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LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROTARY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

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KAREN KENDRICK-HANDS



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

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District 5340 Governor 2021-22
DANIEL GENSLER

LJGT Rotary President 2021-22
JACQUIE REILLY



ROTARY'S AREA OF FOCUS ON ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

I co-founded the Environmental Sustainability Rotarian Action Group (ESRAG) because I could combine my passions for Rotary Service and mitigating the climate crisis, and because Rotary needed a place for like-minded Rotarians to collaborate. I believe that the ultimate "Service above Self" is ensuring a stable climate for future generations.

Karen, an attorney, has been a volunteer public interest advocate for cleaner air, mobility and transportation choices, including serving on various local, state and regional advisory bodies, for over 30 years. She has founded advocacy groups, including Transportation Riders United in greater Detroit, assisted non-environmental community and service organizations, including the Junior League, and League of Women Voters to frame and adopt environmental positions, worked with national US groups such as the Clean Air Network, participated in an official international environmental law exchange between the US and former Soviet Union, and created community connections with unlikely partners – finding common interests where none were obvious.

Karen, blessed to have been a RYE student in 1967-68 to Australia, is a past Chair and Communications Director of ESRAG; Co-founder a member of the RC of Madison, WI, and its Going Green Fellowship Group in District 6250. She is the Leader of the Rotary Action Team within Citizens' Climate Lobby Community. Most recently Karen had the honor of being Rotary International's first observer delegate to UNFCCC Climate talks, COP24 in Katowice, Poland, 2018.

SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

APRIL 2022 - SPEAKER

29..... Knight Campbell
Science Behind Why Leaders Need To Get Outside More Often

MAY 2022 - SPEAKER

6..... Alison Cobb
climate change / weather and climate research

13..... Rotary Club Youth Services Committee





REPORT

from the last meeting



THE FOUR WAY TEST



OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY OR DO

01

IS IT THE TRUTH?

President Jacquie called the meeting to order and called on Rotarian of the Day **Lyle Brady**. Lyle asked for a few moments of silence for defenders of Ukraine after which he told his story of how he – a retired engineer – approached baking a “better than sex” cake. Lots of laughs.

Michael Slentz introduced four guests: John & Jennifer from Philadelphia (**John is President-Elect Nancy Gatschet’s brother**); Sheila Hatfield (**Jay Hatfield’s wife**); and **Immediate Past District Governor Steve Weitzen**. Steve presented several members new Paul Harris (PH) Fellow pins in recognition of contributions to The Rotary Foundation. Those receiving recognition: **Jan Bernardy (PH)**; **Nancy Gatschet (PH)**; **Garry Kachkovsky (PH+2)**; **David Chong (PH+2)**; **Bill Keane (PH+4)**; **Rick Clark (PH+5)**; **Sheila Henry (PH+6)**; and **Jay Hatfield in wife Sheila’s name (PH+6)**.

Recognition of others will take place soon at another upcoming meeting. Contributions to The Rotary Foundation makes possible all the good work of Rotary throughout the world. **PDG Steve and Pres. Jacquie** encouraged all to give what they can.

Announcements included several social events and work projects upcoming.

Saturday, April 30, 2022 - Two Rotarians-at-Work Day service projects (contact **Pres. Jacquie** if interested):

- San Pasqual Academy

(8:30am-noon) planting veggies, weeding, and cleaning. Four La (Jolla area clubs plus Escondido and Coronado. Bring gloves, hat, sunscreen, water, comfortable clothing & closed-toed shoes.

- Generate Hope in South County (8:00-noon) District 5340 Anti-Human Trafficking (AHT) Task Force will host a work project at a recovery home in the South Bay. The exact address will be shared confidentially a few days prior to the event. **Kim Schafer** has more information.

Two District 5340 membership social events:

- May 5, 2022 North County 6:00-8:00pm: at Aqua Hedinda Lagoon Foundation, 1580 Cannon Road, Carlsbad.

- May 19, 2022 Central 6:00-8:00pm: at Legacy Center Mission Valley, 875 Hotel Circle South, San Diego.

Members can attend for free if you bring a prospective member.

Peace Pole dedication at The Preuss School (Thursday, April 21, 4:00pm). **Marty Rosenstein** invited club members to the long-awaited dedication ceremony of the Peace Pole, soon to be a focal point of the school’s new Zen Garden. **Ranjan Lahiri**, club Peace Committee members, Interact club members and alumni will be present along with several public guests. (Arrive early

because parking might be a bit scarce.)

Reminder – LJGTRotary Promote-Demote is scheduled for Saturday, June 25 at Malahat Spirits. More details to follow.

Jan Bernardy introduced her neighbor, **Mark Hughes**, who presented a fact-filled status on the growing use of electric vehicles (EVs). The retired mechanical engineer titled his prestation “What’s Old is New Again” and he proceeded to describe how we are returning to EVs, a type of car that was once more common than internal combustion vehicles. He made a strong case for EVs in their own right, regardless of the need to reverse climate change caused in large part by the burning of fossil fuel.

Hughes made the case for EVs through his own experience (he’s driven EVs for seven years), the performance of today’s and tomorrow’s EVs, and the facts and data that mostly dispute negative public concern and issues some have claimed as problems with EVs. There are already and will be massively more chargers around the country. “Range anxiety” is quickly being overcome. Mineral components of batteries are foreseeably available. Batteries are actually becoming recyclable. And our infrastructure will adapt to the new realities.

So go out and buy that Tesla.

~Reporter

Michael Bardin



PHOTOS FROM LAST MEETING



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IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?

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WILL IT BUILD GOODWILL AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

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WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED?

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APRIL 2022

April 29 - Sandi Rimer

MAY 2022

May 06 - Jay Hatfield

May 13 - Jan Bernardy



ROTARIAN
 OF THE DAY

RICK BINDER



I'm Rick Binder. I've been a Rotarian for over 20 years now. The past 10 have been with the La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club, where I hold the distinct honor of being the last President to have served an entire year without a Zoom meeting - 2018-2019.

As for me, these past couple years have been interesting.

I was hired to manage a branch office of a large staffing and recruiting firm, but when the pandemic hit and the world locked down they shuttered that office.

Fortunately I remained employed and actually had 2 of my best years in the business - all while working from home. Then last October I was hired to run in-house recruiting for a Defense Contractor in Old Town and that's going very well.

I actually got engaged the week before the lockdown, and then in June of last year Janine and I got married in Maui. Other than that we've had a few travel adventures to Arizona, Boston, New York, Texas, Palm Springs and Santa Barbara.

Other than that all is good. I'm glad to be back and looking forward to more in-person Rotary - and non-Rotary - gatherings, hoping for a supremely mediocre finish in the upcoming Road Rally and being a part of The MOST Dynamic Rotary Club In The World!