



The Breeze

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ROTARY CLUB OF LAGUNA BEACH Presidents Corner

Greetings to all Club members and friends,

Here I am in 'corner' again, and I'm glad to be here. The day after Labor Day has traditionally been declared as the day 'Laguna is returned to the Lagunatics.' It has been a long, hot summer with an array of visitors, as you well know.

I want to thank all of you for showing up for so many Friday meetings in an uncomfortably hot meeting room. I hope that more seasonal temperatures will make all of us more comfortable. I would like to send an extra thanks to the Club's Greeters and other volunteers who have been setting up and taking down for each meeting. Also, a big thank you to our newest members who have been very generous in sharing their time and talents with our Club.



Hope you all enjoyed hearing District Governor Lucy Walther and her story. She is a remarkable and talented individual—one might say that she is one of a kind. We will be following up on her suggestions and requests. While I sincerely respect and honor Rotary International and District 5320, my heart remains with the Rotary Club of Laguna Beach. We are truly PEOPLE OF ACTION.

Another extremely dedicated individual, and our local midwife, Sherril Sedillo is in rural Uganda working hard with the local people to open the Maternity Clinic this month. Nothing is easy there, but she's developed a strong team, and the clinic building is ready to go and much of the equipment our Club helped pay for is installed. Check out some of the photos below. We should be very proud of our efforts and involvement.

The first patient to be treated there by Doctor Patrick was a mother who brought in her infant who has had a dislocation since birth. He treated the baby on the hood of a car.

Sherril has even expanded the concept to include a pharmacy and a village clinic. They will be installed within a large shipping container that was purchased to hold and deliver the equipment coming from the U.S., however; she is still trying to raise \$3,000 to build it out. Her plan is to improve the Clinic's sustainability from these paying clients. The photos below also show how Doctor Patrick's wife, Chero (also a midwife), has been raising pigs and piglets for the same purpose. In addition to raising livestock, she's also been working with the locals to plant crops for sale. I hope you enjoy the pictures from Sherill. Remember: You made this possible and many lives will be saved.

Meanwhile, Josette and I will be on a cruise from September 5-22. We are embarking on a Windstar cruise from Edinboro to London with ports of call in Northern Ireland, Ireland, Wales and Cornwall. Yes, I am taking an umbrella (and a slicker).

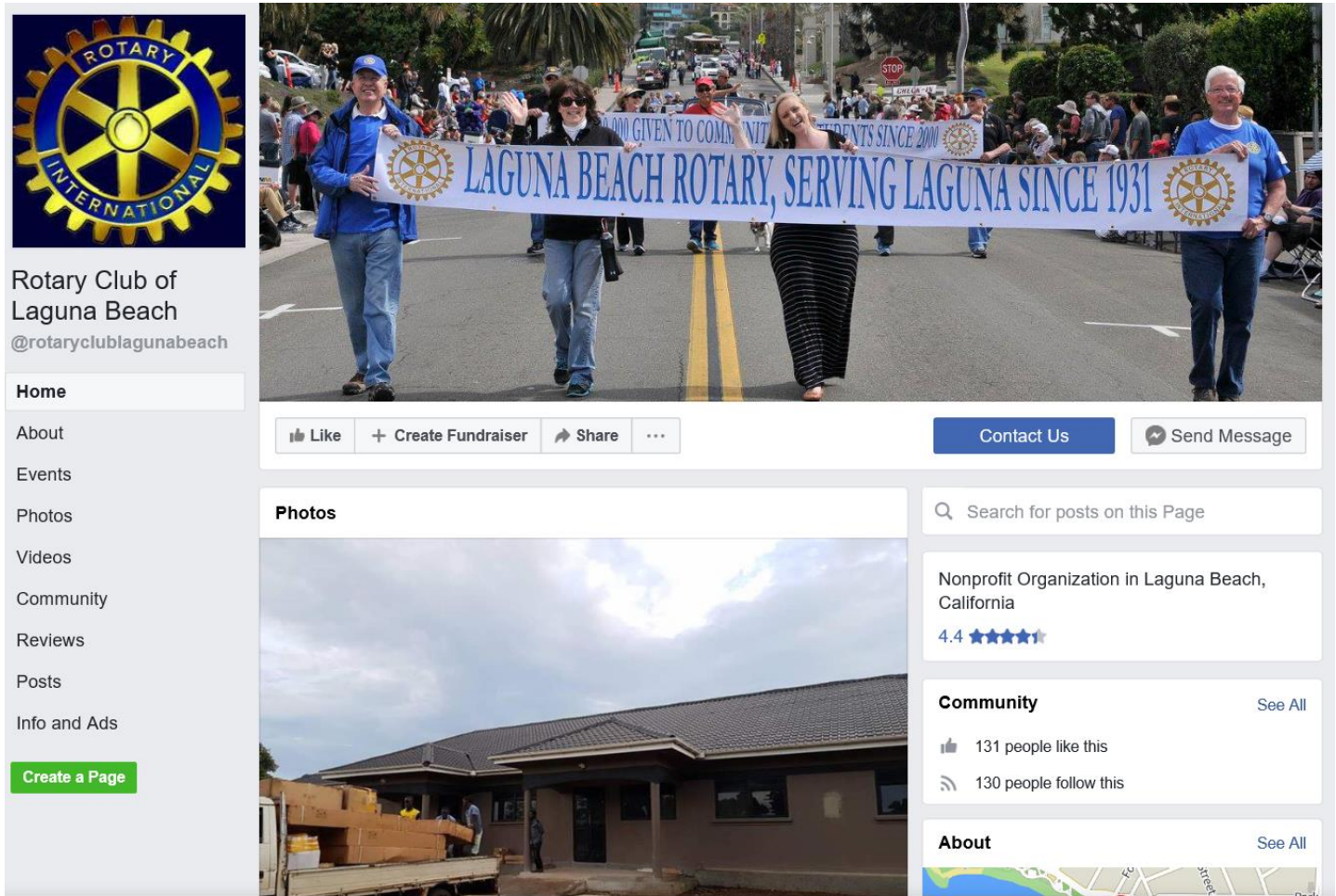
Best wishes to all!

