



Laguna Beach Rotary #1 in the District

# BREEZE



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## Rotary Club of Laguna Beach

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## Happy Holidays & New Year!

from President Peter Freeman



Is that actually RAIN out there? Hard to tell, because we haven't had it in so long, but I'm sure some of us even remember what it is. It's hard to believe but our Rotary year 2015-2016 is nearly half-over and we have much to be thankful for in this holiday season.



It was a big November for the Community Service team, led by Cecily Ginger. Cecily, Kerri Redeker and the committee led a wonderful and successful Thanksgiving Box give-away at the Boy's & Girl's Club last month. About 85 families had a Thanksgiving meal because of your efforts and generosity. Next, Cecily, Diana Cimino and Julie Hile coordinated the distribution of paperback dictionaries to every Third-grader in Laguna Beach, and

Cecily presented the Laguna Board of Education with a check for the other portion of our Grant Project - for tablet computers for the classroom. Finally, Cecily and her team have wrapped up the distribution of our Club's Community Grants to the recipient organizations. A HUGE "Thank You" to Cecily, Kerry, Diana, Julie and all of the Club Volunteers who participated in these projects. Remember, all of this is possible because of your efforts and contributions - these projects are several good reasons to feel good and celebrate the Season!



Rod Hatter is hard at work on our Club's first RI Global Grant project, which will help stock a midwife maternity hospital/clinic in Uganda, where little assistance is otherwise available to expectant mothers. We've seen the program on this clinic project, but the Grant itself is a ton of work. Rod is also busy approaching each club in District 5320 asking for their participation in this worthy project, done in cooperation with a Rotary Club in Uganda. Go Get'em Rod!

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**Membership is the lifeline of our Rotary club.** Thanks to everyone for contributing to our great membership by sharing Rotary with your guests. Have a safe holiday season! - Dave Cler

# Programs

- December 4      **El Nino**
- December 11    **Shaena Stabler**  
*co-publisher, Stu News*
- December 18    **Holiday Program - Bring a Guest!**  
*LBHS Music program*
- December 25    **DARK**
- January 1        **DARK**



*Observed the 2nd  
Friday of the month*

## December

**Jim Lawler - 11**  
**Gil Thibault - 14**  
**James Tehranchian - 22**

### December 4

Inspiration: Cimino  
Greeters: Sinclair  
              Kenny  
Cash: Vicario  
Tickets: Colledge  
Badges: Tehranchian

### December 11

Inspiration: Cler  
Greeters: Redeker, J  
              Shao  
Cash: Redeker, K  
Tickets: Melhase  
Badges: Polzin

### December 18

Inspiration: Stoop  
Greeters: Owens  
              Stoeckmann  
Cash: Nootbaar  
Tickets: Smith  
Badges: Montonna

### December 25 **DARK**

*Happy Holidays*

### January 1      **DARK**

### January 8

Inspiration: Mendoza, Alex  
Greeters: Fulcher  
              Maxwell  
Cash: Estes  
Tickets: Matassa  
Badges: Moore

### January 15

Inspiration: Martin  
Greeters: Cirelli  
              Lawler  
Cash: Cimino  
Tickets: Kenny  
Badges: Challenger

### January 22

Inspiration: Johnson, N  
Greeters: Campbell  
              Johnson, C  
Cash: Bithell  
Tickets: Hile  
Badges: Alvarez, T

### January 29

Inspiration: Herkelrath  
Greeters: Sinclair  
              Hatter  
Cash: Smith  
Tickets: Ginger  
Badges: Colledge



*Welcome Daniela and Dan  
to Rotary!*



# Laguna Rotary Life

Rick Lang Photos

## PRESIDENT, from Page 1

Jeff Redeker and the Grapes for Grads team is well ahead of schedule for the May 1, 2016 event - we're looking for another home run on this great event, and Jeff, Bob Elster, Kerri Redeker, Pati Stoop, Marge Earl and Veronica Nice are hitting their stride in planning and orchestrating. See Jeff if you want to help, but this is another 'all hands on deck' event so please plan to help in one way or another.

Our Holiday Party meeting will be on December 18, with the traditional White Elephant gift 'exchange'. Bring one wrapped white elephant gift per Rotarian. We'll draw the prizes and watch 'em get 'stolen' - always a lot of fun. The Laguna Beach High School Choral program will provide singers for Holiday Music - this is not to be missed. If you haven't signed up for your spouse, significant other, or guests, please contact me immediately so we have a head count for the hotel. Remember, guests are \$26/pp AT THE DOOR!

Last but not least, December 18 will be our last meeting of the year! We're dark on December 25 (someone told me it was Christmas Day!), and on January 1, 2016 as well. Best wishes for a joyous holiday to all, and see you on January 8!



## *In Memory*



**Marty Hecht**

