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THE WEEKLY DAIS

Invocation	Patricia Farris
Presiding	Jack Gregory
Speaker Introductions	Carol Jackson
President's Pick	Jeanne Seagel
Speaker	Sandra Madera - OneLegacy
Guest Introductions	Todd Lipka
Song/Pledge Leader	Carol Jackson/Pat Bofird

Welcome to the 35th meeting of the 87th year of the Rotary Club of Santa Monica!



Ever faithful Pat Bofird, accompanied by Carol Jackson, lead us in song!



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS
Dick Lawrence introduced new members of our club with their sponsors.



Paul Leoni "pins" Suzan Allbritton, hospice services, one of our newest members.



John Bohn pictured here with his sponsored new member Donna Bird.

ANNOUNCEMENTS...



Barbara Bishop reminds us that an evite will be sent out and to RSVP ASAP for the Annual International Wine Festival, held at Tom Loo's.

The District Conference is April 30th -May 3rd. The Dinner will be Friday the 30th, please see Jack to reserve, attend and car pool.

We will be having a fun night out on May 28th at Tony's Tavern in Malibu. Please see Melissa Dagodag or Spyros Dellaportas for more information.

Our Clean the Beach Day is Saturday, April 25th. Please see Jane Hall to sign up.

IT'S TAX TIME WITH PREZ. JACK...



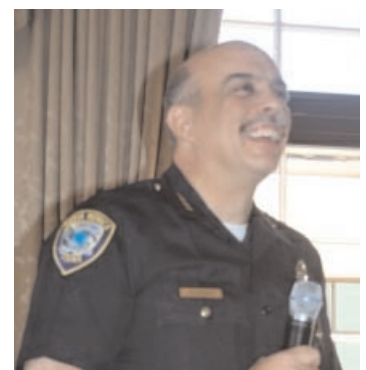
Bret Carter updates us on the Car Wash held at SM Ford to help buy mosquito nets being a great success! For those Rotarians who planned to go and didn't make it...a \$20 tax is levied!

Donna Bird is taxed for missing the fireside, in lieu of Bruce Springsteen....the real "boss" is Pres Jack!



Paul Leoni is recognized with a Marilyn Manipulation Tax and buying a new Lexus! Good for you, Paul!

Tim Jackman is levied a Tea Party Protest Tax for taking it easy in his warm office while his officers were out beating the streets.



SHELTER, AID REACH VICTIMS OF ITALIAN QUAKE By Ryan Hyland

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Volunteers assemble a ShelterBox tent in Assergi, Italy, after the country's worst earthquake in decades left tens of thousands homeless on 6 April. Photo by Mike Greenslade/ShelterBox

Hours after a powerful earthquake struck central Italy on 6 April, killing nearly 300 people, a team of ShelterBox volunteers reached the affected areas to distribute 245 containers of relief supplies to hundreds of displaced families.

The quake, Italy's deadliest in nearly three decades, left tens of thousands homeless, and damaged or destroyed at least 15,000 buildings across the mountain city of L'Aquila.

In the chaos after the disaster, the ShelterBox team worked with local Rotarians and Italy's Civil Protection Agency to set up five tent camps in the nearby village of Assergi.

"The situation was quite critical in the first couple days," says John Diksa, a ShelterBox volunteer and president of the Rotary Club of Grenoble-Grésivaudan, Isère, France. "Our quick advancement in affected areas helped families stay together. Italian Rotarians were extremely helpful in identifying the areas in most need."

ShelterBox, a grassroots disaster relief organization supported by Rotary clubs around the world, provides boxes that contain a tent, blankets, water purification and cooking equipment, basic tools, and other necessities to help a family of 10 survive for six months.

Diksa estimates that more than 2,000 people have benefited from the ShelterBox containers distributed in Italy after the quake. Most of the families will rely on temporary shelter until September, he says.

District 2090, which covers Albania and parts of Italy, including the most devastated areas, has organized meetings for the next couple of weeks with the nine other Italian districts to discuss intermediate and long-term relief projects.

District officials said the district will focus on making engineers and architects available and lending any technical expertise it can to the most damaged communities. Long-term initiatives would include helping businesses that plan to rebuild.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

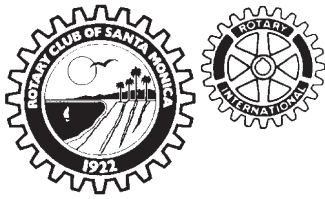
- April 24thSupport Staff Day
- May 1stGSE Team
- May 8thRotaract
- May 15thDARK
- May 17thInternational Food and Song

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

Don't take your organs to heaven with you. Heaven knows we need them right here.

- Unknown -

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LOCAL MAKEUP OPPORTUNITIES

MONDAY:	Beverly Hills	12:15 p.m.	Beverly Hills Hotel	9641 West Sunset Blvd.
TUESDAY:	Brentwood (Los Angeles)	12:15 p.m.	Chez Mimi	246 26th Street
	Playa Sunrise	7:15 a.m.	Courtyard by Marriott Hotel	13480 Maxella Ave., MDR
WEDNESDAY:	Century City	12:00 p.m.	La Cchette	10506 Santa Monica Blvd.
	Malibu	7:30 a.m.	Pepperdine University	24255 Pacific Coast Hwy
	Culver City	12:15 p.m.	Radison Hotel	6161 W. Centinela Avenue
THURSDAY:	Pacific Palisades	7:15 a.m.	Gladstone's Restaurant	PCH & Sunset
	Venice Marina	12:15 p.m.	Organic Panificio	4211 Admiralty Way, MDR
	Westwood Village	12:00 p.m.	UCLA Faculty Center	480 Charles Young Dr. (UCLA Campus)

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