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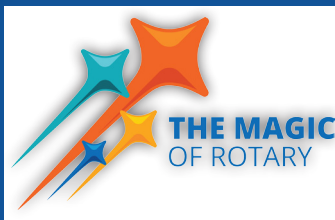
LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROTARY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

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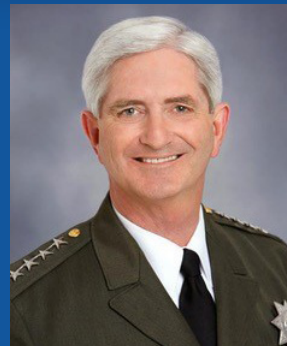
WILLIAM D. GORE



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LJGT Rotary President 2024-25
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THE FUTURE OF THE FBI AND JUSTICE IN AMERICA: A PERSPECTIVE FORGED FROM 51 YEARS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT

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)

William D. Gore stepped into civilian life in February 2022, after retiring from his position as the 29th Sheriff of San Diego County. During his tenure as Sheriff, Gore oversaw one of the largest Sheriff's Departments in the nation with 4,300 employees, an annual budget of more than \$850 million, and a service area of over 4,400 square miles including a 60-mile international border. Along with patrol and investigative operations, his department provided air support, search and rescue service, and forensic support for the San Diego region. His department operated seven detention facilities countywide and provided security to nine courthouses.

Sheriff Gore was well known for his regional approach to law enforcement and for his energetic deployment of technology to the front lines of enforcement. He spearheaded the creation of the Law Enforcement Coordination Center, which served as an all-crimes intelligence fusion center for the San Diego region, and a Rapid Response DNA Team that used forensic DNA to solve property crimes. He created a Border Crimes Initiative, including Operation Stonegarden, which brought together federal, state and local resources to combat crime along the southwest border.

Under Sheriff Gore's leadership, the department deployed Information Led Policing, a pro-active approach to preventing and disrupting crime. Using the most current technologies of crime analysis, patrol deputies and investigators focused on crime hotspots and targeted high-propensity offenders. The result was safer neighborhoods.

Prior to becoming Sheriff of San Diego County, Bill spent 32 years in the FBI, where he rose to the level of Assistant Director. He served as Special Agent in Charge (SAC) of the Seattle and San Diego Field Divisions, where he implemented the FBI Cyber Crime Squad and Joint Terrorism Task Force. He played a significant role in establishing the San Diego Regional Computer Forensics Laboratory, the first of its kind in the United States. After retiring from the FBI, Sheriff Gore served as Special Advisor and Chief Investigator to the San Diego County District Attorney. In 2004, he was appointed by Sheriff Bill Kolender to serve as Assistant Sheriff over the Law Enforcement Services Bureau and then as Undersheriff, where he was responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Department.

Sheriff Gore is a member of the San Diego County Police Chiefs' and Sheriff's Association, the California State Sheriffs' Association, National Sheriffs' Association and the Major County Sheriffs' Association. He is a board member of Second Chance, STAR/PAL, Mothers Against Drunk Driving, and the San Diego Commission on Gangs. He is a member of the San Diego Rotary Club and The Nice Guys Organization and has been the recipient of numerous awards and commendations, including the Arthur E. Hughes Career Achievement Award from his alma mater, University of San Diego (2002). He was selected as "Headliner of the Year" by the San Diego Press Club (2001). President Clinton designated him as a Meritorious Executive in Senior Executive Service (2000).

A San Diego native, Sheriff Gore holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of San Diego and a Master's degree in Public Administration from Seattle University. Sheriff Gore's family is rich in law enforcement experience. His father and older brother were a part of the San Diego Police Department and his middle brother was a San Diego County Deputy Sheriff. His wife was one of the first female FBI agents in the United States.





REPORT

from the last meeting



UPCOMING SPEAKERS



2025

MARCH - SPEAKER

21.....Marty Gorsich
Economic, civic and charitable impacts
of the Farmers Insurance Open
on San Diego

28.....Richard Kiy
U.S. Foreign Policy in the Western
Hemisphere: Regional Impacts in the
San Diego-Tijuana Border Region.

Once again applying his considerable videography talent, Past President **Rick Clark** invited arriving Rotarians to send greetings in a We Miss Your Sparkle video to Past President **Dory Beatrice**, who is overcoming health challenges. Dory, we are sending you love, hugs, and healing vibe. Looking forward to seeing you again soon.

President Luke introduced ROTD **Dianne Day**, former Vice President of Development for the Salk Institute, who co-chairs our Youth Services Committee. Dianne has been a LJGT Rotarian for 37 years. After graciously enduring a round of Canada heckling, Dianne shared pics of her and Brad's world travels: elephants, lions, crocodiles, wild dogs, koalas, beautiful ships, Maasai Mara, Victoria Falls, St Petersburg, Oslo, Spain, Australia, New Zealand, Lizard Island, St Andrews (for a game of golf), Wimbledon (in a box near Will and Kate!), Lake Como, and many new friends. She's happy to share booking details of any of her trips.

Dianne, adopt me.

Rotarians on Zoom were **Peggy Martin**, **Jim Frost**, and **Jay Hatfield**. Great news: **William** from SDSU (and Kenya) is applying for membership.

Registration is open for District Training Assembly at Liberty Station on Saturday, March 29 - <https://rotary5340.org/sitepage/district-training-assembly>. The event is free of charge, allows you to meet Rotarians from other Clubs and dive a little deeper into Rotary operations. For those who volunteer with youth under the age of 18 years, if you need to get fingerprinted for Youth Protection clearance, the District will pay \$25 of the \$45 fee to Live Scan. Just bring \$20 in cash to District Training Assembly and the fingerprinting by Live Scan will happen on site that very day.

