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An Exclusive Conversation Part 2* page 7

EDITOR'S NOTES:

April 1st came and went. And this year's spaghetti harvest is saved and good riddance to the spaghetti weevil! Before long we can start picking noodles from trees, the angel hair type from spaghetti bushes. (An old April 1st joke with origin in England.) But let's get back to March.

A lively group of members got together to learn about Rotary leadership at the recent Leadership Training Seminar. Who knows, a future club president, a future district governor, was present at the seminar that Saturday morning in early March.

Grillers from In & Out were busy flipping hamburgers much the same way as flipping flapjacks at a pancake rally. This was the case at the End Polio Run/Walk/Picnic at Griffith Park.

The Annual Art, Dance, Music, and Speech Competition brought out the best of local high school students who performed in the various arts. The campus of LMU was the perfect venue.

Sunday wine and brunch was part of the ideal setting for the recent Paul Harris Society Reception. For a \$1000 pledge, payable by June 30, you too can become a member of the Paul Harris Society this year. Another reception is planned for Society members at the District Conference in San Diego. Another great reason to attend the District Conference!

Enthusiasm rained down on the final District Breakfast for the year. The Interactors and Rotaractors planned and organized an exceptional program!

Interactors, Rotaractors, and Rotarians are ordinary individuals doing extraordinary work. In this issue you will learn about extraordinary acts of "Service Above Self" by members in our district. The April issue concludes with Part 2, "an extraordinary conversation with PRIP Ray Klinginsmith". He shares his biggest fear. And then there are the other stories and photos of ordinary members being involved in extraordinary ways. First, however, let's begin by reading a message from our District Governor extraordinaire, Elsa Gillham!

Cover photo shows Governor Elsa leading runners and walkers at the 321 Run/Walk/Picnic event.

Photo by Paul St. John

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From Governor Elsa...

April is designated as Magazine Month in the Rotary world. The Rotarian is one of the oldest continuously published magazines in the world dating back to 1911, boosting Rotary's public image and showing the world the work that Rotarians do. It's filled with wonderful articles about Rotary's humanitarian work around the world, interviews with World leaders, heartwarming articles of Rotarians telling their "Rotary Story", and much more. When you receive The Rotarian magazine, sit back, relax and enjoy a good read. Then pass it along to a friend, a co-worker or a prospective member for them to enjoy.

March was definitely a VIBRANT month. The "A" in VIBRANT stands for Advancement and Training of members. At the **Future Leaders Training Seminar** held March 7 in Santa Monica, Rotarians were able to expand their Rotary knowledge, and were given ideas on how to take their leadership skills to the next level. Thank you District Trainer Bette Hall of Calabasas Rotary Club for a great job training future leaders in our District.

It was a beautiful day for our **Rotary Day To End Polio Walk/Run** at Griffith Park March 21. Almost 500 people attended, running/walking the 10K, the 5K and 1 mile courses. Everyone gathered at the Crystal Springs section of the park for the second District picnic. Rotary was Visible, Involved members from many clubs, was a Big and Bold project, Never ending fun was had by all supporting The Rotary Foundation, raising almost \$8500 for Polio Plus. Thank you to all the volunteers and committee members led by Jim Beardsley and Todd Crusier of South Bay Sunrise, Wendy Clifford of Wilshire, Melody St. John of Hollywood, and Mark Mariscal, LA5 and the LA Parks Department for making our Rotary Day VIBRANT.

47 very talented high school students competed at the **District Music, Arts, Dance and Speech Contest** held March 28 at Loyola Marymount University. Winners in each category received monetary scholarship awards. The



Governor Elsa, Melody St. John, Cindy Williams
Governor Elsa, Melody St. John, Cindy Williams, and Nora MacLellan in 321 Run/Walk/Picnic selfie.

contest presented an opportunity for each contestant to showcase their talent before judges who are deans, professors, department heads and experts in their respective fields from various universities and colleges. The judges were so impressed with the quality of talent, that some have asked for contact information. In the past, contestants have been awarded college scholarships. Thank you to Ken Chong, of LA5, and his committee for putting on such a quality event.

