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#### MAKE-UP LOCATIONS

COVINA - Sunrise 7:15 am South Hills Country Club 2655 N. Citrus Ave., West Covina

RANCHO DEL CHINO - 7:15 am Papachinos Grill & Greens 14501 Ramona Ave., Chino

WALNUT VALLEY - 7:15 am The Diamond Bar Golf Club 22751 Golden Springs Dr., Diamond Bar

### WEDNESDAY:

CHINO - 12:00 pm Chino Community Building

CLAREMONT - Sunrise 7:15 am St. Ambrose Episcopal Church 830 W. Bonita Ave., Claremont

SAN DIMAS - 12:00 pm Via Verde Country Club 1400 Avenida Entrada, San Dimas

UPLAND - 12:00 pm Landecena Community Center 1325 E. San Bernardino Rd., Upland

WEST COVINA - 12:15 pm South Hills Country Club 2655 S. Citrus Ave., West Covina

#### THURSDAY.

COVINA - 12:10 pm South Hills Country Club 2655 S. Citrus St., West Covina

LA VERNE - 7:30 am Univ. of La Verne President's Dining Room 1950 3rd St., La Verne

ONTARIO - 12:00 pm DoubleTree Hotel 222 N. Vineyard Ave., Ontario

#### FRIDAY

ARCADIA - 12:00 pm Embassy Suites 211 E. Huntington Dr., Arcadia

CLAREMONT - 12:00 pm DoubleTree Hotel 555 W. Foothill Blvd., Claremont

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ROTARY AND FAIRPLEX - Pomona Rotarians had a strong hand in the formation of the Fair in 1922, the year after the club was chartered.

Charter President Fred W. Whyte brought a group of businessmen together for what was to become the Los Angeles County Fair Association which remains active today. Through the years, Rotarians have always been members of the Association, as well as serving on the board of directors.

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### THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

Mar 6 - San Gabriel Valley Conservation Corps

### **FUTURE PROGRAMS AND EVENTS**

Mar 13 - Students

Mar 20 - Joe Gardner - Probation

Mar 27 - Dan Stover Music Contest

**Apr** 3 - William Hung - American Idol

Apr 10 - Students

**Apr 17** - Meeting at Humane Society at 12:00 p.m.

WEEK (Feb 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018)

## **GUESTS AND VISITING ROTARIANS**

La Verne Rotarian Greg Gillam, Martha Rivera, and Elizabeth Zamora, all three from Bright Prospect, joined Stephanie Campbell. Mary Richardson joined her long-time friend James Morgan. Grace Sanchez from the Grace Group joined Victor Caceres. 4 points for team Mission and 1 point for team San Antonio.

### FEBRUARY MEMBERSHIP GAME RESULTS

3 Grand Garey 0 Holt Indian Hill 3 Mission 7 San Antonio 2

Congratulations to team **Mission** for being this month's winner! On to another fresh start for round 3 in March!

## AROUND THE CLUB

Our deepest condolences to **Dutch Anhaeuser** and **John Forbing** for the passing of their beloved wives Gusti Anhaeuser and Dianne Forbing. We wish you strength and will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

### PRESIDENT'S MOMENT

Bright Prospect is a gem in our community.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Michael Olivieri was promoted from his interim position to permanent Chief of Police at the Pomona Police Department.
- In addition to toiletries, we are also collecting sweaters and warm clothing for the homeless to help them through the current cold days. Donations can be given to Rosanne Bader.
- Bright Prospect will be holding its Annual Spring Gala on Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Padua Hills Theatre in Claremont. To attend, please RSVP by April 6<sup>th</sup>. Corporate sponsorship opportunities are available.

### MEMBER RECOGNITION

- Congratulations to **Andrew Quiñones** on the birth of his son Aziél Amor Quiñones!
- Congratulations also to **Jeff Keating** on his son earning his Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do.

Rotary is a dynamic community service organization which supports charitable causes locally and world-wide. Rotary International has over 1.2 million members in over 100 countries.

Care to see all photos from last week? They can be viewed and downloaded from here: http://bit.ly/PRotary22718 or scan QR Code



# Mar 6th, 2018



## PROGRAM - Stephanie Campbell- Bright Prospect

Often, in low income communities, there is a certain sense of hopelessness about the opportunity of attending college. The perceived associated intellectual and financial challenges often seem insurmountable. This frequently leads to a general lack of motivation to work on one's education that can severely impact high school graduation rates. In many schools, intellectual achievement or even just carrying books across campus is seen as not "cool", which can pull down even the smartest students and lead to a vicious cycle of unused talents and missed opportunities. Bright Prospect is aiming to break this cycle by "empowering students to and through college" in an

attempt to elevate entire communities by creating a local college-going culture and raising the average education level of its citizens. During grades 9 and 10, students can enroll in the

Bright Prospect program, where they will receive support on many different social and practical levels. Within Bright Prospect's Crews Program, for example, students are integrated into a group of peers that pledge to support each other by checking in on each other's academic progress (like completion of homework assignments), motivating each other, and helping each other out as needed.

Students further receive guidance, encouragement, and motivation from adult counselors. These counselors assist students with career and college choices, college applications, etc. They help create an environment of trust, support, and belonging to break children out of the perception that society has given up on them.

Unlike many other programs, Bright Prospect stays with their students not just through the end of high school, but all the way through their college careers. This comprehensive, long term support has allowed Bright Prospect to achieve a 91% graduation rate among its students, despite the fact that they do not exclude low-potential students from participating in their program. After 15 years of operations, Bright Prospect now serves over 2,200 students, over 1,300 of which are currently attending college pursuing majors across all fields, from social studies to education to manufacturing, engineering, and the sciences. Despite also frequently assisting students with their financial needs, like paying for weekend flights home in case of family emergencies, Bright Prospect manages to provide their services for a cost of only around \$1,000 per student per year.

Many of Bright Prospect's students eventually return to their communities. 38% of graduates have come back to the Inland Empire and another combined 30% now live in LA or Orange County. Due to this, Bright Prospect's efforts don't just benefit the individual students, but also their home communities at large.





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