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Rotary Club
of Redding



Jennifer Finnegan
Club President

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District Governor

Incoming President's Message

Welcome to our 100th Year, Fellow Rotarians!

I am so excited and honored to serve as President of our club in its historic centennial anniversary year. I have been spending time reading through our historic documents in preparation for this year, and I hope you enjoy hearing the insights and stories I've uncovered.

This year my focus will be directed toward three goals:

- Achieving better attendance at weekly meetings,
- Build on our successful launch of our Haunted House fundraiser,
- Celebrate 100 years of Rotary in Redding.



Our club's membership is still strong, albeit smaller than we were back in the 80's and 90's when we had nearly 200 members. The challenge we're seeing today is a new one for Rotary with the relaxed policies on attendance. COVID had an impact on the way our whole world viewed "attendance" as now that can include being present remotely as well as in-person. This has effected the way attendance at Rotary clubs worldwide has been perceived and valued.

We're also facing a shift in the way people want to spend their time. Focus has moved toward time as a valuable commodity to be spent on activities that provide emotional wellbeing as well as financial support to our Rotarians and their families. More than ever it's important for us to focus on the good our club is doing in our community, district, and world. Those feel-good projects that embody the Four Way Test and excite new Rotarians to join our ranks are the ones we should be most vocal about, as they provide that meaningful emotional gratification that has become so valuable to our younger generations. It is my hope that directing our focus toward our committee works, local projects, and celebrating 100 years of doing good works in our community will jump-start our club in a way that it greatly needs. We don't just celebrate our history for the fun of looking back, but because that legacy continues today as we remember all of the great things we've done in Redding and all the great things we are going to do in the future.

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Our Haunted House is a shining example of such a project! This was something that we started in order to fill the void of a “major fundraiser”. What I wasn’t expecting was for it to be so darn much fun! Our core group of Haunted House committee chairs met so regularly last year and spent so many hours working on making that idea a reality, that this year we’re excited and encouraged to do even more. We have a plan already laid out for us with our successes last year, and stirring ideas for improvements and embellishments that will thrill and excite the audiences when we reveal them this October.

I will be encouraging the build-up to this event during our weekly recognitions. I’m happy to announce that we will be partnering with Pathways to Hope this year in an effort to provide Haunted House admission to the youth and families that they support. Their mission, to promote a local culture that values all children and families, speaks to three of Rotary’s core values of Fellowship, Diversity, and Integrity. I’m going to incorporate the other two values of Service and Leadership by leading our club in a fundraising effort to support these kids and their families with some fun and fellowship this fall. I will be asking each recognition to consider donating one ticket to the haunted house for a Pathways to Hope kid. In return, we will be asking them to help us with volunteers for the event. I hope you will join me in supporting this partnership, and purchase a ticket for a Pathways to Hope child in our Redding community this year.

Finally, the year would not be complete without the recognition and celebration of our 100 years in Rotary. May 20, 1924 was the day our club’s charter was recognized by Rotary International. Our District, originally 516 instead of 5160, bestowed upon us the honor and responsibility of calling ourselves a Rotary Club that year. Included in our club’s historical documents are several letters, stories, and reports from the famous “Shan”, or J. Ronan Shannon. The very same individual that our club “Shan” recognition was named after. One particular piece I will be sharing with you includes the origin story of our club, where we came from, and the struggles our predecessors overcame to establish a club here in Redding. The first, and certainly not the last, of it’s kind. In fact, our club would go on to sponsor five other clubs over the years as the name “Rotary” became common place in Redding households. Because we sponsored the other Rotary clubs, they are an integral part of our 100 year Rotary story.

To culminate this year’s celebration, on Thursday May 23, 2024 we will be holding a celebratory dinner gala. Our Century Celebration, if you will! I will keep you all updated as details unfold, and vendors are secured. I hope you will put on your “Sunday Best” and join me for an evening of memories, fellowship, inspirational stories, and fun. Please save the date for the evening of May 23, 2024.

I hope that together we have a year of fun and fellowship ahead of us. I look forward to seeing more of you at our club meetings, joining together to put on an amazingly successful Haunted House fundraiser, and celebrating 100 years of Rotary in Redding.

Yours in service,

Jennifer R. Finnegan

Presidential Induction

Team 1's co-captain **PP Joe Ayer** (co-captain **Joe Wyse**, not present) introduced those serving today: Greeters were **Rob Adams, Leslie Morgan, Steve Williams & Andree Blanchier**. **PP Joe Ayer** led the Pledge, and introduced our visitors and guests. **Mark Rincon** led the invocation, and **Steve Williams** provided today's raffle prize.

After the "opening ceremonies" were complete, the incoming club officers took control with the presidential induction proceedings. With "If We Could Talk To the Animals" playing in the background, an animal parade of costumed Directors made their way to the podium to celebrate incoming **President Jenn Finnegan**. Each of the Directors presented **President Jenn** with a gift to "help" her with Rotary year. From an Easy Button, to an oversized flask, to a bag of Blow-Pops, each gift was met with laughter from the crowd. **PP Mark Ball** presented **President Jenn** with her very own, customized gavel, and she showed off her personalized "**Queen Jenn**" step stool, crafted by **PP Tom Semingson**.



