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# The Object of Rotary

THE FOUR WAY TEST: OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY, AND DO

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all Concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOOD WILL and better Friendships?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all Concerned?

# The Paso Oak Leaf

Rotary Club of Paso Robles, California 93 years of service to the Community Charter granted January 15, 1924 www.pasoroblesrotary.org November 16, 2017

# Dr. Jim Brescia, San Luis Obispo County Superintendent of Schools

We are very fortunate to have so many community leaders as members of our Rotary club. One of these is Dr. Jim Brescia, who serves as SLO County Superintendent of Schools and has been a member of Rotary for 20 years. As Jim wrote in the Annual Education Report for 2017-18: "The SLO County Office of Education has the opportunity to lead our local educational community in educating our future citizenry. We believe that education is a social justice issue, ensures our democracy, and is a fundamental right for everyone. Our office promotes student success by supporting the work of local school districts,

delivering specialized student services and providing county-wide leadership and advocacy for the needs of all children."

Jim was born in Lynwood and raised in the Bay Area. James received his undergraduate degree from UC San Diego, his doctorate from UC Santa Barbara and an additional graduate degree from Cal State Dominguez Hills. Jim has a tremendous breadth of experience as a elementary, middle & high school principal, migrant education program specialist, superintendent, chief human



resources officer, chief business official and development director. He now leads an organization with 230 employees and a budget of \$41 M.

Jim has many interests and skills. He is a talented singer and has appeared on stage for musicals at Wine Country Theatre. He is a strong proponent of the recent efforts to expand visual & performing arts curriculums for all students in the county. He is also passionate about Rancho El Chorro, a Rotary sponsored outdoor school and nature preserve that has served over 250,000 children from SLO County and other schools. This project has attracted interest and sponsorship from eleven Rotary clubs including the international club in Nayarit, Mexico. Our \$5,000 donation to Rancho El Chorro this week will help fund two new yurts, a tent-like structure used to shelter students.

### Birthdays in the Next 30 Days

Julie (Mark) Perry	Nov 16	Terry (Joe) Irick	Dec 13
Lisa (Justin) Davis	Nov 27	Joyce Gains	Dec 14
Abe Flory	Dec 9		

## Anniversaries This Week & Next

John & Laura Fisher	Nov 23	Greg & Deborah Jaeger	Nov 26
Lars & Sheri Jorgensen	Nov 23	Fred & Kathy Roy	Nov 29
Ty & Sarah Lewis	Nov 24		

# **Coming Programs**

### Today: Marjorie Hamon, Camino de Santiago-The Way,

- Nov 23: Thanksgiving No Meeting
- Nov 30: David Cooke, Executive Director, Paso Robles Housing Authority
- Dec 7: Warren Frace, Community Development Director, Paso Robles Planning Commission
- Dec 14: Rotary Christmas Party, Paso Robles Inn, No Host Bar-6 PM, Dinner-7 PM

# News You Can Use

- <u>Rotary Christmas Party</u> This year's holiday party will be the evening of **Dec 14** at the **Paso Robles Inn.** Music by Route 66. Tickets are \$75 pp that includes wine at the table. **No host bar at 6 PM, Dinner at 7 PM.** Please RSVP to Nicolette Harley-Barth before Dec 11.
- <u>Please Vote for Honor Flight</u> Pac Eye is sponsoring a Give Back Charity Challenge. The charity with the most votes wins \$5,000, but total of \$10,000 in prizes will be awarded. Honor Flight provides WWII veterans an all expenses paid a trip to Washington DC to visit the WWII memorial. Please cast your vote <u>every day</u> at: http://www.paceyemd.com/cast-your-vote-2017/ Contact Rex Thornhill for further details.
- <u>Wine Country Theatre's Gypsy</u> Theatre founder Cynthia Anthony has announced that the production of this Tony award winning musical is now set for **Nov 17 - Dec 3**. Tickets or performance times are available at WineCountryTheatre.com or 1(800) 838-3006.
- <u>Nutcracker</u> The North County Dance & Performing Arts Foundation is presenting this holiday classic **Dec 7-10** at the Templeton Performing Arts Center. Please contact Jim Moffatt for more information.

Nicholas Mattson Inducted - Nic is the new editor of *Paso Robles Magazine* that he purchased from Bob Chute. Nic was born and raised in Atascadero. He met his wife Haley at Templeton High School. They have three children: Mirac, Elle, & Max. (Photo at right has Nic receiving his pin from sponsor & mentor Bob Chute.)





Our club sponsors a variety of deserving local charities. These donations are possible through our large fund raising activities like the annual Golf Tournament & Auction. Last Thursday, three worthy charities received checks. From the top, Diane O'Dell, founder of the Morningstar Youth Ranch receives \$2,500 from Rick Goree & Lars Jorgensen. The middle photo has Rick & CASA board member Julie Richardson presenting a \$5,000 check to CASA President Tom Dobvns. The bottom photo has Rick, Gail Tannehill, and Jim Brescia present a \$2,500 check for Rancho El Chorro to Steve Geil, past president of the Cuyucos Rotary Club.