

# Rotary Club of Benicia

Service Above Self

September 13, 2016

## Today's Speaker — Mike Ioakimedes

Mike Ioakimedes, a former Benicia City Councilman, is now running for Solano County Supervisor and came to share with our Rotary Club about his new political pursuit. As a long time Benicia resident (over 45 years), Mike has been involved in many civic type activities, including the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee. One committee membership led to another committee membership which led to another committee membership.....and that was the history that led him to run for City Council.



Now Mike is looking to fulfill the role as a Solano County Supervisor (District 2). This position holds tremendous potential. He feels that it is crucial to build a stable, long-term foundation so that Solano County can remain strong – even when buffeted by the world around us. Mike feels that it is important to remain focused on the everyday needs facing Solano families: street repair, homelessness, reducing crime, and adequately providing for our community as it ages.

Public Servants have the opportunity to bring resources, people, and ideas together in order to develop solutions that make the world better for everyone in our community. This incredible honor is also a profound responsibility. Service asks us to put the will and needs of our community above our personal desires, and diligently work to make sure every voice is respectfully included.

Mike is excited to be running for the Supervisor's seat currently held by Linda Seifert, and honored to have her support. Though Mike feels that she leaves big shoes to fill, he feels confident that he will have the temperament and experience necessary to move Solano forward.

As a 3rd generation Solano County resident, Mike cares deeply about our future. He has raised his own family here, run a successful local family restaurant for 3 decades, and remains active in his church. Mike feels that our community shares a diversity of cultures, and draws strength from our heritage. He believes we are stronger when we listen, engage, and are willing to work together for the good of the community.

For more information about who Mike is and what he brings to the table, visit [www.Mike4Solano.com](http://www.Mike4Solano.com) and view the "About Me" section.



## Our Membership

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Bob Schroth  
Alan Schwartzman  
Rebeca Sgambati  
Diane Smikahl  
Jamie Spence  
Jim Trimble  
Bill Warren

## We had a visit from Mum and Dad from England today:

Wendy and Brian Lobban, Alex's parents from the UK, were our guests today at Rotary. It was great getting to meet them and learn about Alex in his younger days!



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