

# Roto News

"Change to Grow With Rotary"



Be a gift to the world

## The Last Meeting For Rena Kay!

*She made it!! Rena Kay's year is coming to an end. The little piggy just has to make it through demotion and she can officially retire.*

*Rena was dressed very casual today when she welcomed us with "Love and Good Earth", but she explained that today is National Flip-Flop Day. What will they think of next!*

*Scott Begin asked us to Pray for our beloved Past President Susan Leedy, who is still in ICU in critical condition. He also asked us to pray for the families of the shooting victims in Orlando and the family of the sweet little boy who was taken away too soon. He also reminded us that we still have plenty to be thankful for, especially as Rotarians and all the good work we do!*

*It was a light crowd today, with no visitors or visiting Rotarians. Rena Thanked the sole greeter, Michele Brown, but the other Michele was no where to be found. The reception table which was manned by Mike Brazzell, Greg Brawn was also a no-show.*

*Rena Kay recognized Aaron Markovits who just celebrated a birthday. He told us that he went to dinner at Road House where they decorated him with a toilet seat cover and a coffee filter, but he said it was so worth the free ice Cream.*

*Jon Lifquist is celebrating a birthday on the 20th, when asked about his plans he told us that he was sure someone is planning a fabulous party. Be on the look-out for your invitations.*

*Tony and Theresa Ansolabere celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary and Tony said he took his wife shopping. Since I know most men can't stand to shop, I'm thinking that is true love!*

*John Wilson was called on because it is club anniversary tomorrow. When asked if he knew how many years, he not only knew that, but recalled it was a Sunny Day and the Giants had beaten the Dodgers. Mike Brazzell was called on next and asked the same question, he too recalled it was a sunny day, but thought it was 12 years when it is actual 13 years on June 20th.*

*Rena Kay took a moment to wish all the father's a Happy Father's Day and also wished us an early Happy 4th of July, since we will be dark until after the fourth, except for demotion of course.*

*She also reminded us that tomorrow is a Clean-up day at Williams school at 8:30 and also tomorrow night is the Twilight Club's Beer Pong tournament at Temblor Brewing Company.*

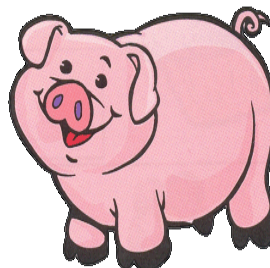
*Then Rena had a little fun with fines. She called on Jon Lifquist and Quon Louey for missing their assignments and failing to find a replace-*

*ment. Jon informed Madam President that he paid that fine last week, but got no sympathy and was told to pay again. Quon tried to said it was the other Asian guy in our club, but that didn't fly either.*

*Bob Parker was happy to pay the pig (by the way the pig is missing), announcing that his son Dustin is engaged to his girlfriend Cassie.*

*Then we were interrupted by a special delivery for Rena, a poem about packing for her demotion trip and a pig nose, which she declined to wear.*

*After the program, Rena took a moment to highlight some of this year's accomplishments and thanking us for her year. She also shared some pictures of the pastimes she is looking forward to after her retirement. Taking care of her chickens, roosters and other livestock and she will be gardening. Reminding us that Green Acres is the Place to Be.*



Volume 63, Issue 38

June 17, 2016

### 2015-2015 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President  
Rena Kay Schrader  
Vice President  
Terry Schroepfer  
President Elect  
Jim Williams  
Secretary  
Melinda Westfahl  
Treasurer  
Bob Parker  
  
Sergeant-at-Arms  
Tony Ansolabere  
Club Service Administration  
Michele Brown  
Community Service  
Membership  
Jimmie Soto  
Vocational Service  
Mike Brazzell  
Community Service New  
Generations  
Aaron Markovits  
Community Service Outreach  
Fernando Aguirre  
International Service  
Amanda Frank  
Rotary Foundation  
Dan Giordano  
Board Advisor  
Bruce Keith & Steve Gibbs

**Programs Steve Gibbs  
Roto News Michele  
Brown**

**Bakersfield East Rotary  
Club**  
PO Box 2383  
Bakersfield, CA 93303



Our program today was the One Spade Youth Packers. Unfortunately the speaker Reed Hopkins who runs the program was feeling ill and left to go to the hospital, but the 2 young men he brought did an excellent job telling us about their experience.

Kurt Sagle aka Hoss who is on the right shared with us that before the program he was in trouble and this program helped him turn his life around. He has been in the program for 5 years and he has learned a lot about hard work and respect. He gets to go out every other weekend and ride, hike and drive the mules. They also help clean the trails by removing trash and heavy brush, repairing trails when needed.

James Hollington has been in the program for 3 years. He told us before the program, he was lazy and played video games all day, he was in trouble and had quit school. Both boys could not say enough about the program and especially Reid who has been a mentor to them both.

The program is open to both boys and girls and the families do not have to pay for their child to participate. In addition to the weekend trips, they also get to participate in competitions in Bishop, against teams from all around the world. Both boys had won in different areas and had belt buckles to prove it.

Both shared that they plan to continue with the packing program, either in the Forest Department or the Military, expressing how much this program has changed their lives.

Rena presented them with a check from our club to help the program continue to thrive.





