

“Service Above Self”

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Newsletter



Meets Wednesdays
12:15 p.m.
Padillo Room at
the Mission Playhouse
324 S. Mission Drive
San Gabriel, CA

Rotary Club of San Gabriel

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“A Club with a Mission”

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Veterans and Rotarians

San Gabriel Rotarians made a visit to Vista Cove at San Gabriel a local retirement community on Veteran’s Day to honor retired Veterans. The Veterans represented most of the branches of our armed forces and served during World War II, and the Korean War.

Vista Cove’s Veterans and its residents appreciated the visit and welcomed future visits.



San Gabriel Rotary President Al D’Antonio visits with Veterans at Vista Cove at San Gabriel



Rotarian Drue Ellen Lawlor also stopped in to show her appreciation to Vista Cove’s Veterans who served to protect our freedoms.

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Next Meeting

November 18, 2009

Speaker - Christine Montan

Past District Governor and Current District Rotary Foundation Chair

Topic: Paul Harris Fellow Recognition

Gabrielino High School Interact Club Starts Service Year with 375 Members

The Gabrielino High School Interact Club, San Gabriel, CA is off to a booming start again. Gabrielino Interactors worked hard to recruit 375 members for the 2009-10 service year. This is an increase of 100 members from last year. The club will be led by President, Claire Nguyen and Vice President, Pryscilla Truong. Together with the other Club Officers they have planned numerous service projects within the San Gabriel Community and internationally.

The Gabrielino Interact Club started in 1994 and has always remained one of the biggest clubs on campus. The club has been through 4 different advisors, and 15 club presidents. The service hour requirements for the club varied each year. Back in 2003, members were only required to do 7 hours and 2 services. With the high expectations required from Gabrielino students, the club decided to raise its minimum hour requirements gradually to 12 hours in 2004 and then to 16 hours and 4 services in 2007 where it remains today.

This year's service projects include carnivals/festivals (especially the elementary/Halloween ones); Rose Parade; marathons/walks (for cancer/AIDS), and for the past 2 years, on of the club's major focuses has involve being pro-environment. The Gabrielino Interactors have been recycling cans/bottles for the recycling committee Green Dream organization. All funds received from these recyclables go to the LifeStraw Project. LifeStraws are portable water filters that reduce about 99% of all bacteria/viruses and last about a year. Each LifeStraw costs about \$5.25 and the goal is to send 1 million LifeStraws to third world countries.



The Gabrielino Interact Club remains strong as it continues to strive towards its motto of "Service Above Self". The club has taken on international projects such as building water wells in Africa, sending wheelchairs to China, and building a house for a needy family in Mexico. The club has coordinated closely with community leaders and the [Rotary Club of San Gabriel](http://www.rotaryclubofsan gabriel.org) to bring over 20 services and 70 hours of services a semester to its members.

To see what the Gabrielino High School Interact Club is planning and what they have accomplished, visit their web site: <http://ghsinteract.wordpress.com>.

The Board Meets



On November 10 the San Gabriel Rotary club board had their monthly board meeting at Denny's - 5603 Rosemead Blvd Temple City, CA 91780. Meeting runs from 7:30am – 9:00am.

2009 Vista Cove Memory Walk Team



Thank you San Gabriel Rotarians for your Support!!

Upcoming Events

- Nov. 18 – San Gabriel Chamber, Harvest Celebration Dinner <http://sangabrielchamber.org>
- Nov. 19 – [San Gabriel Mission H.S.](http://www.san gabrielmissionhs.org) Open House

For more information on the Rotary Club of San Gabriel:

Visit us at www.SanGabrielRotary.org
or
Call (626) 289-8889

Announcements

- No Meeting: November 25 – Thanksgiving
- December 2 we will meet at the San Gabriel Country Club for Holiday Dinner @ 6pm
- No Meeting: December 23 – Christmas Eve
- December 30, We will have our normal weekly meeting @ 12:15pm