

# THE GOLDEN rotarian

LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROTARY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

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BE THE INSPIRATION

RI President 2018-19  
**BARRY RASSIN**

District 5340 Governor 2018-19  
**MEL GALLEGOS**

LJGT Rotary President 2018-19  
**RICK BINDER**

**SPEAKERS**  
AND EVENTS



**MARCH 2019 - SPEAKER**

15.....Ranjan  
Community Service

22.....Dr. Steven Snyder  
CEO and President, Fleet Science Center

29.....Shelley Zimmerman  
Chancellor Appointed Professor National University

**APRIL 2019 - SPEAKER**

05.....Veronica Musa

**WENDY  
WILSON-GIBSON**



**BONITA  
MUSEUM  
AND  
CULTURAL  
CENTER**  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**BONITA  
MUSEUM**  
ART / HISTORY / CULTURAL CENTER



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As a professional  
arts administrator  
**Wendy Wilson-Gibson**

has extensive experience in media communications and non-profit arts management. From concept to final product Wendy enjoys collaborating with private collectors, clients, non-profits, and museums to conceptualize exhibitions and explore visitor experience and immersive experiences. As an artist she has studied and worked as a practicing artist in new media arts focused on the intersections of art and science as well as data collection and display. As a curator, she has conceptualized, funded, and produced multi-media installations and exhibitions exploring contemporary, new media, and theory-based subject matter as well as exhibitions

exploring the history of personal collections and the relationships involved in art creation.

Currently **Wendy** is the Executive Director of The **Bonita Historical Society** which operates the **Bonita Museum & Cultural Center (BMCC)**. The museum is located in the idyllic Sweetwater Valley, easily accessible from the 805 or 54 freeway in South Bay, San Diego. The museum hosts ten exhibitions per year relating to the history of San Diego South Bay, as well as highlighting the artwork of local and regional artists. Currently the museum is hosting the National Sculpture Society based in New York and their Southern California member sculptors including **Mehl Lawson, Mark Edward Adams, D.L. Engle, and Adam Matano**.

These artists receive national recognition for their large scale public sculpture of animals.

The BMCC also has a gallery devoted year around to the history of the Sweetwater Valley. The outdoor area of the museum is home to Imperial Beach collective **Art Kids of San Diego** who host "Art in the Museum" days every second and fourth Saturday. The patio is also home to a fire truck play structure designed by artist **Anna Stump** as well as an archeological pit to recover artifacts from early San Diego.

**Wendy's** great grandparents came to San Diego in the 1860's. She is married to **Brian Gibson**, a museum fabricator and artist. Together they have three children.



MARCH 2019  
08.....Denny Jacobs

# 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

### ROTARIAN OF THE DAY

**BONNIE ARORA** started by telling us of about the home she and Krishna bought in India as a second home, to be closer to parts of their family . During their recent trip to India they visited a school where 50 children are being educated thanks to the Arora's. LGTR donated \$3,000 to a school that educates handicapped children in India. She and Krishna came with multiple flags from many different Rotary clubs they visited while in India. Bonnie and Krishna are true models of what a Rotarian is in every aspect of their lives! They announced a grand opening party for OASIS March 30th

### ANNOUNCEMENTS (Lots of them)!!!

\*A Huge "thank you" to **EMEDIO DELCANTE** for agreeing to take the helm of our club as PRESIDENT (IN WAITING for 2020-2021) after **KIM SCHAFER'S** reign this coming year!!!!

\*Blue Money Banks were on each table and will be there for several meetings to collect change to help fund the UCSD Rotaract Project Mercy, building a home for a family in Mexico on March 18-19. "Empty your Pockets!"

\***CHARLIE MACKAY** announced the next Veterans

Hospital dinner March 13th  
\***KIM SHAFER** announced we are receiving our 5 Quintessential Festival tickets today that we are all responsible for buying. SELL THOSE TICKETS!

\***Preuss School Career Day** is April 17th for those who would like to participate contact Youth Services Committee

\***Marty ROSENTEIN** announced RYLA will be April 12-14 and they need facilitators for those who would like to volunteer.

\***RICK CLARK** read a lovely letter from **HAL&JENNIFER SCHAFER** thanking the club for all the good wishes sent by video this past week and what it meant to them. We are keeping HAL in our thoughts for sure.

