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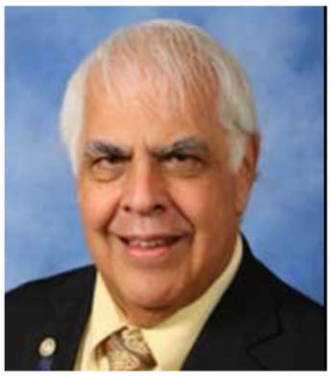
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Richard Lemire 2026-2027

DISTRICT 5330



OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP TEAM



RICHARD LEMIRE

DISTRICT 5330 GOVERNOR 2026-27



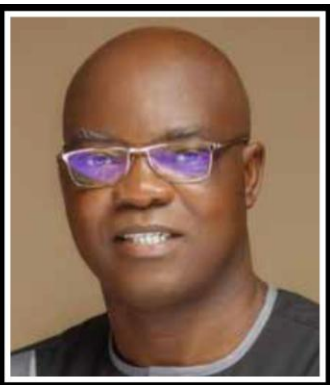
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RI PRESIDENT 2026-27

Governor's Message

November 2026

Greetings District 5330 Rotarians!

We are now entering the fifth month of our Rotary year. I have had the honor of visiting 33 of our clubs so far. Every single club has been so welcoming and I deeply appreciate the hospitality that you have shown me. I, in turn, will forever be grateful for the opportunity to learn about all the incredible things that your clubs are doing. If I were to deliver a "State of the Union" address for the district, I would say that the state of the district is excellent.

As the weather cools (hopefully!), I will begin my visitations to our desert clubs on November 2. Our Assistant Governors keep me apprised of the great things that these clubs are doing so I cannot wait to see them first hand. I got a nice preview this past weekend when I attended the Palm Desert Rotary Club's pancake breakfast followed by riding in the Annual Palm Desert Golf Cart Parade. Then I was honored to attend Namaste Nexus's Diwali celebration that featured a presentation by Ambassador Dr. K. J. Srinivasa, Consul General of India in Los Angeles. Both of these events allowed the clubs to spotlight the service projects that they have accomplished to the entire community.

To conclude this month's message, I would like to share a deeply touching experience I had this week at the Moreno Valley Rotary Club. I went there to deliver a Rotary Foundation award but I had no idea who their program was going to be. Their speaker was Lilia Villa, the Director of English Language Learners Program for the Moreno Valley Unified School District. She began her presentation telling how, at the age of 10 months, her mother was taking her to receive the polio vaccine in her native Mexico when her mouth began to foam and she was clearly in distress. She was diagnosed with polio, and for her first ten years of life she was unable to speak and her prognosis for recovery and a long life was very poor. During that time her mother brought her to the United States where she was able to receive treatment and care despite their extreme poverty. At age 10, Lilia recovered her ability to learn to speak and eventually she met an "angel" from UCLA who guided and mentored her throughout her high school years and made it possible for her to achieve her dream of attending and graduating from UCLA. Lilia is an incredible polio survivor, and I was so touched that I

invited her to be a guest of our District at the Foundation Gala on November 14 in Banning. I hope you also have the opportunity to meet Lilia. And speaking of the Foundation Gala, there are now less than 80 seats available, and when we sell out we will have to close registration.



Also, a reminder that we will draw the winner of the opportunity to walk in the Rose Parade with the Rotary Float at the Foundation Gala. For more information see the flyer below and please contribute today!

Thank you, my fellow Rotarians for Creating Lasting Impact!

