



# The Traveler

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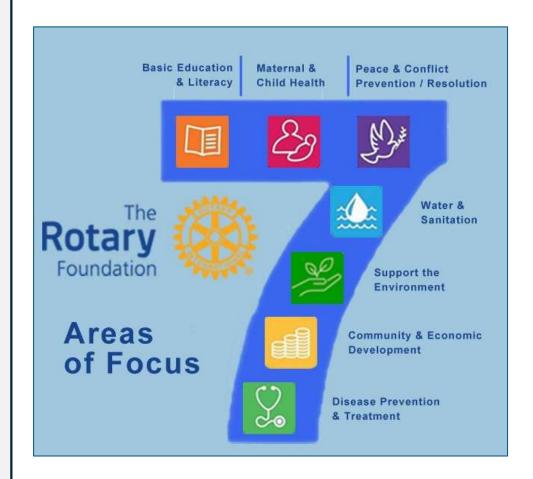
## **Meeting Info:**

Thursdays at 6:00 PM

The Officer Club at McClellan Park 3410 Westover St McClellan Park, CA 95652 United States of America

Meeting Schedule: The Third Thursday of July-Sept-Nov-Jan-Mar-May

### **November is Foundation Month**



# Nov Meeting Guest Speaker

We will have guests Al and Lisa Frumkin. Al will be speaking about Rotary Foundation.

Al has been a Rotarian for nearly 40 years, has in leadership at the Club, District, Zone, AND International level.





# **Rotary Lingo**

Ongoing section of different acronyms, terms, and definitions.

#### Acronyms

- CODT Club Officers and Directors Training
- COL Council On Legislation
- DDF District Designated Fund (Share Program)
- DG District Governor
- DGE District Governor Elect

#### 2024 - 2025

**President:** 

**Dwight Chambers** 

**President Elect:** 

Leroy Ellinghouse

**President Elect Nominee:** 

Bill Bowen

**Immediate Past President:** 

Lawana Welch

Treasurer:

Eric James

**Secretary:** 

Mike Melliza

**Club Administration:** 

Sheryl Luoma

**Service Projects:** 

Sara Thornos

**Youth Services:** 

Adrianne Pontarelli

**Public Image:** 

Michele Spilman

Membership:

open

**Club Foundation:** 

Monique Harris

**Fundraising:** 

**Dwight Chambers** 

# **Out & About with Our Members**

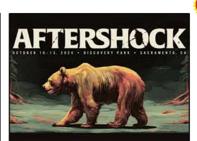
# OCTOBER

Written by: Deanna Fenner

Our hearts overflow with gratitude for the devoted Passport One volunteers, whose unwavering commitment shone brightly during the Aftershock festival, and for the generous fans whose tips have enriched our Multi-charity bar for 2024. Thanks to their remarkable support, we have amassed a wondrous total of \$30,709 in tips, a portion of which will empower Passport One to continue their noble mission in uplifting the community.

In the weeks ahead, we shall be bestowing checks upon these non-profits, recognizing their profound impact within our community.

Fueling our passion to make a difference for others is what inspires my husband and me each day. We are truly blessed to have cultivated bonds with so many kind-hearted souls. It is our heartfelt desire to return next year and once more celebrate the spirit of the Aftershock charity bar with all of you!

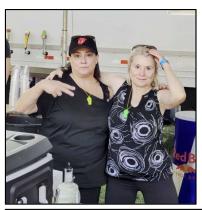




















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# **SERVICE** Above Self

# **Volunteer Opps**

Please reach out to Sara Thornos for upcoming Service Projects or any other events we can volunteer.



On October 17<sup>th</sup>, a few of our members packed meals for **'Feed My Starving Children'** at their 14th Annual Placer County Mobile Pack at St. Matthews Church in Rocklin.

Sheryl Luoma, Sara Thornros, Deanna Fenner, and Beth Ellinthorpe



PP1 Rotarians, we have a fantastic opportunity to volunteer our time to assist the Active 20-30 Club of Sacramento #1 with their annual "Mike Smyth Memorial Holiday Party" on Saturday, December 7, 2024 - SAVE THIS DATE.

This fabulous event is being advertised to families undergoing treatment at the UCD Pediatric Cancer Center as well as families undergoing other sorts of hardship this Holiday Season.



One of our members, Jen Cavalari, will be attending a Rotary trip to Guatemala in March/April. It is part service, part historical/cultural and expected to be around 10-30 total people- mostly Maine and Canadian Rotarians with friends and family.

Sharing the flyer on the next page. The deadline to RSVP is Nov 22.

## Guatemalan Service Trip District 7790 Working with ABPD

#### March 28 to April 6, 2025



#### The Purpose:

- We will learn about the realities of life in Guatemala and the challenges facing the nineteen communities who have partnered with our district and ABPD since 2011.
- We will revisit three communities to see the success of the communities where we had done hands-on work constructing latrines and stoves, and share photos with them.
- We will work in a fourth community to do a hands-on construction project.
- In a fifth community we will see an unsuccessful Rotary project.

