



This Week's Program

Wednesday, September 16 - Join Us via ZOOM

TAKING RESPONSIBILITY for a SUSTAINABLE FUTURE
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12:15 p.m. - Dial In to ZOOM

Dial In Details Will Be Sent

12:30 - 1:00 p.m. - Program Via ZOOM



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President 104's Post #12

Matt Kinley



IF IT GROWS TOGETHER, IT GOES TOGETHER

Someone smart said that we are what time, effort and interaction slowly unveil. The truth of this is overwhelming: Relationships grow when we take the time and make the effort to invest in them. One of Rotary's major goals is to give Rotarians the opportunity to grow relationships. The number one goal listed in the Objects of Rotary is to foster the development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service.

Case in Point: Last Thursday night, Rotary gathered through Zoom. Hosted by Fellowship Directors Lydia Vincenty-Lowell and Brett Lewis, we were led through a wine experience by our resident wine expert, Randy Kemner of [The Wine Country](#). I don't know if Randy calls himself a sommelier, but he brings his great expertise and experience to the task of helping people enjoy wine. Randy proves the point: we are what time, effort, interaction and wine slowly unveil. More than a wine expert, Randy is a relationships expert of sorts, helping people through his trade to get to know each other and to enjoy life a little bit more.

Some quotes from the evening:

◆ If it grows together, it goes together. ◆

Randy shared this with us, helping us understand a profound principle when selecting wine: if the grapes and the food come from the same region, they probably go together for a meal. Sommelier or philosopher? As we work together as Rotarians, whether taking high schoolers to camp or reading to kids in school, we grow with one another and build everlasting friendships. It is the reward of service.

◆ Everything tastes better if decanted. ◆

Craig Cross asked the question and I'm not sure if Randy or Steve Hockett said this but it seems true. Decanting typically means to pour wine into a vessel without disturbing the sediment. In Rotary, we meet people of different beliefs, politics, and religions. It's our strength as a club that we are made up of people from all over the world, in different professions, trying to do good for our community. Rotary is the vessel where we leave the petty fights and disputes outside and focus on what joins us together. Like a fine sediment-free wine, Rotary is in the perfect place to

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help our communities.

◆ I like caramels. ◆

Most people like caramels. The only downside is your teeth stick together.

◆ Get a chiller for your wine. It doesn't have to be a big one. ◆

Wine is supposed to be kept at 55°F for storage. The concept of a chiller, big or small, seems extravagant to me. But the concept is sound: Rotarians are best in an appropriate meeting place, with food and fellowship. We are doing well improvising with Zoom and other social distancing. We do have some things we can do together safely. We clean the park with appropriate gear and distancing. Feeding the Future is coming online in October. Other opportunities will present themselves for us to get together and chill. But we are at our best when we are meeting or working together.

The true opportunity of Rotary is participating in the events and the projects where you will get to know your fellow Rotarian. I hope you take every chance -- virtual or in-person -- to get to know your Club and to reveal your true self to your Club. It takes some effort, some time, and some commitment. And as Randy might say, a glass of wine along the way never hurts.

Mark

In the News

Rotary Meetings - What's Up!

LAST Week @ Rotary
Recognition - Mayor Robert Garcia, DNC Keynote Presentation
Birthdays - Greg Haeseler and Julie Meenan
Rotary on the Road @ Jack and Kathy Hinsche's
New Member Intro - Rini Ghosh
Program - The Post-COVID, Post-Election Economy

