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SAN DIEGO ROTARY CLUB

Love is in the Air and Well...Everywhere!



Richard Ledford
Editor

It was a day for romance and for remembering the value of our relationships. The Club celebrated this with a Valentine's Day program... which was nothing short of fantastic!

Prez Peter opened the meeting by recognizing the STEM Committee for their excellent work. **Chris Sichel**, who apparently didn't speak a word until he was three, lead us in the Inspirational Moment, which, given our program's theme, reviewed in both large and small ways how our Club members do in fact change the world! After the Pledge, and to spirit-us-up, our wonderfully talented Club 33 Singers lead by **Debbie** "Heavenly Voice" **Day** and accompanied by **Byran Verhoye**, brought us to our feet (literally) with *America*. **Stan** "The News" **Lawrence** somehow managed to weave the Bible and baseball together (ask him!) and deliver the latest bad news from Wall Street, sponsored today by **Roy Bell**.

Now as much as I enjoy throwing dead fish (metaphorically, of course) at Club Presidents, I have to give Prez Peter full credit for the very tender and loving way he introduced and thanked his wife and partner, **SL Oleson-Duncan**. Nicely done, Mr. Prez! The Prez went on to welcome all the visitors and the SDSU Rotaracts. Rotaract District 5340 is hosting their 2nd annual WAPI Project (Water Purification Instrument) this Saturday, Feb 13 at UCSD Great Hall. They will be making these fascinating instruments from 8:30am to 2pm if you would like to join them. And ahhhhh...those desserts on the table!! The Prez gave a big shout-out to **AJ Auntun** and the culinary students at the Art Institute of CA-San Diego for their tasty work! Finishing up on the announcements: Club grant applications are now available online with a March 18 deadline for submittal; **Jim Hughes** encouraged us to sign up online for any one of the 11 great Brown Bag Lunch meetings on February 25; **Jan McDonough** pitched the

Four-Way Test Speech Contest which is about to get real on February 22; and **Carri McCormick** promo'd the next Grotarian event on February 23. New member and President/Dean of the Thomas Jefferson School of Law **Tom Guernsey** was introduced and spoke of that institution's commitment to the community as one factor that attracted him here. Welcome to Rotary and a Club that feels the same way, Tom.

How does one define talent? This editor would probably use **Greg Zinser** to define that. Our Chair of the Day has a day job with a very large national company. But Greg's real love is music—all kinds of music—which he is always glad to share with the Club and anyone who cares. In keeping with Valentine's Day, his wife Cheri shared via letter some humorous incidents in their successful marriage. As an observation, it appears it was pure luck on Greg's part that he successfully landed his bride. Mr. Z introduced a program full of more talent: our Club 33 Singers, concert pianist **Bryan Verhoye**, **Paul Nestor**'s internationally recognized (and better looking!) brother guitarist **Gregg Nestor**, and our own opera-quality singers **Steve Hubbard** and **Brandon Horrocks**. To put it in a baseball term, we have a *very* deep bench! All during the program, **Suzy** "The Zoo" **Spafford** created a Valentine illustration to be given away in our raffle, along with 2 brunch-for-two gift certificates at the elegant Westgate Hotel, thanks to **Richard Cox**. We finished off the day with a group-sing of *Let Me Call You Sweetheart*, which caused much hand-holding and hugging. A very special day indeed. But to conclude my report on an even lighter note, I'll borrow from the wisdom of the one-and-only **Pat Crowell** who allowed that we join together on this day of love with our spouses to solve the problems that didn't exist... until we got married! Happy Valentine's Day, Rotarians!!!

Next Meeting

February 18, 2016

A New Heart, A New Era
Pediatric Heart
Transplantation at Rady
Children's Hospital

Guest speakers:

Dr. Donald Kearns
President and CEO, Rady Children's Hospital

Dr. Rakesh Singh
Transplant Cardiologist and Medical Director of the Heart Failure and Transplant Program

Over the last 25 years, all local children needing heart transplantation were referred to institutions outside of San Diego. This required families to temporarily move out of San Diego, leading to disruption of lives and separation of the child from home, friends and community for months to years. This all changed on January 14, 2015 when Rady Children's Hospital performed its first heart transplantation.



