civil rights pioneer Ruby Bridges. Her effort in 1960 to enroll in then-segregated William Franz Elementary School in New Orleans, when she was six years old, is the subject of Norman Rockwell's iconic portrait of a small girl being escorted to school by four U.S. Marshals. We will have the opportunity to experience Ms. Bridges' courage, and her remarkable story, at the Friday evening dinner event at the conference.

Finally, if you plan on attending our District 5170 World Community Service visit to [Monterrey, Mexico](#), you should sign up now. Sign up information is on our District Website, and can also be obtained from any current Rotary Club President in the District.

Happy holidays
and Happy New
Year to you all!

News from around District 5170



Members of the **Rotary Club of Los Gatos Morning** took part in the 58th Annual Los Gatos Children's Christmas/Holiday's parade, doing their part to Light Up Rotary!

The **Rotary Club of Hollister** partnered with the local chapter of the United Way and the County Office of Education to "Stuff the Bus" this past fall. 683 backpacks were filled and distributed to elementary schools throughout San Benito County.



The Rotary Club of Hayward recognized four Hayward students as the 2014 Hall of Fame Rotary Scholars. The four students are stood out among the best of the best in Hayward Schools. They are pictured with Assemblyman Bill Quirk.

Picture and information found on the Hayward Rotary Club Facebook page

Upcoming Events...

Howard Tours with Rotary District 5160 and Rotary District 5170




Rotary

Mexican Project Safari
Creating Friendships and Providing Community Service and Mobility to People in Need

Monterrey, Mexico
March 11-15, 2015

"You will never be the same after you have looked into the appreciative eyes of someone whose life you have changed."


YOU'RE INVITED!

AREA 9 ROTARACT
(Los Altos, Mountain View, Palo Alto)

MEET & GREET

When: Thursday, January 15
5:30pm – 7:30pm


Where: Steins Beer Garden
895 Villa Street
Mountain View, CA 94041



What: Come out and meet other individuals who want to strengthen their leadership skills, serve their communities, increase their world understanding and build new friendships!

What is Rotaract?
Rotaract brings together people ages 18-30 in universities and communities worldwide to organize service activities, develop leadership and professional skills, and have fun. Rotary clubs sponsor them, but Rotaract members manage and fund their clubs independently. Rotaract members work closely with their local Rotary club, and may join after their Rotaract membership ends.



For More Information
Or to RSVP contact:




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Save the date!

Close Encounters of
the **Rotary** Kind

FOR AN OUT-OF-THIS-WORLD EXPERIENCE

 **AREA 5170**

DISTRICT CONFERENCE

April 17 - 19, 2015

Doubletree Hotel, San Jose

www.rotarydistrict5170.org

Los Altos Rotary Honors Veterans

By Marlene Cowan, Rotary Club of Los Altos



Lieutenant Colonel John Lynch

Community support is seen by Lieutenant Colonel John Lynch of the Marine Corps Special Forces as critical to encourage reenlistment. "What separates Americans from the rest of the world is our community spirit, and there is no community more connected to their military than the Californians," said the keynote speaker, Lieutenant Colonel John Lynch at the Rotary Club of Los Altos' Veterans Day luncheon held November 13.

Lynch has been assigned to all the major military bases in the US and thus has experienced great variety in the ways military personnel are treated in other states. He affirmed that "Very few communities support their military as enthusiastically as Los Altos." This local support encourages service men and women to continue reenlisting and training, thus developing the experience and expertise needed to defend our liberties in complex international situations.

Rotarian Ron Labetich organized the program on November 13 to host a large array of veterans and special guests at Los Altos Rotary's Veterans' Day luncheon. Included were Los Altos Hills Judges Pete and Pattie Manoukian who are parents of Matthew Patrick Manoukian, US Marine Corps Special Forces, killed on duty in Afghanistan 2012. Foothill College President Dr. Judy Miner and local veterans and visitors from other service clubs joined to honor veterans of all wars. It was a packed house!



Pictured: Los Altos Rotarian Ron Labetich, Lt. Colonel John Lynch, Justice Pete Manoukian

Ron Labetich heads The Rotary Club of Los Altos' Veterans Support Team and has been especially active in raising funds supporting the Veterans Resource Center on the Foothill College campus. A donation of \$5,000 to the Matthew Manoukian Memorial Scholarship at Foothill College was announced from LAREF (Los Altos Rotary Endowment Fund). One of the vets showed his costly paperback textbook (\$125 used or \$165 new), demonstrating how much the additional \$1,500 donated for vets'

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textbook vouchers was appreciated. Finally, \$10,000 was raised to hire a veteran as assistant to Carmela Xuereb in the campus Veterans Resource Center.