360 Rotarians, Rotaractors and Interactors were in attendance at the Youth- led **Vibrant District Breakfast** at City Club March 31, the last of this year's District Breakfasts. Steve Greenberg, author of "The Third Factor" and owner of Edible Arrangements, inspired everyone to elevate their personal and professional performance and to lead others to do the same. Thank you to Diane Davis of Downey for guiding the youth for putting on a great program. A big happy clap to District Breakfast Chair Pearl Leeka, of Wilshire, for an outstanding job with the 2014-15 District Breakfasts.

We should all be proud of our clubs accomplishments to date. Kudos to club Presidents, Membership and Foundation Committee chairs for their time and talent in motivating their clubs to grow and to support The Rotary Foundation.

To date, our net gain in District Membership is on track to exceed our goal of 125. When we reach an increase of 150

net members by the end of this fiscal year, I will color my hair shocking pink. Reach Out to Recruit and Retain members.

Our goal for Foundation Giving is an average of \$250 per member. As of March 31, our District had a net per capita of \$220.61.

We are "THIS CLOSE" to our above goals and I am confident YOU CAN DO IT!

On April 11, Rotaractors from District 5320 and 5280 will explore topics such as Capital Punishment, Assisted Suicide, Mandatory Vaccinations, Genetic Modification and the like at the **Rotaract Ethics Forum** which will be opened by Rotary International Director Steve Snyder. The same day is our **District Rotary Day of Service** where clubs will be doing their community service projects. Plan on attending one or the other or both.

Our **District Conference** is about 5 weeks from now. Let's celebrate by having record attendance to Gillhams Island. Not only will it be VIBRANT, it will be a blast! Don't be left out – register today.

*Light Up Rotary and
Be Vibrant!
Elsa Gillham*

TRF Club MOU Certification

The District 5280 Rotary Foundation Committee's three webinars, "The Rotary Foundation Overview", "District Grant" and "Global Grant" are available on Vimeo through April 30, 2015. As a requirement of the District 5280 Club MOU Certification process, we ask that you watch each of these webinars.

At the conclusion of each webinar, link to the respective survey questionnaire, log-in and provide your contact information as requested, and complete the five-question multiple-choice survey about each webinar. You will need to complete all three surveys before proceeding to the final step which is signing the Club MOU.

After watching the webinars and completing the three surveys, you will be sent a link to the Club MOU for your electronic signature. This is the final step for your personal certification.

REMEMBER, at least **two club members** are required to complete the Club MOU Certification process. Only when the Club MOU process has been completed and the MOU is signed, will your club be qualified for grant activity during Rotary year 2015-2016.



DRFC
David Moyers, PDG
member of the
Palos Verdes
Sunset Club

District Grants
Overview Webinar
(Length 38:49)
District Grants
Survey (log-in + 5
questions)



Lee Stacy,
member of the
Burbank Sunrise
Club

Community Grants
Webinar (Length 24:50)
Community Grants Survey
(log-in + 5 questions)



Gus Oppermann,
member of the
LA5 Club

Global Grants Webinar
(Length 25:03)
Global Grants Survey
(log-in + 5 questions)

We wish to correct the following in the March issue. Cover photo was taken by Anne Muangmongkol, a member of the Thai Town Club. **WE ARE THIS CLOSE** photo was taken by Paul St. John, a member of the LA5 Club. Daughter Iolani is included in photo with Ginny and Alex Brideau, both members of the LA Downtown Club. Rotaractor Yoseline Paulett Lopez-Marroquin, a member of the Hawthorne-LAX-Lennox Club, co-wrote article "Guatemala Beautiful". Apologies to all.