Rod



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

1. Please log-in to your Facebook account and **'LIKE'** our Club's page - <https://www.facebook.com/rotaryclublagunabeach>. We want to start adding more content to this portal, but can only successfully do so, if we have you to engage with.



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2. **Car Show donations needed!!** The car show is less than 2 months out and we are looking for silent auction items – anything from beverage items (wine, beer, etc.) to experiences (golf, plane rides, condo rentals, etc.) to unique items that may be of interest to event attendees, and more. Please contact Karin Hedlund Imhoff at 425-890-5844 with donations.
3. **Help Wanted!** Our Club is looking for **event planners** for our Club's special meetings and social events; a **back-up photographer** to support Ward Blackburn's efforts; and a **co-secretary** to assist Elizabeth Beske, and to attend monthly Board Meetings. Interested? Contact Rod Hatter at 949-466-9925 or rodhatter@fran-law.com.
4. We are looking to make The Breeze a bit more newsworthy and we would like to hear from you! Have you taken any summer trips? Have you been recognized for any recent accolades? Any personal or professional updates, etc.? If so, send details to ashley@visitlagunabeach.com and place 'Breeze Content' in the email subject line.

Uganda Maternity Clinic to Open this Month!

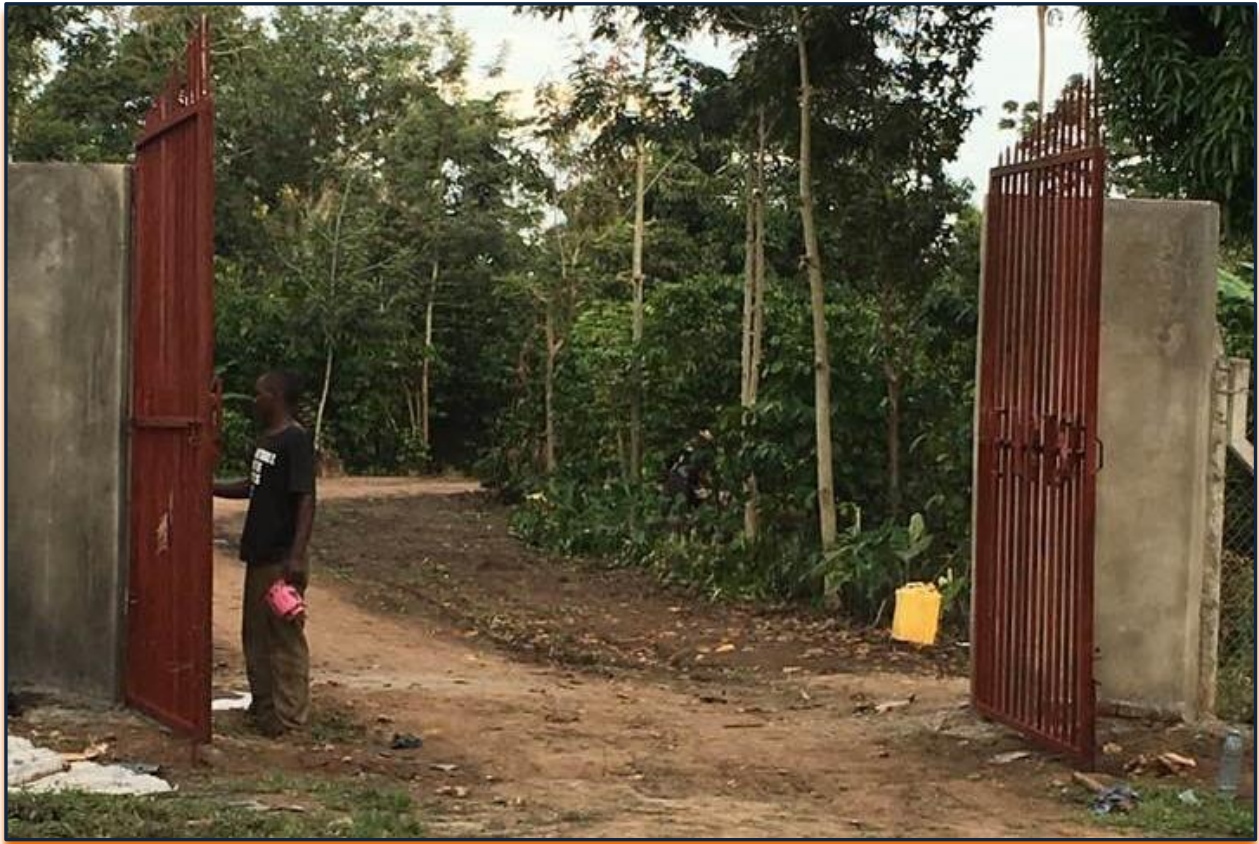
Sherril Sedillo, our local midwife who has spearheaded the build of a new maternity clinic in rural Uganda, has departed for Uganda to supervise the final steps before opening the Clinic in early September. Our Club's \$40,000 donation led to a \$102,000 amount of funds to be used to buy supplies and equipment for the Clinic.













