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LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROTARY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

APRIL 13, 2018

APRIL 20<sup>TH</sup> AND 27<sup>TH</sup> ROTARY MEETING @ BRAILLE



**ROTARY:  
MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE**

RI President 2017-18  
**IAN H.S. RISELEY**

District 5340 Governor 2017-18  
**SCOTT C. CARR**

LJGT Rotary President 2017-18  
**ALEXANDER S. MONROE**

## **SPEAKERS** AND EVENTS



### **APRIL 2018 - SPEAKER**

20.....Dirk-Uwe Bartsch  
High-Resolution Imaging in Ophthalmology

27.....Lindsay Zehren  
Music Strikes a Healing Note: Music Therapy through Resounding Joy

### **MAY 2018 - SPEAKER**

04.....Barbara Bry  
Council Member

# **UC San Diego**

## **ATHLETICS AND DIVISION I**



**S** Earl Edwards has led UC San Diego as its Athletic Director since 2000. Under his guidance the 23 sport program has made a very successful transition from the Division III ranks, to Division II status, and beginning in 2020 full fledge membership into Division I. UC San Diego has been ranked among the Top 10 Division II universities in the annual Learfield Cup standings 11 times.

Additionally UC San Diego has been ranked first among all Division II institutions in the last eight College Power rankings, which measures student-athlete graduation rates, academic strength, and athletic success.

**E A R L** Earl has served on many national committees throughout his career, including the National Association of Collegiate Athletic Directors Board of Directors, and the Minority Opportunities Athletic Association. In 2016-17 he was named NACDA Under Armour Division II Athletic Director of the Year.





APRIL 2018  
 13.....Antonio Grillo-Lopez  
 20.....Pam Russell  
 27.....Cynthia Willis

# REPORT

from the last meeting



## THE FOUR WAY TEST



OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY OR DO

01 IS IT THE TRUTH?

02 IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?

03 WILL IT BUILD GOODWILL AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

04 WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED?

**ROTD.** Denny Jacobs may be many things to many people, but Resident Philosopher has not necessarily been at the top of the list. **Marty Rosenstein** was especially incredulous at this distinction. So long as Denny's philosophy can be summed as "I love silence", then Yes, silent Denny can philosophize to his heart's content. Truly though, the Denny-authored prayer was eloquent and "Gratitude before goals" not only stuck with me but a Google search for this phrase renders zero results. Apparently our Resident Philosopher has more than one novel principle and the man is Just Getting Started.

Denny, we now have a better sense of what you are doing in retirement and will stop asking. Your reflection on being Awoken (more philosophy) by our recent Ernie Hahn award was a marvelous reminder of The Most Dynamic Rotary Club in the World (Denny's "TMDRC in the World"; or to shorten his acronym, TMDRCW) routine efforts making a dent in income inequality.

Mostly, Denny, thank you for ensuring none of us had a long face upon your conclusion.

**GUESTS.** Building on **Brett Morey's** tactics of TMDRCW proselytizing to every Southwest Airlines victim next to him, **Kelly Price Noble** brought her Uber driver Mike (**Jacquie Reilly**: Membership Committee should explore soliciting on cruise ships). Of course, Mike also knows Brett. Kelly also brought Jennifer, a mentee of hers at the American College of Healthcare Executives. **Mike McQuary** introduced Ben. Husband Steve attended with **Linda Stouffer**. Renata recovered sufficiently from her Spring Break Costa Rica trip (where my family ran into her on her return flight last weekend) to lead a contingent of about 7 Rotaractors. It's a Small World After All.

**MODEL UN.** Eric "Muhjoan/MehOwen/MyOwn" Mjoen (it's "MeeOwn", right?) brought us the Preuss student team. This amazing program is the brainchild

of **Marty Rosenstein** and in this it's 14th year will see 100 students from many countries participate. The four Preuss students gave brief speeches representing Yemen and Nigeria on the issues of Palestinian representation in the U.N. and protection of our oceans.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Preuss Career Day on Wednesday, April 25. **Nancy Gatschet** seeks full shift volunteers. Please arrive 20 minutes early for parking.
- Quintessential Festival
  - ♦ **Jim Davies'** love for beer is putting him in an emotionally vulnerable spot as he prepares. Tickets are available online. Please hang our posters and promote attendance.
  - ♦ **Joel Candib** needs volunteers primarily for early set up, registration, and pourers. If pouring, then attend mandatory ABC training at 12:15 on the day of the event.
  - ♦ **Luke Ervin** said to see **Jacquie** to obtain tickets for corporate sponsors.