#### The Partner NGO, ABPD:

The goal of ABPD is to empower Maya communities and reduce chronic childhood malnutrition through partnerships. Leadership is developed and problem solving skills of women, men and youth help to address both the dietary and the root environmental causes of childhood malnutrition. Water and sanitation, nutrition and agriculture and maternal and child health projects are used as a means of training the community to solve their own problems. Success is seen when communities then go on to address other problems on their own. District 7790's first project with ABPD was selected as a best practice by The Rotary Foundation.





#### The Locations:

- La Antigua, the cobblestoned colonial capital of Central America, is a UNECSO World Heritage Site.
- Visiting Mayan villages in the highlands will allow you to talk with the villagers about their work to implement and sustain our Rotary projects.
- In Santa Cruz de Laguna, a Kaqchikel village accessible only by boat, will serve as your starting point to visit Mayan artists, weavers and coffee co-ops in different villages around the lake.
- The Mayan culture is strong in Guatemala where the indigenous are in the majority. At an archeological site you will learn more about Mayan history.

#### The Participants:

· Limited to 16 Rotarians, families and friends

#### The Costs:

- Estimated to be \$1,400 per person (double occupancy) and \$1,800 single.
- Covers land costs including: lodging, local transportation, guides, translation and lodging. Not covered: airfare, required medical insurance, most meals and tips.



#### Optional Activities (some at additional cost):

Join a historical walking tour, climb an active volcano, visit a coffee plantation, or learn to make Guatemalan food
(including chocolate). Prior participants also enjoyed shopping in the traditional markets, visiting art galleries,
outdoor sculpture parks and bird watching.

#### For More Information:

Email <a href="mailto:dr.deb.walters@gmail.com">dr.deb.walters@gmail.com</a>, for an information packet including detailed itinerary, packing lists, suggested reading lists, and information on staying in touch, staying healthy and staying safe in Guatemala.



## **Rotary Anniversaries**

3 years – Michele Spilman



## **Birthdays**

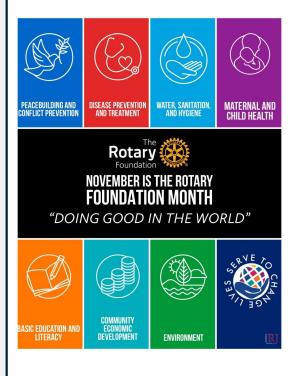
11/3 – JoAnne Tanner

11/13 - Jeffrey McAlpin

11/18 - Leigh-Ann Reinero (Honory Member)

11/30 - J. Bear Williams





The month of
November is the
month Rotary
International
dedicates to the
programs and
activities of the
Rotary Foundation
and this gives us a
wonderful
opportunity to focus
our attention on the
many great things
that our foundation
delivers to our world.

## **Club Calendar**

Keep an eye out on emails, our club webpage, & Facebook for events.

#### November

7 – Board meeting in person 21 General meeting

### **December**

- 5 Board meeting on Zoom
- ? Holiday Party

### January 2025

- $2-Board\ meeting\ in\ person$
- 16 General Meeting

## Saving A Life

We encourage every Passport One member to report your monthly service hours. We are expected to complete 40 service hours a year. There many activities that are qualify as service hours including; attending club meeting, volunteering for fundraisers or other activities with other clubs as well as any volunteering you do for activities outside of Rotary.

Log into your profile on our club webpage and go to the volunteer tab to enter your information.

# Passport Club Memories The Concept & First Year

As reflected by: Michael Reinero, 1st club president

The Passport Concept, as it was originally conceived, began as a proposal to the District 5180 District Governor line in the Fall of 2013 when Michael Reinero, then a District 5180 Assistant Governor and Past President of the Rotary Club of Roseville, interviewed to become the District Governor Designate. The proposal was created to address the rapidly declining membership of District 5180 and to solve that problem by attacking the root causes and creating a club that was more flexible in nature.

Although he was not selected by the District Governor line, in the summer of 2014, then District Governor Elect, Glenn Fong, asked Reinero to start the process for bringing this new club concept to life. Working with Past District Governor, Barry Kalar, and then District Membership Chair, Ray Ward, the process of working with Rotary International to find the best way to charter this new concept was deemed to be an E-Club.

After the proper documents were filed with Rotary International, and after some local promoting of the concept, an informational meeting was held at The Monk's Cellar in Roseville in February 2015 to finalize the 30-person charter member class. Having accomplished all the requirements, the Rotary Passport Club was chartered on March 20, 2015.

The Club held its charter night on May 1, 2015, with over 120 Rotarians and guests from throughout District 5180, including the 30 new charter members and their guests. District Governor, Fred Teichert, and District Governor Elect, Glenn Fong helped induct the new members and install the officers for the upcoming year, which was to extend from May of 2015 through the next Rotary Year 2015-2016. Michael Reinero served as the club's Charter President through June 2016.









"I love this new club format with endless service opportunities." Janice Gage, Rotary Passport member volunteer at the CA state fair.

Our wonderful District 5180 Passport Club mixer!!