Get to Know a Club Member: Five Minutes with Pati Stoop

Each month we hope to feature a brief write-up about one of our Club Members.

Pati is an attorney and works in Laguna Beach with our Club President, Rod Hatter. She has two children: Jonathan, who is a junior at the University of California, San Diego, and Robyn, a senior at Santa Margarita Catholic High School.

She is a seasoned lawyer; and specializes in franchising and trademarks. Pati graduated from Willamette Law School in Oregon and received her bachelor's degree from Virginia Tech. As you would expect, she was a good student. Her sorority was Kappa Kappa Gamma.

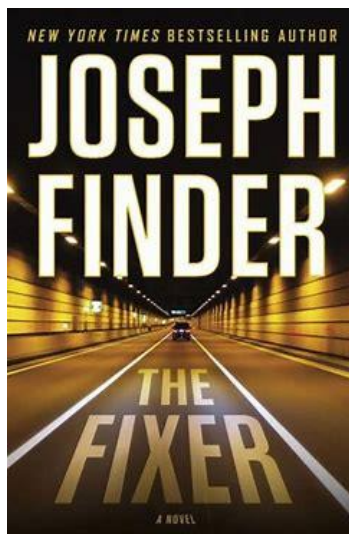
While Pati looks like a 'California girl,' she in fact considers herself from Texas. Her father is a retired Army Colonel, Ray Landers. Her mother, Donna (Johnson) Landers, is the daughter of a cavalry officer. Pati is the oldest of three sisters, one of whom died recently. Her youngest sister Ashley, is an Assistant District Attorney in Virginia.

Pati loves country music and enjoys hiking and fishing. Mammoth is her happy place. Her secret past includes being a Rugby player. Really?!

Book Corner

Club President Rod Hatter recommends reading *The Fixer* by Joseph Finder (paperback). Though it's too late to recommend this novel for the long Labor Day weekend, it's good reading no matter where and when.

We hope you patronize our local bookstore, Laguna Beach Books, because Laguna Beach needs at least one book store. Let us know if you have read something special lately.





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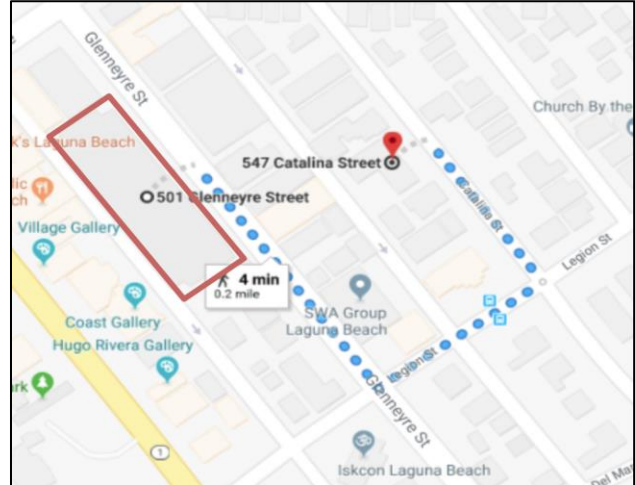
Past President/Member-at-Large
Harry Bithell
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Club Meeting Information

When: Every Friday at 12:00 noon
Where: Assistance League Chapter House
547 Catalina Street

ROTARIAN CLUB MEETING MAP & DUTIES

Club Meeting Map



September 14

Inspiration: Marianne Raczkowski
Greeters: Laura Paris, Rick Cirelli
Cash: Joan McLean
Tickets: James Tehranchian
Badges: Angela Popowa
Pledge: Keith Matassa
Fines: Peter Freeman

September 21

Inspiration: Jeff Redeker
Greeters: Julie Hile, Jerry Catalano
Cash: Jim Lawler
Tickets: John Campbell
Badges: Ed Storke
Pledge: Dick Maxwell
Fines: Stan Carmichael



September Birthdays

(Observed on the 2nd Friday of the month)

John Nootbaar – 5
Chuck Schoen – 6
Stacy Colledge – 10
Pamela Polzin – 11

Zahide Lawrence - 15
Rick Lang – 25
Dave Cler – 27

