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LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROTARY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

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Rotary Opens Opportunities

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STEVE WEITZEN

LJGT Rotary President 2020-21
EMIDIO DELCONTE

SPEAKERS AND EVENTS



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION 2022



WELCOME Y'ALL

Ready for Lift Off?! We are

On behalf of the Host Organization Committee, we cannot wait to welcome Rotarians and guests to Houston and the great State of Texas for the 2022 Rotary International Convention. The saying goes that everything is "Bigger", "Better" and "Friendlier" in Texas, and the goal of the Houston Host Organization Committee is to have each of you feel that every moment as our guest while in Houston! From the humble beginnings of this great city, Houston has been led by "People of Action" who have taken this City to great heights including, to the moon and back.

The City has plenty of activities to keep you entertained. Visit Space Center Houston, the home of Johnson Space Center and the Astronauts. Enjoy a night at the theater. Houston features a world class symphony, opera, ballet and permanent theater company. World class museums are within a short ride from the convention center. Of course, you can watch the 2017 World Series Champion Houston Astros at Minute Maid Park which is walking distance from the Houston Convention Center.

Houston is one of the most diverse cities in the world with a vast range of cultures. Houston's diversity has resulted in some of the world's best cuisine. Houston's vast array of restaurants include Creole, Chinese, Thai, Vietnamese, Italian, African, Caribbean, Argentinian and of course our very own Tex-Mex and world famous BBQ, to name a few.

Stay tuned to this website for some exciting things to look forward to during your trip to Houston!

We look forward to welcoming each of you personally to Houston in June of 2022!!

PDG Rhonda Kennedy
Chair Host Organization Committee 2022



REPORT

from the last meeting



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HERBERT J. TAYLOR

Rotarian of the Day

Our Rotarian of the Day was Rick Clark, who led us in a Rotary prayer and then showed us a video montage that highlighted the impact that our club has had in Afghanistan. The rough estimate is that 47,000 young people in Jalalabad have been impacted through our efforts. The video was a poignant reminder of all that our club has accomplished and what ordinary Rotarians can achieve through fellowship, service, and the support of their friends and colleagues.

Announcements

Emidio reminded the club of the survey sent out by the incoming Social Committee to gauge the club's interest in further social outings and activities. The club is also having another social event on July 3rd at Emidio's hanger at Gillespie Field. We are also dark on the Friday before the July 4th weekend.

Jacquie Reily also reminded us that the Rotary International Convention will be held virtually from June 12 to June 16, 2021. Rotary International has also nominated Jennifer Jones to be the first woman RI president in the history of Rotary International. Kim Schaffer also reminded everyone that June 25 is going to the promote/demote ceremony.

Steve Brown advised the club that one of the people who was responsible for starting the club, George Carter Jessup, passed away. We are grateful to him for helping to start the Most Dynamic Rotary Club in the World. Bev Frischner also reminded us that the District Governor's Diner and Promote/Demote was on calendar for June 28 and that there are tickets available.

Fary Moini also announced that due to the gracious donations of Jan Percival, Linda Stouffer-Wallace, and other Rotarians, they were able to open up the computer labs in the school in Afghanistan for three months during the summer, which were not able to open due to funding issues. Fary also wanted to thank Bill Busch who is helping to train these young women on how to start a business and Rick Clark and Cynthia Villas who have been working with the young students.

Nancy Gatschet also announced our upcoming fundraiser on September 25 at 4:00 p.m, which will be the Quintessential Fly In. This will be a party like none of us have experienced and will be aimed at raising a lot of money to fund our various projects. There will be lots of unique prizes available to attendees.

Presentation of the Day

Our presentation this week was by Tim Pinkney, a fellow Rotarian and member of IFFr (International Fellowship of Flying Rotarians). Tim is a currently a NASA Solar System Ambassador.

Tim presented an engaging presentation on the Perseverance Mission that is being conducted on Mars. The mission is the successor to the Curiosity Mars rover. Tim provided an overview of the history of Mars exploration and the complexities involved in landing on Mars. Tim also taught us about Ingenuity, the first helicopter, to successfully fly on another planet. The Perseverance Mission landed in Jezero Crater on the Red Planet on February 18, 2021. Perseverance is the most sophisticated rover NASA has sent to Mars searching for signs of ancient microbial life and beginning to pave the way for human exploration beyond the Moon. It should not be long before the first Rotary Club is established on another planet.

~Reporter

Ranjan Lahiri

ANNOUNCEMENT



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Our Club's District Grant for year 2016-17, for the Renovation of the Rotary Literacy Center in Jhang Saddar, Pakistan, was highlighted at the RI Convention being held virtually this week. This was the 2nd of 2 projects that Krishna initiated, along with Khalid Haider, his counterpart Rotarian (now deceased) in Pakistan. It was featured, among other international projects, by trustee-elect Larry Lundsford in a breakout session on The Annual Fund on Sunday, June 13. It was an incredible honor for our Club to have our District Grant be featured on the global stage. The sessions are recorded, so anyone who is registered to attend the Convention can watch the session at any time thru the end of the year.

District Grant

**Renovation of Literacy
Center in Jhang, Pakistan**



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JUNE 2021
25..... Antonio Grillo-Lopez



ROTARIAN
OF THE DAY

BRADLEY DAY



Bradley was born and raised in Glendale, California, but he has enjoyed making a life for himself in San Diego. In his education, he's taken an interest in studying people, the human brain, and serving those in need. He hopes his professional endeavors continue along a path that necessitates empathy, creativity, diverse opinions, and building up his community. Bradley continues work at the Braille Institute as an instructor for various services, including accessible technology, youth programs, young adult workshops, and helping out in whatever ways he can. Some of his greatest joys at work include collaborating with fantastic teams of coworkers, the ability to innovate within his responsibilities, and the focus on the needs of the students.

Outside of Rotary and work, Bradley has spent the past year involved in his church community, participating in Sunday services, attending religious classes, and socializing with other young adults. Additionally, Bradley occasionally cares for his grandmother, who has Alzheimer's disease.