I thought this pictured of our newest Paul Harris Fellow deserved to be published again. Congratulations Aaron!

#### Birthdays

Aaron Markovits—June 16, Frank Colatruglio—June 18th, Jon Lifquist—June 20th, Michele Auriemma—June 21st, and Jerry Meade—June 24th.

#### Anniversaries

Terry and Nina Schroeffer—42 years on June 14th, Toney and Theresa Ansolabehere—25 years on June 15th.

#### Club Anniversary

Terry Schroeffer—21 years on June 16th, John Wilson—12 years on June 18th and Mike Brazzell—13 years on June 20th.

## Upcoming Events

June 18th—Clean-up at Williams School @8:30.

June 18th—Twilights Club presents Beer Pong at Temblor Brewing Company

June 24th—Demotion

# Club Directors & Committees

## I. Club Service, Administration.....Director: *Michele Brown*

- Attendance/Front Table.....: Tony Ansolabehere
- BERC Database & WEB.....: Tony Ansolabehere
- Roto News Publisher.....: Michele Brown
- Roto News Photographer.....: Brian Oberg
- BBQ.....: Steve Karcher/Rena Kay S.
- Holiday Lunch.....: Melinda Westfahl
- Charter Night.....: \_\_\_\_\_
- Gin Fizz.....: Gary Stanfill
- Venue/Food.....: Michele Brown
- Historian.....: Rena Kay Schrader
- Programs.....: Steve Gibbs/John Wilson
- Public Relations.....: \_\_\_\_\_

## II. Club Service, Membership.....Director: *Jimmie Soto*

- Classification.....:Tom Burch
- Evaluation.....: Wayne Kress
- Rotary Information.....: Dan Giordano
- Fireside/Assimilation.....: Jimmie Soto/Rena Kay
- Membership Development (Master of Fun).....: Steve Richardson
- Rotarian Magazine.....: Dan Giordano
- Membership Directory.....: Melinda Westfahl
- E-mail Blasts.....: Michele Brown
- Family of Rotary.....:Jenny Dierck/Steve Karcher, Christy S.

## III. Vocational Service.....Director: *Mike Brazzell*

- Employee Recognition.....: Steve Richardson
- Business Person Of The Year.....: Mike Brazzell
- Craft Talks.....: Mike Brazzell
- Vocational Scholarships.....: Mike Brazzell & Aaron Markovits
- Officer Of The Year.....: Mike Brazzell

## IV. Community Service-Youth Services.....Director: *Aaron Markovits / Day Smith*

- East High Interact.....:Tomeka Powell
- Highland High InterAct.....: Brian Oberg
- Garces High InterAct.....: Scarlett Sabin
- OLPH InterAct.....: Scarlett Sabin
- Joe Alexander Scholarship Foundation Liaison.....: Aaron Markovits
- RotarAct.....: Aaron Markovits
- Scholarships.....: Gary Creott & Bill Gresco
- RYLA.....: Day Smith/Sandi Schwartz
- Business & Ethics Conference.....: Steve Richardson
- Four Way Test.....: Aaron M. & Day S.

**V. Community Service-Outreach**.....Director: **Fernando Aguirre****Blood Bank Organ Donation**.....:Sandi Schwartz

A. Blood Bank Days

**BGC & Children Outreach**.....: Fernando Aguirre

A. Backpack Project.....: Tom Burch, Christy Swatzell &amp; Fernando

B. Jamison Center.....: Tom Burch

**Environment**

A. Bike Path Maps.....: Terry Schroepfer

B. Rotary Park.....: Ron Biglin, Tom Burch &amp; Jon Lifquist

C. Cleanup Projects.....: Fernando

**Handicap/Poverty/Senior Citizens**.....:**Other Community Service Outreach**

\*Can Food Drive.....: Christy Swatzell

\*Salvation Army Bell Ringing.....: Michelle Brown, Susan Leedy

\*Youth Financial Literacy.....: Jim Williams &amp; Roy Herrmann

A. Dictionary Project.....:

B. Listen to Readers.....: Julie Womack

\*The Forgotten Initiative.....: Jenny Dierck

**Veterans**

A. Honor Flight.....: Tom Burch

B. Rebuilding Kern Together.....: Fernando Aguirre

**VI. International Service**.....Director: **Amanda Frank**

• Polio Plus.....: Dan Giordano

• Polio Plus Donations.....: Dan Giordano

• International Service Development/Grants.....: Christy Swatzell &amp; Committee

• South of the Boarder/Education.....: Amanda &amp; Sandi Schwartz

• Love Water.....: Amanda &amp; Christine Randall

**VII. BERC Foundation**.....Director: **Dan Giordano**

• Vino Amore Chair.....: Tom Burch &amp; Michelle Brown

• Vino Amore Sponsorships.....: Scott Begin

• Vino Amore Auction Items.....: Jenny Dierck / Dan Urban

• Vino Amore Treasurer.....: Bob Parker

• Vino Amore Tickets.....: Sandi Schwartz / Christine Randall

**VIII. FUN Raisers**

• Shooting Contest.....: \_\_\_\_\_

• Photo Calendar, Note Cards, Post Cards.....: \_\_\_\_\_

Updated 07.16.2015