Patsy Orr, District Rotary Foundation Chair

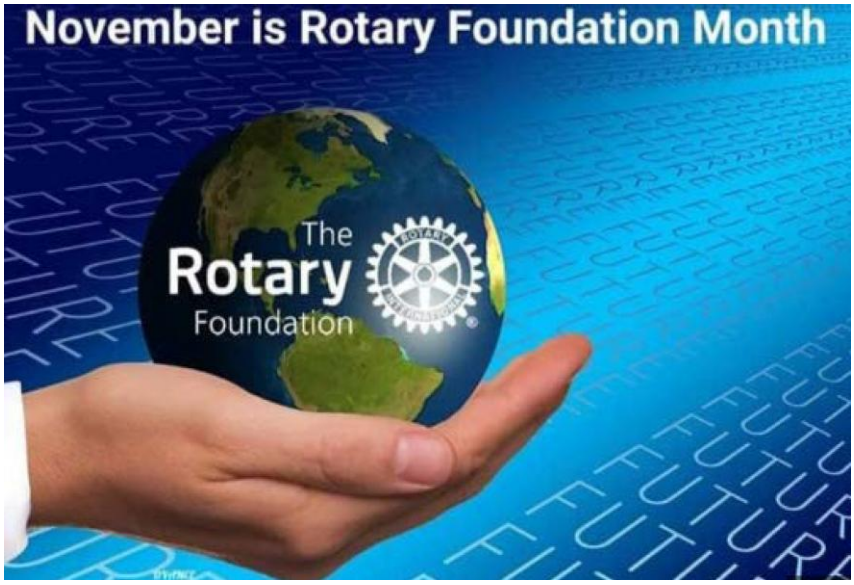
November: Rotary Foundation Month

Each November, Rotary clubs celebrate the Rotary Foundation, a time to recognize and promote the life-changing work of The Rotary Foundation. Established in 1917, the Foundation supports humanitarian projects, educational programs, disease prevention efforts, and initiatives that promote peace and economic development across the globe.

Rotary Foundation Month provides an opportunity for Rotarians to reflect on the impact of their contributions and to educate communities about the Foundation's mission. Through donations and volunteer service, Rotary members help fund projects that provide clean water, improve maternal and child health, support education, and advance Rotary's ongoing commitment to eradicating polio worldwide.

This month also serves as a reminder that even small contributions can make a significant difference. By supporting The Rotary Foundation, Rotarians and community partners help create lasting positive change, transforming lives and strengthening communities both locally and internationally.

As we celebrate Rotary Foundation Month, let us reaffirm our commitment to Service Above Self and continue working together to build a healthier, more peaceful, and more prosperous world.





Bill Chase,PDG, District Learning Facilitator

Welcome Fall and to cooler weather, especially here in the Coachella Valley!
As your district's Learning Facilitator (DLF), formerly titled District Trainer, I'm happy to inform you about a number of valuable opportunities that are being provided for you in order to gain more information about "Everything You Wanted to Know About Rotary but Were Afraid to Ask"!

DG Richard Lemire has scheduled Saturday, November 14th as his Annual Rotary Foundation Gala. I know he will be writing about it in this Digest but it's an opportunity to hear from an actual polio survivor, and learn more about what your valuable donations to TRF will benefit. locally as well as globally, in the coming years.

PDG Marilyn Sanderson, chair of the district's Education Committee, is working hard to continue scheduling periodic 45-minute education sessions for D5330 Rotarians on a variety of topics. She is also engaged in planning the annual Pre-PELS (Pre-Presidents' Elect Learning Seminar) event scheduled for the end of January for DGE Brian Pellis' incoming club presidents. DG Richard will also be meeting with his club presidents that same day at his Presidents' Mid-Term Review to assess the successes the PEs have achieved and what they plan to do until their year comes to an end on June 30th. He and I will be working closely to prepare the different sessions for that day. More info will be forthcoming.

The Presidents' Elect Learning Seminar (PELS) is scheduled for February 19-21, again at the LAX Marriott. DG Richard and I will be working on the contents for the two break-out sessions he will have with his PEs that weekend.

DGN Jeri Simpson is chairing the annual District Training Assembly to be held in April. Courses offered will include club officer training, a simplified way to create your club's Strategic Plan, how your club may benefit from AI, Secretary & Treasurer training, and a host of other important sessions. THIS EVENT IS FOR EVERYONE!!! It doesn't matter if you are a seasoned Rotarian or a new member, this event is for all of you!

As I mentioned in a previous article, my team of facilitators and I are working hard to create a focused set of courses based on leadership training called R.O.L.E., Rotarians Optimizing Leadership Excellence. It's a "graduate course" of sorts for those Rotarians wanting to learn more about how to be more effective and credible leaders. We plan to introduce it to interested parties the middle of next year. It will be facilitated over four, one-day sessions. I am truly excited about this!

I'll be back with an update next month. In the meantime, if you have any questions, feel free to contact me ANYTIME!

Joe Ramos, District Rose Parade Float Chair

ONLY 15 DAYS LEFT!

Your Chance to Walk Alongside the Rotary Rose Parade Float!

