



# The Lodi-Tokay Rotary Weekly

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## *The Rotarian's 4-Way Test of the things we think, say or do*

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and better FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

## Weekly Recognitions

Seldon Brusa-**Bell Ring** for Elizabeth's bday.

Janelle and Lew-**\$25** each for not locating the bell.

Mayor Bob-**\$50** for his bday and in celebration of the visitors this past week from our sister city of Kofu, Japan.

## Field Trip to Field House

Dine and dash was the order of the day this past Monday at the Elks Lodge. President Mark from on high levied his usual weekly recognitions, food was quickly scarfed, a few announcements were made, and then it was off to the races over to the Grape Bowl Field House for our field trip. The new field at the Grape Bowl looks amazing. The Field House though; not so much. Club members toured the two restroom/locker room facilities, noticing numerous holes in walls, windows and ceilings with no insulation, toilets in disrepair, a furnace that appeared to be older than the city of Lodi itself, corroded drinking fountains, peeling paint, and a general overall reflection of the effects of time and neglect. Mayor Bob and His Eminence Mark have proposed a joint project between the LTR and local high school student-athletes and their parents to repair the issues at the Field House over the period of several weekends. After touring the facility, many club members had concerns about the scale of work that is required. A decision to move forward on the project will need to be discussed and voted on at a future board meeting.



**Above-**One of the numerous holes in the walls at the Field House.

**Below-**Field House facilities in need of repair.



## Officers

RI President-Kalyan Banerjee

DG-Dave Mantooth

Club-J. Mark Hamilton



**Mayor Bob welcomes his guest Jack Fiori**

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## Links and Drinks

A few friendly reminders about the busy golfing and drinking season rapidly approaching us. The first event is the Lodi Memorial Hospital Foundation Dr. Steele Golf Tournament on Monday, September 12 at Woodbridge CC. If you are interested in sponsoring or playing in this tournament, please see Scott Dasko. The second event is the Lodi Boys and Girls Club Bob Wheeler Memorial Golf Tournament, also at Woodbridge CC, on Monday, September 19. If you're interested in sponsoring or playing in this one, see Jeremy Lenser. The third event is the Lodi Adopt-A-Child Golf Tournament on Monday, October 3, at Micke Grove Golf Links. This tournament will count as a make-up if you would like to play. Jerry Glenn is the contact for those who are interested in playing or supporting the tournament. This past week, Jerry Glenn and other supporters of Lodi Adopt-A-Child, took 326 kids back-to-school shopping, which was made possible by donations and events such as their upcoming annual golf tournament. The kids were able to pick out shirts, pants, underwear, socks, sweatshirts and shoes. Our fearless leader Mark has deemed his presidency to be the year that LTR "takes back Lodi one child at a time". Supporting all three of these tournaments would be a great way for LTR club members to act on that vision.

Also as a friendly reminder, it's almost time to dust off your lederhosen and roll out the barrel. The Lodi-Tokay Rotary Oktoberfest will be on Saturday, October 22 at the American Legion hall. Club members have been assigned an obligation of two tickets, however, all club members are encouraged to go out and sell more. The first of three planning meetings for the event has already taken place, but if you are interested in helping there will be two more planning meetings. Both will be held at Pietro's and both will start at 11:45. They will be held on 9/23 and 10/14. If you have additional questions, want to volunteer to help, or have sold through all of your tickets and need more, please see Pastor Chris.

## What's Coming Up



Be sure to mark your calendars for the upcoming events.

8/30-District 5220 night at the Stockton Ports.

9/5-No meeting. The club is dark. Happy Labor Day!

9/12-Lodi Memorial Hospital Foundation Golf Tournament. Contact Scott Dasko for more details.

9/19-Principal Carlos Villafana guest speaker.

9/19-Lodi Boys and Girls Club Golf Tournament. Contact Jeremy Lenser at 339-0843 for more details.

9/24-Lodi Speech Contest. This counts as a make-up if you would like to be a judge. See Kathy Nichols-Washer for details.

10/3-Lodi Adopt-A-Child Golf Tournament. This counts as a make-up. Contact Jerry Glenn at 327-0494 for more details.

10/22-Lodi-Tokay Rotary Oktoberfest. 4pm to midnight. For more information see Pastor Chris, Kelly Brown, or visit [www.lodioktoberfest.com](http://www.lodioktoberfest.com)

12/2-LTR Christmas Party. Location to be disclosed soon.

## Ah-ha!

Mayor Bob this week shared with us his "Ah-ha!" moment of when he knew Rotary was for him. Many moons ago (32 if we're counting) and before he was "Mayor Bob", Bob Johnson was invited to attend a Rotary meeting at the old Weber Hotel in Stockton. He recalled that first meeting, where for lunch he was served inch-thick roast beef, Yorkshire pudding, and countless additional delicacies. After a meal like that, he knew Rotary was for him. Little did he know, however, that the chef would be fired a few weeks later. Though the food initially drew him into Rotary, it's no doubt that the service and fellowship are what ultimately kept him coming back.

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others." -Mohandas Gandhi