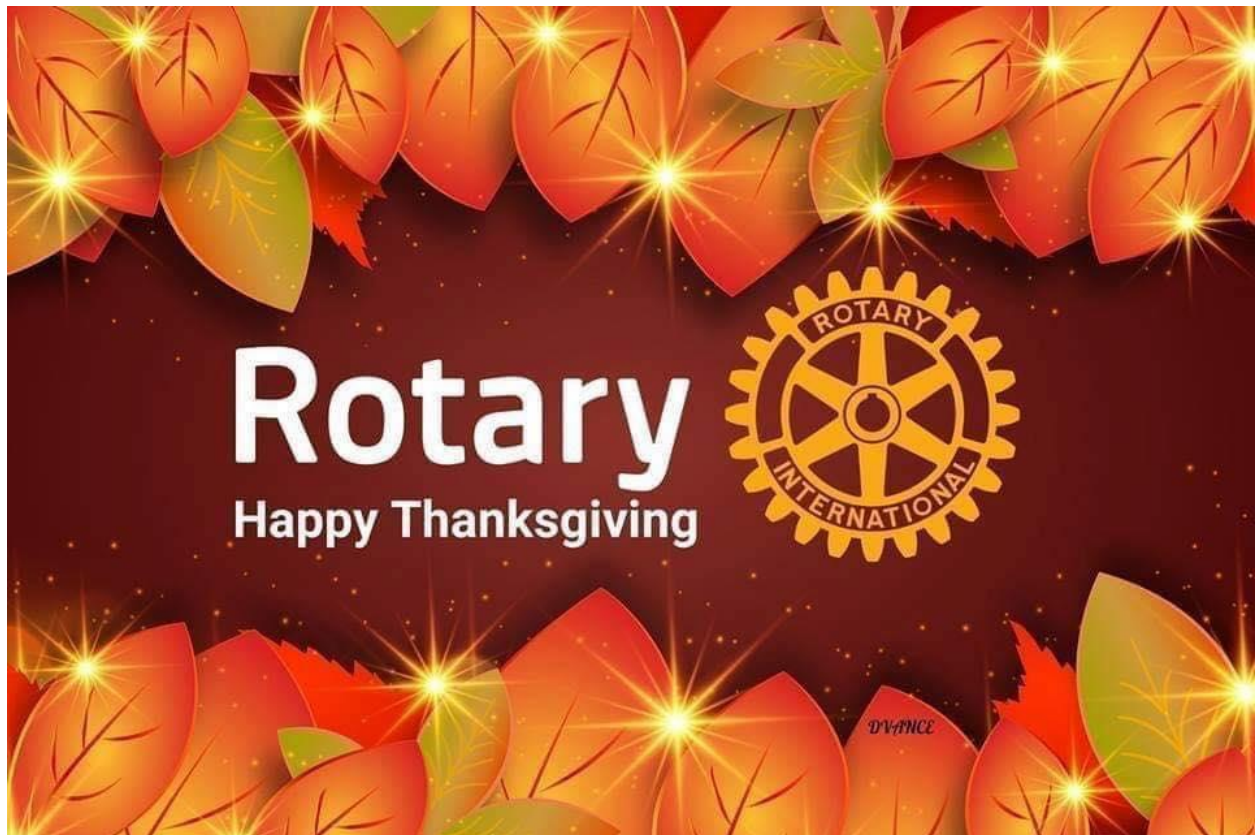


**Rotary Club of Gilbert, Arizona November 19, 2020 at 7 A.M on ZOOM**



# WELCOME TO GILBERT ROTARY

**Attendance:** George Pettit, Donna Backhaus, Mike Flores, Chuck Holland.  
Dave Hutchinson, Debe Mahoney, Bill Nuzbach, Mark Grady, Mark Grady, Dr.  
Vince Pellegrino, Jim and Pat Schermetzler, Curt Ward, Cori Christenson-Barimo,  
and Toyin Atolagbe

**Guest of Club:** Rob Harmon

## ROTARY MOMENT

Sorry Mike. I could not locate the Turkeys for Troops video from last week And... just dso you don't forget it, this is a link to the song "Surfin Bird" ..thank me later.

