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LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROTARY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

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BARRETT**



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SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

FEBRUARY 2020- SPEAKER

14..... Mainly Mozart
Garrett Harris

21..... 4 Way Test
Nick Milsner

28..... Hands of Peace
Sarah Heirendt

MARCH 2020- SPEAKER

06..... Serving Seniors
Edith Glassey

13..... Ethics
Knight Campbell

20..... San Diego Humane Society

HUMAN TRAFFICKING

*What it is and what
San Diego is doing about it.*



Mary-ellen Barrett has been a San Diego County Deputy District Attorney for 29 years prosecuting a variety of cases from theft to murder. Ms. Barrett currently handles all petitions for erasing the records of human trafficking victims and reviews all claims of the human trafficking affirmative defense. She is the Human Trafficking Team Leader in her office's Sex Crimes and Human Trafficking Division and is also assigned to the San Diego Trafficking Prevention Collective, a comprehensive anti-human trafficking educational program for students.

Ms. Barrett presents on the issue of Human Trafficking to civic and community groups, both nationally and internationally. She also presents to law enforcement and fellow prosecutors. Ms. Barrett is chair of the San Diego County Regional Human Trafficking and CSEC Advisory Council which is responsible for developing best practice protocols to effectively combat Human Trafficking. Ms. Barrett has previously received the statewide prosecutor of the year award from the California Narcotics Officers Association. She has also received an "Angel of Trafficking Award" by the Bilateral Safety Corridor Coalition, a group dedicated to ending Human Trafficking.

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

ROMIK KESIAN - Ace Reporter - LJGTRC

Meeting of the La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club on January 31, 2020 at the La Jolla Marriott Hotel in La Jolla, California

OPENING

President Kim opened the meeting of the LJGTRC at 7:00am and welcomed all members and guests to the La Jolla Marriott Hotel.

ROTARIAN OF THE DAY

The ROTD was Steven Balch, whose guest was his wife Marcia. He paid homage to the late great Kobe Bryant and other victims of the tragic helicopter crash and reminded us how fragile life is, and how we should cherish each day. The saying he used was very true.

"Today is a blessing and tomorrow is a gift"

GUESTS

Michael Slentz introduced guests and visiting Rotarians. Sheila Henry introduced two guests and Lori Bende introduced her family.

PRESENTATIONS

Alex presented Lori with her fourth Paul Harris Fellow and reminded the club that Lori is a behind the scenes star in the club who works tirelessly to promote the ideals of Rotary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **President Kim** thanked Jay Hatfield for hosting last week's joint meeting at the Braille, where K.R. Ravindran, Past Rotary International President 2015-16 was the keynote speaker.
- **President Kim** also reminded all the members to keep Jan Percival's husband in our thoughts and prayers for a speedy recovery. A card was available for members to sign.
- **Casey Madden** reminded all members about the upcoming Road Rally scheduled for March 14th, 2020, with the teaser *"Do you have what it takes?"*
- **Rick Clark** reminded club members of the upcoming project at Camp Pendelton, scheduled for March 7th, 2020.
- **Mike Bardin** reminded club members of the upcoming ninth annual Peace Forum at USD, on February 22nd, 2020. This will be jointly sponsored between District 5340 and the Kroc School for Peace Studies.
- Rotaractor **Kaley** informed the club about the upcoming sixth annual WAPI project on February 23, 2020 from 11:00am to 3:00pm at the Price Center Ballroom East on the UCSD campus.

FINES AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

- Fine Master Brett levied fines on Steve Brown and Kevin Carlson.
- High fives were donated by Dory Griffith, Peggy Martin and Mike Bardin
- Jay Hatfield was acknowledged for being in an article in the La Jolla Light, highlighting the role of the Braille.

THE SPEAKER

Marni von Wilpert, a Deputy City Attorney at the San Diego City Attorney's Office, was the speaker. She spoke about the opioid epidemic and what it was doing not only to the City of San Diego, but in California, the US and the world. She specifically talked about prescription opioids and the civil lawsuit against Purdue Pharmaceuticals, which is wholly owned by a family trust. She stated that drug overdose is the leading cause of deaths for people under the age of fifty. She showed how there was a direct correlation between the number of opioids sold and the number of deaths. She stated that they were going after opioid producers, not for producing opioids, but because of fraud by the producers. Faux painkiller foundations being set up for promoting the sale of opioids were now declaring bankruptcy.

CLOSING

President Kim ended the meeting with a doggie joke... and reminded the club that next week that the topic would be Human Trafficking.



PHOTOS

from the last meeting



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14..... Denny Jacobs
21..... Linda Andrews
28..... Susan Schwarz

ROTARIAN
OF THE DAY



We had a fantastic trip to Ireland and Scotland this last year. Saw a lot of beautiful green things and ridiculous number of sheep.

This year we are thinking about going to Canada.

**MICHAEL
SLENTZ**



Since the last time I was Rotarian of the day, not much has changed. I still work for Microsoft as a consultant. It is a great place to work and I really enjoy my colleagues. I'm traveling a lot more, but I'm having fun and can still make it to Rotary every week. I'm excited to have more variety in my job as I move from project to project.

My family is doing great. My daughter **Isabelle** is going to start high school next year and is into theatre and playing tennis. She's likes sci-fi and superhero movies. My wife is doing work as a nutritionist, photographer and keeping up with Isabelle.

~ Michael Slentz