\***RICK** also gave an update on the Pendleton Work Project coming up and the need for "SKILLED" construction workers, "Yikes"

\*March 10th the WAPI project is set at UCSD

\***DR.ANTONIO GRILLO** gave us an update on Bill Kean's recent health struggle and we all wished him well in a video and are keeping him in our prayers and thoughts for a speedy recovery, send only emails to him please.

\***BETT MOREY** promised a fun

time coming up on Saturday and Sunday for our 2019 Rotary Road Rally!

### PROGRAM

**LOISE ANDRES** introduced the two very accomplished contestants in the ROTARY FOR WAY SPEECH CONTEST : **Sal Rafera** came in 2nd gave us an enlightening explanation of how difficult it may be for Gen Z's (born after 1996) to be truly happy in todays world. **ARI Weizman** (Future President of the USA) won 1st place by convincing us that Standardized Testing in school does NOT adhere to Rotary's 4 way test! Prizes were \$150 and \$100 . **ARI** will go on to the district contest. We wish him loads of luck!

**MARTY ROSENSTEIN** Introduced the Student of the Month from Preuss School, **Yaroi Herrara** who is headed for a medical profession in the future.

**PRESIDENT RICK BINDER** failed at closing the meeting on time, because ,as always, he insisted on closing with a little comedy.

"Whew"!!!!!!  
IT WAS A VERY FULL MEETING!  
WE ARE ONE BUSY ROTARY CLUB!!!

Linda Andrews







# PHOTOS

from the last meeting



## KARMA KOINS FUNDRAISER

Karma Koins Fundraiser-Help the UCSD Rotaractors and get some Good Karma along the way!

During the month of March, UCSD Rotaract Club will be collecting our change or if you have no change they will accept paper money or venmo too! Fill up a baggy or your piggy banks and bring it in or just put your coins or dollars into the piggy banks on your table at the breakfast meetings.

This karma koins fundraiser will help raise money for the Rotaractors home build in Tijuana in May. The house costs about \$6000.

*Thank you  
for Supporting our Rotaractors!!!*



# La Jolla Golden Triangle ROTARY CLUB

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## LJGT ROTARY LEADERSHIP 2018 - 2019

PRESIDENT ..... Rick Binder  
PRESIDENT ELECT (2019-20) ..... Kimberly Schafer  
PRESIDENT ELECT ELECT (2020-21) ..... Emidio DelConte  
TREASURER ..... Sharon Council  
SECRETARY ..... Nancy Gatschet  
PAST-PRESIDENT/FOUNDATION ..... Alex Monroe



### MARCH 2019

15..... Open  
22..... Melanie Geschwind  
29..... Eric Freeberg

### APRIL 2019

05..... Michael Bardin



ROTARIAN  
OF THE DAY

## I was born and raised near Oslo, Norway

where I spent the first 20 years of my life. Despite the lutefisk and cod liver oil, Norway was a wonderful place to grow up and I still have a lot of friends and family there whom I visit every year. With a Norwegian father and American mother I have always had strong cultural and family ties to both countries and I have also enjoyed the benefits of having dual citizenship and being bilingual.

In 1996 I made my way to the great Northwest to get the American college experience. I attended Western Washington University in Bellingham, WA just south of the Canadian border where I got my Bachelors Degree in International Business. **This is also where I met my Swedish wife Anne.** It was the ultimate collision of culture and religion. Norwegian Skier meets Swedish Snowboarder! Fortunately, following substantial diplomatic efforts our relationship was recognized by all countries involved. Upon graduation I followed Anne to San Diego where she was attending graduate school to pursue her doctorate degree in clinical and industrial organizational psychology.

I spent the first 15+ years of my career in the recruiting business starting and running the US subsidiary of a Swedish search firm, Cesab International, where I worked with public and private technology companies helping them recruit key technical and management talent. A year and a half ago I transitioned to academia where I have been working as the Associate Director of Industry Engagement at the UC San Diego Career Center helping the



## Norwegian Skier meets Swedish Snowboarder!

world's leading tech and engineering employers engage with and hire the tremendously talented student population on campus.

I have always had an active lifestyle and my interests include skiing (mandatory for all Norwegians), surfing, paddle boarding, golfing, hiking, camping, the outdoors, home brewing, spending time with friends, traveling, and of course Rotary. My daughters Linnea

(11) and Elise (9) have grown up as part of the Rotary family. They attend Longfellow K-8 Spanish immersion school and are fluent in 4 languages now.

**Whether it's racing to soccer practice, chasing my girls on skis, or packing the car for our next adventure much of my energy is dedicated to keeping up with my high octane Viking girls.**