In addition, a special donation of \$15,000 was presented to Foothill College President Judy Miner from the Sereno Properties staff in Los Altos to be dedicated to the Captain Matthew Manoukian Memorial Scholarship Fund. President Miner expressed gratitude for the total \$116,000 raised recently to benefit the student veterans on her campus. She was also presented with a flag flown over our nation's capitol to honor Captain Matt Manoukian and a memorial certificate from Congresswoman Anna Eshoo, both of which will be displayed in the Veterans Resource Center.

Justice Pattie Manoukian, mother of Captain Matthew Manoukian, introduced the keynote speaker, Lieutenant Colonel John J. Lynch, US Marine Corps. He was a friend of Matt Manoukian. John Lynch began his presentation by saying, "I've been blown away by the community here. The impact you have on the men and women who wear the uniform is outstanding. A little encouragement keeps them re-enlisting and willing to make sacrifices for our country, like Matt Manoukian did. He was a great representative of everything they stand for."

Since leaving Afghanistan, Lynch's battalion has been re-designated as "foreign fighter lines" to build "source networks" in Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand and the Philippines. Their goal is to partner with those countries to counter terrorist organizations and "find, fix, finish, analyze, and designate". Finding and fixing are the most difficult roles. "We have to move faster than they do," he said, and we need our armed forces to continue their service for 12-20 years, time enough to gain the expertise necessary to accomplish this goal. That's why Rotary and community support and encouragement are essential in encouraging military men and women to reenlist to defend our liberties.

For more information, visit www.losaltosrotary.org

Share your clubs community or international service projects with the Rotarians in District 5170! Email articles and photos to brittany.5170@gmail.com for inclusion in the District newsletter.

Technology Corner –Talking about ClubRunner

By Charlie Wasser, District Communication Technologies Chair



Okay. So your board decided to get a website and it is from ClubRunner. There are other website configurations but ClubRunner is further along in development of websites suited for Rotary Clubs and Rotary Districts. As a matter of fact, even if your club has not purchased ClubRunner, you are listed on the District 5170 ClubRunner database. If your club has integrated its ClubRunner and Rotary International databases, any data changes you make on your ClubRunner profile will automatically be reflected on www.rotary.org.

To get you started, there are some links to video tutorials offering instructions on the use of ClubRunner's club version.

To gain access to your profile or other member only data on your club's website, you need to LOGIN. The following link will take you to the proper video.

<http://clubrunner.helpserve.com/Knowledgebase/Article/View/357/214/video-how-do-i-login-to-my-clubrunner-website>

An important feature of any club website is the ability to use it to communicate. These days, that still usually means email. Watch the following video to learn how to SEND mail from your club's site. The following link will take you to the proper video.

<http://clubrunner.helpserve.com/Knowledgebase/Article/View/359/214/video-email-message-center---how-do-i-send-out-an-email>

Once you learn how to send email, you will want to learn how to Create Distribution List and Add Attachments. The following link will take you to the proper video. The following link will take you to the proper video.

<http://clubrunner.helpserve.com/Knowledgebase/Article/View/765/214/video-email-message-center>

At this point, you are ready to start using Common Member Functions like upload your profile, uploading your photo, and change your profile. The following link will take you to the proper video.

<http://clubrunner.helpserve.com/Knowledgebase/Article/View/770/214/video-how-to-edit-profile-change-password--upload-photo>

Rotaract needs your help!



Calling all Rotarians! Do you know someone age 20-30 who is interested in looking for a way to serve their community while meeting other young leaders and having fun? Then we want them in Rotaract! We are seeking young professionals and leaders with a passion for serving their community while forging new friendships and exchanging ideas. If you have someone in mind, please send their contact information to us, and help us grow Rotaract!

Donn Wadley (dwadley@finetsaratoga.com) or Paul Mosso (pmosso@gmail.com)

Rotaract Club meeting times & locations:

Rotaract Club of Central Alameda County

6:30PM - 8:00PM at the [San Leandro Public Library](#)

December 11: Karp Room

Rotaract Club of Greater Fremont

1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00PM at [The Depot](#)

Rotaract Club of Santa Cruz County

Tuesdays at 7:30PM in the Esselen Nation Conference Room above the [Bay Tree Bookstore](#) at UCSC

Meetings run at this location through mid-December

Rotaract Club of Silicon Valley

1st & 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00PM at [SVG Innovation Center](#) above the Brit in downtown San Jose

Tri-Valley Rotaract Club

1st & 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:30PM at [Handles Gastropub](#)

A new Rotaract club is being formed in the Mountain View area. For more information please contact [Donn Wadley](#) (District Rotaract Chair).