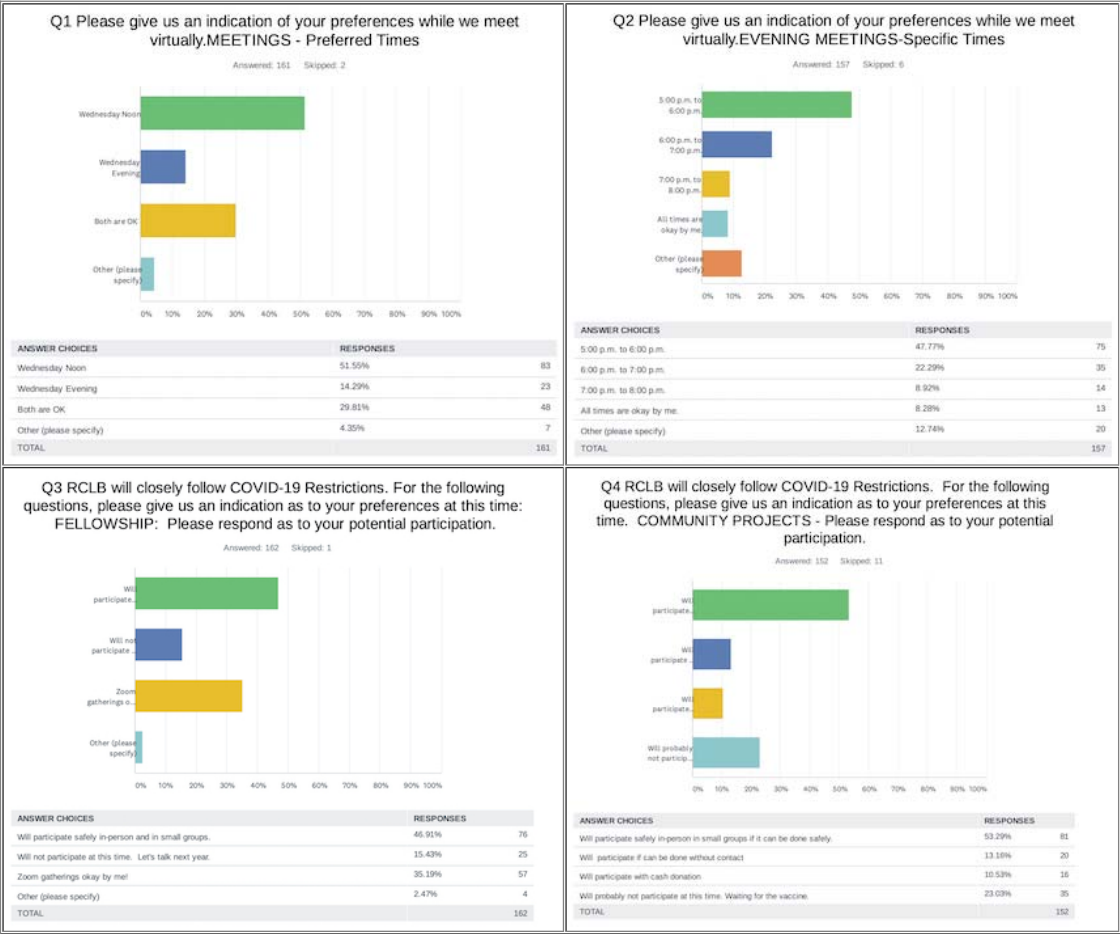
Rotary End-Of-Summer Virtual Wine Tasting
Centennial Park Clean-Up

THIS Week @ Rotary
Classic Car of the Week
Birthday - Stacey Baltes
Rotary on the Road
New Member Intro - Jane Caddell
Paul Harris Fellow Recognitions - Baxter, Hubbard, Maiser, Zhang
Program - Taking Responsibility for a Sustainable Future

Remember to VOTE !
RCLB Board of Directors Meeting
Business Breakfast Roundtable
Football Pool w/Andy McFarland

Rotary Survey Results!

We had **responses from 162 Rotarians** as we continually work on REIMAGINING Rotary while we are waiting for the ability to meet again in person. We appreciate hearing from so many. Please take a moment to review the results and the comments from our members. If you wish to view the .pdf, please click on this link - [Rotary Survey Graphs](#). Thank you! Matt #104



COMMENTS

* Zoom meetings are actually easier for me than driving to the QM, except my job for the last few months has been off the rails busy. As it calms

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International Service Director

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BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Judy Seal
September 17th

Tammy J. Newland-Shisido
September 18th

Michael L. Soutar, AIA
September 19th

Randall S. Kemner
September 19th

James A. Ahumada
September 21st

Don Rodriguez
September 21st

UPCOMING EVENTS

September

15th - RCLB Board of Directors

16th - Weekly RCLB Meeting
Speaker: Mihri Ozkan, Fellow, National Academy of Inventors
Subject: TAKING RESPONSIBILITY FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

17th - Business Breakfast Roundtable

23rd - Weekly RCLB Meeting
Speaker: Jeffrey J. Pritchard, Rotary Malaria Partners Board Chair
Subject: COLLABORATING TO END MALARIA

24th - Rotary Revealed

27th - Ronald McDonald House Sunday Meal Prep

30th - Weekly RCLB Meeting

October

7th - Weekly RCLB Meeting
Speaker: John Keisler - Economic Development Director, City of Long Beach
Subject: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT in LONG BEACH

10th - Centennial Park Clean-Up

Our Rotary Family...

