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LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROTARY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

APRIL 20, 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**

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

### **MAY 2018 - SPEAKER**

04..... Barbara Bry  
Council Member

11..... Dan McAllister  
San Diego County Treasurer-Tax Collector Update

## HIGH RESOLUTION IMAGING IN OPHTHALMOLOGY

**Imaging of the eye** is limited by the relative poor optics of the human eye to viewing small bloodvessels at best. While biology has cellular level image resolution, ophthalmology has long suffered from the poor numerical aperture of the human eye. With the help of adaptive optics, a technology initially developed for President Reagan's Star Wars Initiative and subsequently used in astronomy, we are able to overcome the optical resolution limits and achieve cellular level imaging in humans.

**DIRK-UWE  
BARTSCH**  
PH.D.



APRIL 2018  
20..... Pam Russell  
27..... Cynthia Villis

# 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?

HERBERT J. TAYLOR

As I walked towards the Hotel's entrance I saw a silver Porsche Carrera S cabriolet drive up. It was our ROTD and his wife, Marcia. I said "Good morning Mr. ROTD. He responded "I needed to come in a nice car for an event such as this!" Actually his other car is a Miata but enough of this automotive trivia.

Rotarians and guests were received at the top of the escalator by Michel Slentz, Jacquie Reilly, and Garry Kachovsky. The meeting began as our President, Alexander Monroe, introduced the Rotarian of the Day (or ROTD) Steve Balch. After the P&P (prayer and pledge) he regaled us with tales of surfing, surfers, his orange surf board, the Beach Boys, surfing paraphernalia and sundry accoutrements. It seems that he surfed with one of the original Beach Boys, Dennis Wilson, and that the band was originally called the "Pendletons" that is also a brand of shirts preferred by surfers. He then proceeded to tell us about his medical career and practice as a Pediatrician here in San Diego. Now, I have inside information about a few things he neglected to tell us (fining offense). He loves cats, collects stamps, plays scrabble, and is a Viet Nam War veteran (US Navy). That is all fine and nice to know but he forgot an important job that he performed while in the Navy. It seems that our government, in its omniscient way, determined and ruled that all male Navy personnel

needed to be circumsised. It fell to Steve, as a Pediatrician well versed in the procedure, to perform this bit of surgery on all marines under his care. Needless to say, to this day he is lovingly remembered in USMC folklore and legend.

Visiting Rotarians and guests were introduced by Michael Slentz and included: Guest Marcia Blackman Balch; Student of the Month Angelique Ortega accompanied by Norma Murillo; SDSU Rotaractors Latrel Powell, Erick Ramirez, and Renata Valente; and UCSD Rotaractors Eden Ines, Esme Mandujano, and Susan Lee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Nancy Gatschet expounded on the art of (brief, concise, not repetitive nor redundant) writing of a biography for Rotarian participants in the Preuss Career Day event. Antonio Grillo Lopez related how we partnered with the Fayetteville RC to purchase solar water heaters for a home for abused and abandoned children in Puerto Rico and read a letter from his sister (PDG Magda Grillo Baggett) acknowledging our contribution. Eric Mjoen spoke about the Model UN events coming up. Antonio requested that all enter and save on their calendars two dates - June 29th Club meeting dedicated to the ceremonial part of the Promote Demote and June 30th for the fun part.

The Preuss UCSD student of the

month was the very well spoken Angelique Ortega. She told us that she would like to be a teacher and is looking forward to going to college. Drama has been her favorite class and has helped her become more outgoing and at ease with public speaking. Her community service has been serving food to the homeless with St. Vincent De Paul. She is known there as "The Kiss Girl" since she is the one passing out the Hershey's kisses.

Alas! The speaker was a no show. Plan B was Rick Clark and two videos about Paul Harris and Rotary history. It is a little known fact that Paul Harris met a "Bonnie Scottish Lassie" (his own words) at an outing of the Chicago Prairie RC. Her name was Jean Thomson. They were married in 1910 and she became an important collaborator in advancing the growth of Rotary. Another bit of (important) trivia - there were fifty Rotarians who were invited to the charter conference of the United Nations in 1945.

Our incomparable President closed the meeting with 13 reasons why that number is considered unlucky. Nevertheless, said he, the number nine may be worse. However, in his opinion seven is the worst because seven, eight, nine!

Respectfully submitted by:  
Antonio J. Grillo-Lopez





# PHOTOS

from the last meeting



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PRESIDENT ..... Alex Monroe  
 PRESIDENT ELECT (2018-19) ..... Rick Binder  
 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  
 27..... Linda Andrews  
**MAY** 2018  
 25..... Krishna Arora  
**JUNE** 2018  
 22..... Gloria Harris



**PROJECT  
 MERCY**

**Rotaract**  **Club at UCSD**  
 Rotary Club Partner



**BRADLEY DAY**



**EDEN INES**

*Co-service Directors  
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**ROTARIAN**  
 OF THE DAY

