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*Rotarian of the Year Award 2001–2001 went to **Jim Hartman** and **Joan Behrens**.*

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Calendar Alert!
Special meeting on
Wednesday July 27,
6:30–8 p.m. at the PV Golf and
Country Club. Heavy appetizers,
no-host bar. Dress: business
casual. **Bring a guest for free!**
This substitutes for our regular
July 29 meeting.

Program This Week



—Palos Verdes Golf and Country Club

Smooze and Nibble at the Club and Bring a Guest

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 27,
6:30–8 P.M. at the Palos Verdes
Golf and County Club**

This event replaces our July 29 meeting. In other words, **WE ARE DARK THIS FRIDAY.**

Bring a guest! •

Prez Sez

By David Rowe

Our Business is Picking Up

To the new Adopt-a-Highway chair, **Paul Rubincam**, and fellow Rotarians **Greg O'Brien**, **Phyllis Pelezarre**, **Hang Up Moon**, **Carolyn Lehr**, **John Schuricht** (who stumbled on the name for

this article), **Norton Donner**, and **Hal Lazar**: “Thank you for your participation last Saturday to help keep our community clean.” •



The Crenshaw Crew.



Hey Greg, as president-elect, it's all downhill from here for you.



Oblivious to the dangers of trash pickup. Look out behind you!



“I shouldn’t have had that last cigarette.”

“Okay. So who was supposed to remember to park a car at the bottom of Crenshaw for use when we were finished?”

—John Schuricht

If You Missed Us Last Week

By Pat Suzuki



Keith: "Not bad so far, kid."

JULY 22, 2011. We were in anticipation of chef Robert Bell and "How To Throw A Stress-Free Party and Be Part of It." But first things first.

President David Rowe brought the meeting to order, followed by **John Schuricht** who performed the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Chris Stillians**. **Keith Deisenroth** then entertained with "God Bless America."

Kjell Hellberg introduced guests Jerry Gardner, executive coach, and Pat Gardner, an elected member of the Georgia State Legislature, visiting from the Middletown Atlanta Rotary Club. **Linda Elliott** presented her guest, Kathy Siegel, and **Inga Liden** introduced her guest, Kristen (am I bad I didn't get the last name), a financial advisor. Meanwhile **Gary Tossell** proclaimed he was proud "to be at a table of beautiful ladies." **Liz**

Fitzgerald enrolled the club's assistance in leading the "Welcome Song."

President Dave Rowe made a few announcements: (1) He spoke of the value of the "Exchange Student Program" and directed any interested members to contact **Julia Parton** for details. (2) Elliott Coy is coming home...YEAH! (3) We were directed to **Greg Sparkman** for website support.

Jim Hartman emphasized the importance of the "Educator of the Year Program" for scholarships. Of the \$16,000 raised, one of the recipients commented, "I will try my best to make Rotary Club proud of me" as he described the impact of the Rotary "helping my future dreams come true."

Nikki Nikakhtar put out a plea for recorders and thanked those who participated so far this year.

Paul Rubincam reminded us of the Crenshaw cleanup project Saturday, July 23, and enrolled a couple more members to help.

Judge Greg O'Brien educated us about the Rotary International Foundation and the meaning and impact of “Sustaining Members.” The Paul Harris Fellowship, single thru quintuple sapphire through ruby status, was outlined by Greg as was the importance of donation at some level. A reminder of Circus Vargus, November 6 at Del Amo, was made. Rotarian of the Year recipient **Jim Hartman** finally received his award.

Prez Dave spirited the wine raffle of the “sign me up Cabernet” and “Best Ever or Tastes like the price” Pinot Grigio. **Christine Barnicki** and **Gary Tossell** were winners.

Steve Day reminded the club to use “Meetup” to find new members and made an example of me!

Finally, our long-awaited guest speaker, chef Robert Bell, was introduced by **Steve Day**, who

described the chef’s journey from “pencil to paring knife.” Robert, a New Yorker cum Angelino, architect cum chef, partnered with Brit Michael Franks and today they employ 400 people in five restaurants: Chez Milange (since 1981), Caffè Misto (1989), Restaurant Christine (1990), Depo (1991), the Chez at the Beverly Prescott Hotel (1995), and Annie’s Pantry (1997).

Chef Robert updated us to the opening of “Mama Turano” at The Brickwalk in Palos Verdes. He then went onto his topic, “How to Throw a Stress-Free Party and Be Part of It.”

