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LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROTARY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

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District 5340 Governor 2022-23
CHARLES PRETTO

LJGT Rotary President 2022-23
NANCY GATSCHET

SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

MARCH 2023 - *SPEAKER*

- 10..... Tamara Carson
Cygnet Theater
- 17..... Dave Oates
World Lacrosse Championships
- 24..... Holly Shaffner
Honor Flight



CAROLINE PERRY, COO



SAN DIEGO PADRES

Caroline Perry was promoted to her current position of Chief Operating Officer in January 2023. She is the highest-ranking female employee in Padres history and is currently one of only two female COO's in Major League Baseball (other: Marti Wronski, Brewers).

The 2023 season marks Perry's 13th with the Padres after originally joining the club as associate general counsel in April 2011. In her current role, she oversees the Padres' ballpark operations, business strategy and analytics, legal, finance, government affairs and information technology operations.

Perry has been involved in many large-scale projects for the Padres, including the Padres' development project at Tailgate Park, negotiations with the City of San Diego surrounding the All-Star Game and the management of Petco Park and the sale of the team to the current ownership group in 2012.

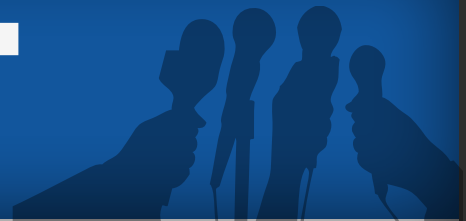
Prior to joining the Padres, Perry worked as a corporate attorney for Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP in the Bay Area and Cravath Swaine & Moore LLP in New York, where she focused primarily on corporate finance and general corporate matters. Prior to graduating from law school, Perry was an account management associate at BlackRock, the world's largest asset manager.

A native of San Diego, Perry graduated with honors from Stanford University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Human Biology. Perry earned her law degree from Columbia University, where she was a James Kent scholar and managing editor of the Columbia Business Law Review. She serves on the board of directors of Make-a-Wish, the California Lawyers Foundation and the Association of Corporate Counsel. Perry and her husband, Adam, live in La Jolla with their two daughters, Adeline and Amelia.



REPORT

from the last meeting



THE FOUR WAY TEST



OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY OR DO

01

IS IT THE TRUTH?

Pinch hitting for President Nancy Gatschet, Past President **Jacquie Reilly** got us going on time.

ROTD **Charlie Mackay** brought a slew of words of wisdom. From his grandmother: "Everything Is Going to Be OK". And the "Best Ability Is Availability". Charlie is a club board member and serves on our speakers' committee. He gave a shout out to Jacquie as his club sponsor and mentor. He has become a partner in his wealth management firm. He and fiancée **Matthea** are engaged to be married March 2, 2024 in Sayulita, outside of Puerto Vallarta. "The Best Way to Reconnect Is to Solicit Advice", which he sought in the areas of long distance relationships, marriage, and career. Since he has not been joining us in person much, his email for receiving advice is Charles.Mackay@wfa.net.com.

Jacquie implored us to step it up with our applause for guests. With that **Bonnie Arora** introduced **Laura Siegel** (Carlsbad evening club & 8 year-Rotarian), Rotaractor **Christian** and PDG Mel Gallegos with wife Judy Gallegos.

Announcements:

Christian: UCSD Wapi project on Sunday March 12 for water purification, 11a to 4p. Can attend during any time during that window with food "likely" provided.

Linda Stouffer: Club annual meeting is next Friday morning. It is important for various elections and we need a quorum, so please attend.

On the April 29 Rotarians at Work day we will have a happy hour at Bev Laursen's home, 4-6, to send our well wishing to **Rick Binder** and **Janine Pack** in their move to Florida.

Jan Bernardy: Attendees last week chose an item to bring for Ukrainian refugees. Please bring the item you selected, and now the project has been broadened to include clothing. Only women's clothing and toiletries are requested, please.

Chris Muhart: "Road Rally" on May 6 will be different this year.

Half day in the morning, ends at beer garden.

Dianne Day: Contact her for any club speaker suggestions.

Fine Master **Rich Papike** delivered chastisement to Rotaracter Christian for inadvertently running his fingers through his hair, a flaunting of privilege in front of a Fine Master who does not share this equity and inclusion.

Louise Andres proudly let us know that her son is now a police officer. Closing out High Fives, our Fine Master is pleased to be back to baseball after knee replacements and apparently can still put up the stats.

Our presentation was driven by **Cynthia Willis** on 20 Years of Building Peace: Rotary Scholars at the Kroc School of Peace Studies.

Cynthia's presentation was bookended by encouragement to consider serving as club President, as an experience of the heart. Cynthia recently retired from USD, and continues to volunteer at the Kroc school.

Joan Kroc's vision was to teach peace and make peace, with contributions totalling \$85 million towards that end. Various degrees are available in MA, MS, and JD in the areas of peace, social innovation, law, and mediation. Rotary Scholars live on campus, are hosted by Rotarians, make presentations, and complete their degrees in 12 to 24 months.