At our **District Foundation Gala on November 14**, Rotary International Director **Wyn Spiller** will randomly select one lucky District 5330 Rotarian to walk alongside the Rotary Rose Parade Float on New Year's Day!

For just a **$50 contribution**, you could walk down Pasadena's famous Colorado Boulevard, with RI Director Wyn Spiller and RI President-Elect Larry Lunsford riding aboard the float, showcasing Rotary to an estimated **80 million viewers worldwide!**

This exclusive opportunity **valued at $7500** comes from District 5330's annual contribution for the Rotary Rose Parade Float. And with only **50 entries so far**, your chances could be excellent!

Even if you do not wish to walk, you may wish to donate $50 to support our Rotary District. If you win you can give your spot to another.

Become an Official District 5330 Sponsor!

For **$500**, you receive:

- **5 chances** to win the coveted walker position.
- **Your name on District Governor Richard Lemire's polo shirt**, proudly worn beginning at the Foundation Gala and during club visits and major District events throughout the year.

$1,000 sponsorship opportunities offer even greater recognition!

See the attached flyer for details.

Don't miss this once-in-a-lifetime Rotary opportunity! Your contribution also supports District 5330's humanitarian projects.

Rotary District 5330 Sponsor

Exclusive to District 5330 Rotarians

Where Communities Bloom

District 5330 supports the Rotary Rose Parade Float and receives **one coveted walker position.**

District Governor **Richard Lemire** is offering that position through a drawing open to District 5330 Rotarians. Make a **$50 contribution** for the opportunity to be selected as our District's representative float walker **on January 1.**







Funds raised go directly to *help our District 5330 perform the great humanitarian projects* we are known for.

Participation & Sponsor Opportunities

1 — $50 Walking Opportunity

District 5330 Rotarian Drawing Opportunity

1 — **1 chance to walk on January 1.**

5 — $500 Sponsor

5 chances to walk

5 — Your logo on a shirt worn by the DG

10 — $1,000 Sponsor

10 chances to walk

10 — 

- Shirt plus banner
- Publicized in social media

15 DAYS LEFT

Announcement of the winner of the walking position will be made on **November 14** at the D5330 Foundation Gala.

*You do not have to be there to win. Winning walker will be drawn by RI Zone Director **Wyn Spiller**.*

For additional information—or to request a presentation about this year's Rotary Rose Parade Float—contact **Joe Ramos** at **DGJoe1314@gmail.com**.

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Together, we create a brighter tomorrow.

You're Invited!

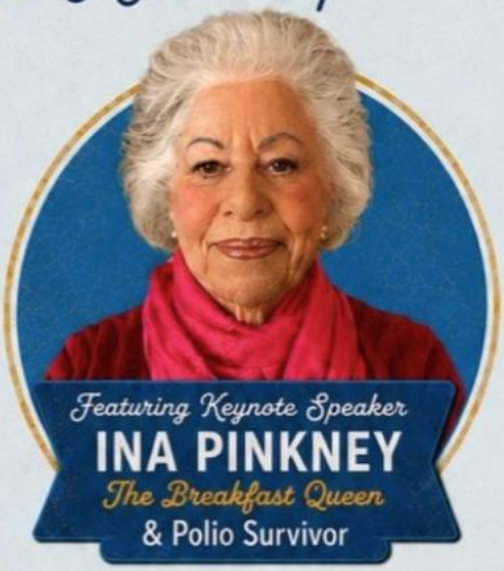
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FOUNDATION Dinner

— Celebrating Service & Friendship —

SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 14
5:30 P.M.

SUN LAKES COUNTRY CLUB
850 South Country Club Drive
Banning, CA



Featuring Keynote Speaker
INA PINKNEY
The Breakfast Queen
& Polio Survivor

MENU

- **Garlic Butter Rib Eye Steak 12oz**
  w/ Red Wine Demi Sauce,
  Herbed Mashed Potatoes, Asparagus
- **Lemon Zest Seared Halibut**
  Topped with Lump Crab Meat,
  Hollandaise Cream Sauce,
  Herb Orzo, Asparagus
- **Vegetarian Wellington**
  Butternut Squash, Faro,
  Portobello Mushroom, Kale



- **Honoring All District 5330 Donors to The Rotary Foundation**
- **Polio Plus Society Members**
- **Polio Plus Kennel Klub Members**

ONLY
$100
REGISTER NOW!

