

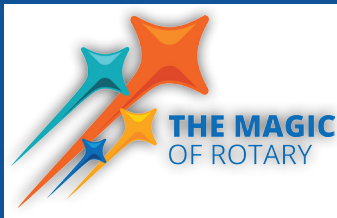
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LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROTARY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 16 2024



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DR. MATTHEW BAINBRIDGE, PHD



AOS MEETINGS AND SOCIAL EVENTS

1st Friday of the Month.....Community Services Committee
(follows club meeting)

2nd Friday of the Month..... International Services Committee
(follows club meeting)

3rd Friday of the Month..... Youth Services Committee
(follows club meeting)

4th Friday of the Month.....Peace Committee
(follows club meeting)



BRIDGING THE GAP: BRINGING THE GENOMIC REVOLUTION TO THE UNDERSERVED

Dr. Bainbridge's research focuses on using algorithms to analyze WGS data and find novel variant types and new disease genes, which, in turn, can lead to novel diagnoses.

While completing a PhD in structural and computational biology and molecular biophysics at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, he was among the first to apply new genomic-sequencing technologies to molecularly diagnose children who had rare genetic diseases, helping making Baylor the first medical center in the world to offer whole exome sequencing as a clinical test.

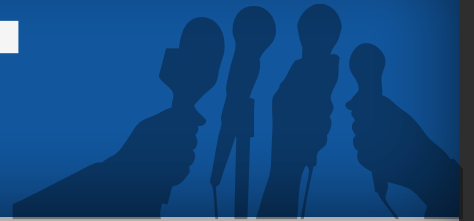
To provide more tangible results and impact on patients, Dr. Bainbridge joined Rady Children's Genomics Institute, where he focuses on increasing diagnostic rates using emerging technologies such as long-read sequencing, a way to examine a genome and find unusual molecular mechanisms that cause genetic diseases.

In addition to his PhD, he earned a bachelor's degree in microbiology and a master's degree in computer science.



REPORT

from the last meeting



UPCOMING SPEAKERS



2024

AUGUST - SPEAKER

23.....David Wambaugh
Mental illness and its problematic stigmas

30.....Dark

SEPTEMBER - SPEAKER

6.....Dianne Crawford
Welcoming our new District Governor!

13.....Shane Lieberman
Politics and the impact on economic policy

President Luke Ervin opened the meeting and immediately introduced our Rotarian of the Day, none other than **Mr. Brett Morey!** Brett is one of our most dynamic and involved Rotarians. He along with his beautiful wife **Karla**, take part in nearly every project and activity our club does. He might just be a real life *“Energizer Bunny”*.

Brett spoke to us about *“Dream Big”* a podcast from Bob Goff. He said check it out. We had technical issues which cut his ROTD short. He told us about Morey Auto Brokers which he started a couple of years ago and is doing very well. He just got back from a family reunion in Parral where they had 65 Pietro family members.

Rotarian Guests:
Alison Jones, Kirsten Allermeron (prospective Member)

Announcements:
Cynthia Villis – Told us about her flu that went to pneumonia, then AFIB. That seems quite frightening. She updated us on our (3) rotary scholar’s at USD Kroc. this fall. **Leah Rutabayiru** is from Rwanda and is getting an MA in Social Innovation.
Niki Dakhundaridze and **Mariam Sanikidze**, both from the country of Georgia, will join the masters in Conflict Management and Resolution Program.

Steve Brown presented Paul Harris awards to **Linda Stouffer-Wallis, Linda Andrews, and Sheila Henry.** All (3) have contributed significantly to the Rotary Foundation

Happy Birthday **Dianne Day!**

Dory Beatrice announced they are going to do an event in Coronado September 15th. There will be gondolas and dinner at Il Fornio. Sign up early!

Ron Kohl– Ensenada project at the end of September. Please sign up soon as we have a limited number of spots available. Please give the checks directly to Ron. We are looking for stuff toys donations.

Past President Christy announced the Rocky Horror play at October 16 at the Cygnet Theater.

Guest Speaker:
Our speaker today was **Tom Penn**, CEO of the San Diego FC (Football Club for those not in the know). Tom has a wealth of experience, having co-founded one of the most successful expansion teams in LA in 2014. He was also an executive with a number of NBA teams.

