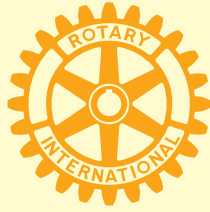


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## From Governor DJ...

Spring is here. The rains have turned the brown hills bright green. How wonderful to look around and see all the changes. Spring is truly a time of renewal.

This fiscal year our district added five Rotaract clubs bringing the total to 11. We also have more than 75 Interact clubs in the district. We have three Young Professional Associate Member clubs with a fourth one in formation.

Rotary International has upgraded the [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) website to allow more individual Rotarians to be more informed and connected with what Rotary is doing around the world. Rotary Foundation's *Future Vision Plan* has made it possible for Rotarians to be engaged in larger projects both within our communities and throughout the world. Over 66% of the club presidents have entered their clubs' goals (membership, contribution to foundation and service projects) into Rotary Club Central. I expect that over time we will reach 100% club participation. I feel that we are headed in the right direction.

### April is Magazine Month

The *Rotarian* was born in 1911 with the purpose of keeping club members informed on the activities throughout the Rotary world. It was the early Internet, just for Rotarians. Some of the districts have their own monthly magazine, but our district has a monthly e-magazine as well as the weekly e-newsletter. My thanks to Michael Turner, SAG - Communications Service for the monthly e-Newsletter; Lorine Park, senior correspondent; Mike Thomas, designer; Linton Morgan, Gidas Peteris, and Lek Pollard photographers; and Tori Hettinger, weekly newsletter editor for their devotion and hard work to provide timely communication to our District Rotarians.

On March 5<sup>th</sup> the **District Pageant of the Arts** was held at Loyola Marymount University. The event was amazing, so much talent in one place. Our District provided the opportunity for these students to show their talents to their parents, peers, Rotarians, and award judges. A great thank you to all the committee members for putting this event together.

On March 12<sup>th</sup> the **3-2-1 End Polio** walk-a-marathon in Griffith Park was a smashing success. In March WHO reported that there were only five polio virus cases in Pakistan and one in Afghanistan. This is a substantial



reduction from last year when there were more than 14 cases reported in the same period. We are very close to eradication of this deadly virus.

#### Upcoming events:

April 5 – District Breakfast meeting

April 9 – Ethics Forum

April 16 – Rotary Day of Service

April 28 – May 1 – District Conference at San Diego  
Mission Bay Hilton

April 29 – May 1 – RYLA

May 14 – District Assembly at Carson Community  
Center

May 28 – June 1 – Rotary International Convention  
in Seoul, South Korea

I see that Rotary has the ability to assist people around the world. We are the only organization in the world with more than 1,200,000 members with the motto of *service above self* and doing good in the world. I see a day when Rotary will assume more of the responsibility of providing services to those most needy. After all our organization has the most qualified human resource in any give region.

*Let's be a gift  
to the world.*

*DJ Sun*

## Rotary's Fight to Eradicate Polio - Worldwide

by Michael Turner, SAG Communications, Rotary Club of Woodland Hills

"Polio paralyzed my legs and I had to literally make the fight against this disease my life's work," said Ramesh Ferris, a polio survivor, who addressed the Saturday luncheon at the recently held PETS.

He reminded us that polio is a disease that is given high priority in underdeveloped countries but little to no attention in the United States because it is pretty much a forgotten-about disease. Many people think that polio has been eradicated, worldwide. "The reality is that a case of polio anywhere in our world is a threat to children everywhere," said Ferris. Why? "Because we live in a global community with global travel and polio truly is just a plane ride away." A country is not polio free until the world is polio free.

What amazed the audience about Ferris's presentation was his entrance. He literally crawled from the back of the ballroom to the stage in front of the room. He sat on the stage telling us about his struggles with polio.