Rotary District 5330

END POLIO NOW

UNITED WE CELEBRATE
YUCAIPA'S 71ST CHRISTMAS PARADE
PRESENTED BY Rotary Club of Yucaipa

DECEMBER 12, 2026

BE PART OF THE 2026 YUCAIPA CHRISTMAS PARADE!

This Christmas, we're celebrating the season with a little extra red, white & blue!

In honor of America's 250th birthday, this year's theme is **UNITED WE CELEBRATE** – a festive celebration of community, country, and Christmas cheer. Gather your equestrian group, decorate your float, deck out your vehicle or, or lace up your walking shoes and join us for one of Yucaipa's favorite holiday traditions!

BUSINESSES | COMMUNITY GROUPS | SCHOOLS
CLUBS | CHURCHES | FAMILIES & MORE







*Show your patriotic **CHRISTMAS SPIRIT** and help us make this year's parade one to remember!*

SCAN HERE

REGISTER TO PARTICIPATE

yucaiparotary.org/yucaipa-christmas-parade

Peacemaker of the Year

Art for Peace Contest

SAVE THE DATE

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37th Annual Peace Conference

Rotary District 5300

CREATE LASTING IMPACT

Rotary District 5330

Featuring Keynote Speaker:
Dan Himelspach
Past Rotary International Director



New Date: Saturday, March 6, 2027

7:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
Cal Poly Pomona
Kellogg West

Details to follow...

Multi-District Event

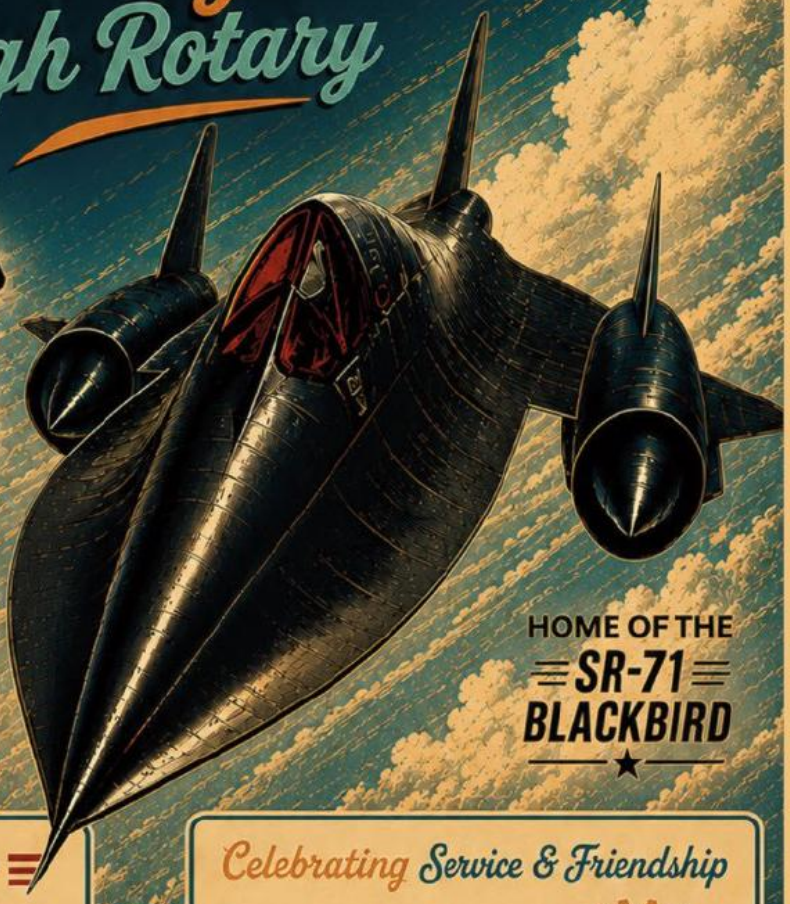
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CONFERENCE

Soar High Through Rotary

DINNER UNDER THE STARS FACING THE MARCH ARB FLIGHT LINE WHERE IT'S AN AIR SHOW EVERY DAY

MARCH FIELD AIR MUSEUM



HOME OF THE SR-71 BLACKBIRD

Saturday

JUNE 19

11:00 AM

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Rotary District 5330

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