SAVE THE DATE

Presidents' Fellowship and Dinner April 30, 2015

6:00pm -8:30pm

Del Rey Yacht Club
13900 Palawan Way
Marina Del Rey, Ca. 90292

Paul Harris Society Reception

Cantalini's Restorante was host venue for the recent Paul Harris Society Reception. Nearly 70 members, spouses, and guests were in attendance. Everyone enjoyed great food, great wine, and great fellowship. For a \$1000 pledge payable by June 30, 2015, you too can become a Paul Harris Society Member and join the Paul Harris Society Reception at the District Conference in San Diego. For information contact PDG Doug Baker at dgdougbaker2013-2014@dwbaker.us.



District Rotary Foundation Chair David Moyers, PDG, recognizing everyone's generosity.
Photo by Rick Mendoza



Rica Viola
Assistant Governor and member of the San Pedro Club
Roatan Island Honduras
Photo by Paul St. John

WE
ARE
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District Calendar

April | Magazine Month

- 11 Rotary Day of Service
- 11 Rotaract Ethics Forum at LMU
- 16-19 Fellowship Trip Cuba
- 24-26 RYLA
- 30 Presidents' Fellowship

May | Promote Int. Convention

- 14-17 District Conference at Lowes Coronado

June | Rotary Fellowships

- 6-9 Rotary Intl Convention-Sao Paulo
- 20 District Assembly

FROM TRAMP STEAMER TO ROTARY

By Valeria Velasco, a member of the
Westchester Club

Final Part

Let's talk about the power of Rotary and your most heartfelt Rotary moment.

It has been one big, continuous Rotary moment for me. In my hometown the biggest group now is the public schools with people who just can't get away for lunch. I think it is a good idea to have a regular club meeting but also to have a satellite club right on a school campus where at 4:00 PM when educators get off work they can go to Rotary once a week before they go home. And in the summer, the educators can go to the regular club meeting. In Missouri, many local chambers are starting young professional groups. Rotary missed an opportunity but it's not too late. Rotarians have contributed \$3.5 billion through our Foundation. We have a tremendous network of leaders in Rotary. We started in 1979 fighting polio alone as Rotarians. We didn't join with the World Health Organization, UNICEF and the CDC until 1988. We raised \$247 million and gained worldwide credibility. Then Bill Gates came on board. There is a wonderful quote about the power of Rotary from Buzz Tenant who was RI president in 1957-58: "The magic, the genius, the power of Rotary is friendly service, finding expression in the lives of Rotarians."

What a tremendous experience to have been RI President. What was it like?

We were invited by the District Governor of Norway to attend the Nobel Peace Prize awards, a tremendous event in true European style. Four months later, I was in Zambia and participating in another tremendous event where I was made a "freeman," the highest honor that can be bestowed. The event was outside in the broiling Africa sun with people wearing traditional dress. I am constantly amazed about how different and wonderful the world is as you move around. When I was in India, I arrived at a huge meeting of Rotarians; there was an elephant in the parking lot to greet me. A garland of flowers was placed on the elephant's trunk who then placed the garland on my head with his trunk giving me a nice pat on the head

My first introduction to PRIP Ray Klingensmith was with 300 other soon to be District Governors for the 2010-2011 year, all anxiously waiting our marching orders from our President. Nervous chatter gave way to hushed silence as he took the stage, shortly followed by a sigh of relief, wild enthusiasm, and a burning desire to get it all started!

His charge to us was simple, yet eloquent, "It's all about the Clubs." Apply simple logic to complex problems. Don't just teach Rotary but get others to feel it. There's a huge difference between these two!

I've had several opportunities for one on one time with President Ray over the years since. I have enjoyed each moment. We share a common bond of musical taste (yes, he's a fan of "Asleep at the Wheel") and Rotary education. Imagine my surprise to see his comment about me below!

It's a wonderful interview. Please enjoy!

