



Rotary Club of Bakersfield Twilight

"The Torch"



July 13, 2020

A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT, LI GIBBS:



Welcome again to the New Rotary year 20-21 where Twilighters "*DoltAtNight*" and "Rotary Opens Opportunities."

Thank you all for joining our very first meeting, wow, what a superb turnout. Twilighters know how to have fun together.

I want to personally thank our District Governor, Deb Linden, District Governor Elect, Dana Moldovan and District Governor Elect Nominee Scott Phillips for Zooming in for our

first meeting. It was a great honor having them join us.

A reminder of RI President Holger Knaack's theme for 2020-21 "*Rotary Opens Opportunities*, asks Rotarians to create opportunities that strengthen their leadership, help put service ideas into action, and improve the lives of those in need." Tony will be posting the video of a more detailed version of RI Presidential message on our website.

I am humbled to be working with such wonderful humans, I thank our Directors and Chairs, first for saying "yes" and for their commitment to Service Above Self. And to all members, thank you for allowing me the honor to serve as your President.

Let's keep PP Anselmo and beautiful Isabel Moreno in our hearts and minds as they welcome their precious addition to the family, baby Moreno is due Tuesday July 14th. Please keep our own Brad (B-Rad) in your hearts and thoughts as he undergoes an outpatient procedure Monday. Hopefully, we will see his smiling face Wednesday so he can give us an update.

Here we go...

Fasten your seatbelts, we are off to a great running start to this challenging year! Twilighters not only #DoltAtNight but we're up to the challenge, let's do this! See you all Weds, July 15th at 6pm on Zoom! ...Pssst....bring a guest!

Virtual hugs!

Li

July 2020

#WeDoltAtNight



July 8, 2020 Twilight's Inaugural Meeting



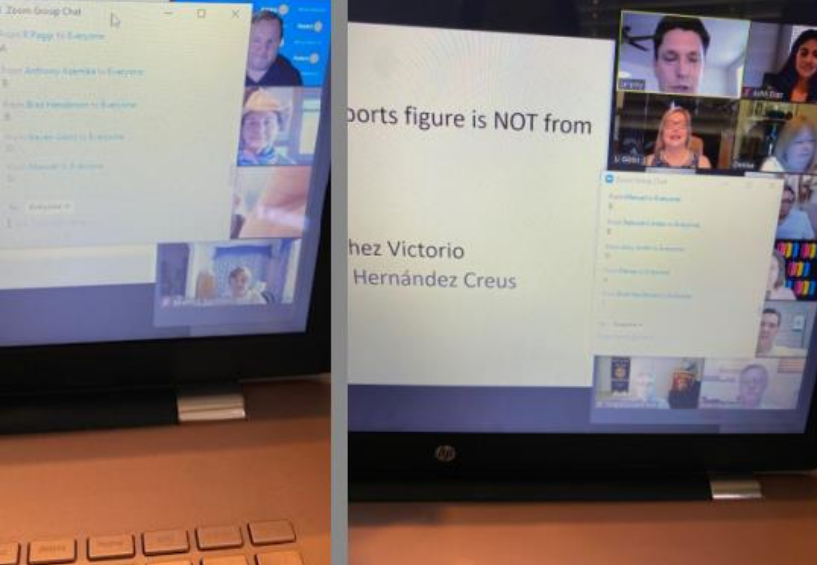
Twilighters gathered for the first meeting of the 2020-2021 Rotary year where we celebrated President Li Gibbs.


President Li touched on Rotary International President, Holger Knaack's theme "Rotary Opens Opportunities," introduced the new Board and Chairs, as well as this year's Club motto #WeDoltAtNight. President Li discussed the goals for this year and how Twilight will be "flipping the script" and turning meetings upside down, literally, plus mixing in a lot of fun and engagement. Bring guests!


Club Program Chair Shonna Shearson and Club Fun Meister, Jeremy Swanson opened the meeting with "What's that Ditty" a game in which a few seconds of a song is played and members guess the song title and artist in the chat box with Fun Meister Jeremy keeping a running total of wins throughout the year.

Wow, who knew Rotarians could be so competitive?!

