

# THE GOLDEN rotarian

LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROTARY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

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RI President 2019-20  
**MARK MALONEY**

District 5340 Governor 2019-20  
**MARTA KNIGHT**

LJGT Rotary President 2019-20  
**KIMBERLY SCHAFER**

## SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

### JANUARY 2020 - SPEAKER

31.....City Attorney's Office suing the opioid industry for the  
havoc they have caused in San Diego  
Marni Von Wilpert

### FEBRUARY 2020- SPEAKER

07.....Human Trafficking  
Mary-Ellen

14.....V Day special  
Pam Russell

21.....Maintaining Mobility  
Brittany VanSchravendijk

28.....Hands of Peace  
Sarah Heirendt

### MARCH 2020- SPEAKER

06.....Serving Seniors  
Edith Glassey



## Ravi who is from Sri Lanka

served as Rotary International President 2015-16 with his Presidential Theme: Be a Gift to the World. As President he brought in a business like management style to Rotary, seeking productivity, demanding accountability and emphasizing transparency at the Board and at the operational level. He cut operational expenses down by over USD 2m and his convention brought in a profit of over USD 2.5m. He is currently Chair-Elect of The Rotary Foundation and will serve as the Chairman in 2020-21.

Ravi is CEO of a publicly listed company which he founded with a worldwide clientele in the tea packaging industry. He also serves on the board of several other companies and charitable trusts.

*Since completing his term as President, Ravi has been busy working with and involving Rotary in several large-scale projects of national importance in Sri Lanka.*

Previously as his country's national PolioPlus chair, Ravi headed a task force consisting of the government, UNICEF, and Rotary and worked closely with UNICEF to successfully negotiate a ceasefire during the (then) on going civil war during National Immunization Days. He has been and continues to be involved in several other major projects of national importance and chaired their acclaimed Schools Reawakening Project to build 25 tsunami-devastated schools to benefit 15,000 children at a cost of approximately \$12m. He continues to be involved in his business.



# K.R. RAVINDRAN

## PAST ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

~ 2015-16 RI President ~

# REPORT

from the last meeting



## THE FOUR WAY TEST



OF THE THINGS WE  
THINK, SAY OR DO

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IS IT  
THE TRUTH?

**President Kim** opened meeting by introducing Past President **Jay Hatfield** as Rotarian of the Day. He reminded us that, as Chair of “Rotarian of the Day,” he has taken off 3 years since he regaled us as “ROD.” **Jay** shared that he has been with “The Braille” for 29 years, and that the Braille Institute is celebrating 100 years of providing service to the blind and visually impaired. **Jay** also shared an aside about his “musical life” as a drummer and singer for the group “*Beowulf*.” He noted they will be at the Coronado Landing 1/26 from 1 to 4 pm.

all his special work setting up the layout of all fencing, booth locations and traffic flow for our *Quintessential Fundraiser*.

**Nancy Gatschet** is asking for help on the Vocational Service Committee for this year’s “*Educator of the Year Award*.” This is our special recognition of teachers in our areas’ schools and is much anticipated and appreciated by these hard-working teachers. I hope **Nancy** gets the help they need, as this is a key program for our club.

**Jacquie** took a moment to remind us that she is selling magnetic Rotary pins in 2 sizes, so there is no excuse not to wear your Rotary pin with pride.

**Brett** was creative, as always, with his fines and recognition opportunities. A big fine went out to **Denny**, as he posted his “*broken down*” easychair on Facebook for all to know where he spends his time in retirement. **Bill Busch** advised all of his 71st birthday and coined a term, “*Ideal-essence*” for all those in his state. **Alex Monroe** spend his recent birthday taking his family to sushi, and **Cristina Nowocki** advised all, to our amazement, that she is now 55. **Bonnie** and **Krishna** shared that their son’s honeymoon to

Sydney made the New York Times with a photo as they brought rain to that parched country.

**President Kim** further advised that the “*stuffing*” of our giraffe has raised more than \$600 so far this year.

We had a very interesting program, put on by our accounting members, **Melanie** and **Emidio**. There were so many dates and action plans that my “*internal computer*” hit overload. Many members, however, were able to take all of their offerings in so the questions were fast and furious, with excellent answers, that seemed to satisfy everyone concerned. The feeling seemed to be that having member teams share their knowledge was an excellent program idea. **Emidio’s** closing thought was that “*Today’s software helps to keep CPA’s out of trouble.*”

**Kim** closed our meeting with a rare joke. This one was Danish, and because she is half Swede, she felt she could tell it. I don’t speak Danish, so it was lost to me in translation. Most laughed, so I guess I really missed out on **Kim’s** closing joke.

*Respectfully submitted  
By Pete*

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IS IT  
FAIR TO ALL  
CONCERNED?

We had a distinguished visitor from the District, **Steve Weitzen**, our incoming District Governor, just dropping by to say “*hello*.”

It was announced that **Craig Clark** has resigned, as he is moving to Carson City, Nevada for the next chapter of his life. We wish him well in the “*Silver State*.”

A reminder—Next Week is our joint La Jolla Clubs gathering at the Braille to hear an RI Past President. Please come and support our club.

**President Kim** announced a well-deserved “*Under the Radar*” Rotarian Award going to **Wayne Davis** for

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WILL IT  
BUILD GOODWILL  
AND BETTER  
FRIENDSHIPS?

04

WILL IT BE  
BENEFICIAL  
TO ALL  
CONCERNED?





# PHOTOS

from the last meeting



# La Jolla Golden Triangle ROTARY CLUB

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## LJGT ROTARY LEADERSHIP 2019 - 2020

PRESIDENT .....Kimberly Schafer  
PRESIDENT ELECT (2020-21) ..... Emidio DelConte  
PRESIDENT ELECT ELECT (2021-22)..... Jacquie Reilly  
TREASURER ..... Sharon Council  
SECRETARY .....Nancy Gatschet  
PAST-PRESIDENT/FOUNDATION .....Rick Binder



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The 2020 Rotary  
International Convention  
will be in Honolulu, Hawaii!!

June 6-10, 2020  
at the  
Hawaii Convention Center