Ferris was born in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, and it was there he learned early lessons of adapting and surviving polio. At just six months he contracted the disease and it didn't take long until it left his legs paralyzed for life. With no means to support his needs, Ferris's mother took him to Families for Children, a Canadian-based orphanage. It was there that he was adopted by a family from Whitehorse, Yukon, Canada.

He returned to Tamil Nadu at 23 to meet his biological mother and to visit the orphanage where he once lived. While there he learned of polio survivors like himself, except they were without the necessary medical attention and support that he received in Canada. These survivors were forced to pad their knees with pieces of tires just to crawl on the ground. At that point an impassioned activist was born.

Since then Ferris has worked with at-risk youth around the world; written a book, *Better Than A Cure*, and been a Rotary ambassador based out of the Whitehorse Rendezvous Club, and an inspirational speaker. "I use the book as a tool to continue to fight polio worldwide," he said.

As part of his strategy, in 2008 he hand-cycled 7,110-kilometers (4,417 miles) from Victoria British Columbia to Cape Spear, Newfoundland raising \$300,000 for polio eradication, education, and rehabilitation.

In Rotary's fight against polio, Ferris continues to be inspired by the hundreds of volunteers, particularly in Afghanistan and Pakistan, two countries that still report polio cases. "Through Rotary's actions we are doing everything possible to eradicate polio even



Ramesh Ferris

if it means putting volunteers' lives at risk to ensure drops of the polio vaccine are going into the mouths of the children in these countries," said Ferris. Since the mid-1980s, Rotarians have helped immunize more than 2.5 billion children against polio in 122 countries at a cost of 60¢ per child. So far in 2016 there have been seven confirmed cases of polio worldwide, which is a reduction of more than 99.9 percent since the 1980s, when the world saw about 1,000 cases per day.

Ferris, who underwent a number of rehabilitated surgeries, left the stage as dramatically as he entered. On his left leg he placed a special brace and stood to finish his presentation. Ferris is a sterling example of the courage and perseverance that is required to fight and survive a life debilitating disease.





## Polio Plus Statistics

by Shirley Giltzow, District Polio Plus Chair, Rotary Club of Lawndale

**M**ajority of District 5280 Rotarians Individually Support Polio Plus!

Already, over 55% of our Clubs in our District have contributed funds for Polio Plus by 100% of their members during this spring drive. Why are we doing this? A total of 65 health workers have been killed in the past two years doing the good works of Rotary by providing immunizations in Pakistan. From this terrible tragedy, we are determined to triumph by finishing the job of eliminating polio forever in the two countries it still exists, Pakistan and Afghanistan. These workers gave

their lives for the cause of eliminating polio. In tribute to these workers, and to the determination of Rotarians in District 5280, I have challenged every Rotarian in our District to make a donation, no matter the size, to Polio Plus during this next month. The vast majority of clubs have already committed to being 100% individual contributors to Polio Plus, and are in the process of sending their checks to the Polio Plus Chair, Shirley Giltzow, made out to the Rotary Foundation.

Wouldn't it be wonderful to have 100% of our District Rotarians make a donation as little as \$1, for this cause

by Rotary District 5280 Conference in late April? We can do this!! Club presidents and Foundation Chairs, we need your help in getting this message out to all of your members! Let's have 100% of the clubs, and 100% of our district members make a donation so we can announce this huge accomplishment by our District Conference!

If you need any assistance in getting your donations and credit to your individual members, feel free to contact me at 310-377-2979. Together, we are determined to Triumph over this Tragedy, and eliminate polio forever

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## New District Scholarship Fund Established

by Rahla Frohlich, District Scholarship Chair, Rotary Club of Granada Hills

**A**fter fourteen years of receiving funds from the Zentner Fund, administrated by the California Community Foundation, we are launching our own District 5280 Scholarship Fund. Our long time Rotary benefactor is redirecting his giving to an organization in Florida. He assures us that we have been doing a wonderful job, but that it is time for us to be independent. Although we will miss the generous financial support, we agree.