<https://youtu.be/dPzQ7Ihtlhk>

I did find this while I was surfin ... This is from Canada. But I'm sure we can fill in our own blanks, in fact, I did.

## ROTARIANS ARE THANKFUL ON **THANKSGIVING!**

<HTTPS://ROTARYCLUBHAMILTON.CA/ROTARIANS-ARE-THANKFUL-ON-THANKSGIVING/>

Happy Thanksgiving to all! As many of us sit down to enjoy a turkey dinner with friends and family, **as best we can**, we as Rotarians should take a few moments to reflect.

Thanksgiving gives us an opportunity to celebrate with friends and family over a meal, while there are lonely people without a roof over their head **that have been hit hard by the Pandemic who need** a hot meal on their table.

### **We as Rotarians should be thankful that.....**

We have the opportunity to serve and represent our professions. We know of many causes, many opportunities to volunteer, and we know that members in our Rotary Club have made a huge impact in our local & international communities.

**We as Rotarians should be thankful that.....**

The Eradication of Polio in the world is almost completed. There are only two countries that have active cases of Polio, and it is Rotary who has helped and will continue the fight until we have complete the task, to rid the world of Polio

**We as Rotarians should be thankful that.....**

Each day, inner city children have a safe place to participate in a free after school program. **Each day, we are thankful that third graders have dictionaries, seniors are cheered by cards, new members are joining our ranks and Paz de Cristo and Midwest Food Bank are still accepting our opportunity to help.**

**Rotarians should be thankful that.....**

We support literacy (**with our Dictionary Project**). The Rotary Summer Literacy programs offer children from across Hamilton the opportunity to maintain and increase their literacy levels during the summer and we are part of the Telling Tales Festival celebrating literacy.

**We as Rotarians should be thankful that.....**

We invest in young people. We have been involved in RYLA, **Interact** , **and we have hosted exchange students**. We continue to mentor and support young people (**As Rotarians we should be thankful that we invest in young people through the Gilbert Branch of the Boys and Girls Club and local schools**).

**We as Rotarians should be thankful that.....**

We have the opportunity to meet (**virtually**) each week, hear a speaker, network and enjoy the fellowship of Rotarians. We have many riches to share with each other.

**We as Rotarians should be thankful that.....**

We have the ability to raise the funds needed and the time and ability to support programs that make a difference in the lives of children & families in our local & international communities

**We as Rotarians should be thankful that.....**

We can achieve our motto each day “**Service above Self**”

There are many who are thankful for Rotarians this Thanksgiving Day. We are thankful for our dedicated and committed Rotary members, (**people of action**,) helping create positive change around the world. Take a moment during Thanksgiving to enjoy the contributions that Rotarians like you make in the world. Happy Thanksgiving!



**Thanksgiving 2020**



**Party Cancelled**

Out of an abundance of caution, Chuck and Kathy have made the decision to cancel our annual Rotary Christmas Party. We understand completely. They would like, if possible, to host a Spring Gathering instead.

**SPRING**  
*gathering*



## **Proposed Slate of Officers for Rotary Year 2021-22**

### **President**

Mike Flores

### **President-Elect**

Jim Schermetzler

### **Vice-President**

Chuck Holland

### **Secretary**

Curt Ward

### **Treasurer**

George Pettit

### **Sergeant of Arms**

Mark Grady

Curt called for nominations from the floor and, hearing none, Curt closed the nominations and made a motion for the ballot to be adopted for vote in December. (Curt/Mike)

Mike will appoint committees and chairs before he takes office.



### **Holiday Cards for Nursing Homes**

Riding on the success of the senior card project in the fall, members proposed the idea of doing a similar holiday card project this season.

Members buy a box of cards and sign them from the Gilbert Rotary Club and either distribute them to a facility near you or deliver to Jim and Pat. I have mine.

### **Thanksgiving at the Boys and Girl's Club**

Tuesday, Curt, Jim and Jean Hamilton will help set up, assist in handing out pre-packaged Thanksgiving meals clean up after. For future events, if wanting to volunteer in the future at the B&G club , there is a form to sign up and a required class before you will be permitted to help.

### **Upcoming Meetings and Events**

- November 26 – **No Meeting** – Happy Thanksgiving!!!!
- December 3, 2020 – Regular Meeting – Zoom – 7 AM

