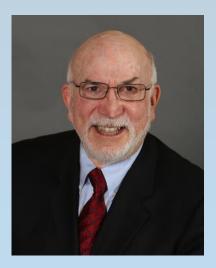


### From the desk of District Governor Orrin Mahoney

August 2017



Well, it's almost the end of August, and I have now visited 17 out of the 54 Clubs in the District, and each visit has educated me on the variety of

Clubs that we have and the great work that they do in their communities and around the world. To paraphrase a quote that usually refers to people. "Rotary Clubs are like stars. They all don't shine the same way, but they all have their own special place in the sky". Together we can do amazing things.

August is Membership Month in Rotary and we are off to a great start. As noted in Membership Chair Hung Wei's following article, the Zone Membership Seminar was incredibly effective this year. We asked for the A Team and had Steve Lingenbrink, the Zone Membership Chair and Vicki Puliz, the Zone Public Image Chair as co-presenters. The feedback that we received from attendees was very positive. As I have said in my Club visits, everything, including membership happens in the Club. Keep up the good work.

Finally we have several upcoming District activities for your calendars.

District Avenues of Service Event Thursday, October 5th from 5:00 pm-9:00
pm, Santa Clara Biltmore Hotel & Suites.

Interact Fall Leadership Conference -Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am-3:00 pm, Independence High School, San Jose.

Toronto Convention Hotel room reservations - Due by September 29.

Call the District Office - 408-273-4577.

Looking forward to my next round of Club visits.

Best,

Rotary:
-Building
Lifelong
Friendships
-Making a
Difference

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**SAVE THE DATE! - OCTOBER 5, 2017** 

# **AVENUES OF SERVICE**

# "Leaders Keep on Learning"

Project Fair | Training Forums | Networking | Fun



RI Director John Matthews 2017/2019, Zones 25 & 26

### Featured speakers John Matthews

Former Senior V.P., COSTCO Wholesale, a \$110 billion company with 180,000 employees worldwide. John brings a fresh perspective to the business of Rotary. From membership growth to Rotary's impact on the world stage, this experience in corporate and community leadership underscores a powerful Rotary message.

WHO: Club Presidents, Committee Chairs, District Leadership, Red Badgers

WHAT: Connect with Rotary leaders and learn about the power of service

WHERE: Santa Clara Biltmore Hotel, 2151 Laurelwood Road, Santa Clara

WHEN: Thursday, October 5 from 5-9 pm

Cost: \$49 | Register at https://events.rotarydistrict5170.org







# Where Do District Governors Come From?

# They come from Rotary Clubs just like yours!

This is an opportunity for you and other Rotarians to learn more about the *District Governor* position:

- Who can be District Governor?
- How is the District Governor selected?
- What roles does a District Governor have in the years before and after the DG year?
- What is the expected time commitment?
- Is there a financial commitment?
- What resources does the District provide to assist the District Governor?

These and many other questions will be answered by a panel of the people who know the job best: the past, present and future District Governors of District 5170. Whether you are seriously considering the position...or just curious about answers to these questions, this is the program for YOU!

> Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> from Noon to 2:00 PM at India Community Center 525 Los Coches St., Milpitas 95035

Enjoy an informal discussion with District leaders, who will answer your questions about District Governorship!

(Significant Others are invited as well)

See application guidelines on page 8 or visit http://rotarydistrict5170.org/sitepage/district-governor-nominee-designate/ Page 4 District 5170

## **The Rotary Foundation Corner**

Cecelia Babkirk, District Grants Chair email— rotariancecelia@gmail.com

# News Flash!!! DISTRICT GRANTS TRAINING

# at rotarydistrict5170.org September 1, 2017

There will be no physical (live) District Grants training in 2017-2018. To make it more convenient for members to "attend" the training, it has been made virtual.

There are five training modules and an introduction/syllabus. You can find them at <a href="www.rotarydistrict5170.org">www.rotarydistrict5170.org</a>. To navigate to them, look for the link in the "Rotary Foundation Grants" box on the left side of the home page of the District's web site.

Anyone is welcome to take the training, but every club wishing to submit a District Grant application is required to complete the training and pass the quizzes at the end.

When you submit the answers at the end, we will send you a brief survey. We would appreciate knowing your thoughts about training in this process.

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The District Grant forms are on the District website. The Grants team is open for business!

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact the Grants Resource Leader for the area in which your club is located:

Areas 1 – 3 Andrew Taw

ataw88@gmail.com (408) 621-2804

Areas 4 – 6 Jon Winston

jon@winstonhome.com (831) 588-3452

Areas 7 – 9 Gerri Hussey

gerri.hussey@mail.com (510) 471-0513

For Stewardship Questions, contact:

**Kathy Yates** 

kbyates@sbcglobal.net (408) 833-0456

Thanks to all for your patience!