Steve Brown brought details on the Rotary scholarship program, which has funded 34 scholars from 21 countries. Historically, \$15,000 came from clubs, matched by the district, with the Kroc School adding another \$30,000. Two years ago the district shifted so that clubs need to contribute more. Steve and Cynthia are advocating for the district to revert to the previous funding regime.

Our club is often directly involved with scholars, by hosting, etc. **Antonio** and **Maria Grillo** have sponsored several scholars.

Cynthia then presented results

from a recent survey of past scholars.

Saba Kidane (Eritrea) 2003. Founded Eritrean Satellite TV (ERISAT). Received in Eritrea & worldwide.

Yohane Mosara (Tanzania) 2004. Principal Judge, East African Court of Justice.

Ali Hersi (Tanzania) 2006. Manages relief programs.

Qiuwan Zhao (China) 2009. Raised \$1.5M in donations. Direct service to groups of 100 people.

Alex Ouma (Uganda) 2011. Working on World Bank funding program for \$22M in several countries.

Jean Mendieta (Mexico) 2014. Co-Founder of Acto Creativo: Social Transformation Lab.

Naumana Suleman (Pakistan) 2015. Manager of Catholic Commission for Peace.

Veronica Musa (Argentina) 2019. Founder Public Interest and Human Rights.

Nurjamal Shadieva (Kyrgyzstan) 2023 intends to advocate for Uzbeks.

Finally, our current Rotary Scholar **Sharon Mwangi** told us about herself and her goals. Her motivation arises from the post-election violence against women and children that she witnessed in her home country of Kenya. Her goal is to impact African communities in conflict by building inter-agency collaboration to bring peace to Africa.

Jacquie closed our meeting with a selected Maya Angela quote:

In our joy, we think we hear a whisper. At first it is too soft. Then only half heard. We listen carefully as it gathers strength. We hear a sweetness. The word is Peace. It is loud now. It is louder. Louder than the explosion of bombs.

~Reporter

David Chong



PHOTOS FROM LAST MEETING



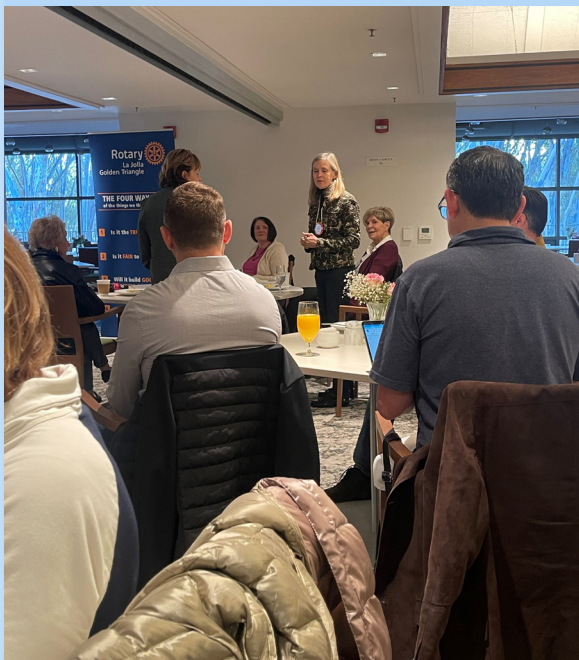
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IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?

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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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 PAST-PRESIDENT/FOUNDATION Jacquie Reilly



MARCH 2023

- March 10 - Bonnie Arora
- March 17 - Ellen Bryson
- March 24 - Allan Galgut
- March 31 - Luke Ervin



ROTARIAN
 OF THE DAY

TIM FRONCZEK

Tim was born in Saratoga Springs, New York. He was a navy brat, so he moved around the United States before ultimately settling into San Diego. After graduating high school at Mount Miguel, he started a print shop and envelope manufacturing plant. After selling both businesses, he got into computer coding which led to a great career working for Microsoft, then Creative Touch Interiors, which was bought out by Home Depot. He worked for them up until he and his son, Kevin started an IT business, The Computer Admin, 14 years ago.

He was previously married to his then wife, Jody, for 21 years and he has two children named Kevin and Kyle, who are now 38 and 35 years old respectively. He is a proud grandpa of two grandchildren - Maeve (4) and Declan (1). He is currently married to his husband, Leo, of nine years. They are both avid travelers and have travelled together to the Middle East, Asia, Europe, Central America, and several destinations in The United States. They are planning to continue their traveling adventures by spending even more time overseas during retirement. In his spare time he enjoys going to the gym, cooking, and baking bread.

He was involved in Rotary at the Downtown Rotary Breakfast Club for four years until Covid. After Covid, he was asked by Christy White to visit this club and he's felt at home ever since. He and his husband have participated in the wreath laying, canyon clean up, and the beach clean up. Christy White has asked that he chair the community service committee and he will be reaching out to all of you to get involved.

