

# THE ROTATOR

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If you missed our March 7th program, *Kim McKewon: Climbing My Everest*, you may click on the picture below to view a video of it.



A special *thank you* to our Rotary News sponsor, Elizabeth Fitzsimons and Episcopal Community Services.

How did you like this week's program? Take the survey by clicking HERE.

This Week: San Diego Unified School District Board President Shana Hazan and VP Cody Petterson



Cannot attend in person?

Here is the weekly recurring **ZOOM LINK** to tune in virtually at <u>12:30pm.</u>

You may also phone in to listen to the meeting: Phone: 1-669-900-6833

Password: 84935003462# (include the "pound" sign).

#### **LOBBYING**

#### **STEM Committee**

If you are interested in anything to do with STEM, or just might want to see students deeply enmeshed in profound thinking, pondering "what the heck went wrong with my coding of the robot", or see the exuberant "Hi Fives" after seeing their robots complete a "Challenge", a "Challenging Course or Task", drop by to see the future generation in action at one of our "Botball Challenges" (for the Elementary students) or "Botball Competitions" (for the Middle and High School students).

You are invited to come and be transformed, like the students themselves, as they become involved in the Rotary STEM activities.

Here is a recent video that illuminates some of our impact ... STEM Overview

#### PAC FUNDING APPLICATIONS DUE!

For all of our committee Chairs, Co-Chairs or Vice Chairs:

The final date that applications will be accepted is Thursday, March 21, 2024. However, as the committee needs to go through each application and score them, it would be most appreciated if you could submit your application as soon as possible so that the committee has adequate time to carry out their task.

You will notice that this year's application has been revamped to include more substantive questions relevant to how PAC does its work to ensure that our members' donations to the Club are wellspent.

The form may be accessed here:

https://sandiegorotary.wufoo.com/forms/pac-grant-application-20242025/jordan@rotary33.org.

## 2024 TRIP TO AFRICA

San Diego Rotary Uganda-Kenya Trip April 24-May 7, 2024

Click here for more details!

## **MARCH 11-17 BIRTHDAYS**

March 12: Mary Zoeller

March 13: Wendy Urushima-Conn

March 14: Jere With

#### WELCOME NEW MEMBER



Terry Caskey is the Director of Engineering at Illumina. You can learn about him by watching the video of this week's meeting, linked on page 1, or by <u>clicking here.</u>

## BEQUEST SOCIETY RECEPTION

If you are already a member of the Bequest Society, or if you are interested in learning more about becoming one, <u>please use this link</u> for the invitation to this year's Bequest Society Reception.



#### **COMMITTEES AT WORK**

The Strategic Planning Committee met at the JRYMCA Tuesday, March 5th, to review and analyze the results of the survey given these past few months.



Congratulations to everyone who participated in 2024 Camp Enterprise for another successful experience!



## **UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

March 21 4-Way Speech Contest



March 28
World Design Capital: Mai Nguyen



#### April 4th

Rolf Benirschke: Former NFL Kicker for the Chargers, Endangered Animal Activist, Spokesperson for the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation



## FACES IN THE CROWD

Photos courtesy of Paul Nestor





(Lt.) Members of the STEM Committee Sam Rinaker, Doug Arbon, R.B. Johnson and Roger Haines promote their work in the community. (Rt.) Suzy Spafford with the wife and a daughter of Don Tartre's before his eulogy given by Guy Maddox.





(Lt.) Ben Clay with his son. (Rt.) Judy Thompson, Toni Giffin, Ingrid de Llamas, Denise Scatena, Wendy McKinney and Nancy Sasaki welcome guests.





(Lt.) Our newest member, **Terry Caskey**, introducing himself. (Rt.) Guest speakers **Ray McKewon** and Kim McKewon receive a standing ovation.