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### Monthly Luncheon:

Thursday, February 21, 2019

Speaker: Mike Brown, Director  
Government Affairs, COLAB

### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS:

6<sup>th</sup> - Josie Hyde

7<sup>th</sup> - Debbie Richards

18<sup>th</sup> - Tom Rost

23<sup>rd</sup> - Audrey McManus

23<sup>rd</sup> - Louise Gorfain

27<sup>th</sup> - Nancy Sands

If we missed your birthday, please email your information to Josie at [bcarver@outlook.com](mailto:bcarver@outlook.com)



### February Speaker

Mike Brown

Government Affairs Director of COLAB of both  
San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties

The two COLABs are separate, non-partisan, non-profit government watchdogs and advocates representing farmers, ranchers, vineyards, developers, professional firms, contractors, and publicly spirited citizens who oppose increased government regulation, fees and taxes.

Mr. Brown is a graduate of the California State University at Northridge, BA in Government, and the University of Texas at Austin, MA in Public Administration. He went on to a 42-year career in local government management in several cities across the country, and most recently, County Executive Officer for Santa Barbara County, from which he retired after 14 years of service. He has earned many awards for his management performance over the years. He is an advocate of the separation of politics from administration and believes that professional officials and staff experts should refrain from participation in politics (other than to vote). Reciprocally, elected officials should allow professionals to develop analysis and policy recommendations free from political influence. The governing body of a public agency can then select from a choice of policy alternatives uncontaminated by a faction, party or dominant individual.

Let's give Mr. Brown a warm welcome.



Our January speaker, Si Tennenberg, updated us on his latest activities concerning "care" packages to U. S. Troops deployed in remote areas around the world. Beginning with shipments to Iraq and Afghanistan, boxes are now being sent to over 30 locations and may include items for children and other civilians, too. The troops are very appreciative of all the support they are receiving from the U.S. by "people they don't know!" It is important for troop morale that these shipments continue. You may contact Mr. Tennenberg at [sitenspot@aol.com](mailto:sitenspot@aol.com) to pick up a package to mail, or he will accept monetary donations to help defray postal costs and to purchase items requested by the troops.

### 40 Prado Homeless Services Center

The 40 Prado Services Center is new and now open. We have been donating small hotel toiletries from our members' travels for many years now. This is a reminder to bring any shampoo, conditioner, lotion, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes to our monthly meeting for the collection bag. When I get a grocery bag full, I make a trip to the center to drop off. They are very grateful. Lorie Noble

### Membership Corner

This is just a reminder to those of you who have not yet renewed your membership to do so as soon as possible. The membership year runs from January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>. For 2018 we were one of only a few clubs that showed an increase in membership; most clubs showed a decrease! Let's have 100% renewal and strive to add more members!

If you are not receiving the monthly E-vite for our luncheons, please email Pat Kenner at [pkenner@charter.net](mailto:pkenner@charter.net). The E-vite is usually sent on the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month. Also included is the reminder that reservations for the luncheons are due the FRIDAY BEFORE THE LUNCHEON DATE. You may respond to the E-vite (preferred) or call Gayle at (805) 772-2841.

Reminder that our major fund raiser is coming up in April. We will be collecting items to sell at the Morro Bay Community-Wide Yard Sale on Saturday, April 6th. This will be held at Lorie Noble's residence, and she will be accepting donations beginning in March. Pick up is also offered. So now is the time to gather your donations. There will also be sign-up sheets at the luncheons for workers to sort, price, set up, sell, and break-down the day of the sale and the day before. Don't forget, we can't accept large pieces of furniture or clothing, due to space restrictions. If you have any large pieces of furniture or clothing to sell, why not consider selling them online or locally and donating the proceeds to the club. We are looking forward to a wonderful and profitable sale!

Happy  
Valentine's  
Day

