



## ROTARY CLUB OF CARSON-GARDENA-DOMINGUEZ

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### DISTRICT 5280 GOVERNOR BRAD ROBINSON



### ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT KALYAN BANERJEE



### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### Tuesday, August 23

Rotary Community Alliance Meeting @ Truxton's Restaurant, 8611 Truxton Avenue, Los Angeles, 6:00 PM.

#### Wednesday, August 31

Application deadline for GSE Team Leader.

#### Monday, September 19

RC of Historic Filipinotown – 1<sup>st</sup> Invitational Golf Tournament @ Los Verdes Golf Course, 7800 W. Los Verdes Drive, Rancho Palos Verdes, 10:00 AM.

#### Saturday, September 24

Rotary Club of South Bay Sunrise – 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Rat Beach Bike Tour @ Torrance Beach.

#### Wednesday, September 28

District Governor's Visit, noon.



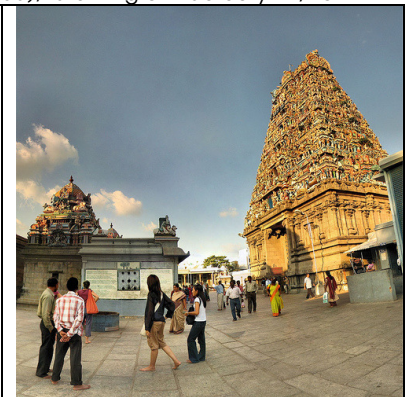
### THE FOUR WAY TEST

Is it the **TRUTH**?  
Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?  
Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?  
Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



### GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE

Interested in traveling to India as part of the Group Study Exchange? District 5280 will be exchanging with District 3230 in Chennai, India next year. The trip departs Los Angeles on January 21, 2012 (and arriving on January 22<sup>nd</sup> in time to attend their District Conference), returning on February 19, 2012.



Want to be a **Team Leader**? Here's how:

- Be an experience Rotarian
  - Not be a current DG, immediate PDG, nor the spouse, lineal descendant, or stepchild of the current DG, immediate PDG or DGE
  - Team Leader application deadline is **August 31, 2011**.
- Want to be a **Team Member**? Here's how:
- Be currently employed for at least 2 years in any business or profession on a full-time basis.
  - Be a non-Rotarian between 25-40 years of age
  - Work or live in District 5280
  - Able to travel for 4 weeks with our employer's consent
  - Team Member application deadline is **October 10, 2011**.

Airfare will be paid by Rotary International; housing and meals will be provided by host clubs. For applications or more information, contact District GSE Chair Jay Singh at (213) 840-0750 or [@jsmoney.com](http://jsmoney.com).



### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Rotary Community Alliance** will get underway the evening of Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> at Truxton's Restaurant in Westchester, 6:00 PM. Share your passion and bring you ideas for joint community projects. Cost is \$20 per person. All clubs should have at least one member attend. RSVP to Mindy Stogsdill at (562) 760-2978.

The **Rotary Club of Historic Filipinotown** is holding their 1<sup>st</sup> Invitational Golf Tournament on Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at Los Verdes Golf Course in Rancho Palos Verdes, 10:00 AM. Entry fee is \$150 per player which includes green fee, cart, raffle and reception. Entries close on September 10<sup>th</sup> and are limited to the first 100 players only. Awards and raffle prizes will follow during

the reception. For more information, contact Jun Pinlac at (562) 508-0042 or [cirilopinlac@yahoo.com](mailto:cirilopinlac@yahoo.com).



Cara Rice and Mike Grimm.

With two recent programs on carbon footprint and ways to conserve energy and resources, President Cara was quick to recognize an organization in our community that is doing their share to go "green". In July, **Waste Management (WM)** added its 1,000<sup>th</sup> natural gas-fueled truck to its fleet. The fleet is po-

wered by liquefied natural gas derived from the decomposition of organic waste at WM's Altamont Landfill. In one year alone, WM estimates that its 1,000 natural gas trucks will displace eight million gallons of petroleum and eliminate 45,100 metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions. President Cara presented Mike Grimm, Sr. District Manager at WM, with a certificate of distinction for reducing our greenhouse gas emissions and creating a healthier atmosphere for all Californians. Way to go, WM!



### WHAT IS ROTARY?

by Cara Rice

People ask all the time, "What is Rotary?" I explain that Rotary is a network of inspired and fun-loving individuals who translate their passions into TRANSFORMING lives in the local and international communities.

By their nature, Rotarians:

- build goodwill;
- carry out valuable community service projects;
- work to eradicate Polio;
- help develop our youth and future leaders; and
- network and fellowship with other Rotarians.

Our projects are as diverse as our membership and can focus on health, hunger, water, sanitation, poverty, literacy, peace and understanding.

