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LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROTARY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

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Rotary Opens Opportunities

RI President 2020-21
HOLGER KNAACK

District 5340 Governor 2020-21
STEVE WEITZEN

LJGT Rotary President 2020-21
EMIDIO DELCONTE

SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

MAY 2021- SPEAKER

14.....	Cade Metz AI Innovations
21.....	Wade Nomura



DREAM HAHN AND WONDERBUS ENTERTAINMENT



dreamhahn.com

ERNIEHAHN

Ernie Hahn has been in the sports and Entertainment space in San Diego for the last 30 years as the GM of the Sports Arena (Pechanga Arena) and co founder of the Wonderfront Festival. Ernie has recently started Dream Hahn, an Experiential Marketing company working with local San Diego companies like Infinium Spirits while activating Wonderbus Entertainment. Wonderbus Is a one of a kind rolling sound stage and Entertainment platform which centers around a converted double decker bus with a converted top deck with a stage, sound and light and rolling music production.





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from the last meeting



ROTARY ANNOUNCEMENT



NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING ~ OF THE ~ MEMBERSHIP OF THE LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE

Rotary Club Foundation

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2021

At the regular meeting of our Club, our Foundation will hold its annual meeting of the Members of the Foundation on May 31st in order to reelect Sharon Council and Tony Grillo as Directors.

President Emidio

called the meeting to order promptly at 7:30 am and welcomed Rotarian of the Day, Erin Mulligan.

Erin led us in a spirited Pledge of Allegiance, despite the fact that we numbered in the low 40s. She then read a heartwarming poem entitled, Orange, to commemorate the end of April (Poetry Month).

After graduating from the University of California – Santa Cruz, **Erin** moved to San Diego to join the Pacific Beach Rotaract Club as the Service Coordinator.

She has a diverse background that includes a study abroad experience in South Africa (attended Rotaract clubs there as well) and extensive outdoor travels in the continental United States.

Like every Rotary Club, the PB contingent did their best to continue living by the 4-way Test despite the limitations

imposed by the global pandemic.

Between beach clean-ups (600 lbs. in the trailing 12 months) and e-events, the club has done well under **Erin's** guidance to thrive to and through the struggle.

She concluded by inviting us to the Rotaract 5340 End of Year Service Event on 5/22. They will be cleaning up the Downtown at. If interested, please meet in the Park in the Park at 10AM.

TRANSITIONING TO VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS, THE CLUB WELCOMED:

- **Stephen Tako** – Children's book author, Mortgage lender for Bank of America

- Starting non-profit organization
- Worked with the Rotary Club in Santa Clarita, but

now staying in UTC

- **Chris Bodo** –

Associate studies at Platt College

- Cybersecurity and programming
- Associated in Graphic Design

- **Maddie Goodpaster** – Undergrad at SDSU

- International Business and Political Science
- Increasing interest in Rotary

Rick Papike led us in a rousing round of High Fives from Shelia Henry, Jackie Reilly, Alex Monroe, and Brett Morey to name a few. Ron Kohl added that the next Membership Seminar would take place on 5/8 from 8:00-9:30. The guest speaker will address the need to attract millennials to our clubs.

President Emidio then made two



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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?

HERBERT J. TAYLOR

announcements. The first was regarding our ongoing search for a volunteer to run the AV for the upcoming “hybrid” meetings. If interested, please reach out to him directly. The second detailed tomorrow’s Social Event at Gillespie Field. The President will welcome all comers to his hangar at the airfield starting at 4 PM. BYOB!

Finally, I had the pleasure of introducing this week’s speaker: **Mike Eastwood**. **Mike** and his wife, **Jenny**, are the owners and operators of Small Goods in La Jolla. The meat & cheese shop has served as a refuge for the local community in what has proven to be an extremely trying time.

After successful careers in movie production, **Mike** and **Jenny** moved from New York City back to Australia. It was there that the idea for Small Goods was born. As charcuterie is to the French, “*small goods*” are to the Australians.

Upon arriving in San Diego, the duo worked the Farmers’ Market circuit to expand their reach. After settling on a brick-and-mortar location on La Jolla Boulevard, they opened their shop in early February of 2020. Not long after that, the real struggle began.

For the next 4 months, Small Goods was the only shop open in the immediate area. Opening a small business is a difficult task in a normalized economic environment. In a global pandemic, it is a seemingly insurmountable task. However, **Mike** and **Jenny** pushed on.

Inspired by their affinity for local farmers and their essential offerings (**Jenny** was born in Peoria, IL), they invited vendors to open pop-up shops in front of their store. Not only were they able to support growers who would otherwise potentially cease operations, but they were provided locals with a COVID-

safe shopping experience.

After 85 pop-ups and 1000s of socially-distanced customers served, Small Goods is still open today. The shop is located at 7524 La Jolla Blvd, La Jolla, CA 92037, serving everything from salads & sandwiches to coffee & pastries. The hours are Tues-Sat 9-5ish Thurs/Fri till 6.

Mike concluded by appealing to the club with a message of compassion and understanding. Small businesses have been tested beyond belief in the last year. He requested that we consumers support them with our dollars and accommodate them with our kindness.

~Reporter

Charles Mackay

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07.....Michael Slentz
14.....Jacquie Reilly
21.....Niki Brown



ROTARIAN
OF THE DAY



MICHAEL SLENTZ



Since the last time I was Rotarian of the day, not much has changed. I still work for Microsoft as a consultant. It is a great place to work and I really enjoy my colleagues. I'm traveling a lot more, but I'm having fun and can still make it to Rotary every week. I'm excited to have more variety in my job as I move from project to project.

My family is doing great. My daughter **Isabelle** is going to start high school next year and is into theatre and playing tennis. She's likes sci-fi and superhero movies. My wife is doing work as a nutritionist, photographer and keeping up with **Isabelle**.

~ Michael Slentz