So - let's go, District 5280! We are forming a committee to develop our own criteria for raising the funds and distributing them. If you would like to help us grow this new permanent scholarship fund, please contact Rahla Frohlich at [rlhlindsey@aol.com](mailto:rlhlindsey@aol.com) or call 818-790-6643.

Our clubs are awarding spring scholarships between now and the end of the semester, and we want to be ready to roll out our new giving plan first thing in the fall, when our students are beginning their higher education.



**DISTRICT 5280 DAY OF SERVICE 2016  
THE GREAT LA RIVER CLEAN UP**  
by Kelly Bevan Spirer, Day of Service Chair  
Rotary Club of Hollywood  
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**F**irst off, a big thank you to the clubs who have already signed up. Let's keep it going!!! Once again, here is the info on our District 5280 Day of Service Saturday, April 16, 2016 9 a.m. - noon – just a few short days away. Let's show some Rotary enthusiasm and pride!

Join Rotarians from other District 5280 clubs as we work with Friends of the L.A. River (FOLAR) on the 27<sup>th</sup> annual Great LA River Clean Up: La Gran Limpieza. The clean up encompasses a wide geographical range, as do our clubs, which is why this partnership seems like such a perfect fit.

The cleanup will be held at the Upper River area in the San Fernando Valley. Since there are multiple sites available, we are asking Rotarians to congregate at the Sepulveda Basin Sports Complex located at 6201 Balboa Blvd., Van Nuys, CA 91406. One person from each club should be designated to sign up through the group sign up (groups of 10+ otherwise it is individual sign ups) and send me the names/emails/phone for our district list. The link to sign up is [www.folar.org/cleanup](http://www.folar.org/cleanup).

Rotarians will be provided with all the necessary tools for the clean up including gloves, bags, pickers, and event T-shirts that include our Rotary District logo. All you have to bring is sunscreen and a hat.

For those of you who have other commitments that day, we will continue to work with FOLAR the following two Saturdays on the Middle River (Los Feliz/Silverlake) and then the Lower River (Torrance/Del Amo). Come to 1, 2 or even all 3 cleanups!

Trash in the river impacts our whole district, and although each year the clean up doubles the amount of volunteers at their sites, so too does the trash. Last year 6,000 volunteers filled up multiple shipping container-size dumpsters. With our help, they are expecting at least 10,000 volunteers this year and a cleaner river.

Also, this is a great way of doing something good for our communities, our environment and our clubs. We will be working side by side with non-Rotarians – you know what that means – a great opportunity! Maybe you will meet your next club member there!

There will be cross promotion between Rotary and Friends of the Los Angeles River – and we hope participating clubs will join us in getting the word out via their websites and social media. After you sign up with FOLAR and then send me your club members/families names for my list, would you also send me your website URL and/or social media handles (Facebook/Twitter/Instagram) so that FOLAR can tag clubs as appropriate.

Finally, if your club already has a different Day of Service event previously planned for April 16, would you please send me the information so that it can be publicized as part of what Rotary district 5280 is doing to be of service to our communities? Photos and a brief description afterwards would be most appreciated.

Information has gone out to club presidents and community service chairs, however if you are one of those that didn't receive the information via email, please let me know. I may be reached at [kbspirer@me.com](mailto:kbspirer@me.com).

## Greg O'Brien Profile

By Lorine Parks, Senior Correspondent, Rotary Club of Downey



*Rotary District 5280 Governor-Elect Gregory O'Brien at an event with his Palos Verdes Peninsula Rotary Club.*

"The job of a governor is really to be of support to the clubs in the district," says District 5280's Governor-Elect Greg O'Brien. "And in addition to the usual lineup of district events, we are looking forward to creating an active network of Young Professionals, Rotarians ages 25-40."

Greg's home club, the Palos Verdes Peninsula Rotary Club, has involved him and his fellow Rotarians in a variety of projects, from serving Christmas dinners to the homeless, to working with organizations such as Harbor Interfaith, to picking up litter and replanting hillsides.

