



PASADENA ROTARY CLUB

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This Week's Program

Roger Castle

Chief Development Officer, Los Angeles Regional Food Bank

How the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank's emergency response to the economic impact of the pandemic that has dramatically increased the number of people needing food assistance in our community.

Introducer: Anne Miskey



Roger Castle is a member of the senior management team for the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank, overseeing all staff across development, marketing and communications. He has nearly 20 years experience as a professional fundraiser in the nonprofit sector. As chief development officer at the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank, he is responsible for the strategic development, implementation and oversight of all fundraising activities to support the organization.

Before joining the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank, Roger served as the vice president of development at the Prostate Cancer Foundation, the largest philanthropic organization funding prostate cancer research globally. He led all donor stewardship and fundraising activities at the nonprofit, including the successful Home Run Challenge with partner

Major League Baseball. Previously, Roger worked at the John Wayne Cancer Institute and Saint John's Health Center Foundation, and the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Roger graduated summa cum laude from the University of Tennessee at Martin with a bachelor's degree in education, and was a four-year member of the men's basketball team. He earned a master's degree, thereafter, from University of Tennessee, Knoxville. Roger lives in Venice, California and enjoys sports, live music, and his two dogs.

Meeting Leader: IPP Scott Vandrick

11:45 am: Greeters Scott Carlson - Jane Waas - Elisabeth Browne

Song Leader: Ross Jutsum

Inspiration: Tammy Silver

Pasadena In Five: Eric Duyshart

Scout Zone Reporter: Mary Lou Byrne

Tech Team: Frank Fish - Robert Lyons - Don Andrues

**Zoom Team: Scott Carlson - Kat Rogers - Frank Fish -
Tammy Silver & Elisabeth Browne**

**** NEED HELP WITH ZOOM****

Tammy Silver - tamarasilver@gmail.com - 626-755-4272



**Pasadena Rotary invites you to its Weekly Wednesday Meeting
October 21, 2020 at 12:00pm - 1:00pm**

** All or part of our weekly Rotary meeting may be recorded to assist with documenting donations, input, or other Pasadena Rotary business.*

Join Zoom Meeting

**[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86287855806?
pwd=WUJBY0RGdjV2UUplLWXIRTWpWS1Vldz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86287855806?pwd=WUJBY0RGdjV2UUplLWXIRTWpWS1Vldz09)**

Meeting ID: 862 8785 5806

Password: 994656

NOTE:

IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE AND COUNTY MANDATES AND FOLLOWING PHASED IN REOPENING OF GATHERED GROUPS, AND IN CONSIDERATION OF THE SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF THE PASADENA ROTARY CLUB MEMBERSHIP:

PASADENA ROTARY IN-PERSON MEETINGS ARE POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

THIS MAY CHANGE, AND AS THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA'S PLANS TO REOPEN BUSINESSES AND GROUP MEETINGS UNFOLD, WE WILL KEEP EVERYONE UPDATED ON THE STATUS OF PASADENA ROTARY CLUB'S IN-PERSON MEETINGS.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



"#4 Son, Sun Sun Café, 1962"

Hello Pasadena Rotary,

On the Bus Part 1

It's 1977 and I'm on a city bus going directly from my high school to my parent's Chinese family restaurant in San Jose. Growing up in a family restaurant is very similar to growing up on a farm because there is always work to do.

You learn a lot of life's lessons, when working on a farm or restaurant and I've done both! There are never ending chores like cleaning and fixing things and the cycle never ends. Let me tell you, I formed an intimate relationship with Ajax and steel wool!

As I was cleaning hoods, stoves, kitchen prep tables and deck boards, I would ask my dad, "clean enough?"

His response, "more elbow grease!"

You also learn life lessons on the bus.

There was a senior center next door to our restaurant and a lady volunteer at the center recognized me immediately as I hopped onto the bus. One thing she said has always stayed with me: "it's not what you get out, but what you put in."

There are way too many takers in this world and not enough givers. As Rotarians, it's what we put in!

I am always available to you at president@pasadenarotary.com and or to meet for a cup of coffee.

In Your Service,
Ken

THE SCOOT ZONE
By Justene Adamec, Bureau Chief



President Ken Joe opened the meeting. Don Andruess led us in *King of the Road* and *God Bless America*. Stephen Smith gave the inspiration, reminding us that we live in a land of democracy and liberty and praying that politicians be endowed with wisdom and that we work to build bridges.

There were 2 causes for celebration - President Ken's 5-year Rotaversary and Jan Moscarel's 90th (yes you read that right) birthday.



Jan enjoying Don Andruess's birthday serenade

Our club has received a district grant to partner with Pasadena After Hours on their support of Showers for Hope, providing showers for the homeless, in addition to bag lunches.

J.P. Harris announced Bikes for Christmas is here! Please Volunteer now so the sessions can be coordinated. Available dates are

Monday, November 9th 7-10AM; Friday, November 13th 7-10AM; and Saturday, November 14th 8-Finish. See below for details.