----- PDG Doug Baker

(Ray began his Rotary journey on a steamer from the Port of New Orleans to South Africa in 1961.)



**PRIP
Ray Klingensmith**

as he did so. That was a very high honor bestowed on me. Those are some of my happy memories.

What do you see as some of the challenges in being RI President?

We have quite a bit of commentary about this: By the time RI presidents are selected, they are usually 70 years old because you work your way up through the ranks. It takes a lot of stamina to be RI president. It is a tiring, grueling job. Totally with great honor and thrills every day; but is a grueling, rigorous schedule traveling all over the world.

Most of us don't really know what an RI President does. Would you please describe that job?

When I was RI President, I put together a brochure describing the job of President: That year I went to 215 meetings, sent 8,743 emails, received 21,584 emails, visited 51 countries, attended 251 club and district events, delivered 353 speeches, flew 398,500 miles and shook 24,432 hands, drank 10 cups of coffee a day and consumed countless amounts of rubber chicken.

During the time of being President-elect and then President, I visited my club only twice. I went to 15 PETS.

How important is fellowship to Rotary?

Fellowship is the glue that holds us together. Don't forget the original motive of Rotary was for business purposes; it is not really an objective of Rotary but a natural consequence of Rotary. We all prefer to do business with people that we know and trust. I think Rotary's best days are ahead because of Rotarians' commitment to service, the ingenuity and energy of our 1.2 million members that has Rotary center stage in the world now.

As Rotarians, we want to help make the world a better place.

It is the power of the partnership that helps us make change domestically and globally.

"Cowboy Logic" is your theme. What is Cowboy Logic? Cowboy Logic is made up of happy music that reflects the warm and positive atmosphere of Rotary meetings around the world.

The second part of Cowboy Logic is that it is a common sense approach. Club members, who are community leaders, learn to know and respect each other through weekly meetings. Keeping it simple, prioritizing the needs of the community. James Owen, the author of the book titled Cowboy Ethics, distilled the code of the west for readers to understand: A simple solution for just about everything.

What is the role of past district governors at the international level?

We usually just turn them out to pasture, but I want to keep them involved.

What is your biggest personal fear?

People like Doug Baker. When I was HOC Chair, Doug Baker and Paul Netzel helped me put together a surprise visit with Gerry Turner, President of LA5, at a

District lunch for a "white glove" test of his club.

But for most people (who don't know Doug Baker) their biggest fear is public speaking, that along with spiders. I had a leg up because I had been a Rotary Scholar and so I had to speak a lot publicly.

What is the best advice you have for Rotarians?

This is a question I have not been asked. Rotarians have access to this vehicle of fellowship and service. They need to utilize it because it is unique. No other organization has the opportunities that Rotary offers to make the world a better place. And yet many Rotarians go to their club every week, have a meal, enjoy the program, go home, and don't realize they have access to a huge network. But it just takes one incident to show them the light; that they have access to a worldwide network. I would like to encourage every member to go to a least one international convention; it changes your life. The International Convention will be in South Korea in 2016 which will be the 100th anniversary of the Foundation. I am hopeful many Rotarians who have not been to a convention will attend. You can't walk through the House of Friendship without being positively affected. And you never know who you might meet there.

What does it take to become RI President?

You have to work your way up, you have to be good, you have to be noticed, and you have to be lucky. And you don't know when or if any of that will happen. I have had a lot of good luck in my life. "I am the luckiest guy in the world."



