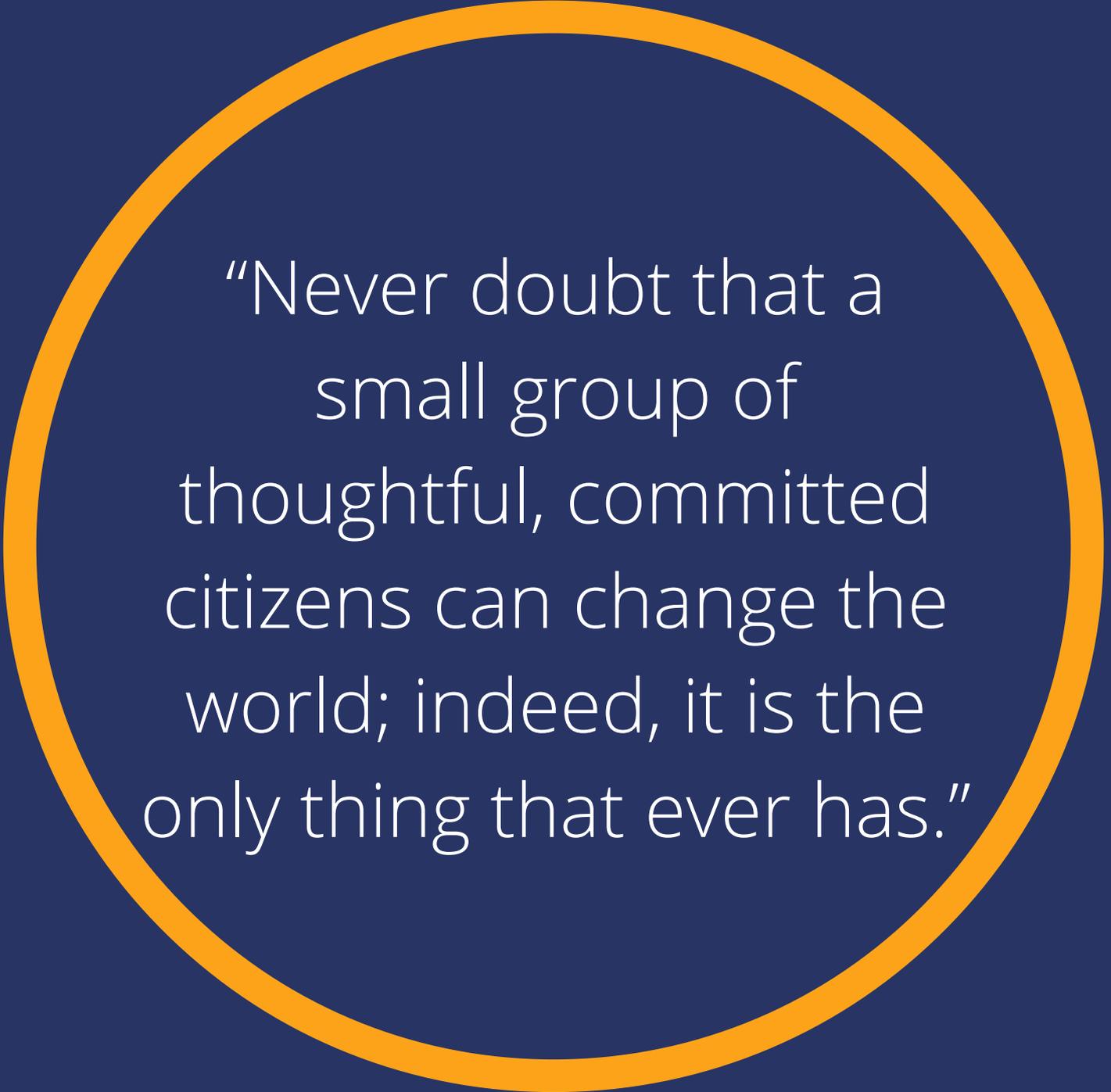


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ROTARY OPENS OPPORTUNITIES

AUGUST 11, 2020



“Never doubt that a  
small group of  
thoughtful, committed  
citizens can change the  
world; indeed, it is the  
only thing that ever has.”