On behalf of LJGT's Social Committee **Dr. Lisa Galstian** (gartgal@att.net) announced our opportunity to see

the Tony-awarding winning musical *Once* at Lamb's Theater in Coronado on Saturday, April 12. An Irish pub immersion! An Irish musical about making Music, finding Love, and being True! Pre-show dinner at the Tavern is optional but if you do the dinner you can walk to the show at 7 pm. Group ticket price is \$58 or \$68, depending on how many of us sign up with Lisa.

The inimitable (indomitable, inevitable) **Rich Papike** began soliciting donations toward the success of our May 16 Wine Soiree. Think of what you'd like to donate: sailing on lovely boats (*a la Jim and Kim Frost*), hosting a dinner at home (*a la Rich and Cheri Papike*), stays at ski condos, even invigorating honest labor like pulling weeds (*a la UCSD Rotaract*).

Carolyn Fritz opened our Membership Drive: Between now and April 4th, three teams of LJGT Rotarians (*Rotary Rooters, Morey Eels, and Dynamos*) will think of and approach potential members, inviting them to a meeting. If you bring a potential member as your guest on March 14 there will not be a \$40 charge for that first meal. We hope to invite 24 prospects to enroll 12 new Rotarians, so friends get busy! We will celebrate on April 18.

Dr. Marty Rosenstein introduced our Preuss Student of the Month, **Solome Terese**, who was accompanied by her mother and by her Preuss advisor Stef Garcia. Her brother also attends Preuss. Solome is one of the most polished presenters of the Preuss students we've heard. She described a slump in which she was unmotivated, tired, and her grades went very low. To turn that around she had to learn to accept help from others. Solome did accept that help: She spent hours getting to know her strengths and weaknesses, she created a motivating schedule, set goals, talked more with others, and sharpened her focus on the goal of college. To date she has volunteered

over 500 hours to an OBGYN ward as a pediatric nurse volunteer. She is grateful to everyone who has helped her, including Marty and LJGT.

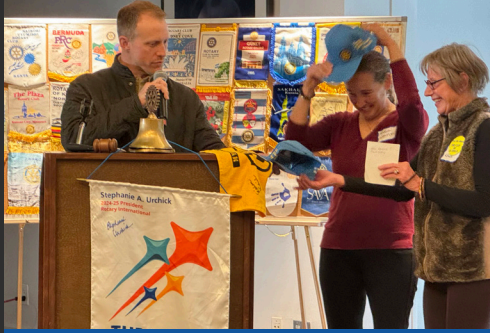
Past President **Jim Davies**, chair of Community Service, introduced our speakers **Dr Diane Kane** and **Dr Sharon Wampler** from Imagine the City of La Jolla (<https://cityoflajolla.org/>). Diane described the benefits of La Jolla forming its own city, separate from the city of San Diego: relieves San Diego of all costs and liability for La Jolla, provides an income stream to San Diego for leased services in La Jolla, and relieves San Diego of the expenses for coastline and beach maintenance in La Jolla, among other benefits. The benefits to La Jolla becoming its own city: improves roads and crumbling infrastructure, gives La Jolla a voice in Sacramento, allows La Jollans to define and prioritize projects, and improves public safety and cleanliness, among others. They would employ a city manager, city counsel, and a few other positions while outsourcing police, fire, animal control and other services. They are completing a complex assessment and approval process with the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO), which will involve a cost of over \$600,00 and two votes (one for La Jollans in the designated area and one for voters in the city of San Diego -- they must win both by simple majority for the process to continue forward).

Luke closed our meeting with a few La Jolla-themed trivia questions. Who founded the La Jolla Playhouse in 1947? *Gregory Peck, Dorothy McGuire and Mel Ferrer.*

Community Service met right after the meeting and will meet in person after the first Friday meeting of every month.

~Reporter
Cynthia Villis

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- PRESIDENT ELECT NOMINEE (2026-27) Jan Percival
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- PAST-PRESIDENT Christy White Brook

**ROTARIAN
 OF THE DAY**



STEVE BROWN

Until age 13 I lived Colfax, a small farming community in Eastern Washington-population 2000. A pyromaniac facilitated our family's move to Spokane where I attended a high school with a student body much larger than the population of Colfax. Our family became friends with the Schafers who lived across the street. I started dating one of the Schafer twins (Susan) during my last year of high school. I went to Washington State University (earning a degree in business/accounting) and Susan joined me there. I graduated a semester early and traveled by myself on a Eurail pass throughout Europe for four months, arriving home just in time for our wedding June 14, 1969.

I then went to law school at Stanford and Susan taught elementary school. In those days Susan's teacher's salary and my odd jobs paid for law school and living expenses including one six pack of beer a month. Upon graduation I accepted a job at the San Diego law firm of Luce Forward in 1972--44 attorneys at the time growing to more than 150 attorneys.

In 1990 I resigned as partner at Luce and become "of counsel" to the firm for about five years. I had my last "billable moment" around 1996 when Rotary took over my life. In Rotary I have been Club President 1990-91, District Governor 1995-96, and Rotary Foundation Trustee 2010-14. I have been involved with Rotary programs in many countries. For the last 23 years I have been involved in programs in Afghanistan and since 2012 also involved with Rotary programs in Central Asia and Afghanistan relating to transboundary water conflict issues. Susan and I have lived in San Diego for 52 years. She has supported my Rotary activities over the years. We have two grown daughters and two grandchildren all of who remain a priority in our lives.



MARCH 2025

March 21 - Steve Balch

March 28 - Stephen Tako

APRIL 2025

April 4 - Lori Bende



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