



Rotary Club of Bakersfield Twilight “The Torch”



August 3, 2020

A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT, LI GIBBS:



Rotary year 2020-2021
Twilighters *DoltAtNight*
“Rotary Opens Opportunities”

Goofy but Productive Board!

While our Club had the week off last week, your Club leadership met Wednesday night to discuss upcoming programs and plans for the year. What a productive meeting, it was dotted with some goofy moments (love those!)...I cannot tell you how grateful I am for the passion and ideas each person brought to the virtual table. Twilight may be small but we are a mighty club

and I'm thankful to be a part of this very special family.

See you all back this Wednesday, August 5th for a GREAT program. Zoom in and help me show off our Twilight hospitality as we welcome a very special guest.

Steve Lingenbrink, Rotary Coordinator for Zone 27

Every Rotary Club has been affected by Covid-19, putting a strain on membership efforts. One of the foremost experts on Rotary membership on the west coast is Past District Governor from District 5030 (Seattle area) Steve Lingenbrink, Rotary Coordinator for Zone 27. A member of Rotary Club of Bellevue Breakfast (near Seattle.) Steve's passion in Rotary is “All Things Membership.” Steve has spent countless hours on Zoom this year and then prior to the lock-downs, spent many miles in the air and on the road speaking to District Assemblies, PETS Training, Governor-Elect and Governor-Nominee training and countless Club meetings over the past 3 years, all with the purpose of improving membership. Do you have questions related to “Rotary and Membership?” Join us on August 5th to hear Steve and his updated list of “Best Practices” for Rotary Clubs and have him answer your questions!

I'm counting on seeing all of you Weds, August 5th and make sure to invite a friend or two or three!

Virtual abraçades!

Li



July 29 Board Meeting



Who says board meetings can't be fun? Twilight gathered for the first official board meeting of the 2020-2021 year with President Li. We cannot wait to share the fun we have planned for everyone this year (see a fun picture from July 29th meeting below).

Do not forget to share your photos and videos trying the TAPA OF THE MONTH for our socials (See August's recipe on page 3).

We will also share various member spotlights throughout the year as a way to get to know our members and keep Twilight connected (Check your inbox soon requesting yours ☺).



The Four Way Test

of the things we think, say and do

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

✂️ *Tapa of The Month: August* ✂️

Prunes and dates wrapped in bacon - Delicious contrast of sweet and savoury



This tapa is designed to suit the tastes of the Catalans, first only savoury, then pretty sweet. Delicious contrast of sweet and savoury. Plums and dates wrapped in bacon are easy to prepare and offer a taste experience full of contradictions.

Ingredients for four servings

- 12 dried prunes (without stones)
- 12 dried dates
- 12 thin slices of bacon
- 1 tablespoon of olive oil

Preparation

Cut the bacon slices in half and use them to wrap the dates and prunes. If the bacon is too short, it can also be split lengthwise.

Heat some oil in a frying pan and fry the wrapped fruit until the bacon is golden brown and crispy. When you turn them make sure that the bacon does not open.

After cooking let the oil drain on kitchen paper.

The tapa tastes best when warm.

Tips and variations

The prunes and dates can be filled with an almond.

In principle, the recipe works with almost any kind of dried fruit that can be wrapped with the bacon.

Preparation time: About 20 minutes.



Rotary Club of Bakersfield Twilight

BASIC NECESSITIES SERVICE PROJECT

Members of The Rotary Club of Bakersfield Twilight, we need **YOU** to help us collect and donate the following high need items to the Bakersfield Homeless Center:

- **Toothbrushes**
- **Toothpaste**
- **Deodorant**
- **Baby Wipes**
- **Hand sanitizer (alcohol based)**
- **Hair combs**
- **Reusable and/or disposable face masks**
- **New underwear for men, women and children (all sizes needed)**

Further Information regarding the collection location and drop off/donation date will be provided at the next Rotary Twilight Zoom Meeting. You can also contact Community Service Chair Laura Williams at (661) 858-8113 or williamslauramargaret@gmail.com for information.