Debi Kroman announced one last social event before a holiday event in December - a Sunday brunch at the University Club. October 18 (that's in two days) with seating at 11 and 11:30. Brunch is a la carte, not buffet, and there's a limit of 6 per table. More info elsewhere in this edition of Spokes.

Past President Shel Capeloto announced that he and **Past President Cathy Simms** have arranged a virtual visit to a home in India for the celebration of [Golu](#), the Indian festivals of dolls. The virtual event will take place on Zoom October 22, 7:30 - 8:00 pm.

Wende Lee, on behalf of herself and **Mary Chalon**, announced that Giving from the Home is supporting Five Acres. Details on the drive are elsewhere in Spokes.

Kat Rogers announced that the Salvation Army is holding a virtual kick-off breakfast. If you can give \$5 or any amount, join them. [Details on the web.](#)

Fred Findley presented a Treasurer's Report on club finances. For a copy of the report, email [Wendy Anderson](#). President Ken thanked Fred and his predecessors, **Tony Phillips and Sean Cain**, for their most excellent service.

George Falardeau introduced our speaker, Erik Laykin, whose topic was The Future of Personal Transportation: The Autonomous Vehicle.

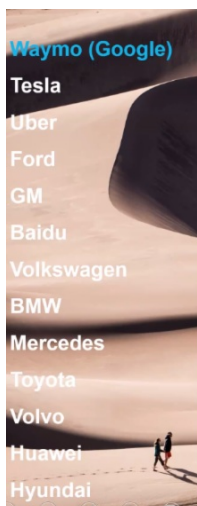


Speaker Erik Laykin

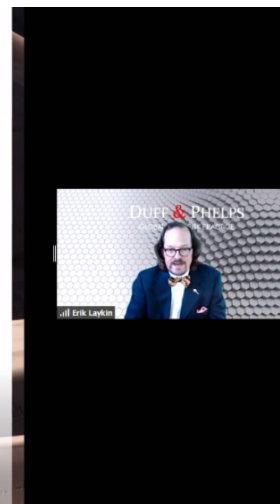
Erik predicts a future in which all cars are autonomous. People would no longer own a private car but would pay a fare to the fleet of autonomous vehicles. Parking lots would disappear in urban areas because the cars would with be in motion or parked in

less densely populated area. People could do work or other activities in the car. You could even hold a zoom call with a glass of wine (delivered robotically in the vehicle.) McKinsey predicts that AVs will reduce traffic accidents by 90%.

There will be 192 million cars connected to the Internet by next year. A fully autonomous car will use 4000 GB per day. German expects that AVs will hold 42% of the market by 2035.

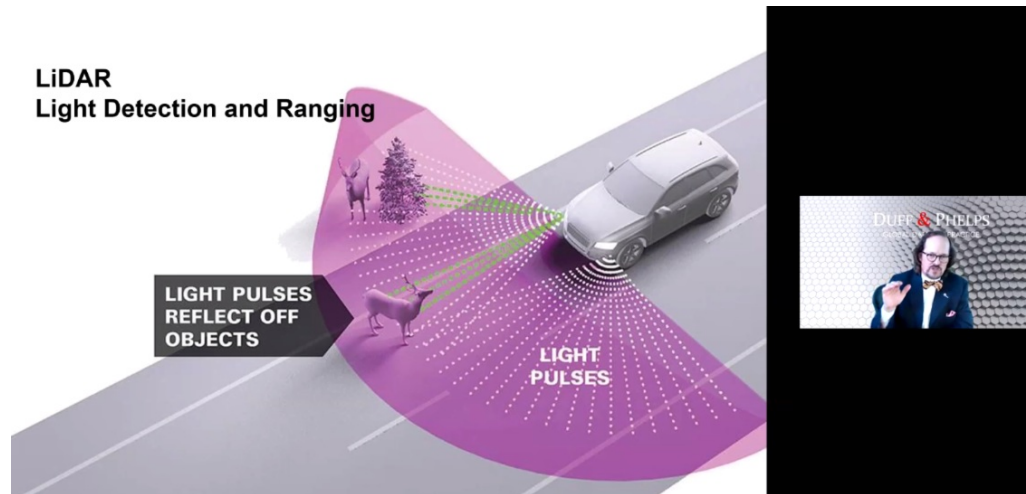


Autonomous Vehicles



There are downsides to the societal shift, not least of which are hackers and increased personal surveillance.

The cars themselves are becoming more advanced as we evolve toward that future. They currently use LIDAR, Light Detection and Ranging, to see 360 degrees around the car and respond accordingly. This too raises concerns. So far the cars have been fooled by phantom images. A person could insert a visual of a stop sign and the car would respond, leaving the car open to someone flashes a stop sign image at a point when a car would stop too quickly and cause cars behind it to crash.



There is also the ethical issue. If there is a troop of Girls Scouts crossing the street and the car doesn't have time to stop, does the car drive off a cliff, killing the passenger. As **Marshall Fuss** noted on the chat, it's the old trolley dilemma.

