



Laguna Beach Rotary #1 in the District

# BREEZE

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## ROTARY CLUB OF LAGUNA BEACH PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

### A Message of Thanks from our Past President

I can't believe it's already July and I'm now serving as the Past President of our wonderful club. All I can think of is thank all of you for an amazing year and for all of your contributions. We are a successful club because of each one of you and all you do. I just had the honor of leading you. I didn't have to do too much except run the club meetings and get showered with a whole lot of praise and incredible presents from all you travelers out there – Wow! Thank you so much. Nevertheless, someone had to take the responsibility of being the responsible party. And for that, I am truly honored. There have been great moments, and not so great moments but through it all there is that consistent unspoken understanding among all of our members that we have each other's backs and the club's best interests as our ultimate focus. Each year we strive to be the best, and this year, we can confidently say that we have done so. My goals for my presidency were to:



1. Increase membership – and we did that in spades with over 10 new members thanks to Dave Cler and all you who introduced and sponsored new members.
2. Interesting Programs & Fun Meetings: Thanks to Stacy Colledge for continuing to support us even though you weren't able to attend as much as you would have liked to. You did an incredible job!! Thank you to Diane Mendoza and her team of party planners for our festive holiday events.
3. Successful Fundraisers – I think we can all agree that the Car Show and Grapes For Grads have fulfilled that goal. Thanks to great committee work and leaders, Harry Bithell and Jeffrey Redeker, and the amazing support by our Club volunteers. Our local community and students from LCAD and LBHS are all better because of us. We also raised over \$45,000 for Hearts4Africa thanks to our generous donations and matching funds.
4. Increase Visibility and Update our Technology: Thanks to our new members who stepped in and stepped up to assist with our website, Facebook & Twitter accounts, and for the veterans who graciously showed them the way and gave them the background to do so. Ward, Irfan, Jerry, Rick and Jerry, thank you for your time and patience. Also to our incredible Breeze Editor Ashley Johnson and her incredible patience with me.
5. Help all our members feel appreciated and make them aware of the good they are doing by contributing to the causes we support and collectively making a difference.

One of the main reasons I joined Rotary in the first place was the ability to make a larger contribution to the local community and the world through combined giving with our club, rather than on my own. It is such an honor to achieve that goal with all of you by my side.

As the year comes to a close I look forward to continue working with you in the years to come. Thank you for assisting me in accomplishing the above, and for your continued support.

Take it away, Stan!  
Very truly, Past President Julie





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It is an honor to serve as your Club President and I must admit that I have a tough act to follow. 2016-17 was a great year for the Rotary Club of Laguna Beach. Under Julie's leadership, we started the year with 67 members. We currently have 74 members which is a gain of 7 new members. This did not happen by accident or luck. The primary reason why people join Rotary and remain a Rotarian is because they want to belong to a club that is fun and has the opportunity to enjoy the fellowship of their fellow Rotarians. Julie went out of her way to be sure that everyone was, and felt, welcome.



I just returned from the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta. There were 40,000+ Rotarians from all over the world in attendance. The keynote speaker was Bill Gates. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation committed to an additional \$1.2 billion to help in the fight to eradicate polio. Other speakers included Jack Nicklaus, Andrew Young, and Ashton Kutcher. The 2018 Rotary International Convention will be held in Toronto and I strongly urge you to attend as it will be an experience you will never forget.

I have some exciting news! Our club is planning a new literacy project in which each month we will purchase four new books targeting the elementary reading levels (K-3). We plan to donate two copies of each book to the T.O.W. and El Morro School Libraries. Each book will be signed by our guest speaker and a decal will be inserted in the inner leaf of each book reflecting the donation. We also plan to have our members volunteer to read to the students once or twice a month.

Hotel Laguna informed me that they are hosting three wedding receptions on Friday, July 7<sup>th</sup>, therefore, we will hold our July 7th Rotary Meeting at Kitchen in The Canyon, 845 Laguna Canyon Road (next door to Seven-Degrees).

I look forward to working with each of you and serving as your President.

President Stan

# Announcements

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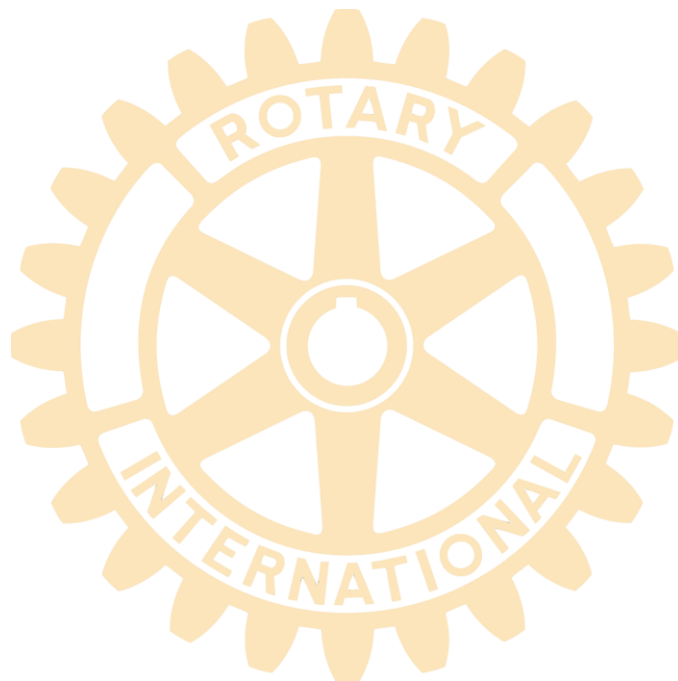
## **Club Meeting Location Change**

