



If you missed our November 21st, program, *Freedom, Never Presume It*, you may click on the picture below to view a video of portions of it.



How did you like this week's program? Take the survey by clicking [HERE](#).
Thank you to our Rotary News sponsor Ginny Ollis.

November 28



Happy Thanksgiving!

We are dark this week.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

December 5th

**Mr. and Mrs. San Diego 2024
Honoring Ben and Nikki Clay!**

December 12th

**David Haigh
CEO San Diego Legion Rugby**

December 19th

Annual Holiday Program

It will be a magical holiday adventure embracing cozy winter nights with sparkling snowflakes and lots of holiday cheer!

December 26th

Dark for the Holidays

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Our newest club member, Ally Keegan, is a Criminal Defense Attorney and Partner at Law Office of David P. Shapiro. You can learn more about her by clicking on the picture on page 1 and watching the video of this week's meeting where she introduces herself, or by clicking [here](#).

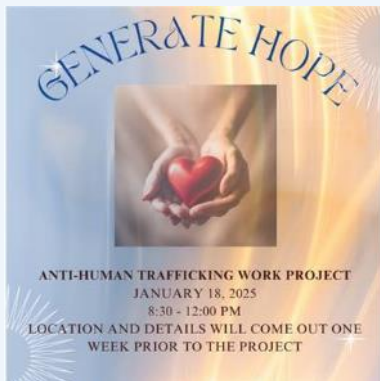


NOV 25– DEC 1 BIRTHDAYS

November 25: Doug Paul

November 30: Megan Pogue

AROUND THE DISTRICT

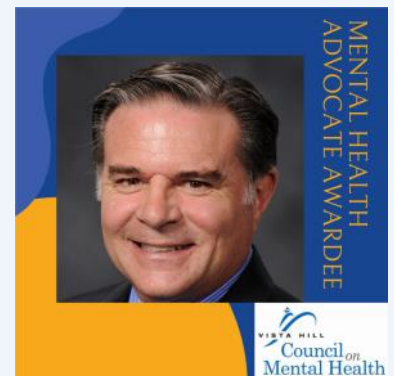


The Rotary District 5340 Anti-Human Trafficking Task Force invites you to a work party on Saturday, January 18, 2025, at a local recovery home. Our efforts will focus on enhancing the garden and yard area, as well as providing necessary in-home cleaning.

These events are crucial for supporting the facility and demonstrating kindness to the residents. We plan to work from 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM. No specific skills are required, just enthusiasm and a readiness to help.

Interested individuals should reach out to Bonnie Welsh at bawelch@pabell.net. To maintain confidentiality of the location and manage volunteer registration, please contact Bonnie directly. The address will be disclosed to volunteers the week before the event and must remain confidential.

We are pleased to share that Vista Hill honored Past District Governor Chuck Pretto posthumously with their Mental Health Advocate Award at their annual Council on Mental Health event. Chuck served as the Honorary Chair for the Council on Mental Health event in 2022 and was instrumental in bringing more attention and focus to behavioral health challenges during his term as Rotary District Governor of District 5340. Kimberly Kobey Pretto graciously received the award on her husband's behalf, from Rob Dean, CEO of Vista Hill and Laura Mello of Rotary. Our District's focus on Mental Health started with Chuck and we continue to grow our initiatives through our District Chapter of the Rotary Action Group on Mental Health Initiatives. For more information contact alanturner.rotary@gmail.com.



SDSU's Rotaract Club is currently raising funds for Rady Children's Hospital through a charity called Dance Marathon. Dance Marathon has been at SDSU since 2015, and they've raised over \$2.2 million for kids in need. Rady Children's Hospital-San Diego serves about a quarter million kids annually. With these donations Rady's is able to offer care to families that can't afford it, conduct research, run therapy programs, and more. Dance Marathon has its namesake event on February 22nd, with 12 hours of dancing, music, fundraising, food, and stories from Rady families who have been impacted by the work that Dance Marathon does. Staying for the full time and dancing are not mandatory but are fun! Our club is currently seeking tax-deductible [donations](#) from generous Rotarians on behalf of Dance Marathon, and Rotarians interested in attending the event should contact at aemery7747@sdsu.edu.

PROSPECTIVE NEW MEMBERS

The following applicants were recommended to the Board of Directors by the Membership Committee and will be approved for membership unless objections are received at the Rotary office by **November 29th**.

*Erin Kaufman– Miracle Babies “Associations”

*Tonya Mantooh– San Diego Film Foundation “Associations”

*Emilio Perez— Youth Philanthropy Council “Associations”

FACES IN THE CROWD

Photos courtesy of Paul Nestor



(Lt.) **Laura Mitchell** with new member **Ally Keegan** and **President Mia**. (Rt.) **Geri Wamke** takes a fine to introduce us to her husband, **Don Frey**.



(Lt.) Past District Governors welcome **Michael Brunker** as DG 2027-28. (Rt.) Chair of the Day **Paul Nestor** with **President Mia** and guest speakers **Fary Moini** and **Steve Brown**.