Since his retirement from the bench in 2005, O'Brien has involved himself in local government and neighborhood organizations, ranging from becoming president of his homeowners association to joining the oversight and redevelopment committees for Rancho Palos Verdes. Now he is "very excited to be looking forward to being District Governor."

"If I'm not busy, I get bored," he says."

"At age 35," Greg tells us, "I joined the Rotary Club of West Covina. The reason I chose that club is that my senior year in high school I was student body president and had the good fortune to be invited to the same club by my principal. I remember my visit well. It was an all male organization made up of the business, civic and professional elite of our town, including the superintendent of schools,

the publisher of the daily paper, the city manager, chief of police, mayor, president of the local hospital, doctors, lawyers, accountants, bankers, judges, and merchants of every description."

"Many of the same people or their successors were still in that club, including both my former principal and the superintendent. Soon I discovered Rotary was very family-oriented. All of the members were still working and many had children ranging from pre-school to college students. Over the course of my 15 years with that club, our three children all participated in Rotary Youth Exchange and our club's international service project in Tijuana. Our son also attended RYLA."



*Greg and Carolyn*

"By then I was a judge," Greg goes on, "and Rotary gave me the added opportunity to speak to voters about the rewards of public and community service, citing Rotary as one example. But in 1995, I was transferred to the downtown courts. I had become extremely active in the California Judges Association, later serving as its president, and running a courtroom and flying off to meetings around the state, made it difficult to be the kind of Rotarian I desired. So I left the organization until I retired in 2005 to work as a part-time mediator and arbitrator. I joined the Rotary Club of Palos Verdes Peninsula, where I now live. I became as enthusiastic about Rotary as I had been



public secondary schools. I know a number of talented Rotarians and look forward to developing Service through Entertainment.”

“Speaking of music,” Greg adds, “I have asked Olivia Patterson Ryans (Rotary Club of Inglewood) to identify and organize Rotarian singers, dancers and musicians who might perform at major Rotary events, or in smaller groups at senior centers and assisted living care facilities, or even club demotion parties. Olivia will be SAG for Vocational Service, and is a talented vocalist in her own right. Rotaractors and Interactors are welcome to be a part of this effort.”

“We have planned another great District Assembly, which will be held on May 14 at the Carson Community Center. Cozette Vergari has arranged a program that club leaders should not miss, an opportunity to learn more about their own jobs for next year and more about Rotary in general.” A Club Assembly consists of a special one-day session for club officers, Foundation Chairs, Membership Chairs, Public Relations Chairs, Board Members and all Five Avenues of Service Chairs. The 2016 District Assembly will give all club leaders the tools they will need for a successful Rotary year.

“Incidentally,” Greg, ever the good promoter, adds as a post script, “my club also partners with the Rotary Clubs of El Segundo and South Bay Sunrise in sponsoring an annual beer and wine festival. Last year we had about 1,000 attendees. We are expecting 2,000 this year.” If you want to get something done, give it to a busy person.

before, with Rotary’s mission to provide service and advance goodwill and peace.”

O'Brien is Governor-Elect of Rotary District 5280, which stretches from Santa Clarita Valley to Palos Verdes

Greg goes on to tell about new ideas he plans to introduce. “I have shared with the presidents-elect at PETS my vision of clubs partnering together to create original projects, social events and ideas for grants they may co-sponsor. Partnering with clubs and other community organizations is also fun. My own club partners with the Palos Verdes Peninsula Chamber of Commerce in sponsoring an annual Legislative Forum that features national, state, county, and local officials elected from our area.”

