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WHADDYA NEED?

A message from the President

"Whadda ya need?" It never fails. That is how our fellow Rotarian **Adam Weiss** greets me at every meeting. Most meetings I respond with a simple, "Hey, Adam. We're good." But on occasion, I will take him up on his implied offer and ask for his help. Adam will spring into action and do what it takes to resolve the issue.

Last Friday, it was my pleasure to honor Adam with the prestigious Rotarian of the Month Award. (If you don't know, the award comes with an original caricature of the recipient and a \$100 fine.) While I gave Adam the award in to have some fun and to raise a little money, I also presented him with the award to highlight his servant spirit.

For many years, our club was managed by capable and paid executive directors who took care of our every need. Today, apart from our executive administrator, **Jennifer Gregg**, and several interns, our Club is member driven. Without the full support of our member base, LA5 will struggle to achieve any of its goals in service to this community.

So, the next time you see a fellow LA5er hard at work, ask the **Adam Weiss** question, "Whadda ya need?" I hope you will be rewarded with a gracious acceptance of your offer and will feel good about taking responsibility for your club.

Of course, the next time **Adam Weiss** himself asks, "Whadda ya need?" The answer will be "I still need your \$100." Boom!



Rick Gibson

President,
Rotary Club of Los Angeles
2019 - 2020





THIS WEEK
LUNCH WITH KEN BASIN

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT AND HEAD OF BUSINESS
AFFAIRS, PARAMOUNT TELEVISION

at the Cal Club
[click here for tickets](#)

Mark the calendar



- Oct 15** District 5280 Breakfast - Proud Bird Restaurant
- Oct 18** Commissioner Warren Stanley - Lunch at the Cal Club
- Oct 25** Jeremy Weinglass - Lunch at the Cal Club
- Oct 26** Service Opportunity - School on Wheels
- Oct 27** District 5280 Foundation Gala - Taglyan Complex

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE CLUB CALENDAR](#)

SAVE THE DATE *for these* SERVICE EVENTS

**OCT
26,
'19**

School on Wheels

Volunteers are needed to help pack backpacks for homeless youth. Just a few spots left! Can't make it? Bring supplies to the next Rotary meeting!

**DEC
07,
'19**

Angel City

Volunteers needed to help plan and execute one of LA5's largest service events! Help coordinate the toy drive, health check ups, pancake breakfast and more!

**MAR
16,
'20**

Pageant of the Arts

The annual Pageant of the Arts competition. Witness displays of artistic talent by local youth and celebrate its winners with LA5!

**APR
17,
'20**

Fast5 Community Grants

Show up for one of the best events of the year and witness your community grant dollars put to work!

**APR
17,
'20**

Scholarship Day

LA5 to grant high performing LAUSD students with scholarships totaling over \$200,000! This is a can't miss annual event!

LAST WEEK

LA 5'S OWN, AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY, JACKIE LACEY AND HER TEAM CELEBRATED THIS YEAR'S COURAGEOUS CITIZENS AT THE JONATHAN CLUB.

 : Tony Medley & Adam Weiss



In a rare turn of events, LA5 bucks tradition and uses sticky name tags in lieu of hard badges. "We respect tradition, but we respect our backs and muscles even more," stated the administrative staff and interns.



PP Mike Birkholm formally, and heartwarmingly, introduces District Attorney Jackie Lacey.



"What do you need?" Adam Weiss is honored with a caricature and the designation of Rotarian of the Month for his consistent willingness to be of service.



A class of courageous citizens that truly exemplifies the Rotary mottoes of "service above self" and "be the inspiration."



VP & Program Chair Paul Ekstrand wins the 50/50!



A doubly-celebrated guest, one of the courageous citizens is also a recipient of a bottle of wine.

What is your favorite thing about your career? Any recent wins or successes?

My favorite thing about being a lawyer is the ability to use my talents to deliver client-driven results. I just returned from a three-month secondment in Arlington, Virginia on behalf of my law firm Ivie, McNeill & Wyatt. During the secondment, I assisted corporate counsel in negotiating, drafting, and executing contractual matters for Amazon. I also recently obtained dismissal of a federal civil action filed in the Central District of California on a grant of summary judgment in favor of my clients. In this matter I represented a government entity and seven employees who were being sued for alleged violations of federal civil rights.

What is your proudest accomplishment?

My proudest accomplishment would have to be passing the California State Bar in 2013 after graduating from Southwestern Law School.



M E E T M E M B E R

**T I F F A N Y
R O L L I N S**

What makes you laugh the most?

My niece and nephews make me laugh the most.

Do you have a motto that you live by?

Life Motto: "Everybody can be great, because anybody can serve!" - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

What top three books you recommend everyone read?

Top three books I recommend everyone read: The Fire Next Time by James Baldwin, The Hate You Give by Angie Thomas, The Goldfinch by Donna Tartt

What's your superpower?

My superpower is my ability to have faith in times of uncertainty.

Is there anything else that you'd like to share with the Club?

I'd like the Club to know that I'm working on my golf swing so if any LA5ers want to assist, it would be most appreciated!



TOP 10 PIANO CLASSICS

*to get the
crowd
singing*

recommended by
Jeremy Weinglass



10. New York, New York - Frank Sinatra
9. Imagine - John Lennon
8. Someone Like You - Adele
7. I Just Called to Say I Love You - Stevie Wonder
6. Take on Me - A-Ha
5. Under the Bridge - Red Hot Chili Peppers
4. Piano Man - Billy Joel
3. Wonderwall - Oasis
2. Shallow - Lady Gaga
1. Bohemian Rhapsody - Queen

[CLICK HERE FOR JEREMY'S SPOTIFY PLAYLIST](#)



updates from the club board

THE LA 5 BOARD
CONGREGATED FOR ITS
THIRD MEETING OF THE
ROTARY YEAR
ON SEPTEMBER 27

The board welcomed its newest member, USC Rotaract President Ellen Desper, who provided an update on the Rotaract club's activities, which included several upcoming service projects.

