

## Bakersfield East

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# ROTO-NEWS

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### CLUB EXECUTIVES & DIRECTORS

#### President

Christy Swatzell

#### President Elect

Amanda Frank

#### Vice President

Jim Williams

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Michele Brown

#### Treasurer

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David Sullivan  
Tom Burch, Tony Ansolabehere

#### Club Service

Tony Ansolabehere

#### Membership

David Sullivan

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Jonathon Lifquist

#### Community Svc (Outreach)

Julie Womack

#### International Svc

Jimmie Soto

#### Rotary Foundation

Dan Giordano

#### Board Advisor

Sandi Schwartz

#### Vocational

Michael Brazzell

#### PROGRAMS:

##### Program Chair

Scarlett Sabin  
Dave Bass

##### Roto-News/Public Relations

Amy Raddatz

##### Social Event Chair

Scarlett Sabin



MAY 14, 2017 - 7 PM  
TO  
MAY 16, 2017 - 2:30 AM

147,145 STEPS  
14,105 CALORIES

48 TRAIL MILES  
52 MILES WALKED



Pictured above: Mr. and Mrs. Chet Pohle with President Christy Swatzell and snap shots of the Grand Canyon.

Chet Pohle successfully hiked rim to rim to rim in the beautiful but dangerous Grand Canyon. In his endeavors, Chet experienced hallucinations, snakes, both feet covered in blisters, loss of appetite, and near death by dehydration. On May 16, 2017, Chet walked a total of 52 miles in a little over two days to complete the goal set out before him.

Well done Chet, you overcame mentally and physically and are still alive to talk about it!

**BERC's Back-to-School Backpack Project has provided 1,035 backpacks to children this year alone!**

Bakersfield Homeless Center



Casa Loma Elementary School



CASA of Kern County



Douglas K. Fletcher Elementary



## Upcoming Meetings

Date and Speaker	Greeter	Flag Salute	Invocation	Visiting Rotarians	Reception Desk
September 1, 2017 <b>Meet-and-Eat</b>	Michele Brown Tom Burch	Mike Burger	Dean Carpenter	Frank Colatruglio	Gary Creott Ryan Dovell
September 8, 2017 – At <b>Hodel's</b> <b>Dan Giordano</b> History of Rotary & Foundation	Phil Franey Amanda Frank	Steve Gibbs	Kelly Giblin	Susan Gill	Dan Giordano Bill Gresco
September 15, 2017 <b>CSUB Athletic Department</b>	Coming soon				
September 22, 2017 <b>Mayor Karen Goh</b> State of the City	Coming soon				
September 29, 2017 <b>Li Gibbs</b> Kern YES!	Coming soon				

## Reading Assignments for September:

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# Member Spotlight with Ron Biglin



## When and why did you become a member of Rotary?

I joined BERC in January 1998 at the urging of my banker at the time, Jan Blake

## What is your classification with our club?

Travel Agency

## Tell us about your family:

Married to Jerry Meade in October of 2011. Two amazing kids. Samantha is a high school teacher

in Vista, Ca. and Justin is working for James Cameron on the next Avitar movie.

**Hobby/What you do for fun:** We love getting away in our RV whenever we can and traveling internationally when possible.

**Anything that you would like to share:** I am so thankful for my amazing and accepting BERC family. Most of my closest friends I've met through Rotary.



## AUGUST CELEBRATIONS



### Member Birthdays

Tony Ansolabehere Aug 05  
Amanda Frank Aug 14  
Quon Louey Aug 19  
Michele Brown Aug 22  
Ronald Biglin Aug 31

### Anniversaries

Michael & Nita Brazzell - Aug 06 22 years  
Steven & Li Gibbs - Aug 07 24 years  
Tom & Gail Burch Aug 09 48 years  
Christine Randall & Dave Nielsen - Aug 16 16 years  
Susan Gill & Bill Malloy - Aug 22 30 years  
Jim & Jann Williams - Aug 22 23 years  
Bryan & Mikela Oberg - Aug 23 9 years