**Valeria Velasco,
a member of the
Westchester Club**



Gillham's Island **D**

Celebration **L**

Inspiring **S**

Jello Shots **T**

Informative **R**

Vibrant **I**

Accomplishments **C**

Rotary Moments **T**

Educational **C**

Recognition **O**

Welcoming **N**

Fellowship **F**

Silliness **E**

Light Up Rotary **R**

Inclusive **E**

Memory Making **N**

Tropical **C**

Energetic **E**

Vibrant Club Recognition

VIBRANT Clubs are....strong, energized, engaged and growing and are recognized for their outstanding service to the local and world community. A vibrant club reinforces the full circle of One Rotary: -attracts and engages more members and raises the awareness of Rotary. The 2014-15 Club Recognition Program: This year's program is geared to help you plan, build, track and record your club's development and progress towards an outstanding year. The program consists of two simple parts: Participation and submission of your club's Vibrant Club Completion Form, which is due April 14. This is part of the qualification for the 2014-15 RI Presidential Citation. Visit the 2014-2015 VIBRANT Club Recognition Program page on the district web site for complete details. Remember the Club of Excellence Award is based on the highest number of points received. For more information, please contact PDG Drew Frohlich at afrohlich@aol.com.

Unsung Hero Award

Each of us has within our club one member who can always be depended upon. The one who quietly makes things happen, but does not seek recognition...our unsung hero. If you will submit her or his name and a brief sentence why this Rotarian is your "Unsung Hero" to PDG Drew Frohlich at afrohlich@aol.com by April 15, your club will receive a certificate signed by the Governor for you to present to your "Hero".

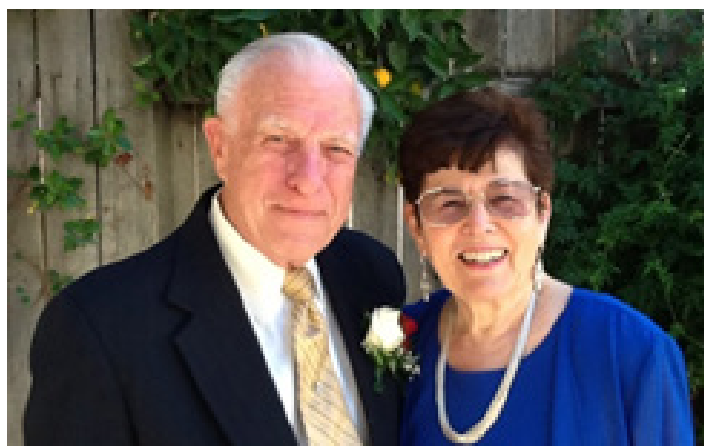
Three Cheers for Our Scholarship Winners

Let's give a big shout out for our four District scholarship winners and the sponsoring Rotary Clubs of the 24 Zentner scholars. Today, let's recognize these District 5280 clubs:

Bellflower, Culver City, Del Amo Torrance, Downey, Hawthorne Lennox, Hollywood, Inglewood, Pacific Palisades, Paramount, Redondo Beach, Rio Hondo Vernon, Santa Clarita Noon, Westwood Village, Wilshire, and Woodland Hills

These clubs recognized a total of 28 outstanding students, mostly Interact members and a few Rotaractors. The criteria of community service, scholarship and financial need were applied to each student. The District named one Patricia Kim Interact Scholar, one Special Award Scholar, and two Meridith Olson Rotaractor Scholars. Twenty four students were recipients of a Jules Zentner Scholarship, sent directly to their respective school. These twenty four students each received a matching grant of \$500 from their sponsoring Rotary club.

Club Presidents: Watch for guidelines for this year's scholarship program and the requisite application forms. For information contact Rahla Frohlich, Scholarship Chair, at RLHLindsey@aol.com



PDG Drew Frohlich, Awards Chair, and Youth Scholarship Chair, Rahla Frohlich, both members of the Crescenta Canada Club

Ambulances Going Overseas

Rotary District 5280 was the recipient of 5 ambulances, graciously donated by Bob Gerber, of Gerber Ambulance, and a member of the Torrance Rotary Club.