District 5170 to Launch e-Club

By Lee Denlinger, Rotary Club of Dublin

Under the leadership of Rotarian Rushton Hurley, a former Ambassadorial Scholar and multiple Paul Harris, the *Rotary e-Club of Silicon Valley* will be chartered early next year in District 5170. Sponsored by the RC of Sunnyvale, the e-Club brings together Rotarians for whom the meeting time restraints of a traditional club are a bad match. By having the flexibility to attend on one's own schedule, the digital meeting place meets the needs of service-minded individuals who want to be engaged in Rotary service.



Rushton Hurley

"Think of it as a way to use technology to tap into Rotarians' talents," clarified Rushton. "It takes familiarity with current technologies and extra discipline to be part of an e-club, but also presents new opportunities." He cited the example from his membership in a former e-club where "mini-e-grants" supported global Rotary service projects. In one instance,

one of the members contacted a Rotarian in Bakersfield with contacts in Shanghai, and e-club Rotarians were able to work with people there to deliver rice to two orphanages in North Korea.

"The e-club gives us the possibility of a membership base that is global. That, in turn, provides us with more opportunities to leverage our resources to serve the local and global needs in our communities."

During the 2004-2010 pilot, e-clubs performed 355 community service projects, 106 international service projects, 55 vocational service projects, and 70 youth service projects. E-clubs gave more than \$150,000 to the Rotary Foundation, including more than \$21,500 to Rotary's \$200 Million Challenge.

The *Rotary e-Club of Silicon Valley* will be modeled on the structure of Rotarian Rushton's former e-club, the Rotary e-Club of Southwest USA. "We hope to launch our website later this winter. We already have 28 Rotary applicants, seven of whom will transfer in from our former e-club to help get our club up and running effectively. One of these members is based in South Africa and two are in Canada. As there are no boundary restrictions on membership in an e-club, we have a global applicant pool. That said, our primary focus will be on Silicon Valley and how we can serve District 5170."

This is certainly an exciting development for District 5170 in its quest to provide opportunities for service-minded individuals to engage in Rotary service. It is a way to utilize technology to meet the needs of others, or, as Rushton says, "to explore how technology can serve service."

The Interact District Council led the December District Cabinet meeting

Photos by Interact District Council member Apoorva Rajanala



Camp RYLA 2015

Location: Mission Springs Camps and Conference Center -- 1050 Lockhart Gulch Rd, Scotts Valley

Date: Sunday, Aug 2 - Friday, Aug 7, 2015

Cost for camper: \$545

Club reservations are now being taken!
Deadline for RSVP is December 31, 2014.
Entire process and deadlines can be found here: <http://ryla5170.com/rotarians/>

Rotary District 5170

2014-2015 Officers:

District Governor: Ed Jellen
District Governor Elect: Susan Valenta
District Governor Nominee: Jeff Orth
Lieutenant Governor: Robert Kidd
Governor's Partner: Julie Jellen
District Treasurer: Lorna Padia Markus
District Administrator: Brittany Overbeck

Assistant Governors:

Area 1: Joe Goralka
Area 2: Brian Schott
Area 3: Daren Young
Area 4: Pamela Philbert
Area 5: Ken McLaughlin
Area 6: Gregg Giusiana
Area 7: Cheryl Rebottaro
Area 8: Orrin Mahoney
Area 9: Shawn Curby

District Chairs:

Club Administration: Larry Dean
Community Service: Hafsa Burt
Communication Technologies: Charlie Wasser
International Service: Jeboy Koshy
Membership: PDG Joe Hamilton

The Rotary Foundation: Cecelia Babkirk
Vocational Service: Renee Mello
Youth Service: Larry Barr
Public Image: Ginger Taylor McDonald
District Trainer: Tim Lundell

The District Office is located at 2570 N. First Street, San Jose, CA 95131.

The office is open Monday—Thursday, 9am-4pm.

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The District Office will be closed Wednesday, December 24-Sunday, December 28, 2014 and Thursday, January 1, 2015. Happy Holidays.

To highlight your club projects and events in the District newsletter, please email the information to Brittany by the 10th of each month.

Happy Birthday Wishes to our District Leaders and Club Presidents!

PDG Dave Heagerty (San Jose)	January 5
Ken McLaughlin (San Jose Silicon Valley)	January 7
Kendra Gjerseth (Los Altos)	January 12
Theo Wierdsma (Watsonville)	January 12
PDG Dwight Perry (Castro Valley)	January 21
PRIP M.A.T. Caparas (Manila)	January 28
Bill Beatty (Piedmont/Montclair)	January 29
Jeboy Koshy (Fremont Warm Springs Sunrise)	January 29



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