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LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROTARY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

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SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

MARCH 2019 - SPEAKER

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

APRIL 2019 - SPEAKER

05.....Veronica Musa
12.....Open
19.....Open
26.....Open

MAY 2019 - SPEAKER

03.....Gen Kelsang Lhadron
Kadampa Meditation Center in Point Loma
10.....Open
17.....Teacher of the Year
24.....Open
31.....Open

JUNE 2019 - SPEAKER

07.....Open
14.....Community Service
21.....Open
28.....Open

Dr. Steven Snyder is the President & CEO for the Fleet Science Center in San Diego, CA. Since taking on the role in 2013, he has brought ambitious science experiences to San Diego, like "ILLUSION," which made its North American premiere at the Fleet, and "Taping Shape," which opened in January 2016. He expanded the Fleet Inquiry Institute to teach the inquiry method of science learning to more than 1,000 local educators a year. Most significantly, Snyder redefined the Fleet's role, taking it from a science center in Balboa Park to a community organization dedicated to helping all San Diegans achieve their place in our shared scientific future. To that end, he brought science into the community with unexpected



programs like Two Scientists Walk Into a Bar, which brings 50 scientists to 25 bars all over San Diego County every quarter. And he launched 52 Weeks of Science, which leverages the wealth of local science and technology resources to bring science events directly to neighborhoods. He is a member of the ASTC Finance Committee, a trustee of the Balboa Park Cultural Partnership and a Steering Committee Member for the San Diego Festival of Science and Engineering. He is also a science advisor for the giant screen film Secrets of the Universe.



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

Our Rotarian of the Day was our own **Michael Slentz**. Michael started out the meeting with a moment of silence for the victims of the recent attack in Christchurch, New Zealand. As Rotarians, our hearts go out to those who are victims of violence all around the world.

Since his last stint as Rotarian of the Day, **Michael** has been through several changes in his professional life. He left his longtime position at Innova Systems and went to work at a company that makes software for credit unions. Shortly thereafter, he left that position to work at Microsoft. He now works as a consultant in the Public Sector Service team building application software for federal agencies and the DOD.

His biggest Rotary accomplishment to date is turning the front desk into a multi-person operation. This is why you see so many smiling faces greeting you in the morning. On a personal note, **Michael** and his family are planning a trip to Ireland and Scotland this summer and we look forward to hearing about all his adventures.

Guests

Today, we were joined by visiting Rotarian, **Dave Gore**, who visited us from the Goleta Noontime Club. **Joe**, **Eden**, and **Fakhira** were our visiting UCSD Rotoractors and **Mikaila** was our visiting SDSU Rotoractor. **Pam Russell** brought another guest, **Sam Marshall**. **David Chong** brought his

good friend, **James Martin**.

Announcements

On March 30, the annual District Training Assembly is being held at USD. All those interested in learning more about Rotary or who are interested in taking on leadership positions in the club were encouraged to attend. Later that night, **Krishna** and **Bonnie Arora** are hosting a dinner and dance party at the Oasis Center in Escondido. There will be free food, free music by the California Cogs, and free fellowship. What more could you ask for.

Rick Clark reminded us about the upcoming Operation Camp Pendleton. **Jim Davies** also reminded us about how much work goes into putting on this project.

Dianne Day updated us on the Four Way Speech contest and RYLA. She is looking for a facilitator or two to help with the RYLA event. **Steve Brown** represented our club at a local Eritrean celebration. **Kim Schafer** updated us on the Quintessential Festival and asked for more volunteers. Also, in order for our event to rank higher in Google searches, we all need to click on the 2019 event link. So click away.

Brett Morey introduced the "winners" of the 2019 Road Rally. The winners were the Younger and Better Team (**Kaci** and **Nick Madden**, **Nick Milsner** and **Vanessa Girard**). Second place went to A Cog, Two Coug's and a Dude (**Ron Kohl**, **Letty**, **Janine** & **Rick Binder**). The Golden Dipstick award

for last place went to the Wiley Coyotes (**Team Bardin** and **Team Cusick**). We look forward to seeing what is in store for us on next year's rally.

Presentation of the Day

Our presentation today was put on by the Vocational Committee, who conducted a Professional Panel Presentation. As Rotarians, one of the ways that we can serve others is through our professional lives. The panel presentation is an opportunity to provide a forum for members to learn more about what others do for a living and to give members an opportunity to share their professional wisdom and experience with the club.

Today's presentation was Financial Services and the speakers were **Luke M. Ervin**, VP Wealth Management at UBS, **Garry Kachovsky**, Certified Financial Planner at Kachovsky & Fisher, and **Alex Monroe**, Financial Advisor at Stifel. **Luke**, **Garry**, and **Alex** fielded questions from club members and provided guidance on how to approach serious topics, such as planning for your financial future and how to handle charitable and philanthropic giving. One of the best questions was from our visiting Rotarian, who asked how being a Rotarian had impacted their professional lives. By their answers, it is clear that **Luke**, **Garry**, and **Alex** strive to provide the best service to their clients and to incorporate the philosophies of Rotary into their professional endeavors.





PHOTOS

from the last meeting



OPERATION PENDLETON 2019

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ROTARIAN
OF THE DAY

MELANIE GESCHWIND

I am a San Diego native who never left San Diego. I recently changed careers and am working as a CPA where I specialize in tax.

I really enjoy what I do and the people I work with.

Community service has always been an important part of my life. My earliest recollection of community service was a house build I contributed to in junior high. Since then I have served the community in many ways from tutoring math to volunteering at a hospital to serving meals to the homeless and elderly. I currently foster dogs through a local not-for-profit. I also enjoy cycling, traveling, and going on new adventures with my boyfriend.



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