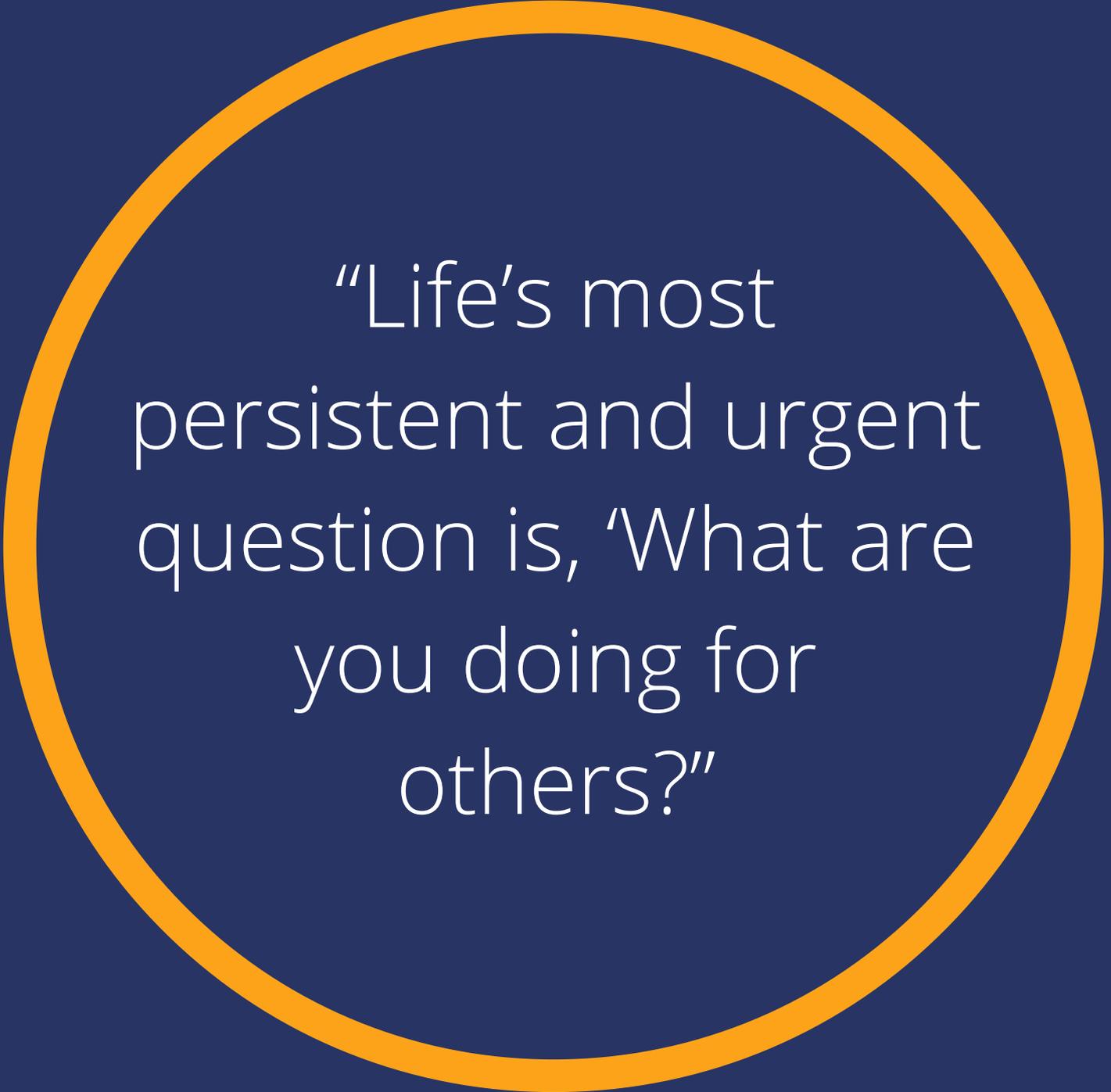


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“Life’s most
persistent and urgent
question is, “What are
you doing for
others?”

- Martin Luther King Jr.

