



If you missed our February 12th program, *Dr. Lilly Cheng: Love Across Cultures*, you may click on the picture below to view a video of it.



How did you like this week's program? Take the survey by clicking [HERE](#). Thank you to Tracy Sundlun for sponsoring this week's Rotary News.

February 19, 2026

[Chris Gomez: San Diego's Little Italy-A Premier Urban and Model Community](#)



Cannot attend in person? Here is the weekly recurring [ZOOM LINK](#) to tune in virtually at 12:30pm. You may also phone in to listen to the meeting: Phone: 1-669-900-6833 Password: 84935003462# (include the "pound" sign).

UPCOMING PROGRAM

February 26

NAMI: Mental Health in Our Community

ROTARY PEACE CENTER



This year, Rotary awards up to 170 fully funded fellowships for peacebuilders from diverse backgrounds to study at one of our peace centers located at leading universities around the world. The Rotary Foundation will select 50 peace fellows to study in our [master's degree programs](#) at six partner universities in Asia, Australia, Europe, and the United States and 120 fellows to participate in our [professional development certificate programs](#) at Makerere University in Uganda, Bahçeşehir University in Türkiye, and the newest Rotary Peace Center at [Symbiosis International University](#) in India.

Applications for the 2027 [Rotary Peace Fellowships](#) are open until 15 May.

FEBRUARY 16-22 BIRTHDAYS

February 16: Raymond Simas, Steve Treadgold

February 18: Natasha Bliss

February 20: Bart Conn, Amie Brown, Larry Stirling, Anne Myers

February 22: Gloria Shepherd McCoy

UPCOMING EVENTS



[Register Here](#)

Girl Scout's Cookies in the lobby this week!

Cash, card or Venmo

\$6 a box



PAC Funding

For all of our committee Chairs, Co-Chairs or Vice Chairs:

Through our annual Project Allocation Committee (PAC) process, I am pleased to inform you that the grant application window for the next fiscal year (July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027) is now open. The final date that applications will be accepted is **Thursday, March 19, 2026**. However, as the committee needs to go through each application and score them, it would be most appreciated if you could submit your application as soon as possible so that the committee has adequate time to carry out their task.

The form may be accessed here:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfqwNTJjY2T5IUNZJgJ3vrn9oGxIUkM4qyeegv2p5UvbPfkQ/viewform>

Should you have any questions, please contact Steve Coopersmith stc@STEVECOOPERSMITHLAW.COM, Vice Chair Daniel Amaro at damaro@klarinetsolutions.com or our Executive Director Jordan Maharaj at jordan@rotary33.org.

ROTARACT NETWORKING EVENT!

SDSU Rotaract is excited to invite you to our Second Annual Networking Event where Interactors, Rotaractors, and Rotrarians can connect! Join us for a night of facilitating new relationships, food, fun, and networking activities!

EVENT DETAILS



MARCH 21ST



5-7 P.M.



MONTEZUMA HALL, SDSU



FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL
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PROGRAMS TO BE AWARDED:
1. Austin Emery - 92.75 hours
2. Evelyn Arredondo - 67.5 hours
3. Rachel Rowin - 60.75 hours

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Photos

by Paul Nestor



(Lt) Prospective New Member Reception. (Rt) Patti Roscoe, Joyce Gattas, Dr. Lilly Cheng, a few guests and Diana MarJip-Chuh.



(Lt) Gloria Shepherd McCoy with her guests, and Tom Hom and Nora Newbern.
(Rt) Club 33 Singers



(Lt) Diana MarJip-Chuh and Gil Johnson help President Wendy ring Paul Nestor's Gong. (Rt) President Wendy, Chair of the Day Justine Wong, speaker Dr. Lilly Cheng and Inspirational Moment David Oates.