Cecelia Babkirk Grants Chair, 2017 – 2018

rotariancecelia@gmail.com (408) 242-6286



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## **Membership Committee**

Hung Wei, District Membership Chair email— hungweichien@gmail.com

Congratulations to our District 5170 for membership growth in Rotary Year 2016/17: Per the report from Zone 25/26, only three Districts achieved growth in membership and our District took the lead:

District 5170 – Governor Jeff Orth +52 members

District 5000 – Governor Clint Schroeder +27 members

District 5490 – Governor Dan Messersmith +22 members

The District Membership Seminar on August 19, 2017 hosted at Castlewood Country Club was well attended with 94 attendees representing 31 clubs in the District with members/parents/adviser from Interact Club of Silicon



Valley. This was an interactive and informational seminar concentrating on best practices in membership retention/attraction as well as public image building. Attendees took back to their clubs action items to be implemented that are practical and effective in building awareness and to make Rotary more relevant to members, in both service projects and fellowship activities. If your Club missed the opportunity to attend and you would like information offered at the Membership Seminar, please contact the District Membership team by emailing Membership Committee Chair Hung Wei at <a href="mailto:hungweichien@gmail.com">hungweichien@gmail.com</a>

As District Governor Orrin Mahoney states, "The mission of District 5170 is to both inspire and support the Clubs in the District", the District Membership Committee is standing by to provide resources and answer questions regarding best practices that can be immediately implemented by each Club's leadership team.



Priority #1 Plus Membership Seminar at the Castlewood Country Club

Please save the date for another important training opportunity and project showcase for your entire membership provided by the District: Avenues of Service on Thursday October 5, 2017 from 5:00pm to 9:00pm at Santa Clara Biltmore Hotel with Zone 25/26 Director John Matthews as the Special Keynote Speaker. This event offers comprehensive training on all Avenues of Service activities, and a venue to showcase projects throughout our District – don't miss the training, fellowship, and fun!

### **Youth Service**

Chris Miller, District Youth Service Communications Lead email— <a href="mailto:camillerlg@aol.com">camillerlg@aol.com</a>

District Governor Orrin's theme this year is "developing lifelong friendships, while making a difference". Our youth programs, sponsored by our District and our Rotary clubs, is something every Rotarian and Advisor should be proud of. The connections we are building with each other, whether Rotarians, mentoring adults, or the huge network of youth is invaluable.

Not only are we making a difference in the world, we are making a difference right here in each other's lives in Silicon Valley. Whether through

- the 7500 Interactors in our District--learn more here: <a href="http://www.rotarydistrict5170.org/">http://www.rotarydistrict5170.org/</a> SitePage/interact
- to the 210 students who attend RYLA each year and the 40+ RYLA volunteer support stafflearn more here: <a href="http://ryla5170.com/">http://ryla5170.com/</a>
- to the 100s of youth who graduate from our ELC programs—learn more here: <a href="http://www.youthservicesandbeyond.org/elc/">http://www.youthservicesandbeyond.org/elc/</a>
- to the exchange students and their host families here and abroad—learn more here: <a href="http://www.rotarydistrict5170.org/SitePage/youth-exchange">http://www.rotarydistrict5170.org/SitePage/youth-exchange</a>
- to the youth we assist through or Children at Risk program with new computers—learn more here: <a href="http://rotarydistrict5170.org/SitePage/children-at-risk">http://rotarydistrict5170.org/SitePage/children-at-risk</a>
- to the nearly 200 students participating in our Speech Contest—learn more here: <a href="http://www.rotarydistrict5170.org/SitePage/speech-contest">http://www.rotarydistrict5170.org/SitePage/speech-contest</a>
- to the efforts we take in ensuring our youth are protected—learn more here: <a href="http://www.rotarydistrict5170.org/SitePage/youth-protection-1">http://www.rotarydistrict5170.org/SitePage/youth-protection-1</a>

We are proud to have a team of Rotarians and volunteers who live and breathe Rotarian values and commit to providing tremendous experiences or our youth, and invite you to get involved!

Contact District Youth Service Chair Margarethe Pfeffer, <a href="margarethe@lattie.com">margarethe@lattie.com</a> with any questions or to get involved.

## FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Largest gathering of Interactors in the world!

October 8, 2017, Sunday, 9:00 am—3:00 pm, Independence High School, San Jose Cost—\$13 (Bring your own water bottle; hydration stations and lunch is provided)

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#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2020-2021

The time has come to nominate individuals to serve as the 2020-2021 District Governor for Rotary District 5170.

Each Rotary club in the District may nominate one of its members for District Governor Nominee Designate, or propose a member of another club with the latter club's concurrence.

A nomination form and a biographical information sheet must be filled out (<u>click here</u>) and returned to District Administrator, Olivia Poe (<u>admin@rotarydistrict5170.org</u>) by October 31 2017, Tuesday.

Interviews for the position will be conducted on November 18, 2017, Saturday.

All nominations will be handled in accordance with Article 13 of the By Laws of Rotary International.

If you have any questions on the nomination process, please contact the District Office at (408) 273-4577.



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## **Club Events**

Click on event flyers to be taken to the Club websites for more information















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## Help Us Sound the Alarm about fire safety

Seven times a day, someone in this country dies in a home fire. The American Red Cross is launching a nationwide campaign to reduce the number of home fire deaths and injuries by 25 percent over the next five years.