First and foremost ingredient is comprised of the people you invite. Foodies are the best! Those without special eating habits blend well. Chicken is boring and not a guest food. Fish is good. Last but not least according to the chef, “Get some booze in them.”

How many and how to present the courses:

- First course or appetizers are most important because the guests are



Chef Robert Bell was a most entertaining and informative speaker.

the most hungry. Serve it in a different environment often standing with ambiance.

- Next is the salad course.
- Then the entrée, comprised of fish or meat, starch and veggie. This can be a one-pot meal for simplicity. Exotic one-pot meals include Chicken Cacciatore, Beef Bourguignon and Osso Bucco. These can be served family-style.
- Finally, dessert, which can be baked or bought. If baked, something like a cheesecake.

We could have listened to the chef for hours but all good things must

come to an end. So Robert turned over the floor to **Prez Dave**.

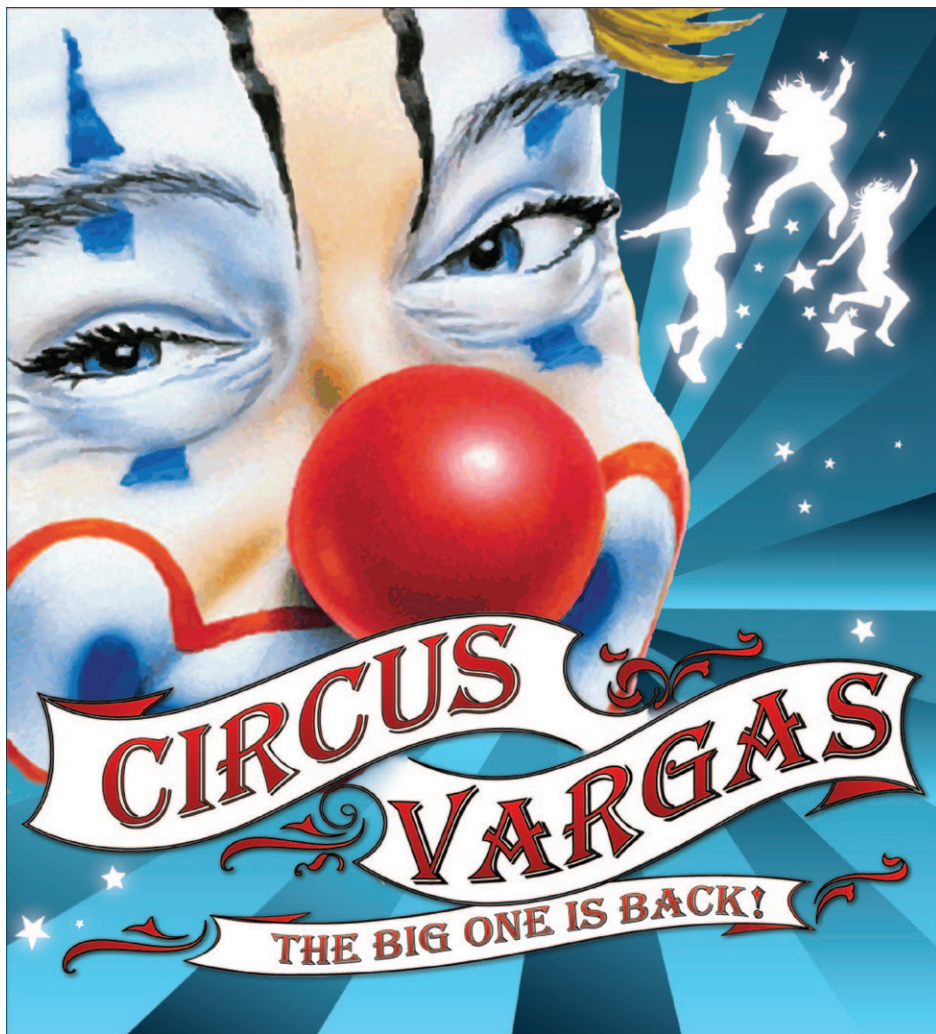
Kjell Hellberg **pointed out that one** of Robert’s favorite foods is an all-American hamburger!

Prez Dave thanked chef Robert and presented to him as a token of appreciation a photograph of the chef in action and a donation of a water filtration system for the underprivileged in Belize. Chef Robert graciously thanked the Rotary in Palos Verdes.

Meeting was adjourned. •

District News

The Circus Is Coming To Town! November 6 in Torrance



Rotary Foundation Celebration

Sunday, November 6, 2011

Del Amo Fashion Center Torrance

Doors open at 11 am | Pre-Show begins at 12:10 pm

Tickets are now available:

\$65 adult | \$35 children under 16

Includes: Children and adults get one hot dog or nachos, one cotton candy or popcorn, and two beverages.