After the breakout sessions, **President Ken** ended the meeting, exhorting us to always follow the 4 way test. Erik stuck around for questions moderated by **Kat Rogers**.

COMMITTEE EVENTS & CALENDAR

PASADENA ROTARY SUNDAY BRUNCH
Sunday Outdoors at the University Club of Pasadena
[Click for Brunch Menu](#) - RSVP Debi Kroman



PASADENA ROTARY SPECIAL INTERNATIONAL EVENT

Travel With Us to India First Class - Via Zoom on 10/22/20.



Excitement builds by International Projects Committee Co-chairs

Julie Banks and **Helen Baatz** for this Special International Event.

Shel Capeloto and **Cathy Simms** invite you to Travel to Chennai, India, to experience the beauty and traditions of the celebration of the Golu Festival. Golu is the festive display of dolls and figurines in South India during the autumn festive season. During the golu display season, families visit each other with gifts to view and marvel over the golu display, share festive foods, and often includes playing music or sing devotional songs together.

On Thursday night, October 22nd, from 7:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. we are invited into the home of Saravanan and Srividhya to experience this festival first hand.

Saravanan is past president of our sister club, Rotary Club of Madras South. He is also the creator and facilitator of our shared Global Grant Project "Caring Little Hearts". They will share their autumn festival with us to experience a night of celebration, wonder, learning and appreciation of the festival Golu. Join via [ZOOM](#)
Meeting ID: 827 2163 3611 Passcode: 445782

POLIO PIG ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wish to show a photo & tell us what you are up to - Wish to make an announcement about your family or your favorite nonprofit. Email **Wendy** at office@pasadenarotary.com by Tues afternoon. Minimum donation: \$20.00

Giving from Home



Giving from Home Year End Project

ROTARIANS SUPPORT
FIVE ACRES

Begins October 21
ends November 18

Learn more about
Five Acres
<https://5acres.org/>

You can also purchase your items locally and drop off
at the **University Club** daily from **10 am to 4 pm**

OCT 21 thru NOV 18

GO TO

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/316QNTKU5ZDPL?ref_=wl_share

And select any of the items on their wish list.



TOP FIVE NEEDS

- Bedding (all sizes)
- Sanitation supplies
- Diapers & baby wipes
- Children's desk
(for distance learning)
- Basic toiletries

Items will be directly shipped to Five Acres.

If you haven't designated a Amazon Smile
Non-Profit organization, please consider Five Acres

<https://5acres.org/amazon-smile/>

BIKES FOR CHRISTMAS

Building bikes for deserving children with fellow Rotarians
Joint Project with Rotary Clubs of



The Bikes for Christmas committee invites you to participate in the bicycle assembly project. An opportunity to sign up to help build bicycles will be sent out via email that invites you to sign up to build bikes at the PUSD Maintenance Facility at 750 W. Woodbury in Pasadena on one or more of the following dates:

Monday, November 9th 7-10AM
Friday, November 13th 7-10AM
Saturday, November 14th 8AM to Finish

We have U Tube videos providing instructions on how to assemble these bicycles. Some tools are required and the video will advise on that.



Questions: Colleen Carey at 626-676-1932 or JP Harris at 626-664-3116.

Polio Pig Donation by Kat Rogers

Goal is to raise \$75,000 - Join their Virtual Red Kettle Kick-Off Breakfast 11/20/20 at 8 am
[CLICK HERE](#) to register or donate



JOIN US FOR THE FIRST VIRTUAL KETTLE KICK-OFF BREAKFAST!

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2020 8:00 A.M.

at The Salvation Army Pasadena Tabernacle
Online

ADOPT-A-MEAL PARTICIPATING RESTAURANT

Show appreciation to restaurants supporting our monthly Adopt-A-Meal Program

- **CABRERA'S MEXICAN RESTAURANT**, 655 N. Lake (Orange Grove) 626-795-8230 www.cabreras.com
- **UNIVERSITY CLUB OF PASADENA**, Click on Calendar for their "to go menu" and other virtual & live events. Every Fri & Sat - BBQ Americano 626-793-5157 www.universityclubpasadena.com
- **GREEN STREET RESTAURANT**, 146 Shoppers Lane, 626-577-7170 www.greenstreetrestaurant.com
- **ROMEGA EVENTS** with Chef Cameron Czekalla 626-710-0240 www.romegaevents.com cameron@romega.la

Happy Birthday To These Rotarians!

Sean Cain	October 18th
Debbie Loveland	October 18th
John Barrett	October 20th
Carmen Choy-Surdam	October 21st
Ken Joe	October 22nd

Rotaversaries!

Howard Smith	October 16, 2019	1 Year
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Upcoming Programs

- Oct. 28 Fred Claire - *"From Dodger Blue to City of Hope"*
- Nov. 4 Bob Miller, President, Tournament of Roses - *"The 2021 Rose Parade: Why the Parade Will Not Pass By This Year"*
- Nov. 11 Harold Martin, Founder & Advisor, PCC Student Veterans Club.
"Recognizing Veterans' Day on Armistice Day"

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