



# Monthly News

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Meetings held Mondays at 12:00 p.m.  
In person at Cornerstone Church • Online via Zoom



**New Rotary year, new president and new leadership team**

## New Member Spotlight



**Daniel Maychen**  
Chief Financial Officer  
CalViva Health



## Upcoming Events

**Saturday, Aug. 5**  
Mayor Jerry Dyer's  
Citywide Cleanup Day  
Downtown Hub  
We're looking for volunteers!

Visit [fresnorotary.org](https://fresnorotary.org) to register you and your guest for weekly meetings

# Letter from the President



## Let's soak up July's fun start to new Rotary year



Well July was a slam dunk!

Thank you to all Fresno Rotarians who helped get this Rotary year off to a good start. We had 40 club members successfully dunk me at our first meeting in what may be a Rotary Club of Fresno first: Dunk Tank. I got so soaked, and we had to call in the Navy.

I hope we can carry that momentum into August as we get set to restart COGS on August 14.

Also, mark your calendars now and get ready for our 5,000th club meeting, and look forward to some great speakers who will share their insights and stories with our club.

This is just the beginning of what I hope is a fun year for our Rotary Club of Fresno with the goal of serving our club members, serving Fresno, and providing our members with a chance to "Create Hope in the World."

*Mike Falge,*

Rotary Club of Fresno President, 2023-24



# This Month in Rotary

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**Rod Lowery**  
CEO,  
Resiliency Center  
Speaking on gaps in mental health care



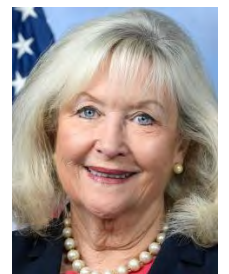
**Keith Bergthold**  
Executive Director,  
Fresno Metro Ministry  
Food ministries in greater Fresno area



**Toni Tinoco**  
Central Valley Deputy Regional  
Director for the California High-  
Speed Rail Authority,  
Updates on high-speed rail



**Connie Conway**  
Former U.S.  
Representative  
What is Congress really like?



Share your photos of Rotary meetings on social media and tag @RotaryClubofFresno

# Updates from the Board

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Board Meeting

July 12, 2023

## Avenues of Service

### Membership

- As of June 30:
  - 238 active members
  - 38 honorary

### Vocational Service

- Biz Days will return in the spring and the club is looking for a chair or co-chairs to lead this event.

### Community Service

- 24 new grant applications will be reviewed by the Community Projects Committee at 11 a.m. Aug. 7 before the regular meeting.

## Get involved!

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- **Mayor Jerry Dyer's Citywide Clean UP Day:** Saturday, Aug. 5. Downtown Hub - We're looking for volunteers!
- **First Community Projects Committee Meeting set:** 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 7, at Cornerstone Church (before Rotary meeting). Anyone interested in joining or learning more about the committee is welcome to attend!
- **COGS returns:** Meeting for all **NEW MEMBERS** during Blair Looney's year is starting up. First meeting will be at 11 a.m. Aug. 14. It's a great way to learn the in's and out's of the club and all the details of how/why we operate
- **Rotary Club's 5,000th Meeting:** We'll celebrate the 5,000th meeting with a special event from 5-8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 5, at The Grand 1401. If you're interested in sponsoring the event, email Jason Hannold at [jason@fresnorotary.org](mailto:jason@fresnorotary.org).
- **It's committee season:** We're actively looking for members to join our committees for President-Elect Mike Falge's year. If you're interested, email Jason Hannold at [jason@fresnorotary.org](mailto:jason@fresnorotary.org) and he will connect you directly with the committee chairs and co-chairs
- **Raffle prizes and gift cards are NEEDED:** We need your help! As most of you are aware, our raffle is one of the best ways we build the Community Projects (Grants) each year! 100 percent of any raffle item donated goes directly to Community Projects and Grants.



- Wilma Hashimoto - **2 Rings** - To celebrate September crab feed and her daughter getting engaged



- Mike Falge - **1 Ring** - In honor of his daughter getting engaged



- Robert Huckaby - **3 Rings** - In honor of business acquisition



- Domenico Johnston (for member Molly Fagundes-Johnston) - **1 Ring** - For birth of new baby Maximo



- John Salmonson - **13 Rings** - In honor of his 13 grandchildren



- Jon Dohlin - **3 Rings** - In honor of his children's graduation from college and high school and to recognize the opening of Kingdoms of Asia at Chaffee Zoo

- Sheila Frowsing - **3 Rings** - Recognizing a trip she was awarded by Farmers Insurance; to promote Project Nino; and to honor the start of kindergarten for her child



- **40 Rotarians** rang the bell for the privilege to dunk new Rotary Club of Fresno President Mike Falge

## Future Rotarians

Rotary Club of Fresno families just got a little bigger this year



At left, is Maximo McNeill Johnstone arriving on July 9, to Rotarian Molly Fagundes-Johnston and Domenico Johnston.

At far left is Joseph Ewan Villafan born April 2 to mom and Rotary member Christine Montanez-Villafan and Joe Villafan.

Congratulations!



# Time to celebrate!

## August Anniversaries - Thank you for your service to Rotary and our community!



Blair Looney, 49; Ron Stumpf, 31; Rick Hutchinson, 37; Garry Griesser, 36; Gus Bonner, 29; Bruno Boehi, 20; Larry Powell, 17; Shelly Lether, 9; Randy Dhindsa, 6; Valerie Vuicich, 6; Kym Dildine, 3; Jeff Aiello, 2; Isaiah Bernal, 2; Andrew Milios, 2; Julie Olson-Buchanan, 2; Santino Rodriguez, 2; Clifton Wahlberg, 2; Kristen Boroski, 1; Michelle Glass, 1; Kathleen Price 1; Amanda Tripp, 1.

## August Birthdays - Wishing you the best!



Nancy Hensel, 4; Christina Musson-Rendon 5; Scott Miller, 6; Cody Dixon, 7; Coreen Campos, 8; Anne Speake, 8; Charlie Figg, 12; Farid Assemi, 13; Rick Hutchinson, 14; Shirley Bruegman, 15; Todd Suntrapak, 15; Robert Huckaby, 16; Susan Good, 17; Elizabeth Parker, 17; Steve Royster, 18; Richard Shehadey, 18; Jim Wilson, 18; Harv Hartman, 19; Don Eskes, 22; Mike Karbassi, 25; Karen Musson, 26; Sharon Ashida, 28.

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## Looking Ahead



**Sept 4**

**Dark**  
Labor Day  
Holiday



**Sept 11**

**OPEN**  
Due to schedule  
change



**Sept 18**

**Rais Vohra**  
Fresno County  
Dept. of  
Public Health



**Sept 25**

**OPEN**  
Due to schedule  
change

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