Plus, each Adult ticket also gets one deli sandwich.

What a fun, family way to support our Rotary Foundation!

[Click here to go to the District 5280 website for additional news.](http://www.rotarypvp.com/)

Chamber Events & News



<http://palosverdeschamber.com/>



Breakfast Networking Mixer

Wednesday, August 3 | 7:15–9 AM

Belmont Village, 5701 Crestridge Road, Rancho Palos Verdes

Cost: A full breakfast is served. \$15/Members with advance RSVP, \$18/Members without an RSVP reservation and all guests.

RSVP: To help our host determine how much food to have on hand, please RSVP to Debbie Morgan at the Chamber office: 310-377-8111. Or email her at: office@palosverdeschamber.com.



SURF'S UP!
EXHIBITION

Evening Networking Mixer

Thursday, August 18 | 5:30–7:30 PM



PALOS VERDES ART CENTER/Beverly G. Alpay Center for Arts Education

The Promenade on the Peninsula, 550 Deep Valley Drive, Suite 261 (former Border's location),
Rolling Hills Estates

- See the Art Center's new, temporary location
- Surround yourself with creativity while you enjoy the "Surf's Up!" and "Enceladus" exhibitions
- Do some great networking!

Cost: \$10/Members, \$15/Guests and Prospective Members. Includes one complimentary drink ticket.

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Calendar Items

Club and District Calendar

JULY 27: Special Rotary Club meeting, 6:30–8 p.m., PV Golf and Country Club. Appetizers, no-host bar. Dress: business casual. *Bring a guest for free!*

JULY 29: DARK. The July 27 special meeting replaces this usual luncheon-meeting.

AUGUST 5: David Doody, space-flight operations engineer from NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, speaking on the Voyager Mission and astronomy.

AUGUST 12: District 5280 Literacy Breakfast

AUGUST 12: David Meyer, speaking on the latest discovery from L.A. Biomed

OCTOBER 7: District governor visits our club.

NOVEMBER 6: Paul Harris Celebration at Circus Vargas

NOVEMBER 9: Educator of the Year at PV Golf and Country Club.

DATES IN GRAY indicate district events or other clubs' events. [Click here to go to the District website](#), where you will find additional information about those events.

Greeters, Invocators, and Reporters

Date	Greeters	Invocation	Reporter
August 5	Norton Donner Harry Kitter	HU Moon	Mel Schrier
August 12	Nicki Nikhakhtar Jeff Parker	Bruce Attig	Greg Sparkman
August 19	Steve Day John Cameron	Joan Behrens	Suzy Zimmerman
September 2	TBA	TBA	Liz Fitzgerald
September 9	TBA	TBA	Jeff Parker

Celebrating In July



Rotary Inductions

Allen Bond _____ July 1, 1991
David Rowe _____ July 1, 1994
Greg O'Brien _____ July 20, 2007

Birthdays

Susan Seamans _____ July 5
Harry Kitter _____ July 7
Ethel Gross _____ July 8
Kimberly Lynch _____ July 18
John Gong _____ July 21
Marcia Coppertino _____ July 23
Shawn Nejad _____ July 23
Joan E Behrens _____ July 27

Wedding Anniversaries

Cecilia & Aryn Sieber _____ July 6
Scott & Kimberly Lynch _____ July 24

Congratulations to all!

Your Rotary Leadership

Club Leadership *Click on a name below to send that person an email.*

President: David Rowe

International Service: Inga Liden

Programs: Steve Day

Sergeant-At-Arms: Paul Rubincam

President's Asst: Liz Fitzgerald

Club Service: Kimberly Lynch

Membership: Tim Dickins

Educator Of The Year:

President-Elect: Greg O'Brien

Vocational Service: Joan Behrens

Public Relations: Derald Sidler

Joan Behrens & Jim Hartman

Secretary: Suzy Zimmerman

Community Service: Bruce Attig

Communications: Greg Sparkman

Rotary-In-The-Home: Jackie Ignon

Treasurer: Norton Donner

New Generations: Julia Parton

La Rotación: Nicki Nikakhtar



RI Leadership

President: Kalyan Banerjee, from the Rotary Club of Vapi, India
His speeches and news are posted at www.rotary.org/president



District 5280 Leadership

District Governor: Brad Robinson, from the Rotary Club of Beverly Hills

Pictured at left: District Governor Brad Robinson and his wife, Catherine