- Margaret Mead

# A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Life in Los Angeles provides us with a daily reminder that our planet is getting crowded. In fact, as we race toward the milestone of 8 billion people living on earth, we can expect to see even a greater shortage of resources and an increase of disease and economic hardship. The COVID-19 pandemic has provided a sobering example of how what happens in one part of the world affects other parts. In other words: We're in this together.

Rotarians around the world and in our own club have been engaged in environmental work for many years; but up until recently, the environment has not been a major focus of Rotary International. That all changed last month. RI announced that supporting the environment has become Rotary's seventh area of focus, added to peacebuilding and conflict prevention; disease prevention and treatment; water, sanitation, and hygiene; maternal and child health; basic education and literacy; and community economic development. Grant applications for projects will be accepted beginning on July 1, 2021.

LA5, we have an opportunity to expand our global influence by connecting this area of focus to like minded people in our own community. Let me invite you to join me and others in our club and leaders around the world as we seek to find and support solutions that make life on our planet more sustainable for generations. The work of Rotary is as important as it has ever been.

Yours In Rotary Service,



*Rick Gibson*

Immediate Past President  
Rotary Club of Los Angeles  
2020 - 2021



# Mark the calendar

Aug  
**14**



Aug  
**18**  
**BUSINESS  
EXCHANGE**

Aug  
**20**

## SOCIAL HOUR

Aug  
**21**



**DISTRICT  
GOVERNOR  
VISIT**

Aug  
**28**



District 5280 

All Current Events are ZOOM Video Meetings Unless Otherwise Noted

**Aug 14**

Skid Row Housing Trust with Lee Raagas, CEO

**Aug 18**

Business Exchange

**Aug 20**

Social Hour

**Aug 21**

Economic Forecasting Amidst Covid19 with Paul Single

**Aug 28**

District Governor Bette Hall

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





# BEIRUT RELIEF FUND



On August 4, the city of Beirut, Lebanon was rocked by a devastating explosion. The death toll is still climbing and thousands have been injured.

Rotary District 5280, in partnership with the LA Cedars Rotary club, has created the Beirut Relief Fund. This fund will provide food, shelter, medical aid, the cleaning of debris and reconstruction to the victims of this disaster. The donations received through the Beirut Relief Fund will be sent directly to the Rotary Clubs in Lebanon who will provide on the ground aid. 100% of the donations will be handled by our Rotary Club partners in Beirut, ensuring that the funds are put towards those who need it most.

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION](#)

# LEARN MORE

[VISIT ROTARY.ORG](https://www.rotary.org)

NEW ROTARY AREA OF FOCUS

# Supporting the Environment

Rotary



Happy Birthday  
to this week's  
Birthday-ites

Nancy Howard  
Christopher Kim  
Rose McCoppin

August 13  
August 13  
August 18



# WHERE CAN ROTARIANS GO TO DO BUSINESS WITH FELLOW ROTARIANS?



*JOIN  
Us*

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 18 | 8:30 AM**

ZOOM MEETING | REGISTRATION REQUIRED  
[CLICK HERE](#) FOR DETAILS AND TO SIGN UP

# Save the Date

## Virtual

CHEF EXPERIENCE



CELEBRATE WITH  
WOLFGANG PUCK CHEFS

# OCT 8

# 4:30 PM

ROTARYLA5.ORG FOR DETAILS



# Happy Rotary Anniversary

Paul Bennett, 39 years

PP Dave Meshulam, 30 years

Bruce Murdoch, 26 years

Mike Hainkel, 23 years

Lance Ito, 17 years

PP Todd Johnson, 17 years

PP Ken Chong, 16 years

Karl Pettijohn, 16 years

Joshua Mandell, 11 years

Javier Cano, 10 years

David Takakawa, 10 years

Michael Reagan, 10 years

J.T. Warring, 9 years

Janet Dial, 6 years

Walker Van Antwerp, 6 years

Katrina Eagilen, 5 years

Hon. Richard Riordan, 5 years

Ana Rosales, 5 years

Teruko Weinberg, 3 years

*Thank you for you years of service to  
LA5 & the Los Angeles community!*

# ICYMI

*(In case you missed it)*

LA5 has a YouTube  
Channel where you can  
view past Friday Meetings

[CLICK HERE TO VISIT](#)