A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dear LA5 Rotarians,

When I first heard about Jonny Kim (Navy Seal, math degree with summa cum laude honors, Harvard Medical School educated physician, NASA astronaut, and happily married father of 3 young children), I didn't believe this guy was real. To achieve just one of these accomplishments would be remarkable, but to achieve them all by the age of 35 is unbelievable. Being a son of Korean immigrants one could assume he must have been pushed by tiger parents, but that wasn't the case. He was driven to become a Navy Seal to protect his mother and younger brother from an abusive father, who was killed by the police during a domestic violence incident when he was only 16 years old. What I found remarkable about him is how he never promotes himself even though he has all of the credentials. Instead he seems obsessed with the idea of service – to protect his loved ones, to save his Navy Seal teammates in combat, to help his patients in the ER at the hospital. And he became a NASA Astronaut to advance humanity. He seeks neither recognition nor fame, instead, he shows gratitude to everyone who is part of his life.

Jonny Kim's story helped me to appreciate the Rotary motto of "service above self". All of us at LA5 Rotary Club are members to serve our city and to help make the world a better place for humanity. And while we serve, we have fun through fellowship and make connections to develop business. During these uncertain times with COVID-19 still spreading and unable to meet in person at the California Club, I am proud of the selfless acts of service that our members continue to demonstrate. From the virtual scholarship day, the Face Shield Project, and President Matt Ball leading the Friday Zoom meetings with a genuine smile in the most unusual year in LA5's history.

As a member who wasn't always active in club business and who only attended a few Friday meetings each year, I understand the tough decision a newer member has to make each year about renewing, especially this year. Whether you joined to give back to humanity through various service projects, for the fellowships with a diverse group of people or to network for business; LA5 will continue to provide the platform and opportunities. And the more you get involved by serving above self, the more you get back. And along the way you become a resourceful professional with a strong network. If there are opportunities to refer business, I wouldn't hesitate to introduce my LA5 Rotarian friends. For public finance, Jose Vera and Vien Le. For high yield investment returns, Ken Chong. For website development, Christina Moses and Paul Ekstrand. For commercial banking, Malinda Monterosa and Azim Vishani. Whenever I meet a personal injury attorney, I immediately look for an opportunity to refer Jared Smith for 3D legal demonstrative models. It took me over ten years and a pandemic to really value being a Rotarian, in my case an accidental Rotarian, and I am glad I renewed my membership each year.

Look forward to seeing you at the next LA5 Zoom meeting or connecting by phone.



Bo Lee

Director
Rotary Club of Los Angeles
2020 - 2022



Mark the calendar

Aug
28

CLUB
BOARD
MEETING

Aug
28

DISTRICT
GOVERNOR
VISIT



Aug
29

COMMUNITY
CONVERSATION

Sep
3

SOCIAL
HOUR

DARK

Sep **4**

All Current Events are ZOOM Video Meetings Unless Otherwise Noted

- Aug 28 Club Board of Directors Meeting
- Aug 28 District Governor Bette Hall
- Aug 29 Community Conversation
- Sept 3 Social Hour
- Sept 4 Dark - Happy Labor Day!

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



RSVP
Today

LA5



COMMUNITY
CONVERSATION
BEGINNING WITH US...

Working Together

Saturday, August 29 | 9:30am - Noon

[Learn more & RSVP here](#)

Happy Birthday
to this week's
Birthday-ites

PP Megan O'Rourke

Aug 27

Eddie Turner

Aug 27

Eric Bullard

Aug 28

Grace Farrell

Aug 31

Joseph Grant

Aug 31

Nat Kawada

Aug 31



Overheard

AT THE LA5 BUSINESS EXCHANGE

"During these challenging economic times, I'm providing resume coaching and mentoring services to LA5 Rotarians in career transition – guiding their efforts to successfully re-enter the job market. Please contact me for a complimentary consultation"

JON GIBBY
JONSGIBBY@GMAIL.COM / 818.530.3298

"I had the pleasure of shopping from Maureen's boutique and viewing her incredible artwork. Her style is second to none! I can't wait to partake in a shopping spree when events can resume!"

PAST PRES CHARISSE LARA SHARING HER EXPERIENCE
WITH MAUREEN TEPEDINO'S WORK
VISIT DESIGNBYMAUREEN.COM

"I am available for Caricature Commissions for Rotarians – but a reminder, if you want to be flattered, you want a portrait... I do caricatures."

PAST PRES RICK GIBSON

"Opportunities and insights have been flying in all day after this morning's session. Thanks again. I will be front and center every Tuesday and Thursday morning from now on!"

ANONYMOUS

**WHERE ROTARIANS GO TO
DO BUSINESS WITH FELLOW ROTARIANS!**

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE DETAILS AND TO SIGN UP](#)

Save the Date

Virtual

CHEF EXPERIENCE



CELEBRATE WITH
WOLFGANG PUCK CHEFS

OCT 8

4:30 PM

[CLICK HERE 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!*