Past President/Past District Governor **Greg Owen** is recuperating at home after a 2nd surgery. During the

down (and it will), I ♡ re-engage. Thanks for soliciting feedback

* It would be great to have a comprehensive list of opportunities that are ongoing and projects under consideration. This would help me identify a plan for my participation.

* I have been okay with Zoom but enjoyed seeing folks at the park clean-up.

* I know it is a time of great upheaval while trying to keep it together. You are trying new things to see what works. That ♡s all you can do. GOOD JOB!!!

* Great job pivoting with the changing times. Zoom meetings have been really helpful.

* Rather safe than sorry!

* I think we did well at Centennial Park. Other than that it is problematic.

* I'm sorry I haven't been able to participate in the zoom meetings. Work has me tied up at this time and no change in meeting day or place is going to change that. I hope to participate in safe small group meeting when available. I'm here if you need me. Wish I could do more, but my staff and patients are my priority right now. Miss everyone!

* I enjoy the ZOOM meetings, although it makes it easier to miss them if business calls. Business calls often of me!

* I miss the camaraderie from attending group meetings. I feel lost in the Zoom meeting, detached as if I don't belong. I know that I do belong but I guess I'm more social than I thought.

* Thank you for all that you do for our club!

* We ♡ve lost our location & routine... the Email reminders & encouragement to participate from Matt & Madrid are critical.

* I love the classic cars and the roving reporter visits with Rotarians in their homes during the meetings. Maybe for fellowship, occasionally, we could join for cocktails or dinner in several member's homes or use breakout rooms for more intimate conversations around a theme or a project. I do miss the impromptu table conversations during lunch and even in the buffet line ... Thank you for allowing the membership to have a say on Survey Monkey.

* I feel we should follow the guidelines established by the health department, the Club has community visibility and should be leading by example.

* Please keep Rotary going so that we can enjoy fellowship when COVID is over

* How about an informal outing at a park?

* Thanks so much for trying EVERYTHING to keep the club fun and interesting. Obviously, one of the best things about Rotary is getting together. Hope that happens soon!

* I prefer day time weekly meetings, evenings are for family and chill time. Special events in the evenings are ok.

* You are all doing an outstanding job with this challenge. As we come into football season (such as it is) the Commish should be the agenda as often as possible. Always very entertaining. I also think we should gather "unofficially" after work at say Marina Park and have an "unofficial" meeting. A bull horn and lawn chair and Matt's in business. What a coincidence - 100 of us show up at the same time. People are hungry for face to face contact.

* Concerned about the lack of fellowship opportunities. Without engaging folks, it becomes stale quickly

* Just keep up the good work, Matt, Madrid, the Board and everyone. You all are making the impossible possible.

* There was a meeting in which another Rotary Member who works in the same occupation as a handful of other members was mentioned to be "the go to" person for those professional services. Statements like that should not be made during meetings while addressing the entire club when there are multiple members who do the same thing for a living. It is of course acceptable to recommend a person from one member to another during private conversation, but deeming a member as the "go to" person in front of the whole club appears to discredit all other members who provide the same professional service.

* Miss you all. Salary was cut, but would love to attend zoom as a guest.

* Thanks for all you and staff are doing to get us back together.

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recovery weeks ahead, we send our love and wishes to Greg and his precious caregiver, Val ♡

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Message from the Rotary Presidential Leadership Team:

We are looking for Rotary office space, a lease or sub-lease, approximately 800-1,000 square feet. Our current lease runs out November 2020. We are looking for space that would be closer to a potentially non-downtown lunch venue. Please share any suggestions with Immediate Past President, **Mollie Beck** - belshorepl@earthlink.net

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