“The club also co-sponsors a high school concert with the Lions, Kiwanis and Palos Verdes Sunset Rotary Club. The net proceeds benefit the music departments of both



Lorine Parks





## Applications for Rotary Peace Fellowships

Application for the Rotary Peace Fellowships are being accepted online now through April 30, 2016. Here are instructions for completing the process:

1. Peace Fellow candidates are welcome to download the application at: <https://www.rotary.org/en/get-involved/exchange-ideas/peace-fellowships>.
2. The completed application is to be emailed to PDG Vicki Radel at [DrVictoriaRadel@cs.com](mailto:DrVictoriaRadel@cs.com) and DRFC Brad Robinson at [Brad.Robinson@Rotary5280.org](mailto:Brad.Robinson@Rotary5280.org) by April 30, 2016 for our endorsement consideration.
3. Endorsed applications then must be submitted to RI by July 1, 2016.
4. 4. If accepted by RI, the Peace Fellow would begin either in January or June 2017 (professional development certificate) or fall 2017 (northern hemisphere master's) or spring 2018 (southern hemisphere masters).

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## Grant Certification Begins Soon!

**I**n order to qualify for grant monies in the next Rotary Year, Club members must attend three webinars and sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The Webinars and MOUs will be available online immediately after the April 9 Grants Seminar. Club members will have until May 15 to become certified. This process will be explained during the grants seminar, and Clubs must have at least 2 certified members to be able to participate in District or Global Grants. See the flyer about the Global Grants Workshop on page 10.



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# Global Grants Workshop

**Saturday, April 9**

**8:45-11:30am**

**Note: Parking lot doesn't open until 8:30am**

**Del Rey Yacht Club**

**13900 Palawan Way, Marina Del Rey**

**\$20/Person**

**Includes continental breakfast**

**RSVP : [office@rotary5280.org](mailto:office@rotary5280.org)**

**RSVP by April 1st**

## *About The Workshop:*

This workshop is a "must" for anyone who works with grants in the Club. It will prepare everyone to begin preparing grants that will be funded in the next Rotary year. The topics that will be covered include:

- Qualifications for Global Grants
- How to prepare a grant
- How to get RI's approval of grants
- Frequently asked questions from Clubs and RI for grants
- How to complete MOU's (Memo of Understanding)
- Why RI requires each club to have a MOU
- Guidelines for District Grants
- How to apply for a District Grant
- How to apply for a Global Scholar Grant

In addition to a general discussion of each of the above topics, we will go through the grant application process and explain what is needed. We planned time for Q&A's so that specific questions can be discussed and answered.



# DISTRICT ASSEMBLY 2016

5/14 | 7AM—12PM



### Carson Community Center

801 E. Carson St.  
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## WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

- Sessions for club leaders
- Avenues of Service
- Youth certification training
- Funding projects with available grants
- Club 501c3 Foundations
- Membership recruitment & retention
- Communications/public image
- District-coordinated events
- Assistant Governor training
- ...and much more!

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Club Presidents & PEs
- Secretaries
- Treasurers
- Foundation Chairs
- Communications/PR
- Avenues of Service Chairs:
  - Club Service
  - Community Service
  - International Service
  - Youth Service
  - Membership
- District leaders





# NO MORE "BEST KEPT SECRET," SAYS PETS GRADUATE

By Lorine Parks, Senior Correspondent, Rotary Club of Downey

The best part of PETS is the inspiration you receive from all of the speakers," says Margie Hernandez, of the Rotary Club of Wilmington, describing February's President-Elect Training Session at the Marriott Hotel at the Los Angeles International Airport.



Margie Hernandez



Lorine Parks

"My biggest takeaway was that my job as President is to inspire," says Frank Glynn, incoming president of the Rotary Club of El Segundo. "It was such a great experience to be around so many like-minded people who want to



Frank Glynn

make the world a better place," comments Russell Skersick of the Rotary Club of Downey. "Every week when I go to our meetings I am blown away by the amazing things our members do. It was very exciting to see that on a much bigger scale at PETS," adds Russell.

in Rotary from their perspective, in their own words," says Leon Nixon of the Rotary Club of San Pedro.

