



THE ROTARY CLUB OF DUBLIN NEWSLETTER



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Christy Li Club President 2024-25

A Message from your President

Dear Dublin Fellow Rotarians,



I am thrilled to announce that we are reviving the Dublin Rotary Club newsletter, a cherished publication that began in March 2016. Over the course of its 43 issues, the newsletter became a vital record of our club's achievements, highlighting the incredible community service projects we've undertaken and showcasing our collective impact.

Led by the dedicated efforts of Chris Kinzel, Geri Foley and a team of club writers, the newsletter was a labor of love that captured the spirit of our club.

Unfortunately, the publication came to a halt on June 28, 2020, due to the challenges brought by COVID-19 and the unfortunate loss of Chris, whose passion and commitment were instrumental in bringing each issue to life. His contributions, alongside the team's, left an indelible mark on our club's history.

As we step into a new Magic Rotary year, I am excited to breathe new life into this valuable tradition. Our newsletter will once again serve as a testament to our ongoing efforts in our community. This revival wouldn't be possible without the enthusiastic support and contributions of our fellow Rotarian, Larry Damaser, who has graciously taken on the task of helping to produce the newsletter.

As we embark on this journey, I invite each of you to contribute your stories, ideas, and reflections. Together, we will make this newsletter a vibrant and living record of our ongoing commitment to making a difference.

Let us celebrate our past, embrace our present, and look forward to the future with renewed energy and purpose. Thank you for your continued support, and I look forward to seeing our newsletter flourish once again.

Yours in Rotary,
Christy Li

2024-25 President, Dublin Rotary Club



Farewell to Don Price: A Cherished Dublin Rotarian

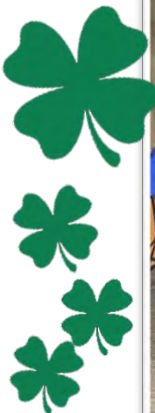
It is with a mix of gratitude and sadness that we bid farewell to our beloved Rotarian, Don Price, as he relocates to Florida. Don has been an integral part of the Dublin Rotary Club for over 25 years, joining us in 1997 and quickly becoming a cherished member of our community.

Don's connection to Rotary runs deep, following in the footsteps of his father, who was also a dedicated Rotarian. This legacy of service and commitment is something Don carried forward with humility, warmth, and an unwavering dedication to the ideals of Rotary.

In his professional life, Don managed the El Monte RV Rental office here in Dublin. His generosity and community spirit shone through as he provided our club with an RV each year for our fundraising events. This contribution was just one of the many ways Don supported our club, always ensuring we had the resources we needed to succeed.

Don's leadership within the Dublin Rotary Club has been exemplary. He served as Club President from 2000 to 2001, leading with a steady hand and a compassionate heart. Over the years, he took on numerous other leadership roles, always willing to step up whenever the club needed him. His influence was felt in both big and small ways, from organizing events to quietly ensuring the well-being of our members. His humility and kindness have left an indelible mark on our club, and his presence will be sorely missed.

As Don embarks on this new chapter in Florida, we wish him all the best. His departure leaves a void in our hearts, but we are grateful for the many years we had with him as a Dublin Rotarian. Farewell, Don. You will always be a part of the Dublin Rotary family.



Why Donate to The Rotary Foundation?

By Chris Hobbs, The Rotary Foundation Chair 2024-25



The Rotary Foundation is an essential part of Rotary International, serving as the financial backbone that supports the organization's mission to promote peace, fight disease, provide clean water and sanitation, support education, and enhance local economies. Since its inception in 1917, the Foundation has funded numerous impactful projects worldwide, including the near-eradication of polio, which has seen a 99.9% reduction in cases since 1988. This remarkable success story highlights the Foundation's commitment to leveraging contributions effectively to address global health challenges and create a safer, healthier world for all.



