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LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROTARY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

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**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**



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19th ANNUAL EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR AWARDS

The "Educator of the Year" award is presented each year by our club to honor teachers and counselors from our community for the special contribution they make to the academic and personal growth of their students.

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LJGT Rotary President 2017-18
ALEXANDER S. MONROE

SPEAKERS AND EVENTS



MAY 2018 - SPEAKER

25..... Kathryn Ely
Clean Water for Schools in Uganda

JUNE 2018 - SPEAKER

01..... Marty Stanley
Navigating The New Reality

08..... Roger Mignosa
Find Balance, Heal Injury

The award was created in 1999 by the Vocational Committee as a means of recognizing and supporting the critical role of the people in our schools who have the most immediate and lasting impact on our kids...the teachers and counselors. Our program is actually modeled after a similar program sponsored by the Minneapolis/St. Paul Rotary club and was introduced to our club by **Irwin Rubenstein**.

Each year, eight schools are invited to submit nominations from their teacher/counselor staffs. The eight schools are public and private and include elementary, middle and high school grades. The eight nominating schools have

a combined teacher/counselor population of approximately 600. Administrators, teachers, parents and students are offered the opportunity to nominate a teacher or counselor they believe has made a special contribution to helping students grow academically and personally.

Each nomination must be supported by at least two individuals. Letters of recommendation supporting the nominations from administrators, colleagues, parents and students are also considered. The nomination materials include information on the nominee's education; professional background, experience

and community activities. It is truly an uplifting experience reading the nominations and discovering how professional, competent and dedicated the nominees are. The comments from parents, colleagues and students make it very clear that these are special people who make an important difference in young peoples' lives in and beyond the classroom.

Today's program should also be a day to honor educators everywhere, present and past, who have made a positive difference in students' lives. *So, take a moment to stop and remember that special, favorite teacher or counselor from your school days...and the winners are...*





MAY 2018
18.....Lisa Galstian
25.....Rich Papike

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?

The meeting erupted with a rowdy synchronized “THE MOST DYNAMIC ROTARY CLUB IN THE WORLD”. Perhaps our youngest member **Charlie McKay** began with a positive thought, remembering his grandmother who was a radio host and a teacher for many years. She commenced each class with an acronym – EIGHTBOK (everything is going to be ok). After a quick shot out to his mom, who has been a teacher for 20+ years, and it being National Teacher Appreciation week, **Charlie** focused the rest of his time on the recent nationwide walkouts and some of the positive impact they’ve had on teachers’ pay, benefits and working conditions. Colorado, Arizona and Oklahoma were highlighted in the presentation for having some of the lowest salaries and dollars spent per pupil in the union; but, with recent changes they are now making positive strides in the right direction. Despite the political, economic, geopolitical, and educational system turmoil we

are facing perhaps EIGHTBOK.

Michael Slentz introduced visiting Rotarians – **Bill Chaffin** (**Alex Monroe’s** partner. NO. Business Partner), **Brian Zimmerman** (assistant District governor), **Steve Weitzman** (chief assistant governor), guests – **Natalie Small**, and Rotaracts – **Susan, Julian, and Jessica**. **Sandy Rimer** introduced our newest member **Ranjan Lahiri**, who got his charitable inspiration from his mom, a 25 year Rotarian in Albuquerque, NM. If it is true that we are the average of five people we spend most of our time with, **Ranjan** believes that his average is going up.

Announcements came from **Bill Busch** on educator of the year awards, a UCSD Rotaract of a fundraiser volleyball tournament/game between us and them on May 26th, **Antonio Grillo-Lopez** about **Alex’s** Farewell to his presidency party, **Brett** on standup paddle boarding event in Del Mar on May 12th, and

Rick Clark’s reminder of how successful the Afganistan school project has been, graduating 1000 girls and educating 9000 kids. **Kelly Price Noble** handed out some fines and collected high-fives.

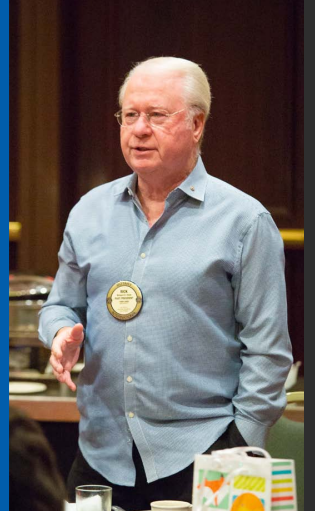
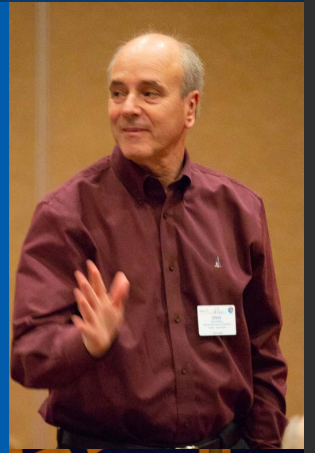
This week’s speaker did not disappoint - firing off one-liners from **Yogi Berra** and Dos Equis’ Most Interesting Man In The World, and telling jokes about **Danika Patrick** (about her past relationship going around in circles) and **El Chapo** (losing so much weight in prison, he is down two tunnel sizes). **Dan McAllister** has been the County of San Diego Treasurer - Tax Collector for almost 16 years and has an impressive 99% collection rate the past three years. In fact, out of 58 our county is the second largest investment pool in California, behind L.A.. In 2017 a total of 993,821 tax bills were sent and his office will collect just over \$6B in property taxes and fees by June of this year, while managing \$11.3B.





PHOTOS

from the last meeting



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UPCOMING
ROTD

MAY 2018
 25..... Krishna Arora

JUNE 2018
 22..... Gloria Harris



ROTARIAN
 OF THE DAY

MIKEROBERTS



Originally born in England, **Mike Roberts** has been in the US for 22 years working for the **YMCA**. He started his career with the Y in London and has been lucky enough to help communities in Haiti, the Dominican Republic, Jerusalem and Kenya. He also spent a year with his wife **Mary** (who also works for the Y) living and working in Zimbabwe.



Mike started with Rotary in Detroit Michigan and was recently a member of the Lunch Club in Petersburg Virginia. He has been married to Mary for 20 years and has been in San Diego for close to a year developing a new YMCA in Pacific Beach.