"I understand the trust my club members have placed in me and will continue to focus on interesting and fun meetings to keep them engaged," promises Rotary Club of Glendale Sunrise's Thomas Propst. "Lively and informative weekly meetings will be key," says Frank Glynn of the Rotary Club of El Segundo.



Thomas Propst

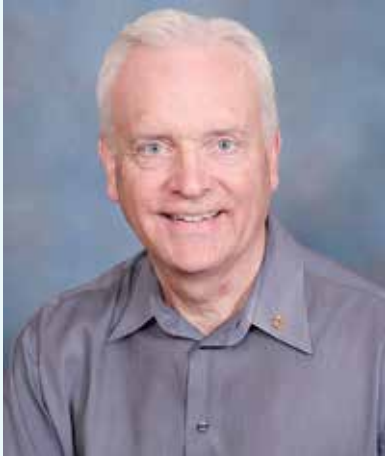
MEETINGS will be important tools for building stronger clubs. As Margie remarks, "Nothing is written in stone and you can be pretty creative when running your meetings." "I plan to have a "Featured Member" moment in our meetings, where we spend a few minutes talking about our Club member's time



Leon Nixon

JOINT PROGRAMS: Clubs can partner together to create original projects and social events, and ideas for grants they may co-sponsor. "Partnering with clubs and other community organizations is fun. My own club partners with the Palos Verdes Peninsula Chamber of Commerce in sponsoring an annual Legislative Forum that features national, state, county and local officials elected from our area. The club also co-sponsors a high school concert with the Lions, Kiwanis and Palos Verdes Sunset Rotary Club. The net proceeds benefit the music departments of both public secondary schools." These

experiences were contributed by incoming District Governor Greg O'Brien, whose home club is Palos Verdes Peninsula.



Don Turner

Along these lines, Don Turner of the Rotary Club of North Hollywood comments, "Since we are a small club, we have found that we can assist schools, our local food bank and police by providing volunteers and additional funds.

While we hope to get some new members, the power of our collaborations magnifies the small number of members we currently have."

**EXPOSURE:** I plan to get our club more exposure. The Rotary Club of Downey does so many wonderful things in the community and I want more people to know about it, says Russell. At PETS it was mentioned several times how Rotary is one of the best kept secrets. The more people who know about our club the more people we can help and the more people we can get to help do the work of Rotary.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Building and retaining membership is important. "Director Brad Howard's address to us at PETS really touched me especially when he shared that promoting Rotary is best received when it comes from happy members," Leon reminds us. A long-range source of members is suggested by Teresa Chung of the Rotary Club of Thai Town. "We will focus more on our youth programs and help bridge our Interactors to become Rotaractors, and then Rotarians themselves."

"Membership growth may take time and it's important that we put more powerful projects in place that we have a strong influence in our communities," comments Don Turner, of the

Rotary Club of North Hollywood. "We are a leadership organization that has much to offer, including opportunities for mentorship and personal growth, and that will attract and retain members," says Teresa.

**GOOD BOARDS:** "I intend to challenge our members to reach out and encourage community members and friends to attend our meetings. I have selected a wonderful group of individuals to fill my Board and each comes with unique talents, backgrounds, Rotary history, and experiences that will bring excitement to our club," says Thomas.

**RECHARGE!** "My pet concern is that over time, as people, we tend to lose the childlike enthusiasm we had at the beginning of things — a new purchase, learning a new skill or activity, or a new relationship. We become numb after a while and things become 'routine,' says Leon. In my year as Club President, I want to recharge where necessary, inspire always, and plant new seeds for future growth. I am excited and nervous as the same time. But, I know things will be alright because I'm surrounded by Rotarians."

"The task of Club President sounds daunting, scary," Leon adds. "But, I know that if I need help, information, or just someone to bounce things off of, I can call any of the other 64 Club Presidents in our district or any of our Assistant Governors or our District Governor to get advice."

