



**LAST WEEK: TLC**



Isha Tripath, Morgan Salgacio, Adela Nunez, Rotarian Rich Jett, James Augustyn, Michael Ward, Eric Stover (as pictured above) discuss the experiences of the Royal Oak 8<sup>th</sup> graders who attended Teen Leadership Camp in mid-October of 2015. Principal Maria Thompson and Teacher Ann Stark accompanied the students to our meeting.

TLC is a leadership training program for outstanding 8th graders. The program is sponsored by the Rotary Clubs of District 5300. During the 2015 TLC weekend at Thousand Pines Camp, the students interacted and participated in activities with over 200 peers from areas throughout our District which encompasses Clubs from East Los Angeles, High Desert and Southern Nevada.



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**THIS WEEK: Janelle Copeland**



In 2009, Janelle and her business partner, Fabiola, started a journey to break the pattern of bickering and feuding amongst blended families, especially amongst Mom and Stepmom duos like Fabiola and Janelle. With the support of their kids and families, the two women utilized their talents in baking and decorating to found The Cake Mamas bakery.

In addition to being a means to address philanthropic endeavors, the bakery allowed Fabiola and Janelle to share their story and represent positive images of blended families. Surprisingly, their story and blended family quickly became the focal point of their business and it helped inspire others to develop their own personal relationships within THEIR families. They have been featured in magazines, appeared on talk shows and radio shows, and scouted for their own reality show.

In 2012, after many years together, Janelle and Fabiola terminated their business partnership but continued to work together as co-parents in their blended families.

Janelle is now the sole owner and creative director of The Cake Mamas. However, she continues on with the original Cake Mama goal to be an inspiration to others.

**COMING SOON:**

- 02/18 Scott Johnson of Metrolink
- 03/19 Fun Run
- 03/31 4-Way Speech Contest
- 05/19-21 District 5300 Conference in San Diego

**Name that Rotarian:**



Although they have not been at the meetings much lately,



Fred Wong (pictured with wife Ele) and Jeff Cohen continue to be important members of Covina Rotary.

**Special message: Tricia is treating us all to cupcakes today and she would like to offer the following:**

*Happy Valentines Day*

*To Covina Rotary Club*

*Hugs, Tricia*