We were honored to have Rotarians from all over the District Zooming in for President Li's inaugural meeting, including District "royalty," our District Governor, Deb Linden, District Governor Elect, Dana Moldovan and District Governor Elect Nominee, Scott Philips. Also joining in were all the Bakersfield Rotary Club Presidents; Ken Beurmann from Downtown Rotary, Tony Ansolabehere from East Rotary, Andy Stanley from West Rotary, Dave Spalinger from Breakfast and Cathy Bennett from North. Other Rotarians included East PP Steve Gibbs and immediate Past President of East Rotary, Quon Louey and PP Chuck Canada of Niles Fremont along with President Li's children, Steven and Alixandra. Ali is in Fresno and Steven was driving from Oklahoma to Texas and we got to see a lot of landscape as he drove and participated in the fun. Our Fun Meister also tested everyone's knowledge of Catalunya with trivia fun in honor of our President Li's home town of Barcelona.







Rotary Opens Opportunities

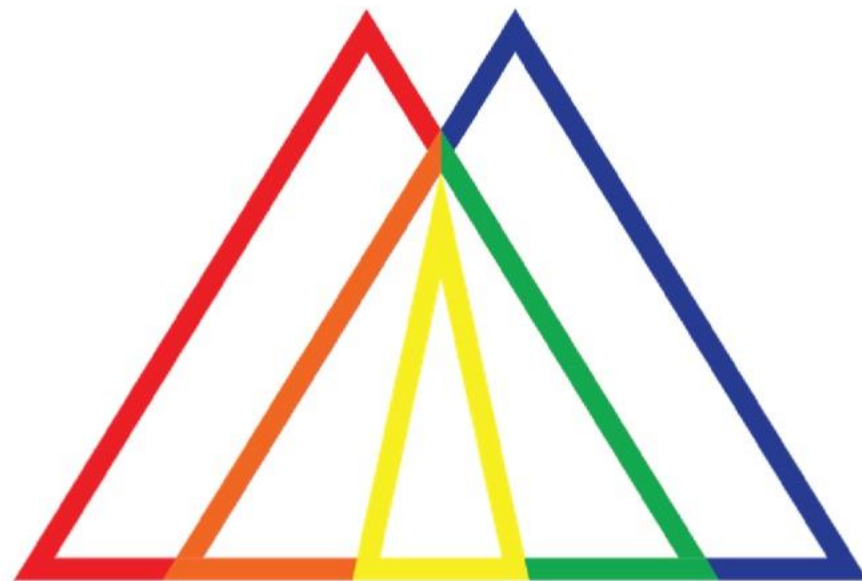
"Rotary is not just a club that you join. It is an invitation to endless opportunities. It opens opportunities to serve in a project as big and historic as End Polio Now, and also in a small community project where you just plant a tree. And it opens opportunities for you to live a richer, more meaningful life with friends around the world based on our core values. As Rotarians, we are blessed to take on leadership roles at this wonderful moment for our organization. Everything we do opens another opportunity for someone, somewhere. And therefore the theme for our year is 'Rotary Opens Opportunities.'"

– Holger Knaak, 2020-2021 RI President

Meeting July 15, 2020:

Join us **Wednesday July 15th at 6pm** for an entertaining program from local couple, Katherine and Stephen Winters, as they share how they are helping our community during the pandemic. Click below to learn more about their cause.

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Upcoming Events

July 15, 2020

Inspirational Moment:

Brad Henderson/Li Gibbs

Flag Salute:

Robin Paggi

July 22, 2020

Club Social

July 29, 2020

Club Board Meeting 6 pm

Club Member Birthdays

July 14 *Denise Thomas*

July 20 *Oz de Guzman*

Wedding Anniversaries

July 15 *Jeremy & Teresa Swanson*

Club Anniversaries

July 7 *Jeremy Swanson*

(11 years)

July 1 *Brad Henderson*

(8 years)

July 1 *Judy Morasci*

(1 year)

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 Chair: Nancy Pollard

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

Family of Rotary: Amy Smith

RYLA Coordinator: Li Gibbs/Brad Henderson

STAY CONNECTED:

Join us Wednesday at 6 pm #WeDoltAtNight

Virtual Zoom Meeting

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