



# THE ACORN

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2019-2020

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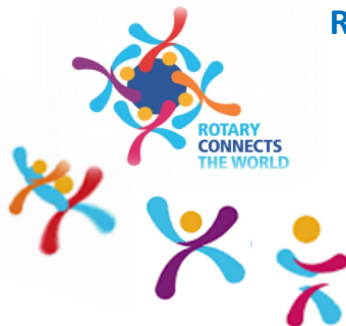
**Rotary Foundation Chair**  
**K.T. Connor**

**Executive Treasurer**  
**Larry Baker**

**Executive Secretary**  
**Jeff Borenstein**

## ROTARY PRESIDENTIAL THEME

2019-2020



...building the connections that allow talented, thoughtful, and generous people to unite and take meaningful action through Rotary service.



Program: July 11th

**Another New Year of Connecting the World**

President Herb Gooch

Program: Friday, June 28th

## Demotion Party



**President Karen Furnari** was remarkably roasted gently and engagingly by sitting at head table, with her presidency examined by Special Counsel **Martin Anderson**. **David Krehbiel** represented her humorously, yet she ultimately received a positive verdict — even though she was declared no longer eligible for the presidency. Witnesses included **Darin Arrasmith**, **Ean Kleiger**, **Susan Murata**, **Tim Weaver**, **Trevor Tyloch**, and others. In fact, **Jim Friedl** gave a video summary of the President's reaction to the "Death March" she claimed he led, in building the trails at the new Y. In all, the roast was widely appreciated for its creation by the planning team led by **Vicki Arndt** and **David Masci**.



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## INTRODUCING THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2019-2020 ROTARY YEAR

This is an appropriate week to introduce you to our Board of Directors for the 2019-2020 Rotary year.

It is the responsibility of the Board to oversee the Club's activities through the Five Avenues of Service, those being: Club, Community, Vocational, International, Youth.

### Here's your board for 2019-2020

**Herb Gooch—Club President**

**Karen Furnari— Past President 2018-2019**

Nominating Committee, Demotion, Membership

**David Stowell— President-Elect 2020-2021**

Allocations Committee Chair, International Convention, District Awards, Oversees the Treasurer and Secretary

**Tim Weaver, Advisor to the President (Ex-Officio)**

**Bob Lewis—Club Service**

Greeters, Inspirational Moment & pledge, Introductions, Happy Dollars, Historian

**Maria Prescott – Family of Rotary**

Sunshine Committee, Firesides, New Member Socials, Super Bowl, Theatre League, Shakespeare in the Park

**Jim Friedl – Community Service**

Chili Cookoff, Street Fair, Wine Event, Community Work Day, Blood Drive, Story Book Project

**Patricia Jones -- Vocational Service**

Economic Forecast, Offsite Visit, Club Member Classification, Craft Talks, Networking

**Mike Jansen – International Service**

Global Grants, District Grants, Club Grants, World Peace

**Andrea McClellan —Youth Service**

Interact, Rotaract, Scholarships, 4-Way Test Essays, Citizenship Awards, Literacy Program, Lunch with the Judge

**Adam Antoniskis —Board Member at Large**

Program Speakers, District Governor's Visit, District Events, Attendance, Public Relations/Publicity/Social Media

**KT Connor – RI Foundation**

Foundation Recognition Awards, Annual Fund, Polio Fund

**Rich Folsom – Club Secretary**

Prepares Board Agenda, Takes Board Minutes, Retains Continuing Resolutions, Signs Club Documents

**Chris Steele – Treasurer**

Chairs Finance Committee, Prepares Annual Budget, Allocations Committee, T O Rotary Foundation

**Jeff Borenstein – Executive Secretary (Ex-Officio)**

Maintains Club Roster in RI website and Clubrunner Site, Prepares/Submits RI Semi-Annual Report