Feb 2016 - President Mike inducted 12 new members our club -- with special thanks to DG Glen Fong for his support!



Carol Langley, Passport member helping at Foothill Highland Rotary: "Night at the Museum" fundraiser on April 22nd.





Passport members Donna Dotti and Scott Boynton volunteering at Pony Express Event.

The best anecdote from Charter Night happened during newly inducted President Michael Reinero's address when he was explaining what the Passport concept was and how it was specifically created to enable people who have limited time, to join as full Rotarians. Once the concept was explained, Reinero's wife, Leigh-Ann Reinero, exclaimed to the room, "Well, if you had told me that was how this club was going to function, I would have joined!" The room erupted with laughter and Reinero has yet to live it down. Leigh-Ann joined the club the next meeting.

Some of the highlights of the first year were in Service and Membership.

At the end of the first full Rotary Year, the club had a membership of 87. The membership consisted of an equal number of new Rotarians, returning Rotarians, and transferring Rotarians. The membership also skewed to the younger side with 23% of members under 40, and 75% of membership under 60.

With respect to service, the club's original intent was not to have service projects of its own, but to help other Rotary Clubs and Non-Profits in the community, with members being recognized as "Saving a Life" with every 40 hours of community service they provided. The club provided nearly 3000 hours of service in that first year.

Reflecting back 10 years, Reinero is proud of the fact that there are over 120 Passport Clubs worldwide, that the original club, Rotary Passport One, is still going strong as a medium sized club, and that he had heard from so many Passport Rotarians that were it not for the Passport Concept, they would never have experienced Rotary and how it has enriched their lives.

# District 5180 Club Bingo

American River	Arden-Arcade	Citrus Heights	Clarksburg	El Dorado Hills Or Elk Grove
Fair Oaks Or Folsom Lake	Folsom Or Foothill Highlands	Granite Bay Or Gridley	Historic Folsom	Laguna Sunrise
Lincoln Or Marysville	Midtown	PASSPORT ONE	Natomas	North Sacramento Or Orangevale
Oroville Or Oroville Sunrise	Pocket Greenhaven	Rancho Cordova	Roseville Or Point West	Sacramento Or South Placer
South Sacramento	South Yuba County	Walnut Gove Or West Sacramento	West Sacramento Central Or Yuba City	Yuba-Sutter Night

webpage: rotary5180.org
Get to know other clubs, visit their meetings!



2025 District 5180 Conference

**Date:** Apr 12, 2025 (Sat) **Time:** 8:00am – 5:00pm **Location:** Disneyland, Anaheim, California

Go to rotary5180.org To register & other info



2025

## What's Happening?



We Want to Know Our Members

We want to share and celebrate all that our members are doing out and about in this Newsletter.

Took photos at meetings (ours or other Rotary clubs) or social gatherings? Send in those photos. Volunteering at Rotary, other service clubs, or nonprofits' events? Send in those photos.

Don't have a photo, but want to share something related to Rotary? Let us know. You can email Michele Spilman: mchlspil@gmail.com

# Rotary International President

Stephanie Urchick McMurray, Pennsylvania

# District 5180 District Governor

Steve Turner Arden-Arcade

#### **Assistant Governor Area 2**

Yvonne Whalen North Sacramento



## **Passport One Club Webpage:**

Rotarypassport.org (Club Runner)

## District 5180 Webpage:

rotary5180.org

#### **Rotary International Webpage:**

Rotary.org &
My.rotary.org

#### Find our club on





# **JOIN US**



If you would like a seat at the table, the tickets are \$80 per person

Let Megan Ellinghouse know if you want to join the club's table or if you have any questions about the Foundation Dinner.

Come hear all the highlights of the impactful events/projects within our District. Attending the Rotary District 5180 Foundation dinner offers a unique opportunity to connect with other likeminded clubs in our area who are committed to Service Above Self.

By attending you gain insight into ongoing projects and hear inspiring stories from people directly involved in life-changing initiatives. Projects such as eradicating polio, providing clean water, supporting education and promoting peace while also highlighting local initiatives such as youth leadership development. Director Vicky Puliz will share how we have significantly impacted our communities and how we are leaving long-lasting positive changes in the world.

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#### **Acronyms**

3-H – Health, Hunger & Humanity

AG – Assistant Governor

**AGM** – Annual General Meeting

**APF** – Annual Programs Fund

**CAP** – Community Assistance Program

#### **Terminology**

Areas of Focus Rotary International has identified specific causes to target our local and global impact via global grant distribution and other resources: Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution, Disease Prevention and Treatment, Water and Sanitation, Maternal and Child Health, Basic Education and Literacy, and Economic and Community Development.

Avenues of Service Our commitment to service at home and abroad through five avenues of service, which serve as the foundation of club activity: Club Service, Vocational Service, Community Service, Vocational Service, International Service and Youth Services.

Club Assembly A club meeting to discuss the club programs and activities. Open to all club members. Clubs can incorporate club assemblies into their regular meeting schedules.

**ClubRunner** A web service that many clubs use in our district to host web sites and enhance electronic communication with District and International.