One of the key strengths of The Rotary Foundation is its effective use of contributions to maximize impact. By carefully managing donations and directing funds where they are most needed, the Foundation ensures that every dollar goes further in making a real difference. Through district and global grants, local Rotary clubs are empowered to undertake a wide range of projects, from local community development initiatives to large-scale international efforts. These grants are strategically allocated to ensure sustainability and address pressing needs, allowing clubs to make meaningful contributions both in their communities and around the world.

Additionally, The Rotary Foundation invests in training and resources that help Rotary members enhance their service capabilities. Programs such as Rotary Peace Fellowships and vocational training teams equip Rotarians with the skills and knowledge needed to tackle complex issues effectively. This focus on capacity-building, combined with a rigorous approach to project funding and evaluation, ensures that contributions to the Foundation have a lasting impact and drive meaningful change.



In conclusion, The Rotary Foundation stands out for its prudent stewardship of contributions and its unwavering commitment to service. By donating to the Foundation, Rotarians help fund vital projects, develop future leaders, and sustain Rotary's mission of "Service Above Self." Every contribution, managed with care and transparency, supports the Foundation's efforts to create positive, lasting change in communities near and far.

September & October Events Calendar

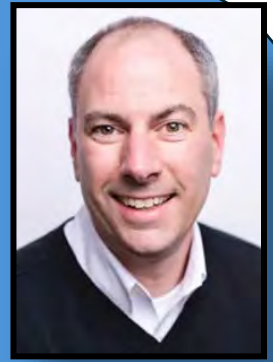


- 9/4 Club Meeting - 12:15pm Dublin Library Community Room Speaker: Jackie Dwyer, Dublin Parks & Rec.
- 9/9 Club Board Meeting - 5:30pm via Zoom
- 9/11 Club Meeting - 12:15pm Dublin Library Community Room Speaker: Horatio Ulescu (AI)
- 9/14 Splatter -Dublin Rotary Wine Booth
- 9/18 Club Meeting - 12:15pm Dublin Library Community Room Speaker: Mayor Michael McCorriston - State of the City
- 9/21 City of Dublin "Creek Cleanup Day"
- 9/26 Club Social - TBD
- 10/2 Club meeting - District Governor Visiting Day (Meeting in Zeiss Innovation Center)
- 10/7 Club Board Meeting - 5:30pm via Zoom
- 10/9 Club Meeting - 12:15pm Dublin Library Community Room Speaker: Dublin Education Alliance (Emon Tai Ahmad)
- 10/15 City of Dublin Proclamation for Rotary World Polio Day - 7:00pm City Hall
- 10/16 Club Meeting - 12:15pm Dublin Library Community Room Speaker: Joyce Mercado (Save the Planet)
- 10/19 District 5170 Avenues of Service - 8:00am-2:00pm India Community Center, 525 Los Coches St, Milpitas, CA 95036
- 10/23 Club Meeting - 12:15pm Dublin Library Community Room Speaker: CHP Presentation
- 10/26 Trunk or Treat Event 5:00pm-8:00pm
- 10/31 Club Social - 5:30pm Halloween Party at Christy's House

GOALS

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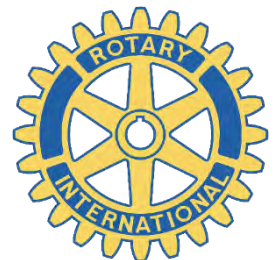
~~President Christy's~~ Top Ten Club Goals:



- 10) Clothing Optional Meetings
- 9) Have at least 2 Rotary presenters on sewage every month
- 8) Start a club pyramid scheme selling time shares
- 7) Use Dublin City funds to help her reach her foundation goals
- 6) Have a club Olympics with events like "Who can Shhhh the loudest?"
- 5) Convince the Members to only address her as "Your Highness"
- 4) Start a Rotary K-9 matchmaking service called "Puppy Love"
- 3) Invest all the club's Foundation money in Bitcoin
- 2) Get rid of meetings altogether
- 1) Make the club the best it can be

Bon Voyage

In July 2024, we said goodbye to Lt. Col. Marisol A. Chalas
She will be GREATLY missed by many!!



- ✓ PAY YOUR DUES
- ✓ MAKE A DONATION
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