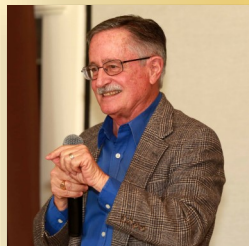
**Larry Baker – Executive Treasurer (Ex-Officio)**

Distributes Member Statements, Banks Club Weekly Cash Receipts, Distributes Checks



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## Herb's Goals

### Connecting even better:

#### with ourselves

- ◇ learn more persons and careers
- ◇ improve web site/communications
- ◇ enhance club engagement

#### with others, near at hand

- ◇ expanding membership
- ◇ social media outreach
- ◇ club branding and community awareness

#### with others, far away

- ◇ enhance Foundation giving
- ◇ Support RI U.N. and Peace initiatives
- ◇ bolster grants, Peace Scholar, and speakers

## BIRTHDAYS

Jul 04 Engler, Susie  
 Jul 09 Krehbiel, David  
 Jul 10 Harris, David  
 Jul 11 Ward, Tex  
 Jul 12 Lederer, Jill  
 Jul 13 Teasdale, Michael  
 Jul 19 Kossoff, Ken  
 Jul 20 Buss, Kara  
 Jul 25 Lundberg, Kyle  
 Jul 25 O'Beirne, Mike  
 Jul 26 Ladd, Lee  
 Jul 29 Lewis, Bob

## ANNIVERSARIES

Jul 06 Wang, Felix & Mary  
 Jul 09 Benson, Roger & Marilyn  
 Jul 10 Wieler, Dick & Janis  
 Jul 13 Wilson, Denis & Sunny Morton-Wilson  
 Jul 18 Friedman, Betsy & David Krehbiel  
 Jul 20 Schreiber, Carol & Chet  
 Jul 25 Ladd, Lee & Susan  
 Jul 27 Holmes, Janeen & Bob  
 Jul 28 Diaz, Mario & Dawn Dixon-Diaz,  
 Jul 28 Kourounis, Tony & Catherine  
 Jul 29 Harimoto, Nate & Shirley

## Moment of Inspiration



Past President Tim Weaver introduced President Elect Nominee David Stowell, for the Moment of Inspiration on the Demotion evening.

David shared that he joined Rotary as a way to honor his Dad. His Dad had polio, and *"was placed in an iron lung and told he probably would not come out, but he did. When he came out of the iron lung, he was told he would probably never walk again, but he did. Every night when I was a kid, he shot hoops with me for hours on his decimated toothpick legs."* When his Dad was 70, the polio returned and eventually took his life. *"To honor my dad,"* Dave said, *"I was determined to do what I could, to make sure that the day would come when not a single person on this planet would have to go through what my dad went through. How, though, as just one individual, could I really make a difference by fighting this disease?"*

*The answer I saw: join Rotary! Join the organization that has committed its resources/people/efforts to fight this horrific disease! Because in numbers, and with the power of Rotary, we can and do make a difference. I am convinced that I will very soon see the day that polio is eradicated from the face of the earth—and my dad will look down with a smile.*

*Yes, I joined Rotary to honor my dad... but I have stayed in rotary... and am all in for Rotary... because of all of you. As a group working together, we make a difference every day in the lives of people here in our community and around the world. As a group of Rotarians, our individual efforts are magnified beyond what we could ever accomplish alone. Together, with each contributing what we can in time and money and talent, we fight polio, we fight hunger, we fight poverty, we fight injustice, and we fight the fights that need fighting for those who do not have the power or the resources to fight on their own."*





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## KAREN'S FINAL PRESIDENTIAL PRESENTATION

At the close of the Demotion Dinner, **President Karen** expressed her appreciation to all who made this Rotary year a gift to the community and the world because of its work of service. She then pointed out several members who had gone that extra mile, a long road since others had done so much to begin with. Awards that were bestowed were as follows:

- ◆ **Rich Folsom - Bob Morrison Award (Above and Beyond Service to Rotary):** for his willingness to go out of his way to document meetings and events through photography.
- ◆ **Nancy Wohl - Mary Claire Slais Award (Service Above Self):** for her tireless commitment to not only inner needs such as notetaking at meetings and her dedication to decorating for the Wine Festival and other club events for many years, but also commitment to the community through the extensive work she does as a Rotarian for the Free Clinic, for example.
- ◆ **Nelson Buss - Mike O'Beirne Award (Innovation):** for his creative approach to the club's Chili Cook-Off, getting involved extensively right at the beginning of his joining the club.
- ◆ **Chris Steele - Rotarian of the Year:** for being such a savior in so many ways serving President Karen's need for budgeting, planning, check writing, recordkeeping and more.



**President Karen** then called **President Elect Herb Gooch** to the podium and pinned him with the Presidential pin. **Herb** then graciously called the meeting to a close by clanging the bell, and wrapped up **Karen's** good year.



## ROTARY CLUB OF THOUSAND OAKS EXCELS!



Several members attended the District Governor StepDown Dinner outdoors at a private estate in Moorpark on June 29th. In addition to seeing a beautiful sunset, they experienced the beauty of the club receiving the quintessentially sought-after award of the district. For the first time since 2012 the club was named "Best Overall Club," the best of all 72 clubs. **President Karen** praised the club members— "all of whom worked their butts off this year— and it paid off! " The bell will stay with the club for the entire Rotary year.



Wait till you see who the speaker is on July 18th. She has been called "high-powered and responsible." Be sure to read next week's bulletin! Check <http://thousandoaksrotary.org>





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## PAST PRESIDENTS — Rotary Club of Thousand Oaks

58-59 DONN ODELL	89-90 JEFF BORENSTEIN
59-60 JOHN HEYWOOD	90-91 DENNIS GILLETTE
60-61 MARV BURROW	91-92 MERV KOPP
61-62 ROSS DUSKIN	92-93 TOM GLANCY
62-63 ROY McCOMBER	93-94 HUGO ROCHE
63-64 PAUL PACE	94-95 BRIAN BACK
64-65 JOHN CONLAN	95-96 TONY KOUROUNIS
65-66 CARLOS SCURIA	96-97 JACK CAINE
66-67 MERRILL DARLING	97-98 DICK WIELER
67-68 PHIL OZAB	98-99 JUDY ST. JOHN
68-69 WILLIAM VANDERZWANN	99-20 MIKE GONZALES
69-70 ALVIN J. HOTZ, JR.	20-01 NEIL SCRIBNER
70-71 BEN CRANMER, JR.	01-02 BOB BIERY
71-72 GLENN GOODWIN	02-03 HARRY SELVIN
72-73 GEORGE VASLIEFF	03-04 RICK LEMMO
73-74 HENRY STILL	04-05 DOUG TAPKING
74-75 JOHN TUEL	05-06 KATHY HILL
75-76 KENNETH HANSON	06-07 PETE TURPEL
76-77 DAVID HUANG	07-08 VICKI ARNDT
77-78 WILLIAM HAAS	08-09 MARTIN ANDERSON
78-79 FELIX MASCI	09-10 KEITH PARKS
79-80 HARLAND JONES	10-11 FRANK CORRIGAN
80-81 DAVE WENDER	11-12 RICHARD WILLIAMS
81-82 GEORGE GIBB	12-13 SUSAN MURATA
82-83 NORMAN NAGEL	13-14 CAROL FREEMAN
83-84 BILL PETERSON	14-15 NATE HARIMOTO
84-85 MIKE O'BEIRNE	15-16 MIKE MURPHY
85-86 MARV SOSNA	16-17 ROBERT BIANCHI
86-87 FRED FERRARINI	17-18 TIM WEAVER
87-88 DOC NEEDHAM	18-19 KAREN FURNARI
88-89 KENNETH (SKIP) ROBERTS	

*Editor K.T. Connor, photos by Rich Folsom*