### Spouse Birthdays

Mikela Oberg spouse of Bryan Oberg Aug 02  
Malinda Gillette spouse of Frank Colatruglio Aug 03  
Nina Schroepfer spouse of Terry Schroepfer Aug 26  
Richard Schwartz spouse of Sandi Schwartz Aug 28  
Alan Giblin spouse of Kelly Giblin Aug 31

### Club Anniversaries

Patricia Graffius 22 years  
Gary Stanfill 39 years  
Sandi Schwartz 23 years  
Brian Sorci 3 years

# Opportunities to Serve:

**First Saturday of Every Month - Time: 9 A.M. – 11 A.M.**

**Rotary Park Clean Up**

**Next project date September 2**

**Casa Loma Elementary Assembly to thank Bakersfield East Rotary Club**

**Tuesday, August 29th Starts at 2:30 P.M.**

**525 East Casa Loma Drive, Bakersfield, CA 93307**

**The assembly will start at 2:30 P.M. so try to be there about 10-15 minutes early.**

**If you can attend notify Fernando!**



**Coming up:**

**SERVICE Above Self**

Volunteers are needed for the upcoming school year to provide reading assistance to third graders at College Heights Elementary School. The commitment is one hour per week, listening to 4 children read. Volunteers can serve weekly, share a shift with another volunteer, or be available as a substitute. A short training session will be provided for new volunteers. More information will be forthcoming – please consider this opportunity to provide a difference in the education and future of our students. Stay tuned! For more information, please call Julie Womack at (618)292-1666, or email [womackdj@aol.com](mailto:womackdj@aol.com)

