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Rotary Club of La Mesa

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Wednesday's @ 12:30pm Via

ZOOM <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/618141217>

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Rotary Foundation Month

My dear friends and fellow Rotary leaders,

As we enter Foundation Month, we would like to personally thank each and every one of you who did so much to make World Polio Day such an enormous success.

We broadcast our [Global Update](#) on 24 October in multiple time zones around the world, reaching more people, and raising more awareness than ever before. Rotary members in 146 countries registered more than 6,500 World Polio Day events and activities, from Brazil to Japan, Nigeria to India. More than \$900,000 was contributed online to the PolioPlus Fund which moves us closer to this year's \$50 million fundraising goal to take full advantage of the Bill & Melinda Gates match.

Inspired by this show of support across the globe, our work to eradicate polio continues. On 25 August, Nigeria marked four years without a case of wild poliovirus, and the World Health Organization African region is now officially certified wild poliovirus-free. Rotary has contributed nearly US\$890 million—and countless volunteer hours—to eliminate polio in the African region. In the face of an ongoing global pandemic, this is one of the few good news stories for public health, and we should recognize this great achievement. It took tremendous effort and partnership over many years. Special mention should be made for the dedicated health workers—mainly women—who traveled by every form of transportation imaginable to reach children with the polio vaccine. We are particularly grateful for the Rotary members throughout Africa and around the world who have dedicated themselves to making polio a disease of the past. In fact, Rotary member Dr. Tunji Funsho was named as [one of TIME's Most Influential People](#) in the world for his role in leading Rotary towards this historic achievement.

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Lunch Time Service Opportunities

November 25, 2020

DARK

December 2, 2020

Pledge	Keith Dindinger
Thought	Gary Clasen
4-Way	Mike Fellows

December 9, 2020

Pledge	Martin Brickson
Thought	Courtney Patterson
4-Way	John Fistere

December 16, 2020

6:00pm Holiday Party ZOOM

**If you cannot perform
your assigned duty,
please arrange for a
replacement.**

Important Dates:

- Nov 25th **DARK**
- Dec 1st La Mesa Rotary Board Meeting – 6:00 pm on ZOOM
- Dec 2nd Club Meeting on ZOOM – 12:30pm
Guest Speaker: John Dobkken – San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station –
Public Information Officer
- Dec 9th Club Meeting on ZOOM – 12:30pm
Guest Speaker: 1st Responder Recognition
- Dec 16th La Mesa Rotary Holiday Party via ZOOM – **6:00 pm**
- Dec 23rd **DARK**

Rotary Foundation Month (con't)

The type of partnership we have formed to make such progress against polio provides a blueprint for future Rotary projects. In fact, such partnerships have already been formed. Next month, the Trustees hope to select the first ever [Programs of Scale](#) grant award. This is a grant of up to \$ 2 million for a three to five-year project that aligns with one of our causes. It really invites Rotary members to think big about high-impact service projects, and find partners to who are willing to invest money and resources to implement measurable and sustainable solutions.

To support all this transformative work, you can end Foundation Month on a charitable note by participating in Giving Tuesday on 3 December. Rotary will be joining thousands of other organizations worldwide for a global day of giving, and it is a prime opportunity to advance our mission by making a contribution to the Annual Fund. It is now easier than ever to give to the Foundation [online](#).

Remember to use your District Designated Funds for a cause you are passionate about, whether that is PolioPlus, the [Disaster Response Fund](#), the Rotary Peace Centers, or something in your community that could benefit from the support of a district or global grant.

So as we enter the second half of the Rotary year, please keep up your efforts to eradicate polio, tell our story, and increase our impact. With your actions, *Rotary Opens Opportunities*.

Yours in Rotary,

Holger Knaack
President, Rotary International 2020-21

KR Ravindran
Trustee Chair, The Rotary Foundation 2020-21

La Mesa Rotary Supports the Community with our Charitable Giving Campaign!

The Charitable Giving Committee has passed to the Board their recommendations for our Fall round of Community Giving! They were given 5 requests for \$1,000 each and the Board has approved these requests.