The **July 7<sup>th</sup> Rotary Club** meeting will be held at Kitchen in The Canyon, 845 Laguna Canyon Road, Laguna Beach

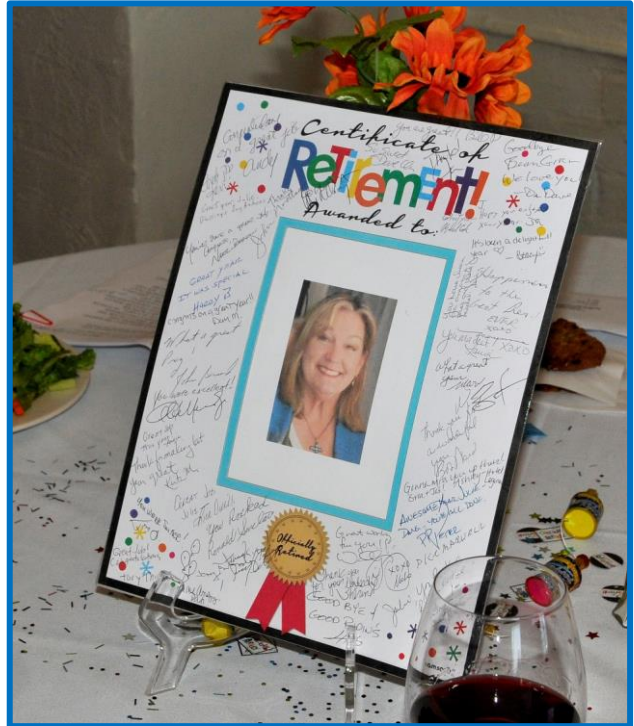
**Note:** Please be sure to advise the parking attendant that you are attending the Laguna Beach Rotary Luncheon so they waive the parking fee. Please try to carpool or take the free Laguna Beach Trolley.

## **July Board Meeting**

Wednesday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm at Union Bank, 229 Broadway St., Laguna Beach



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# Rotary



**Rotary Club of Laguna Beach**  
Since 1931

President  
**Stan Carmichael**

President-Elect  
**Rod Hatter**

Co-Treasurers  
**Angela Popowa and Patricia Stoop**

Co-Secretaries  
**Karin Imhoff and Sherine Smith**

Immediate Past President  
**Julie Ritchie Hile**

Club Service  
**Ashley Johnson**

Community Service  
**Jerry Catalano**

Membership  
**Michael Cook**

International Service  
**Irfan Khan**

Youth Service  
**Diana Cimino**

Public Relations  
**Rick Lang**

Rotary Foundation  
**Bob Elster**

Club Foundation  
**Tory Thomas**

Senior Advisors  
**Harry Bithell and Peter Freeman**

Breeze Editor/Publisher  
**Ashley Johnson**

Social Media/Technology  
**Irfan Khan and Jerry Catalano**

## Club Meeting Information

When: Every Friday, at 12:00 noon  
Where: Hotel Laguna, 425 S. Coast Hwy.

## ROTARIAN ASSIGNMENTS & PROGRAMMING

### July 7

*'Sharing his Trip and Insights on Cuba,' by Joe Anderson*

**Inspiration:** Tankersley, Jerry  
**Greeters:** Toft, Nicole  
Vilore, Jason

**Cash:** Blackburn, Ward  
**Tickets:** Martin, Dan  
**Badges:** Mahoney, Michael  
**Pledge:** Stoop, Pati  
**Fines:** Redeker, Kerri

### July 14

*Pete Allman presents a global peace documentary, "Winds of Freedom"*

**Inspiration:** Andrus, Jay  
**Greeters:** Bernard, John  
Hile, Julie

**Cash:** Catalano, Jerry  
**Tickets:** Maxwell, Dick  
**Badges:** Laux, Michael  
**Pledge:** Stoeckman, Udo  
**Fines:** Redeker, Jeff

### July 21

*Patty Cyr & Toni Bland discuss 'Laura's House'*

**Inspiration:** Drew, Marv  
**Greeters:** Cook, Michael  
Cler, Dave

**Cash:** Hatter, Rod  
**Tickets:** Nootbaar, John  
**Badges:** Gregory, Lynn  
**Pledge:** Smith, Sherine  
**Fines:** Norton, Dave

### July 28

*'Club Assembly' by Stan Carmichael*

**Inspiration:** Thomas, Tory  
**Greeters:** McLean, Joan  
Shao, Wally

**Cash:** Barnes, Beverly  
**Tickets:** Johnson, Ashley  
**Badges:** Frankel, Danny  
**Pledge:** Raczkowski, Marianne  
**Fines:** Polzin, Pam



## July Birthdays

*(Observed on the 2nd Friday of the month)*

**John Campbell – 3**  
**Karin Imhoff – 25**  
**Diana Cimino – 26**  
**Bob Elster – 27**

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