SDSU Rotaract auction at our next Friday meeting. Renata announced that [www.KendraScott.com](http://www.KendraScott.com) items will be available including two redemption cards for customized jewelry (valued at \$80 each) and a gift box with a necklace (valued at \$120). Annual Police Project. Our 6th annual project on May 19 is shaping up to be landscaping-oriented. **Kevin Carlson** seeks commercial landscaping providers to assist, mostly with tools (as Kevin is skeptical of tools TMDRCW members may bring).

Grandpa Who? Not to be outdone by our **Baby President Alex Monroe**, **Brett Morey** established a new category of Baby Grandad, as he and Holly welcomed their first grandchild Tyler Jackson. Rumor has it grandparenting is the best ever. Congratulations, Brett.

**SPEAKER.** PDG **Pam Russell** introduced

Supervisor **Kristin Gaspar**, Chairwoman of the San Diego County Board of Supervisors. Pam's fond memories involve **Kristin** hauling her baby in and out while President of the Encinitas Rotary Club to the chagrin of a group of grumpy old men (with all respect our Encinitas brethren).

At Encinitas Rotary, **Kristin** sought first to understand, then to work with the grumpy old men, and then to nudge them out of their comfort zone. Although progress came in fits and starts, she was rewarded when at her demotion dinner the grumpiest group of old men attended in pink shirts and acknowledged her as their best president ever.

Who knows what she does as County Supervisor? **Kristin's** three primary advisors (her children) don't know and don't seem too impressed by the 3.5 million constituents she serves with a \$5.7 billion budget. Contrasted with her job as Encinitas mayor keeping the infrastructure and bones of the city strong, as County Supervisor she provides services throughout the county, including the unincorporated areas. Such services are often to the most vulnerable in the community.

In her position **Kristin** wants to work with big challenges such as homelessness, drug addiction, incarceration, and other underserved populations. She believes in doing her homework, touring the hidden talent of our nonprofit community, and addressing the root causes rather than merely spending funds on symptoms. The Live Well vision birthed in 2010 is a prevention strategy utilizing community partners to build up individuals earlier in the cycle of county support.

**FULL CIRCLE.** Continuing to exercise his formidable acting chops, **Baby President Alex** delivered movie quotes ending with *Forrest Gump's* "Life is like a box of chocolates". Our inspired President closed the meeting in a full circle with this final Deep Thought.





# PHOTOS

from the last meeting



LISA GALSTIAN



REPORTER

Please help support our SDSU Rotaract Club and their beneficiaries by purchasing 1 of these 3 Auction items

# ROTARY AUCTION

APRIL 13<sup>th</sup>

**Kendra Scott Designs**  
Gift box set which has a agate necklace covered in rosegold with matching earrings-\$120 value

**\$120 value**



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 PRESIDENT ELECT ELECT (2019-20) ..... Kim Schafer  
 TREASURER ..... Sharon Council  
 SECRETARY ..... Beverly Fritschner  
 PAST-PRESIDENT/FOUNDATION ..... Antonio J. Grillo-López, MD



UPCOMING  
**ROTD**

- APRIL** 2018
- 20..... Susan & Bradley  
 (UCSD Rotaractors)
- 27..... Linda Andrews
- MAY** 2018
- 25..... Krishna Arora
- JUNE** 2018
- 22..... Gloria Harris



**STEVE BALCH**



**Third-generation native Californian** and 52-year San Diego resident. Graduated from Pomona College and Baylor College of Medicine, then served eight years of active duty in the U.S. Navy as a physician.

In 1973, with a partner, founded North Coast Pediatric Medical Group in Solana Beach, which at the time was the only pediatric practice between La Jolla and Oceanside. In 1996, was instrumental in forming a larger pediatric group (CPCMG) and affiliating it with Rady Children’s Hospital. (CPCMG is now the largest private pediatric group in the U.S., with over 110 physicians in San Diego and Riverside counties.) Served on boards of SCMG, CPCMG (including chairman), Rady Children’s, and Scripps La Jolla, and was a contract neonatologist for Children’s Hospital for 36 years. From 2004 to 2015, was honored by peers as a “Top Doc” 11 times (sponsored by San Diego Magazine).

Made his best personal decision in marrying his college sweetheart—45 years after graduation. Together, they keep busy with volunteer work, enjoy traveling, and are entertained by the Old Globe, NC Rep, classical music, and ballet, as well as lots of Gulls and Padres games. As a lifelong philatelist, specializes in stamps of France, French colonies, and French offices abroad; consults for a local stamp dealer; and recently found that almost all countries have issued one or more stamps honoring the Rotary Club.

**Regrets not joining this Rotary club many years ago!**



**ROTARIAN**  
 OF THE DAY