We're joining with fire departments and community groups nationwide to canvass neighborhoods, install smoke alarms and deliver fire prevention information in places we know have high numbers of fires.

The Red Cross also is asking every household in America to join us in taking the two simple steps that can save lives: checking their existing smoke alarms and practicing fire drills at home.



# Join the Home Fire Preparedness Team today and start making a difference in your community. Choose from any of the exciting positions below:

- Pre-Event Canvasser In small teams you will go door-to-door to notify residents in targeted neighborhoods for installation of the upcoming rally in their area.
- Neighborhood Captain Coordinates teams, meetings, routes, communications protocols, training, reporting and closeout on event day.
- Support Lead Ensures all needed locations, materials, and equipment are acquired, ready and in place
  for the event. In addition, helps coordinate vehicles, staging areas, refreshments, supplies and other needed
  logistical support.
- Smoke Alarm Installer Conduct home visits, test existing smoke alarms in homes, replace batteries as needed, and install smoke alarms within the home according to manufacturer's instructions.
- Disaster Safety Educator Provide education to residents on fire safety and additional local hazards, and assist residents in completing a home fire escape plan.
- Documenter/Reporter Document resident information, including the services provided. Complete all
  acknowledgement forms and reports for campaign tracking.
- Bi-lingual translator Assist our installation teams to communicate with the Spanish, Cantonese, and Mandarin residences while also providing services during installations within our targeted communities.
- Drivers Transport installation teams and supplies to and from job headquarters and staging sites.
   Must be an authorized Red Cross driver.

#### **Upcoming Home Fire Preparedness Events**

 09/23/2017 - Oakland, CA (Fruitvale)
 09/23/2017 - King City, CA

 09/23/2017 - San Mateo, CA
 09/30/2017 - Suisun City, CA

 10/01/2017 - San Jose, CA (Edenvale)
 10/07/2017 - Ukiah, CA

10/07/2017 - Oakland, CA (Chinatown) 10/14/2017 - Oakland, CA (West Oakland)

 10/14/2017 – Belmont, CA
 10/14/2017 – Milpitas, CA

 10/14/2017 – San Jose, CA (Blossom Hill)
 10/14/2017 – Capitola, CA

 10/14/2017 – San Jose, CA (Berryessa)
 10/14/2017 – Santa Rosa, CA

Sign up today. Go to SoundTheAlarm.org/NorCalCoastal to volunteer and help in

your community. Please indicate that you are a Rotarian and which club. If you have any questions, contact camilla.boolootian@redcross.org or call 831-421-1146

# wind whisperers FROM INDIA



#### RONU MAJUMDAR bansuri RAJHESH VAIDHYA veena

Vinod Venkatraman and his ensemble of North and South Indian percussionists

uniting the music of North & South India on one stage in the ancient art form of jugalbandi ("tied together"), a duet performed by musicians of different instruments and styles

#### Sunday, Sept 24, 2017. 5:00 p.m.

De Anza College Visual & Performing Arts Center 21250 Stevens Creek Blvd., Cupertino, CA 95014

Tickets \$25, \$40, \$50, \$75, \$100

Online: www.sulekha.com/swarsudha or www.swarsudha.org

Mahesh Nihalani (408) 806-9142 Sunil Ganu (408) 398-8160 Sanjana Anand (650) 255-9752





Presented by The Music Circle and Swar Sudha to benefit the TeachLearn Foundation



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# Rotary District 5170

#### 2017-2018 Officers:

District Governor: Orrin Mahoney

Immediate Past District Governor: Jeff Orth

District Governor-Elect: Tim Lundell

District Governor Nominee: Ramesh Hariharan

Chief of Staff: Jerra Rowland

Lieutenant Governor: Gregg Giusiana District Treasurer: Mary Humphrey District Assistant Treasurer: Joe Pfahnl District Administrator: Olivia Poe

#### District Chairs:

Community/International/Vocational Service: Jeboy Koshy

District Trainer: Arley Marley

Friendship Exchange Chair: Lee Denlinger

Marketing/Public Image: Larry Dean

Membership: Hung Wei

Technology and Communication: Charlie Wasser

The Rotary Foundation: Russ Hobbs Youth Service: Margarethe Pfeffer

#### **Assistant Governors:**

Area 1: Robert Kidd
Area 3: Jim Bell
Area 4: Milly Seibel
Area 5: Robbie Izat
Area 6: Art Testani
Area 7: Donna Maurillo
Area 8: Tina Orsi-Hartigan

Area 9: Richard Schoelerman Small Clubs: Ramesh Hariharan

The District Office is located at 2570 N. First Street, Suite 200, San Jose, CA 95131. <a href="https://www.rotarydistrict5170.org">www.rotarydistrict5170.org</a> | Phone:(408) 273-4577 | Email: <a href="mailto:admin@rotarydistrict5170.org">admin@rotarydistrict5170.org</a>

To highlight your club projects and events in the District newsletter, please email the information to <a href="mailto:admin@rotarydistrict5170.org">admin@rotarydistrict5170.org</a> by the 10th of each month.



Please help the District Office share the most accurate information. Update your information now on ClubRunner.

https://portal.clubrunner.ca/50083/ User/Login

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