The distribution of the ambulances is as follows:

Two (2) ambulances went to Help The Children (HTC). HTC's Director, Stephanie Stegall, is a member and past President of the Vernon Rotary Club. Stephanie and HTC was instrumental in acquiring most of the \$30k worth of lumber, building supplies and tools (purchased and donated by HTC) to build homes for victims of typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines. Through the partnership of the Peace Project, RD5280 and HTC, 40 homes were constructed for the displaced families in Bantayan Island in the northern most part of Cebu.

One of the two ambulances will be sent to the Help the Children Hospital in Guatemala. With the proper modifications, this will allow the staff to transport people in need to and from the hospital. Please visit <http://www.helpthechildren.org/search/node/guatemala%20hospital>, for more information, photos, and stories regarding the hospital.

The destination of the second ambulance is pending, but will go to one of two locations: either an orphanage and clinic in Kisii,

Kenya, supported by HTC, or it will be sent to HTC's hospital in Guatemala. Both ambulances will be delivered no later than April 2015.

Ambulance #3 is being prepared for shipment to the Dominican Republic, care of PDG Aura Basilis of D4060 and the Club Rotario La Vega Real, for the benefit of Bomberos La Vega (La Vega Fire Department).

Ambulance #4 will be transported to Chapala, Mexico for their fire department, in coordination with the Rotary Club of Playa Venice and Los Bomberos LAFD Executive Director Roger Rubio.

Ambulance #5 will be provided to the Rotary Club of Tijuana (D4100) for the benefit of the citizens of the City of Tijuana, location TBD in coordination with the Del Amo Rotary Club. This will be overseen by Ted Jones and Marc Benard of RC Del Amo and Joselyne Mejia, Service Project Director of RC Tijuana.



Ben Aranda, SAG for International and member of the Historic Filipinotown Club, and wife Jong

Disaster Response to Malaysia

By Tore Knos, a member of the Playa Venice Club

Ispent two weeks in Malaysia this past January evaluating damage and providing tents and water purification equipment in response to major flooding that occurred in late December 2014. The aid was provided by Disaster Aid International with Disaster Aid USA, both of which are Rotary sponsored groups. Local Rotary clubs provided information, support and manpower. I also deployed with Disaster Aid International to the Philippines in 2013 in response to Typhoon Yolanda and South Sudan in 2012 helping displaced civilians in the war with Sudan.

Flood waters had risen over 30 feet and had coated houses and personal possessions with a layer of mud. Many houses were swept away while others were collapsed. The heavy mud left nothing to salvage and nowhere for the people to live. Tents provide temporary shelter while rebuilding and clean water prevent dysentery and disease. The tents were erected close to their original homes so they could begin rebuilding their houses more easily. I saw people who had lost everything and were living under tarps. I saw how the disaster aid allowed the people to begin reconstruction and a return to some normalcy.

These were "Rotary moments".



Tore Knos, a member of the Playa Venice Club and standing 3rd from left, with displaced family and young volunteers.

YES TO PUERTO RICO RYLA

By Miguel Cenicerros, an Interactor at Da Vinci Science High School | Hawthorne

When I first heard of going to RYLA in Puerto Rico, I was excited and nervous. I knew this was a once in a lifetime experience, however, when my school superintendent, Tom Johnstone, and Interact Club mentor, Michael Prendergast, approached me with the idea, I readily agreed to go. My parents couldn't be happier.

When I arrived in Puerto Rico, I found my gracious hosts Jimmy Gonzales and his wife Margarita waiting for me. Jimmy was a long time member of the Hawthorne-LAX-Lennox Club before he and Margarita relocated to Puerto Rico. The next day after I arrived I went to the RYLA Camp in the northern town of Gujataka. The RYLA camp was truly unbelievable.

The rest of the weekend was absolutely amazing. From kayaking to creating team skits to doing public speaking workshops, I was completely engaged. Each activity gave me the ability to problem solve and, therefore, to better know my leadership style. What I really enjoyed was the way the group leaders interacted with us. In each small group there was an equal number of students and leaders. I really liked this because it gave us the ability to grow our leadership skills as a team. I made many friends.