"As long as you give your members the opportunity to participate and feel inspired about serving others, you will succeed as president," Margie summed it up. Teresa adds, "I will challenge each of our club members to choose a service project and take a lead on it, whether it's a local project, a District-wide project, or an international project in partnership with other Rotary clubs and organizations."

Frank adds a final thought: "The success of the Club is reliant on fostering in all of our members a love of Rotary."

Photos By Lek Pollard, Rotary Club of Westchester





## **DISTRICT CONFERENCE | APRIL 28 TO MAY 1**

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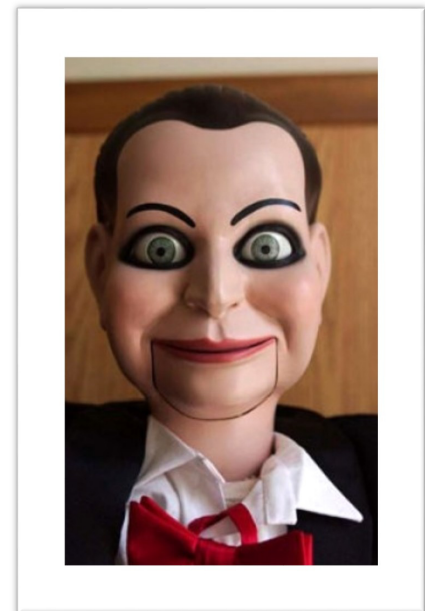
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### New Members



Blair Beck joined the Young Professionals, a division of the **Rotary Club of Westchester**. She is in marketing and her sponsor is John Ramey (I).



The **Rotary Club of San Pedro** added Cheryl Watson, educator and realtor to their roster.

### Westchester's Spring Fundraiser



The **Rotary Club of Westchester** held their successful Annual Spring Fundraiser.

### District Club Events

The **Rotary Club of San Pedro** is battling illiteracy by holding a Community Reading Day on April 17 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Los Angeles Public Library in San Pedro. Children's book authors Annabeth Bondor-Stone and Connor White will provide an interactive presentation of their book "SHIVERS - The Pirate Who is Afraid of EVERYTHING!" The library is at 931 S. Gaffey Street in San Pedro. For information: [www.rotarysanpedro.org](http://www.rotarysanpedro.org).

The **Rotary Club of Woodland Hills Arts & Crafts Faire** will be held on April 23 and 24 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event will be at the Promenade Mall at Oxnard and Topanga Canyon Blvd. in Woodland Hills. For information: [www.whrotary.org](http://www.whrotary.org). The event is FREE.

The **Rotary Club of San Pedro** will take you on a Mystery Bus Trip! on April 24 from 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. The adventure departs from Ports O' Call at 8 a.m. after coffee, juice and pastries. This trip is limited to 50 seats and the charge is \$80. For information: [www.rotarysanpedro.org](http://www.rotarysanpedro.org).



### Westchester's Scholarships for Junior High School Students



On March 16 the **Rotary Club of Westchester** held their Annual Jim Bunch Memorial Fund Eighth Grade Arts Scholarship at the LA Arts Collective.

### Crenshaw-Watts & Inglewood Hold Joint Fundraiser



The **Rotary Clubs of Crenshaw-Watts and Inglewood** held their Celebrating Women in Aviation Luncheon to raise funds in their fight against child sex trafficking. In attendance was Rotary Foundation Trustee Vice Chair Paul Netzel, who is on the left in the above left photo.

### San Pedro Recognizes High School Students



On the third Thursday of the month during the school year, the **Rotary Club of San Pedro** honors outstanding students. This month's honorees are POLAHS Shellsea Miller, SPHS Jennifer Camarillo, and Mary Star's William Davis.

**Editor's Note:** In the March e-Newsletter, the photos of the Panama Humanitarian Trip were taken by Gidas Peteris, Rotary Club of Beverly Hills.