**RYLA 2018: APRIL 19 - 22, 2018**

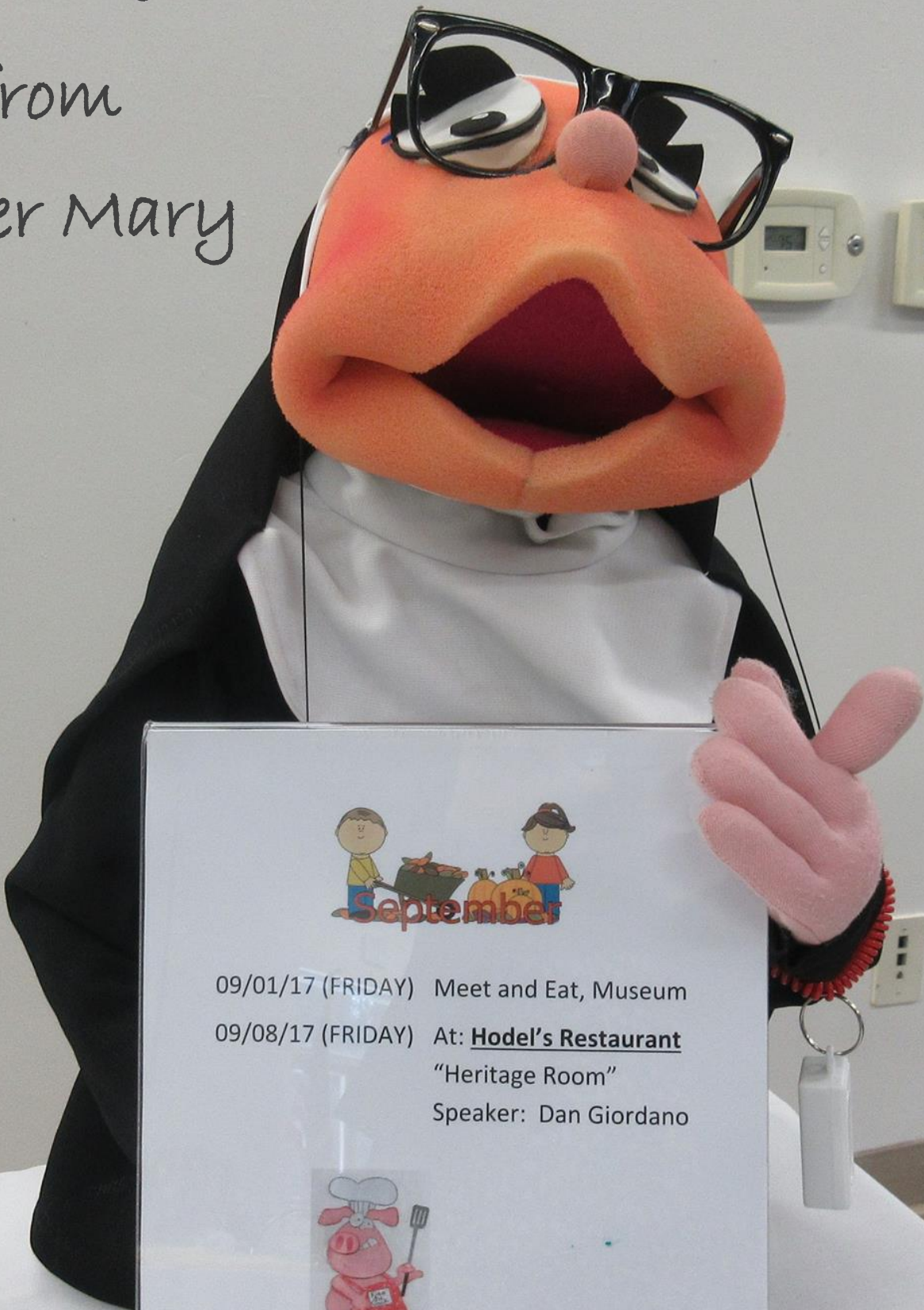
**Contact Jon Lifquist**

Tom Burch and Fernando Aguirre presented Honor Flight with a \$3,500 check on behalf of the club. More details regarding a service opportunity with Honor Flight to come.

Ron White was presented with his Blue Badge at Friday's meeting. Congratulations Ron!



Reminders  
from  
Sister Mary



09/01/17 (FRIDAY) Meet and Eat, Museum

09/08/17 (FRIDAY) At: Hodel's Restaurant

"Heritage Room"

Speaker: Dan Giordano



FALL BBQ

10/05/17 (THURSDAY)

At: Bob and Gina Residence - RSVP



## OTHER LOCAL AREA ROTARY CLUB MEETINGS

### MONDAY

WASCO - NOON, VETERAN'S HALL ON POPLAR

### TUESDAY

BAKERSFIELD NORTH - NOON, PETROLEUM CLUB

INYOKERN - 6 PM, BERNARDINO'S

### WEDNESDAY

BAKERSFIELD BREAKFAST - 6:45 AM, PETROLEUM CLUB

SHAFTER - 6:30 AM, SHAFTER VETERAN'S HALL

BAKERSFIELD WEST - NOON, STOCKDALE COUNTRY CLUB

TAFT - NOON, JO'S RESTAURANT

TWILIGHT - 5:45 PM, BAKERSFIELD MUSEUM OF ART

### THURSDAY

BAKERSFIELD DOWNTOWN - NOON, BAKERSFIELD MUSEUM OF ART

TEHACHAPI - NOON, DON JUAN'S

DELANO - NOON, KONG'S DYNASTY

FRAZIER PARK - 5:30 PM, LOS PINOS RESTAURANT

KERN RIVER VALLEY - 6 PM, EWINGS

YOU CAN ALSO MAKE UP A MEETING AT YOUR CONVENIENCE,

## Contact Us

### East Bakersfield Rotary Club

We meet Fridays at 12:00 PM

Bakersfield Museum of Art

1930 R Street

Bakersfield, California 93301

<https://portal.clubrunner.ca/2817>

## MEMBER BUSINESS SECTION –

SNAP A PHOTO OF YOUR BUSINESS CARD WITH YOUR CELL PHONE AND EMAIL TO AMY RADDATZ TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER.



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