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LA5'S HEART FOR KIDS

A message from the President

In one of my first meetings with LA5, I recall that Bruce Murdoch made an announcement on behalf of the Children's Court Committee inviting Rotarians to chaperone foster kids at a day at Disneyland. What a fun idea. This joyful outing demonstrated LA5's heart for young people. As I have learned, that caring goes back many years and includes our Club's transformative work with the Edleman's Children's Court.

LA5's interest in this work is not surprising. The facts surrounding the LA County foster care system are heartbreaking. 30,000 children are currently in foster care in Los Angeles County and 1400 are awaiting adoptive families. Only 58% of young people in foster care graduate from high school and only 3% graduate from college. Half of all young adults who age out of foster care end up homeless or incarcerated.

These are but just a few of the reasons why we are dedicating LA5's 2020 Community Grants Day to helping organizations who support children in the foster care system. We have committed to distribute at least \$100,000 to these organizations at a special lunch program on April 17 called, Families are Forever. I hope that you will make every effort to get involved in this effort. Our community must do more to make certain children find permanent homes. VISIT <https://www.rotaryla5.org/la5communitygrants> and get involved.



See you on Friday.

Rick Gibson

President,
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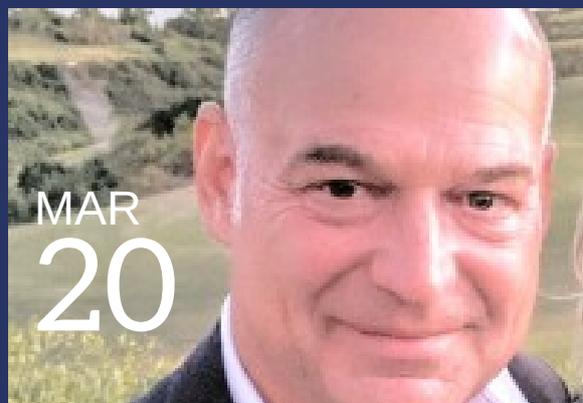


THIS WEEK: PAGEANT OF THE ARTS

Lunch at the Cal Club

[Click Here for Tickets](#)

Mark the calendar



- Mar 04** Richard and Helen Close Golf Tournament - Wilshire CC
- Mar 06** Jerry Mitchell - Lunch at the Cal Club
- Mar 13-15** LA5 Homecoming Weekend
- Mar 17** Gateway Committee Meeting - Lunch at Northwestern Mutual
- Mar 20** Alexander Von Welczeck - Lunch at the Cal Club

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE CLUB CALENDAR](#)

CHECKING IN WITH LA5 SCHOLARS

**GENESIS, 2018 RECIPIENT
CURRENTLY ATTENDING
UC BERKELEY**

How did you use the scholarship money?

"I used the LA5 scholarship money this year to buy my books and necessities for my dorm. The rest of the money went to paying for the rest of my school."

Brag to us about what you did this year...

"This year after much determination I was able to pass my second-semester classes with A's. Receiving my first A's at Berkeley made me push harder. After the end of my second semester, I was chosen to be a GSI for one of my favorite classes. This upcoming fall semester I will be leading my own discussion while helping the teacher plan his agenda and grade the coursework. I'm proud to say that I will be a GSI for an Ethnic Studies class at Berkeley."

NEW MEMBER CANDIDATE

Per club bylaws, members have **10 days** from the issuance of this notification to let the Membership Approval Committee know if there are any objections to this candidate.

For questions or comments regarding this candidate,
please contact

Membership Approval Committee Chair and Past President,
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2020 COMMUNITY GRANTS DAY • APRIL 17

Rotary Club of Los Angeles

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SUPPORTING THE
CHILDREN
IN THE LA COUNTY
FOSTER CARE
SYSTEM

visit

www.rotaryla5.org/la5communitygrant



What is your claim to fame?

My culinary skills are amazing. I work hard to ensure I only use the freshest, locally grown produce and choice meats and seafood. And then there's the method.

MMMMMM! GOOD! I am also an excellent tennis player - rated at just about 4.0

What quirks do you have?

I just need to use a towel or napkin to open public doors and am kind of like a clean freak.

What's the best way to start a day?