Our personalities are unique, our interests varied, and our backgrounds different, all shaped by our individual life experiences. What brings us together is the code we live by, namely **Service Above Self**, and our commitment to a standard of professional ethics. Hence, the Four-Way Test:

Is it the **TRUTH**?

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

We enjoy each other's company IMMENSELY; that's why we meet every Wednesday and respond when there is a community and/or individual need or emergency.

That's Rotary in a nutshell. We have 46 clubs in Los Angeles County and over a million clubs worldwide in 33,000 countries. To tie us to other clubs of like minds, we have the Avenues of Services. They are Club Service, Community Service, International Service, New Generations, and Vocational Service.

I invite each Director to gave a quick rundown of the projects promoted under their Avenue of Service:

- Chef Craft, Club Service – club newsletter, District Breakfasts, Presidents Meetings, District Picnic, Holiday Party, PETS, District Conference, Rotary Grand Prix, District Assembly, and Demotion Party. Kendra Richardson organized our "membership drive" lunch today and was recognized for her efforts.
- Kim Richards, Community Service – Cakes for health care facilities, ACS Relay for Life, Gardena-Carson YMCA, BGCC, Food for the Needy, Rotarians at Work Day, and Chamber Luncheon & Fashion Show.
- Larry Ybarra, International Service – Ambassadorial Scholar, PH Society, PH Benefactor, Smile Train, Chinese New Year Parade & Gala, PH Celebration, District Int'l Humanitarian Trip, and RI Convention.
- Jeremy Brown, New Generations – Interact Clubs of Carson and

Gardena High Schools, Rotaract Club of South Bay, We Support Youth Project, District Youth Conference, Multidistrict Interact Symposium; RYLA, SCIBA, and Scholarships/Internship Program.

- OJ Pandey, Vocational Service – Craft Talks, vocational tours, Literacy Breakfast, CNA Awards, Chamber Business Expo, and Teacher Recognition Awards. OJ was happy to inform the club that we received a Matching Grant for \$6,418 to help provide educational and health equipment for special needs students at Antonio Velez Alvarado Elementary School in Manati, Puerto Rico.

We have invited several visitors to our membership drive meeting today to give them a sneak peak of what Rotary is about. We are hoping that based on what you saw and heard today, you will visit us again and possibly join the Family of Rotary.



### FINE TIME

We welcomed back **Rita Burgueno** after a long absence due to work, vacation and more vacation. She said she "missed Walter the most" and Jeremy Brown interjected with praise of her support to the Carson Relay for Life, so Fine Master **Walter Neil** was going to go easy on her; but Rita jumped the gun and volunteered a \$50 fine and purchased a book of raffle tickets for the Paul Harris Celebration. (More on Jeremy later...) We were also very happy to see **Jay Mastrianni** back after a stay at the hospital to adjust his pacemaker. Jay generously pledged a \$200 donation to the RI Foundation in lieu of a fine. **Dan Medina** was attending to dental emergencies with his grandkids last Wednesday – no fine. **Glenn Mitchell** made up his absence at another Rotary club.

**Kim Richards** was enjoying a Corona at an afternoon Dodger Game last week – no fine for enjoying a Corona. However, Walter pointed out that Kim was featured in the Summer issue of Connections Magazine, a Boys & Girls Clubs of America (BGCA) publication. Kim is a member of BGCA's The Professional Association and a graduate of their Advanced Leadership Program, which provide the framework, training and tools to increasing impact. Walter fined Kim \$15 for the feature. **Kendra Richardson** was on vacation last week with family – no fine. Getting back to Jeremy... Walter felt interrupted by him earlier when he spoke up for Rita and fined him \$5.

The Secret Greeter today was **Vickie Wippel** who was a little fuzzy about who did and did not greet her. In the end, nobody was fined.



### OLD FRIZZLE FUNDRAISER

Another new game this week with \$26 in the pot. Christopher Childers won the raffle and drew the Nine of Hearts. The pot will carry over to next week when it is expected to exceed \$60.



### JEOPARDY

**Trivia Question:** What is the highest price ever paid for a painting?

**August 17<sup>th</sup> history...**

**1869** – First int'l boat race at Thames River (Oxford beats Harvard).

**1961** – Building of the Berlin Wall begins.

**1978** – First manned balloon crossing of Atlantic Ocean (Eagle II).

**1987** – DJIA closes above 2,700 for first time (2,700.57).

**Trivia Answer:** The current record price for a painting was paid for a work from *No. 5, 1948* by Jackson Pollock which sold at \$140 million in 2006 (approx. \$156.8 million in CPI-adjusted 2011 dollars). According to some rumors, one of the paintings in *The Card Players* series by Paul Cézanne was sold in a private sale for over \$250 million early in 2011.

**Editor's note:** I will be attending a training class next Wednesday; La Rueda will be on hiatus.