"We would love if LA5 members could participate in Rotaract's service projects as well," requested Desper.

The approval of three new members was voted expressly 'yea', with the observation of the 10-day announcement period. These members include:

- * Gracie Abalos
- * Patrick Chylinski
- * Joseph Reilly

Did you know?

LA5 sponsors
the USC Rotaract club!

This club is comprised of 30 active USC students across all different majors.

Since the start of the Rotary year, they have completed two service events totaling six hours of service.

They have three upcoming service events and are inviting LA5 Rotarians to attend!

- Saturday, October 19, 10 am . - Suicide Prevention Walk
- Saturday, November 9, 10 am - Paws LA
- Saturday, November 16, 9 am - Downtown Women's Center

Can you help serve?

Contact 'SC Rotaract's Director of Projects,
Desi Davis: desireed@usc.edu

Calling all LA5 Rotarians
to participate in a

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

to benefit the School on Wheels

**Please bring any bulk school supplies
to the next three meetings.**

**Ana Rosales will collect for the
School on Wheels service event on
10/26.**

Items needed:

- Crayons
- #2 Pencils
- Notebooks
- Erasers
- Safety Scissors
- Highlighters
- Glue Sticks
- Folders
- Rulers
- Markers
- Colored Pencils
- Lined Paper

\$30 can buy a back-pack full of school supplies
for a homeless youth.

**For more information, contact
Service Division Co-Chair Ana Rosales**

FOUND! A BLAST FROM THE PAST

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INTER-CITY MEETING

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tion and tickets to the Del Mar Track. A Rotarian railroad car will leave the track 30 minutes after the last race and you will be able to obtain dinner in the diner, arriving home in Los Angeles at 9:45 P.M.

Those wishing to play golf can set up their own games with Los Angeles members and San Diego members who will be playing. Rotarians not going to the races can leave San Diego on the 4:45 or 8:15 trains. Tickets will be obtainable on the train. *Don't miss this as it should be one of our outstanding Inter-City meetings of the year.*

LAST FRIDAY AS I SAW IT

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the world population and have sent more individuals to higher education than all of the rest of the world put together. We have higher earnings for our workers by many times than any other nation. We should impress on our people the privilege of being an American with our high standard of living. We have free-

ROTATIN' AROUND

By J. F. GORMAN II

RICH BUDELIER'S usually unfurrowed brow has taken on all the outward appearances of a strangled accordion of late. It seems Rich is currently running himself ragged seven days a week lining up prizes for this year's tourneys. If the depth of the clefts in his forehead are to be trusted, this year's winners of the various outings should walk away looking like victims of the "Mrs. Hush" contest.

Last week saw all present "Fivers" receive a copy of the new Roster. A really beautiful job of printing, form and assembly. The only slight oversight in its composition are the asterisks and stars denoting footnotes on the past president and secretaries pages. They are a little small



Hugo Burgwald

within 20 minutes have you drooling the equivalent amount of the annual precipitation of Southern California. And all by describing such things as bamboo shoots, lettuce soup, and some unmentionable measures to which short ribs and ducks are subjected. Frank is an advocate of oriental dishes, not only an advocate but a standard bearer for their promotion. After one of his mouth-watering descriptions you would cheerfully eat through a chopped portion of picket fence and two helpings of last year's straw skimmer. Seriously though if you really want to treat that palate to something different and delicious, Frank is the one to see. He can really tell you what and where for these toothsome morsels.



Frank Titus

Here 'n There

SAN WAGNER and family are heading north, San Francisco, Portland, Seattle and British Columbia are port o' call. Business and pleasure.

ELMER JENSEN is up at Jackson Hole.

DICK and MRS. WHITTINGTON are off for the Islands. En masse landings by groups of Rotatin' fivers evidently haven't flattened the picturesque isle yet, we're still sending assault waves in.

EARLE JACOBS and his wife rollin' toward the High Sierras for a vacation. Earle will probably end up by blazing a new trail on through the ridge for future freight shipments.

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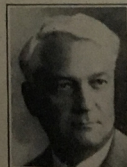
"A LIVE WIRE"

The rule terminating membership in a Rotary club for non-attendance merely means to put out a "dead" circuit, in which the Rotary energy no longer circulates. A stable membership, with only an occasional change due to removal or loss of classification, is a tremendous asset to a Rotary club. The members really become firm friends, work together efficiently and happily, and acquire a reputation as live wires. If the current passes through the wire only occasionally, it is hardly a live wire. So with an occasional Rotarian. — *Savannah, Ga., Rotary.*

Vancouver, British Columbia, setting up a Briquetting plant. He has a new idea for the composition of briquettes, coal dust I think. A good man to know for the where-with-all for barbequeing steaks.

Bowling goes into its second warm-up at Bimini on the 23rd. Food and drink for nuttin'. The invitation still stands if you've never even looked at a ball and don't intend to. Reports from the last culinary spread the committee put out gratis at this shindig, make it a must.

FRANK TITUS can sit you down in a corner, after you've taken aboard an uncomfortable amount of food, and



Walther Fernholtz

WHY VISIT OTHER CLUBS?

A Rotarian visits other clubs primarily to make up attendance, but he is deriving a great many other advantages from such visits.

He makes new acquaintances and sometimes lasting friendships.

One acquires a better idea of the scope of Rotary.

He finds new ways to serve his club and his community.

He gains more knowledge concerning his own business and that of others.

—*Kansas City Buz Saw.*