



The Rotations

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“G.R.I.P. Gang Prevention”

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS

Today, Tracy Rinuaro, OC Assistant District Attorney, presented what actions and success they are having with the gang prevention program: G.R.I.P.

GUESTS

Alice Danta – Tustin/Santa Ana Club
Susan Kang Schroeder – District Attorney, Chief of Staff

MEMBER RECOGNITION

Jim C – Rotary Anniversary
David – Happy Birthday

CLUB ANNOUCEMENTS

New Generations (Lisa)

October 8 – Hosting Informational Session w/ Pizza. Over 80 potential members expected. All welcome.

Taste Event (John Castillo)

Collecting feedback on what people liked/didn’t like. There were 218 guests + Rotarians and raised over \$5k for Boys and Girls Club of Santa Ana. We will set

up meeting to deliver the check to Robert Santana, CEO, of B&GCSA (pictured below).



Wednesdays 12:15 PM
Antonello Ristorante
1611 Sunflower Ave, Santa Ana

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

Oct 17 – Chris Abel, So Cal Edison: San Onofre
Oct 24 – Free Wheelchair Mission
Oct 31 – SAN Social Hour

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 10 – No Board Meeting
Oct 12 – Business Leadership Awards @ DoubleTree Hotel in Orange.
Nov 17 – Annual District 5320 Foundation Dinner @ Hilton Irvine. Tickets \$65.

Program

Speaker: Tracy Rinauro

In an effort to gain control of the increasing problem of gang activity, the Anaheim Police Department (along with other police agencies in Orange County), the Orange County district attorney's office and the Orange County Sheriff's Department collaborated to form the Gang Reduction and Intervention Partnership (GRIP).

"To keep kids from joining criminal street gangs, that's the only goal," said Orange County assistant district attorney Tracy Rinauro, who is in charge of the GRIP program.

G.R.I.P. works with numerous school districts within Orange County in implementing targeted gang prevention strategies to at risk youth, families and communities.

The core components of G.R.I.P. include prevention efforts that focus on community engagement and education of faculty, parents and students on the risks and impacts of gang behavior; intervention

strategies including STRIKE Team and case management of at risk youth and families; and, enforcement efforts that include truancy and curfew sweeps, as well as, prosecution.

Program staff offer support and resources to students and families and provide the coordination of services among all of the collaborative partners.

G.R.I.P. has proven to be a very successful program, and is truly unique by virtue of the commitment and efforts of such a wide range of collaborative partners. In its most recent report, The Orange County Grand Jury recognized the Anaheim gang prevention program (Anaheim G.R.I.P.) as one of the most effective gang prevention programs in the State of California and recommended that the G.R.I.P. model be expanded throughout Orange County.

WHY IT'S WORKING

Parents are supporting their communities. Over 3,000 parents volunteer for a neighborhood watch.

The schools are providing the police information about children early (4th – 6th grade) and investigating those with 45-60

days of absence and holding parents accountable. Some of the at home inquiries have highlighted the state of the state many young children are living in...no toothpaste, hostile conversation, etc.

Also, support of local businesses and high profile individuals supporting this effort and raising awareness.

Unique approach, only in CA: 1) Prevent; 2) Sue; 3) Incarcerate. This has resulted in 30% reduction in gang violence.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

1. Volunteer – Big Brothers, Big Sisters (male mentors desperately needed)
2. Support – Santa Ana Teaches Faculty Party (gift cards welcome)

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