Because Small Items Make a Big Difference



Rotary Club Of Bakersfield Twilight Member Spotlight



Laura Williams

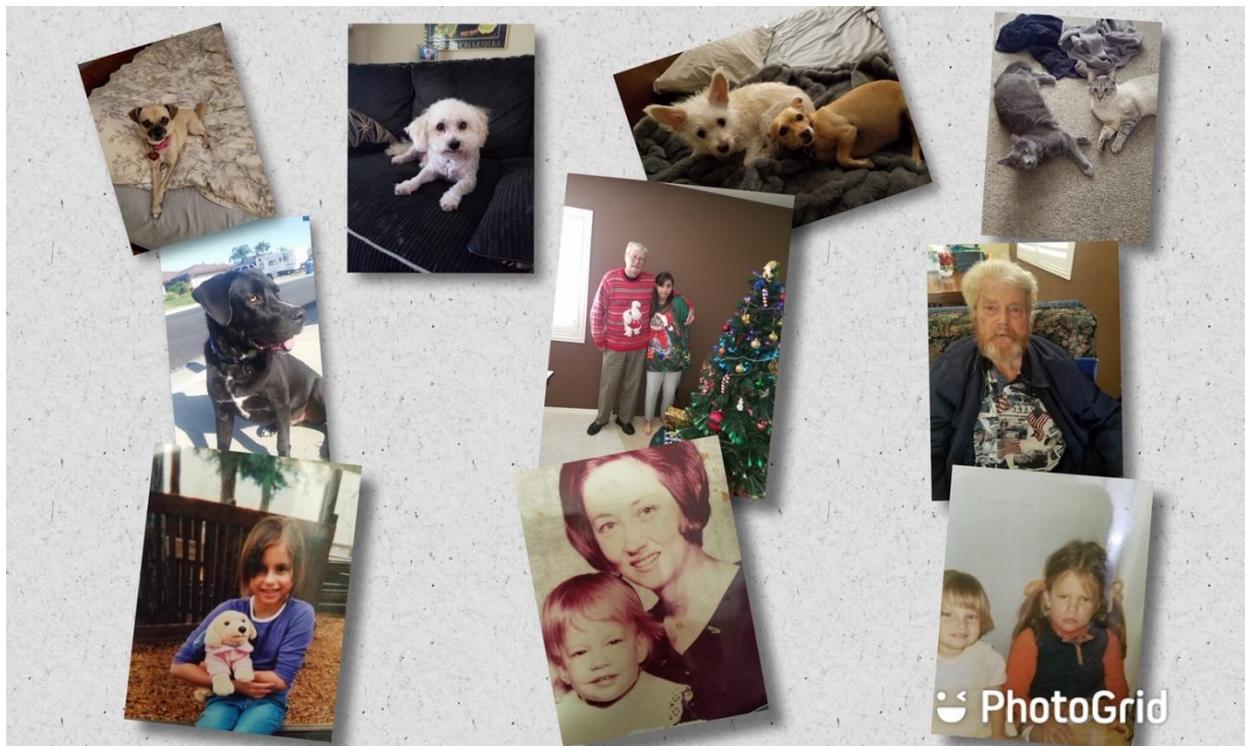
"My name is Laura Williams. I grew up in Encino, California, and am the oldest of four siblings. If you call me a Valley Girl, I will deny it (though I am). I went to college at UC Berkeley, graduating as an English major in 1986. After working for two years as a paralegal at a law firm in San Francisco, I attended Columbia University Law School in New York City. After graduating law school in 1991, I worked at a large law firm in New York City for 6 years.

Having paid off my law school loans and missing my family in California, I moved back to Los Angeles in 1997, where I worked with my father, who is an attorney, and a close friend and classmate from law school, practicing estate planning and corporate law.

In 2005, I adopted my daughter, Tina, who was 8 when we first met and 9 when the adoption was finalized. In 2006, Tina and I and our dogs moved to Bakersfield. I worked as an attorney in estate planning, tax and corporate law at Klein, DeNatale Goldner from 2006 to fall 2013.

I served on the Board of Directors of Valley Achievement Center (VAC) for approximately 6 years, including as President, Vice-president and Secretary. In October 2013, I stopped practicing law and became Executive Director of VAC. VAC has programs for children and adults with autism and other developmental disabilities. I continue to work at VAC as Executive Director, where I enjoy working with others who are dedicated to helping our clients achieve their goals and live more independent lives.

I share my home with my dad, Larry, my now 23 year old adult daughter, Tina, her boyfriend, five dogs, and two cats. Needless to say, things at home can be a bit loud and furry. In my limited free time, I enjoy reading and hanging out with my family two legged and four legged."



Upcoming Events

August 5, 2020

Club Meeting 6 pm Zoom

Guest Speaker: Past District Governor from District 5030, Rotary Coordinator for Zone 27:

Steve Lingenbrink

August 12, 2020

Club Meeting 6 pm Zoom

Guest Speaker: Past District Governor/past member of RC of Bakersfield East:

Chungsam Doh

Club Member Birthdays

August 07 Troy Goodban

August 21 Helia Corral

August 26 Sandra Foster

Wedding Anniversaries

August 03 Jim & Donna Bell

August 07 Steven & Li Gibbs

August 31 Brad & Angie Henderson

2020-2021 Board

President: Li Gibbs

Treasurer: Denise Thomas

Vice President: Nancy Pollard

Sergeant at Arms: Garrett Colatruglio

Secretary: Ashli Diaz

2020-2021 Directors

Community Service: Laura Williams **Youth Service:** Brad Henderson

Club Service: Donna Bell

International: Vince Zaragoza

2020-2021 Chairs

Foundation President: Nancy Pollard **Family Of Rotary:** Amy Smith

Foundation Chair: Carol Smith

Membership Chair: Jim Bell

Club Awards Chair: Carol Smith

Web Master: Tony Azemika

Club Programs: Shonna Shearson

Rotaract Liaison: Oz de Guzman

Club Fun Meister: Jeremy Swanson

The Torch Editor: Ashli Diaz

RYLA Coordinator: Li Gibbs/Brad Henderson

STAY CONNECTED:

Join us Wednesday at 6 pm **#WeDoltAtNight** Virtual Zoom Meeting

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