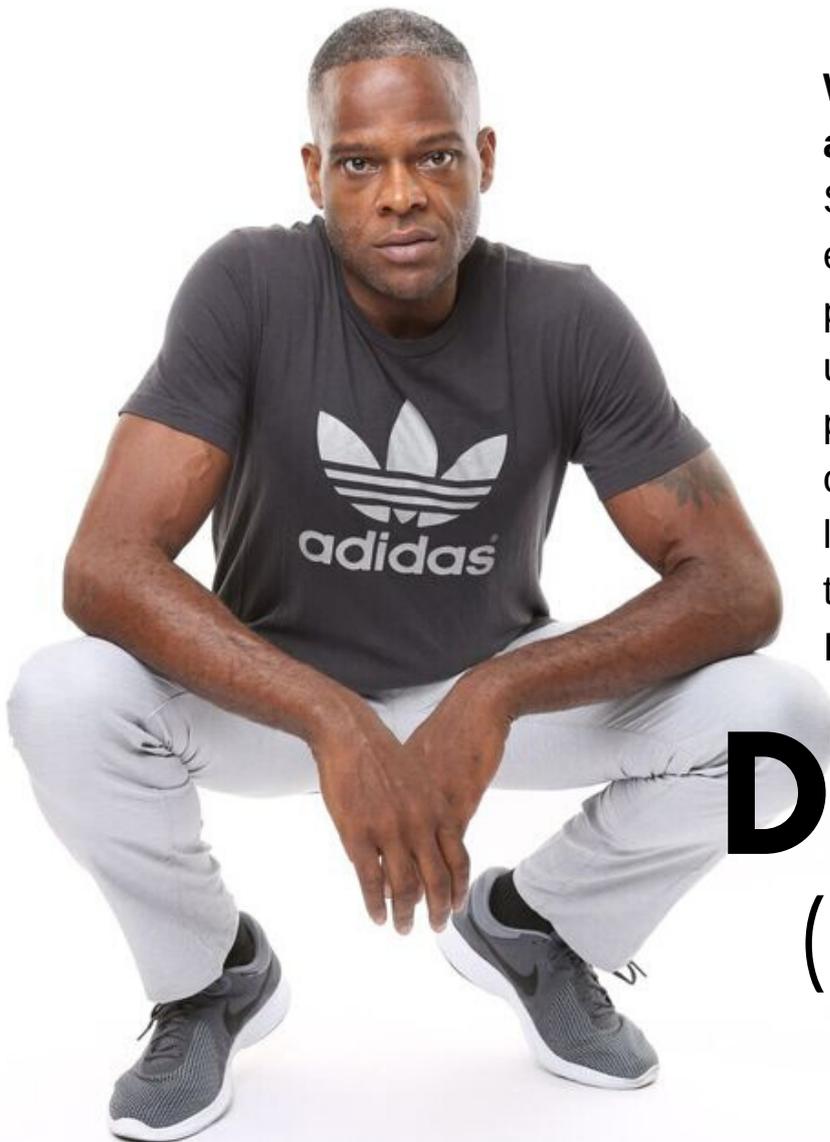
A strong pot of coffee and a nice round of yoga puts me in a winning mindset and a relaxed and focused mood.

What's your favorite thing about LA5?

I like the formality and patriotism. The speakers have been amazing and I constantly grow and learn more about myself from interactions with other members. I like being a member of a social club with such an amazing history and reputation.

What's your proudest accomplishment?

Surviving a traumatic childhood to end up on the other side with perspective, compassion and understanding for myself. The start point was not a small hurdle to overcome and it has taken a lifetime of soul searching to have the positive and optimistic view that I have today.



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HOMECOMING WEEKEND

MARCH
13-15

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MARCH 28th
SATURDAY

POKER NIGHT

MARCH 28

\$50
BUY-IN

CARDS
FLY AT
3:00 PM

ROCKWELL TABLE & STAGE

TOURNAMENT-STYLE TEXAS HOLD 'EM

\$50 BUY-IN ♠ PRIZES ♠ UNLIMITED RE-BUY UNTIL TBD LEVEL

♠ \$3k in starting chips ♠

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Questions? Rob Menz, 323-316-6333, rjmfinancial@gmail.com

REGISTER BY:

- March 10th for an extra \$1,000 in chips
- March 26th for an extra \$500 in chips

WINNINGS:

- 1st Prize = \$400
- 2nd Prize = \$250
- 3rd Prize = \$150
- 4th Prize = \$100
- 5th Prize = \$75