The San Diego FC will be playing at Snapdragon in Mission Valley a venue they share with SDSU and others. If you have not been there

for a concert or sporting event, it is definitely worth your time as it is a great stadium.

The first season for the San Diego FC will be 2025 and they are currently in player selection. Are you talented enough?

They are building a magnificent and world class training and educational facility in land provided by the Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation. The Right to Dream Academy, which started in Ghana by Tom Vernon has created many of today’s professional football players. The San Diego FC will expand the academy to San Diego and will recruit young men and women. They will live in the training campus under full scholarships. The goal is to have San Diego become the soccer epicenter of the world.

The San Diego FC was founded by a very diverse individuals including Mohamed Mansour, Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation, Manny Machado, Tom Vernon, Tom Penn, and more.

~Reporter

Tony Grillo

PHOTOS FROM LAST MEETING



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ROTARIAN OF THE DAY



**DAVID TANSEY
PH.D.**

Born on the recovery side of the depression, I have had a lucky life. I was the first of 25 grandchildren and got lots of love from my dozen aunts and uncles. I ate lunch at my grandmother's house every day through elementary school. I thought they were leftovers from dinners she made for the family every week. Lucky. School was easy. I was in "Opportunity Room" for gifted kids from fourth to sixth grade. The teacher expected more from us and taught us how to play softball, too. Lucky. In eighth grade, and through high school, I was selected to participate in Saturday classes at the LA County Museum – Fall classes were natural science lectures: Spring classes were seminars with the curators in their offices. Lucky. By high school, I knew I wanted to be a scientist. I entered my paleontology project in the Westinghouse Science Talent Search, and I won an honorable mention.

I applied at Caltech. I learned later that my grades were not good as their usual applicant, but I was admitted because of my Westinghouse award. Lucky. At Caltech, I learned that I was not the smartest guy around. I earned letters in frosh baseball and as student assistant in soccer. I failed a course and realized I could not do extra stuff and still graduate. I made up the missed units and earned my BS in Applied Chemistry. Lucky. After graduation and wanting "to see Israel before it was too late" I applied for a job for the summer. The deal was, a paid job and an all-expense tour of the country at the end of the summer, if I paid my own airfare. I was on my way back to America just before the 1956 war broke out. Lucky.

The job as a lab tech in a phosphate quarry taught me that, if I wanted to be an engineer, I would need an MS in Chemical Engineering. I learned that a couple of Caltech Ph.Ds. were expanding the department at Stanford. They admitted me on the condition that I "would have to buckle down". My GPA went up 1.5 points. Lucky. At Stanford I looked up a woman I had met a year earlier. We dated that first year there and married in Summer before the second year. Lucky. I was hired by the engineering director at a factory across the bay which manufactured phosphates for detergent builders. He had seen the phosphate quarry in my resume. Lucky. The job went well, the marriage went well, and we had our daughter, Lisa. Lucky.

My father decided to buy an aircraft pulley manufacturing business, if I would join him as chief (and only) engineer. He took over 11/60, I joined 2/61, he had a heart-attack 5/61, and I became President when he died 9/61. I didn't feel lucky. My son Ben was born that December. Lucky.

The business operated mostly with small profits for 12 years, during which we improved pulley manufacturing significantly and custom-molded parts that were not pulleys. In 1971, I took a course in running encounter groups at UCSD. By the end of the first weekend, I asked myself what I had to do to make a living that way. The answer was to earn a PhD in Psychology. Lucky.

That same year, a man walked into the pulley factory and said he wanted to buy it. It was not the best possible deal, but it was an effective way out for me. Lucky.

Over the next six years, I ran the pulley company (until the new managers could take over), earned a PhD in clinical psychology, did annual half-time field placements with children, adolescents, and adults, completed my own psychotherapy, was divorced by my pretty much left wife, met Kathleen, and moved to San Diego. My license was granted 07-07-77. Lucky. I'll tell you about 40 years of practice next ROTD.



AUGUST 2024

August 23 - Jacquie Reilly

August 30 - DARK

SEPTEMBER 2024

September 6 - Linda Stouffer-Wallis



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Networking Event
Cash Bar - Food Available
Thursday, Sept. 5th, 2024
5:30pm - 7:30pm