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LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROTARY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

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**PETERCHODZKO**

I am a native San Diegan who grew up in Encinitas loving the beach and soccer. I attended University of San Diego High School, graduated in 1997 and went on to Saint Mary's College of California where I continued to play soccer and studied Communications.

After graduating college I returned to San Diego to pursue my passion... education. I have always felt called to work in a school setting that served students like ours at Gompers Preparatory Academy. My wife, Megan, and I love living in San Diego and feel lucky to be able to raise our two children; Henry who is 7 and Frankie Jean who is 3 in America's best city.

I have been with GPA for 12 years and in my time have taught 7th, 8th, 10th, and 12th grade history, served as an Instructional Lead, currently am entering my 9th

year with our board of directors, I oversee the Office of Athletics and the Office of Philanthropy at GPA and love working with our students to make sure that college becomes a reality in their life.

In my time at GPA I have been lucky to be recognized as the Teacher of the Year for GPA in 2006 and the California Charter School Teacher of the Year for the 2007-2008 school year. I attribute all of my honors to the remarkable staff and students we have at Gompers Preparatory Academy.

I am excited this year to expand my leadership training as I enter the LEAD San Diego's IMPACT Program. I am looking forward to gaining a deeper understanding of the city I have called home for my entire life.



**SPEAKERS  
AND EVENTS**

**MARCH 2017 - SPEAKER**

24..... Neal Griffin  
A Voice from the Field

31..... Patricia Marquez  
TBD

**APRIL 2017 - SPEAKER**

07..... Todd Elvins PhD  
Co-lead National Speakers Bureau - Citizens' Climate Education

14..... Bobbi Brink  
Lions Tigers and Bears

**INTRODUCTION TO  
GOMPERS  
PREPARATORY ACADEMY**



MARCH 2017

17.....Rich Papike  
24.....Jim Davies  
31.....Kim Schafer

# REPORT

from 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

## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

RYAN ALBRECHT..... 05

DENNIS JACOBS..... 08

JOHN STEPHAN..... 08

KIM SCHAFFER..... 12

LORI BENDE..... 30

Our president for the day was our President-elect Alex Monroe.

David Tansey was our Rotarian of the Day. He listed the years of all his accomplishments chronologically. He graduated from Cal Tech as a Chemical Engineer. He then went to work with his father. Unfortunately his father passed away and he became president of the company, which he later sold. He decided to go back to school and became a psychologist. The one year that seemed most important was the year he married his last wife Kathleen in 1979. If you want to know more about David, please ask him.

Alex Monroe said that David had so many accomplishments before he was even born.

Happy Birthday to Rotary at 112 years old!

UCSD Rotaract students announced their fundraiser that will benefit Camp Kesem. Camp Kesem is a program that supports children touched by a parent's cancer. Our club is getting a table together. See Jennifer for more information.

Linda Stouffer announced it is 21 days before the Camino Fundraiser. Please help support them which supports our club.

Andrew Johnson, a guest of Alex from the American Cancer Society, will be at the Quintessential Festival. They will be giving free

cancer screenings.

Rick Clark announced Operation Pendleton 2017 will take place on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Please sign up.

Jacque asked everyone to bring in books or money to help with the Literary Project. Bring your books to Linda Andrews through the end of the month.

Eric announced that the 4 Way Test Speech Contest will take place after the meeting today. Nick from SDSU Rotaract worked with the students. Thanks, Nick!

Jim Davies told us that there are two things we need to make our Quintessential Festival a Success..... People....SELL THOSE TICKETS and Quintessential Festival SPONSORS!!! Thank you to all of those who are current sponsors.

**Recap for Quintessential Festival: This is our ONE BIG FUNdraiser for the year.**

1. Sponsors needed
2. Sell tickets-we want it to be busy and make sure you come HUNGRY. Lots of good food.
3. Volunteers needed. The Festival is from 1-5. After 5 there will be a pouring untill 5:30 just for the volunteers. Count me in!

Alex shared with us that we have \$20,000 in sponsorships. We want to reach \$40,000!!!!!! Please talk with people about sponsorships

and send out those sponsorship packages.

Joel Candib needs volunteers to help out at the Festival.

Jan Percival introduced our speaker Priscilla Lister who wrote the book, Take a Hike. She wrote for the Union Tribune for nearly seven years. She had a beautiful slide show of many of the hiking trails in her book. The pictures included Anza Borrego Desert to 6,000 foot mountains of Laguna, Cuyamaca and Palomar. There were also pictures of Santa Isabel, Ramona and canyons throughout the urban core. There is over 100 miles of the Pacific Crest Trail in our county. San Diego County is home to 2100 plant species and 492 bird species. There are 260 trails listed in her book. The book costs 11 cents a trail. We have a lot of beauty so close to home and many are easy hikes. Things she takes on a hike is water, water, a walking stick, back pack, mace, whistle and a printed map. In all her hiking days she has only seen one rattlesnake. She doesn't want to be confronted with wildlife so she doesn't go too early or too late in the day when more wildlife is out. That is good to keep in mind.

Alex closed our meeting suggesting that our club's hiking group take a hike on one of these trails. The 4-Way Test Speech Contest followed immediately after the meeting and everyone who couldn't stay exited very quickly!



# PHOTOS

from the last meeting



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UPCOMING  
**ROTD**

**MARCH 2017**  
 24.....Ina  
 31.....Bill Bush

**ROTARIAN  
 OF THE DAY**

**SUSAN SCHWARZ**

July 31, 2013 was my last day reporting for work at San Diego Miramar College as Dean of Library and Technology. I had served in that position for almost 10 years and had enjoyed employment in the San Diego Community College District for a total of 36 years. I was officially retired on December 30, 2013.

My position as the Interim Dean of Arts, Languages & Communication at Grossmont College concluded on January 3, 2017, when the new permanent dean came on board. I enjoyed my tenure there, but as the saying goes “all good things must come to an end.” I am happy to report that I am re-retired again. Friends ask how long will it last this time and my response is, “let’s see what comes along.” There are a few irons in the fire and will see how they pan out.

Travel and visiting national parks needed to be postponed due to Michael’s successful spinal surgery/recovery and other family health issues. On a happier note Michael and I celebrated our 47th anniversary on March 14th. Being a member of this dynamic Rotary Club is an honor for me. Our Club is known near and far and the many projects we do are hopefully making a difference to those we serve. I look forward to continuing my membership in “the most dynamic Rotary Club in the world!”



CELEBRATING  
**ANNIVERSARY**



SUSAN & MICHAEL  
**SCHWARZ**