With all the wonderful sights and experiences that I experienced, I was sad to leave. Nevertheless, I knew that I was leaving Puerto Rico as a better leader, with good memories, and new friendships. All of which I will always treasure



Miguel Cenicerros and President of Sagrado Corazon University

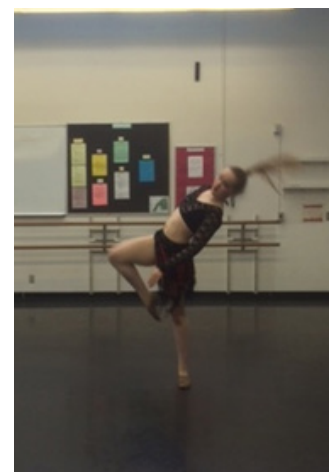
Art, Dance, Music, and Speech Competition | March 28



Eileen Kim | 1st Place Winner in Music
Sponsored by Palos Verdes Sunset Club



Jaslyn Talia and Governor Elsa
1st Place Winner in Art
Sponsored by Lawndale Club



Emma Howard
1st Place Winner in Dance
Sponsored by Santa Clarita Valley Club



Annie Benedict
1st Place Winner in Speech
Sponsored by Palos Verdes Sunset Club

LA Streets Raw

By Jermaine Ee,

a Member of the Hawthorne-LAX-Lennox Rotaract Club



Jermaine Ee

This past Valentine's Day, my 14 year-old brother agreed to tag along as my friends and I delivered necessities such as water, food, and some basic hygiene products on the streets of Skid Row. See the easy thing to do was to drop

all the products off at a mission and call it a day. Instead, being on the streets allowed my brother to experience, for the first time, what was life like out in one of the most well documented areas of Los Angeles

I didn't plan for a major life lesson there but I knew then that I had forever changed the way my brother thinks of the homeless.

With all the negativity surrounding the homeless, it's easy to write off Skid Row as a problem too complex to solve, too scary to visit, and too daunting to even try. We cannot solve a problem by talking about them. Instead, we need to talk to them and treat them with the same dignity every human being deserve.

Skid Row is raw and unlike most volunteer activity. It looks tough from the outside but it's a vulnerable place for those who live there. It's a place where people go to when all hopes are lost. While I don't have the solution to all this, I know that for a brief moment on Valentine's Day, someone felt cared for.

Pedal for Polio | LA to SF Bicycle Tour to End Polio by District 5280 Interactors

What are you doing on Spring Break?

Spring Break is usually a time for students to go to the beach, go on vacation, or just spend time with family and friends, and having a fun time free of school studies. Well, not so for three Interactors and their faculty advisor from the Hawthorne HS Interact Club! Club members Jose Diego, Sebastian Gonzalez, Chris Rendon, and Advisor Huy Hoang, are cycling LA to San Francisco on Spring Break to raise funds for End Polio.

Their goal, on this 8-day adventure, is to ride 500 miles from the Manhattan Beach Pier to the Golden Gate Bridge and raise \$5000. This amount will provide vaccines for 8000 children in Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Nigeria.

You can support them by going to <http://www.gofundme.com/PedalforPolio> and pledging with a contribution. WE ARE THIS CLOSE to ending polio worldwide. Won't you join us to make this happen!





April 24-26, 2015, Alpine Conference Center, Blue Jay, California

WHAT HAPPENS AT RYLA? Each year, between 180 and 200 high school students from the Los Angeles area which defines Rotary International District 5280 meet for 2 ½ days and participate in a variety of activities, including active leadership workshops, team building activities, an Olympics and talent show. Set high in the San Bernardino Mountains, the setting of the camp is breath taking and completely private, giving the students a peaceful environment in which to learn to know themselves and each other better.

District Breakfast | March 03



Future Leaders Seminar | March 07



Rotary Day 3-2-1 Run/Walk and Picnic | March 21