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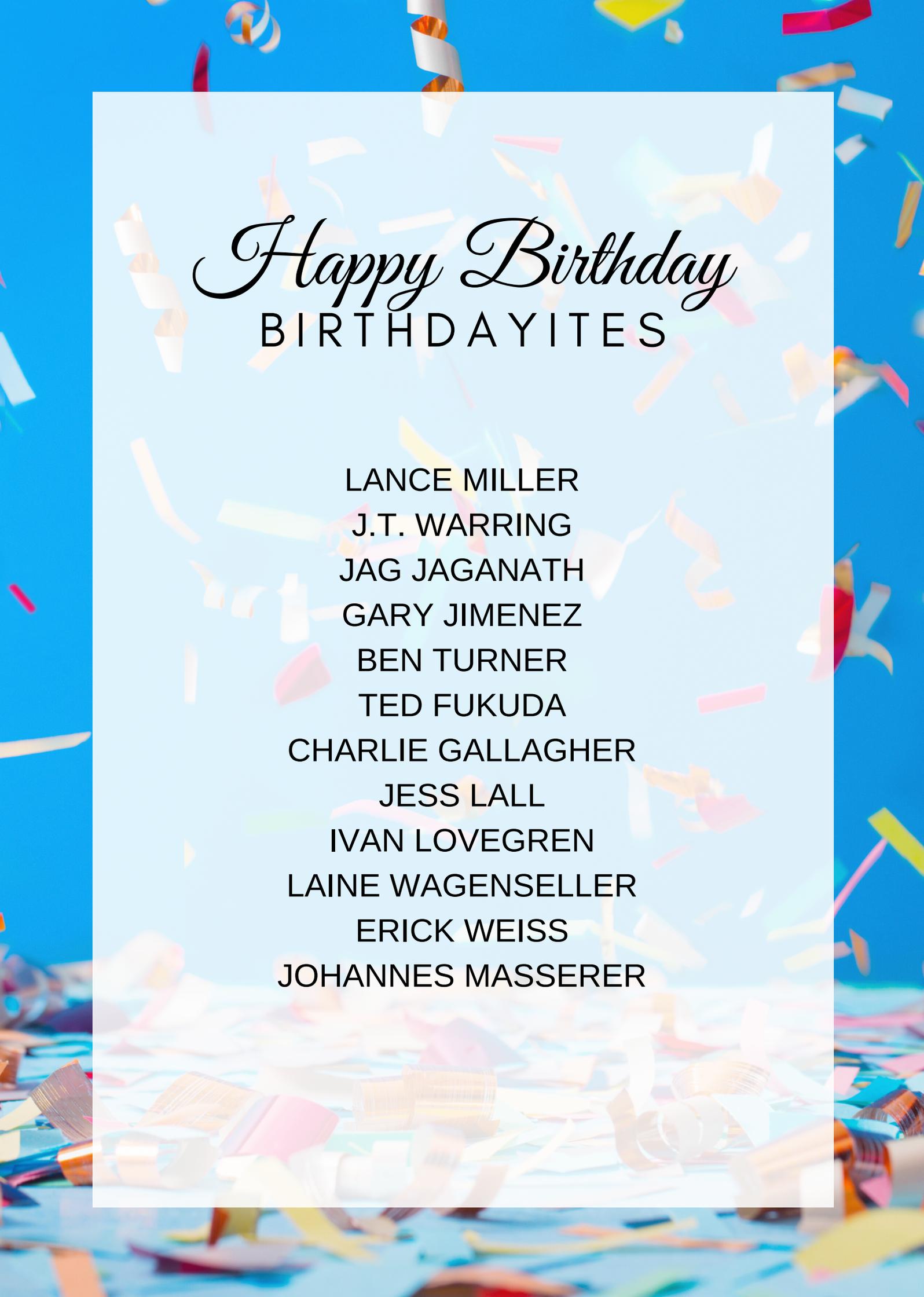
- Rockwell Table & Stage
- Rob Menz, RJM Financial Group
- Christina Moses, 3shades design

REGISTER AT: www.rotaryla5.org/calendar/events/la5-poker

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

DG Melody St. John





Happy Birthday
BIRTHDAYITES

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GARY JIMENEZ
BEN TURNER
TED FUKUDA
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