New Member Induction

As her first order of business, **President Jenn** welcomed new member **Nikola Hawes** to our club. **Judy Maxwell**, **Nikola's** sponsor, joined her on stage as **President Jenn** presented plaques, pin, and apron. Welcome to the club, **Nikola!**



Birthdays and Anniversaries

Rotary District 5160 Club: Redding

Birthdays and Anniversaries for **07/01/2023** to **07/31/2023**

Member Birthdays	Birthday
Barzin, Dara (DAR)	10-Jul
Brown, Melinda (MELINDA BROWN)	22-Jul
Davis, Kristi K. (KRISTI)	26-Jul
Dickens, Wendy (WENDY)	11-Jul
Finnegan, Jennifer R. (JENN FINNEGAN)	30-Jul
Flack, Martin (MARTIN)	20-Jul
Hatch, Rachel (RACHEL)	9-Jul
Johannessen, K. Maurice (K. MAURICE)	16-Jul
Mangas, Mike (MIKE)	24-Jul
Montague, Jason (JASON)	19-Jul
Olmstead, Larry (LARRY)	31-Jul
Poch, Eugene F. (GENE)	28-Jul
Smith, Randall R. (RANDALL)	12-Jul
Stewart, Ray (RAY)	11-Jul
Tate, James D (JAMES)	18-Jul

Partner Birthdays	Member Name	Birthday
Davis, Kristi (KRISTI)	Davis, Todd	26-Jul

Member Anniversaries	Start Date	Years
Adams, Teresa N(TERESA)	7/1/23	0
Ayer, Joe(JOE)	7/8/10	13
Burks, Ryan(RYAN)	7/15/21	2
McCarthy, Phillip(PHIL)	7/28/22	1
Morgan, Leslie(LESLIE)	7/1/10	13
Olmstead, Larry(LARRY)	7/1/22	1
Parker, Jason Knox(JASON)	7/19/12	11
Scott, McGregor(GREG)	7/1/21	2
Vanlandingham, Jerrod(JERROD)	7/7/22	1
Williams, Steven L(STEVE)	7/30/09	14

Wedding Anniversaries	Partner's Name	Anniversary	Years
Dacquisto, Michael(MICHAEL)	Tina	12-Jul	37
Girimonte, Joseph A.(JOE)	Diane	28-Jul	14
Hatch, Rachel(RACHEL)	Aaron	19-Jul	15
Mancasola, John A.(JOHN)	Molly	26-Jul	43
Mangas, Jacob R(JAKE)	Janet	24-Jul	19
Michiels, Susan K.(SUSIE)	Tiger (TIGER)	16-Jul	29
Michiels, Tiger Joe(TIGER)	Susie (SUSIE)	16-Jul	29
Montague, Jason(JASON)	Cherie	31-Jul	31
Seamans, Kendell D.(KEN)	Susan	18-Jul	36
Smithson, Arthur J.(ART)	Denise	8-Jul	34
Williams, Steven L(STEVE)	Nancy	25-Jul	42
Wyse, Joe(JOE)	Erica	3-Jul	30

Changes In Membership

Rotary District 5160-Redding New Membership Listing

New Members From: **Jun-01-2023** To: **Jul-01-2023**

1 Members Listed

Member Name	MemberType	Start Date	Club	Sponsor	Classification
Adams, Teresa N (TERESA)	Active-DM	7/1/23	Redding	Julie Gussenhoven	Dry Cleaning

Rotary District 5160-Redding Terminated Membership Listing

Terminated Members From: **Jun-01-2023** To: **Jul-01-2023**

7 Members Listed

Member Name	Member Type	Term Date	Term Reason	Start Date	Club	Sponsor
Dunlap, John C (JOHN)	Active-R85	6/30/23	Personal	2/9/84	Redding	Jerry Scheller
Fitch, Stephen (STEPHEN)	Active-R85	6/28/23	Health	11/4/93	Redding	
Nickraves, Sheva (SHEVA)	Active-LOA	6/29/23	Personal	1/29/15	Redding	Courtney McElvain
Northrup, Joel (JOEL)	Active	6/29/23	Non-payment of club dues	1/7/21	Redding	Mike Mangas
Pontes, Matt (MATT)	Active	6/29/23	Non-payment of club dues	6/10/21	Redding	Kristy LeAnne Lanham
Sevilla, Art (ART)	Active	6/29/23	Non-payment of club dues	1/25/18	Redding	Marjeanne Stone
Spafford, Charles H. (CHUCK)	Active-R85	6/30/23	Personal	12/2/82	Redding	

Calendar

July 13	Forensic Psychologist, Dana Anderson
July 20	Pyrolysis and the City of Redding, Josh Vandiver
July 27	Sites Reservoir, Jerry Brown - meeting held offsite at Simpson University
August 3	Fortera Cement Co2 Capture



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