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LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROTARY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

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**CHRISTY WHITE BROOK**

## 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)



## INTERNATIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE 1986-2024



PROJECTS, PROGRAMS, AND  
SCHOLARSHIPS—293+  
COUNTRIES 43+  
ROTARY FOUNDATION GRANTS 102:  
FUNDING \$2,923,838



# REPORT

from the last meeting



## UPCOMING SPEAKERS



2024

### JUNE - SPEAKER

- 21.....Todd Schultz  
La Jolla Music Society
- 28.....Pres Christy White  
Pres Elect Luke Ervin  
End of Term Summary Presentation

### JULY - SPEAKER

- 5.....Dark
- 12.....Luke Ervin  
Luke's Opening Meeting  
Plans for 2024-25
- 19.....Steve and Lisa  
The Waves Project

**President Christy** called the meeting to order at 7:30 AM and welcomed Rotarian of the Day **David Chong**.

David spoke about the importance of community in his opening remarks. He then went on to describe his great grandfather and how he was instrumental in the foundation of their family. He started humbly in Hawaii and went on to create a Chinese silk business, investing, and ultimately a successful real estate business which resulted in financial security for the family. David spoke of his grandfather's wisdom and about his closeness to him.

Guests were introduced including first time visitor **Kate McDevitt, Seu Fang, Eric Bandy** accompanied by 3 Preuss students for the program. Marty was "mugged" and high fives centered around **Shaoni Bandy**, Preuss college advisor, and her tireless work helping us with many programs at Preuss.

**Brett** told us about the Bro-Am which will take place at Moonlight Beach on June 15. **Alan Galgut** spoke of the dinner for the VA patients on 6/12 and informed us that it was over-subscribed with volunteers. **Stephen Tako** went on to speak about our recently resurrected Vocational Service Committee and plans for its future. **Krishna** invited us all to a party hosted by Bonnie and Krishna on August 3 with details to follow.

The program for the day was a discussion of projects of the Youth Services Committee for the past year. **Eric Mjoen** and **Dianne Day** introduced the many successful projects.

**Fary Moini** spoke of the ongoing Zoom interchanges between Preuss Interact students and their peers in Afghanistan. These calls have occurred 4 times this year and are continuing. They provide the Afghani students with a much needed contact outside their usual lives and give them hope under their difficult conditions.

**Dianne Day** described the Salk Mobile Science project which we have supported for many years which brings science projects to students all over San Diego. She also told us about the LEAD program where we send 2 8th grade Preuss students to a weekend program where they learn ethical practices and leadership skills.

Preuss 11th grade students **Sabrina Haji** and **Kamila Ramirez** told us about their experiences at RYLA this year. They spoke about the opportunity to meet so many other diverse students from all over San Diego and the quality of the speakers. The event was both fun and "life changing" for both of them.

Preuss 10th grade student **Sofia Garcia** represented 2 teams of students whom we sent to the Rotary Model UN program. She expressed that the Conference was better than she had expected and allowed her to develop peace building skills and afforded her the opportunity to overcome her fears of addressing a large audience. We have been sending Preuss students to Rotary MUN since its inception over 15 years ago.

**Marty Rosenstein** described our Student of the Month

program that recognizes graduating Preuss students who have overcome academic challenges to improve their GPA while at the same time performing service to their school and community. This year we awarded \$10,000 in scholarships to these students based on where the money would make the most impact in helping them with their college needs. Marty also told us about Preuss Interact and UCSD Rotaract. This year they both continued to perform much service under excellent leadership of their respective Boards. For the first time they collaborated on several service projects.

**Cynthia Villis** presented Upward Bound which this year awarded gifts to 31 students at Kearney High School and Hoover High School. The students are acknowledged for their successes on the way to college. Cynthia introduced **Seu Fang**, a former Upward Bound student, who now serves as the Director of USD Upward Bound program. He described how the program inspired him and showed a short video.

**Christy** announced that Community Service would meet after the regular meeting and dismissed us.

Correction to last week report

**Carolyn Fritz** was recognized as a new Paul Harris Fellow. Apology for error. Congrats Carolyn. (M. Bardin, reporter)

~Reporter

*Martin  
Rosenstein*

# PHOTOS FROM LAST MEETING



## Membership Tips:

IT SOUNDS SIMPLE, BUT THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO GROW MEMBERS IS “ASK SOMEONE”

REPEATEDLY INVITE PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS UNLESS YOU GET A DEFINITIVE “NO” FROM THEM.

ENSURE THAT PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS FEEL IMPORTANT. INTRODUCE THEM TO OTHER MEMBERS AND SIT WITH THEM.

## 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?

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**LJGT ROTARY LEADERSHIP 2023 - 2024**

PRESIDENT .....Christy White Brook

VICE PRESIDENT ..... Linda Stouffer Wallis

PRESIDENT ELECT (2024-25) ..... Luke Ervin

PRESIDENT ELECT ELECT (2025-26) ..... David Chong

TREASURER ..... Sharon Council

SECRETARY ..... Ranjan Lahiri



**JUNE** 2024

June 21 - Alex Monroe

June 28 - David Tansey



**ROTARIAN**  
 OF THE DAY

**PHILLIP MORGAN**

37-year-old professional from Kansas City, Missouri. His academic journey began at a community college in Nebraska on a basketball scholarship. Further educational pursuits included prerequisite coursework for Pharmacy school while working as a pharmacy technician in a hospital setting.

With over a decade of experience in the medical domain, he transitioned into entrepreneurship establishing a successful carpet cleaning company. He now works for Servpro in La Jolla and Chula Vista.

Phillip has a lovely wife and two young children ages two and one. He is deeply grateful for the opportunities afforded to him and eagerly anticipates the challenge and growth opportunities that lie ahead!

