







Purpose Connection Pride!

August 7: Rotary Business Luncheon, 12:00-1:30 -District Governor Jill Duerig is visiting

August 14: Rotary Speaker Meeting, 6:00-7:30

August 19: Board Meeting, 6:30-8:30

August 24: **Membership Appreciation BBQ**, 2:00-8:00 at the Barnes's house

# Upcoming Service Opportunities

Rock the Block September 7, 12-5

## <u>Okdroberfest</u> September 14, 11-5

# **Message from Our President**

This month, **Rotary International** is focused on **Membership**. And while the intention is to increase membership, this is also a great time to appreciate our connection to one another. Last week, two of our fellow Rotarians were having a challenging time; nothing earth-shattering, but definitely annoying. It had nothing to do with Rotary or with me, but we were able to connect on a personal level about the everyday irritations that come up in life and, you know the saying, "misery loves company." **Connection is the greatest benefit of being a Rotarian!** 

However, I'd be remiss if I didn't talk about **Membership Month** as an opportunity to introduce folks to Rotary. I'm challenging five members to bring a guest to at least one of our events this month. **Will you be one of the five?** 

Usually, I wouldn't suggest bringing someone to a Rotary meeting as their first introduction to the club, but on **August 7, District Governor Jill Duerig** will be visiting, so that could be a great opportunity. If lunch isn't your bag, bring a friend to our **Member BBQ on August 24** at Bruce Barnes' home. I hear that Bruce and Jinn are devising some fun challenges that make me both curious and nervous! **Remember, potential Rotarians can attend up to two meetings/socials for free!** I hope to see you all there.

Lastly, **District 5170** is having a **social picnic** on **August 11** at **Shakespeare Santa Cruz**. <u>Click HERE for more information</u>. I have my tickets for the 2 pm production of Oscar Wilde's "The Importance of Being Earnest," and it would be great to see some other San Leandro Rotarians there!



July was <u>Maternal and Child Health Month</u> in Rotary, and our Social with a Purpose was right on theme! Our club got together to support the Carolyn Hobbs Academy, which provides academic instruction, support services, and child care for parenting students. Their teachers and staff provide a nurturing learning environment for young parents as they complete their high school education. In addition to academics, students have access to curriculum and support services to develop the skills needed to provide a safe and caring environment for their family.

Thanks to generous support from members and our community partner, <u>Pallen's Martial Arts</u>, we put together ten new mom/safe baby kits for young women working hard to graduate from high school while navigating the challenges of pregnancy and new motherhood. Our 'honorary' member, Kristi Barnes, assisted Morgan and delivered the kits the day after our social. Amy Balandran, Para Educator and graduate of the program received the kits.

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# **Brain Teasers**

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education	environment	fair
fellowship	friendships	goodwill
Interact	leadership	peace
pin	pride	purpose
rotaract	Rotary	service
truth	volunteer	water
youth		

## Get to know your fellow Rotarians



Bob Duey - August 6 Kim Holland -August 25 Match the Rotarian with the first concert they paid for by themselves

Virginia	
Adrien	
Rusk	
Kevin	

Def Leppard Train Van Halen Elton John

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