Sports For Exceptional Athletes – Jim Kline
Urban Street Angels - Marsha Starr
Mary's House – Jen Flynn
La Mesa Historical Society – Keith Dindinger
Crisis House – Kathy Olsen

Each of these organizations will receive \$1,000 from La Mesa Rotary to support their organizations.

If you have an organization that you support and would like to see La Mesa Rotary donate to we will have another round of Charitable Giving in the Spring. Each member of La Mesa Rotary is allowed to ask for up to \$1,000 per Rotary year for their organization as long as they are a 501©3 and have a project in La Mesa.

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Greetings from La Mesa DISTRICT 5340

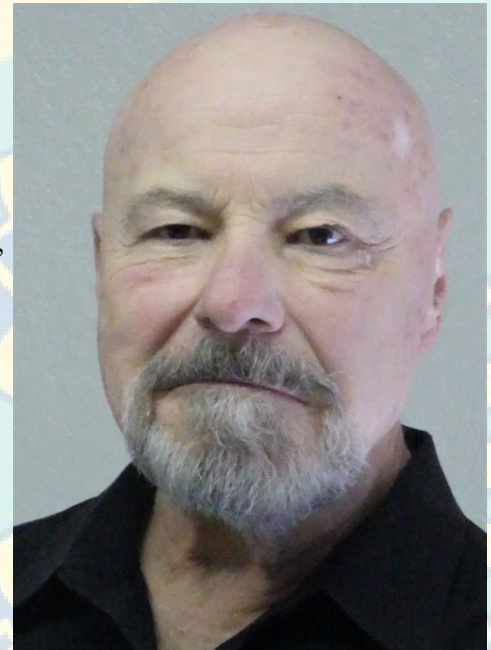
New Member Reinstatement Jerry Fazio

Jerry Fazio would like to be reinstated as a member of La Mesa Rotary. While with La Mesa Rotary Jerry was with the Boy's & Girls Club of East County. As a member Jerry held Board positions including President. Jerry is the retired CEO of the Boys & Girls Clubs of East County and its Foundation, having worked there for 38 years. For his outstanding work he was named National Executive Director of the Year from Boys & Girls Clubs of America in 2007.

As a volunteer Jerry was named El Cajon Citizen of the Year (1992). He recently completed his term on the Board of Directors at Sharp Grossmont Hospital where he served as Chair of the Board from 2018-2020. As a proud Rotarian Jerry has a 20 year career as a member of the Clubs in El Cajon and La Mesa.

Jerry is a widower. His beautiful wife Nancy passed away in 2010. He has two wonderful children, Nick and Angela, proud graduates of Grossmont High School (thanks, Mr. Ashman) and the University of California San Diego where they met their spouses (Jennifer and Gabriel) while attending college. Jerry also has two grandsons, Andrew (8) and Zachary (5) who terrorize their parents in Orange County.

For 30 years Jerry has owned the same house in Fletcher Hills where he currently resides with his best friend and walking buddy, Coco, part Lab and part Pit Bull who gives lots of lovin' to everyone she meets.



Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, Dec 1st

6:00 pm on ZOOM

**Use same weekly ZOOM account
to log in.**



City Hope is accepting Food Donations to be distributed throughout Spring Valley & La Mesa. You can drop off donations at the Spring Valley Academy at 2:30pm on Friday's or Bonnie would be glad to pick up any donations you have. Right now they are looking for Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Peanut Butter, Tuna, Cereal, Chili & Soup. They are taking volunteers for the food distribution station at the Spring Valley academy each Friday.

Dani would also appreciate if anyone could call the La Mesa Police Depart Dispatch and just offer words of encouragement. (619) 667-1400

Food Drive

For the LMSV School District Students and Families during Summer

**CEREAL, COMPLETE PANCAKE MIX,
OATMEAL, SOUP, CANNED VEGGIES,
CANNED FRUIT, CANNED MEAT/PROTEIN,
RICE, BEANS, PASTA, PASTA SAUCE,
PEANUT BUTTER, MAC AND CHEESE, CHILI,
SNACKS, OTHER NON PERISHABLE ITEMS.**

Food will be handed out every Friday from 3-5 at Spring Valley Academy.

**TO ARRANGE PICK UP/DELIVERY OR FOR QUESTIONS,
CALL 619-319-4423**

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