Frank Pavel
Chair of the Day



The Rotary office
will be closed on
Monday, Feb. 15 in
observance of
President's Day

QUICK BITS

CLUB 33 GOLF TOURNAMENT

If you are interested in participating in the next round of the Club 33 Golf Tournament at the San Diego Country Club on **February 26**, please contact [Marten Barry](#) or [Alli Lucas](#) to sign up.



SAVE THE DATE

**ROSTER
PHOTOS -
MARCH 10**
One date only!

If you need a photo for our 2016-2017 membership directory or would just like an updated one, a photographer will be available on March 10 from 11:30-12:30 at Liberty Station.

Bequest Society Members

Please remember to update your wills, estates or trusts to include the Rotary Club of San Diego Foundation. [Click here](#) for more information.

BIRTHDAYS

February

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| Steve Treadgold | 16 |
| Sid Tobiason | 18 |
| Scott Silverman | 20 |
| Janet Fagan | 20 |
| Larry Stirling | 20 |
| Elliot Hirshman | 21 |

MEMBERSHIP

Please welcome our newest member to the club:



Thomas Guernsey "Education-Law School Administration." Tom is the President and Dean of the Thomas Jefferson School of Law.

Before moving to California 2 years ago, Tom was President and Dean for Albany Law School in New York for 9 years, and Dean at the Southern Illinois University School of Law for 6 years.

Bill Wise, Marlee Ehrenfeld and David Oates were his sponsors.

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2016-2017 GRANT APPLICATIONS

The Club's Project Allocation Committee (PAC) has begun accepting 2016-2017 grant applications. To be considered by the PAC for a grant, applications must be completed in all respects and received by the Rotary office via email to mary@rotary33.org no later than **March 18, 2016**.

You can find both the grant application memo and the grant application on our website in the About Us, Member Downloads section. You will find them under Foundation Downloads.

<http://www.sandiegorotary.club/about-us/member-information/>

CALENDAR

ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT LIBERTY STATION CONFERENCE CENTER UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

February

18 *Rady Children's First Pediatric Heart Transplant*

25 *Brown Bag Luncheon (no meeting at Liberty Station)*

March

3 *Jack Ford*

GROTARIAN EVENTS

Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego-La Jolla
Tuesday, February 23
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

The Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego (MCASD) is the region's foremost forum devoted to the exploration and presentation of the art of our time, presenting works across all media created since 1950. MCASD provides an unprecedented variety of exhibition spaces and experiences for the community, showcasing an internationally recognized collection and a dynamic schedule of exhibitions and public programs. You can also take in the fabulous ocean view from the Edwards Garden Gallery.

Ticket price is \$30. We will have docent guided tours, heavy hors d'oeuvres and adult beverages. More details to follow soon about the exhibits that we will see!

[Click here](#) to register.

Meetings: Every Thursday at Noon, Liberty Station Conference Center, 2600 Laning Road, San Diego, 92106

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ANNUAL BROWN BAG LUNCHEON

One of the long standing traditions of Rotary, the Brown Bag Luncheon provides members with a chance to visit a vast number of member businesses and join fellow Rotarians at their place of work.

This year's Brown Bag Luncheon will take place on **FEBRUARY 25, 2016**
DEADLINE TO SIGN UP FOR A LUNCH IS BY MIDNIGHT ON FEBRUARY 19.

THERE WILL NOT BE A MEETING AT LIBERTY STATION

- Lunches will be from 12-1:30 pm unless the host has indicated differently in their description.
 - Lunch will be served at all sites.
 - Registration is required in order to participate - please, no walk-ins.
- Guests are welcome but must be registered. You will be charged the normal \$31 lunch fee per guest.
- Each location has limited space available. We will close registration once their max attendees has been reached.
 - You will receive an email confirming your choice of lunch site.

Don't forget to sign in upon your arrival so you can get credit for your attendance. Enjoy!

*Thank you to all of our participating hosts this year and to our
Brown Bag Luncheon Chairs Diana MarJip-Chuh and Jim Hughes for organizing the event!*

2016 Brown Bag Lunch "Menu Selection"



Jackie Robinson Family YMCA

Academy of Our Lady of Peace

San Diego Magazine

NAI San Diego

Art Institute of California-San Diego

Timken Museum of Art

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center

CHP Dispatch Center/Caltrans TMC

Scripps Health

San Diego Oasis

San Diego Humane Society & SPCA

More information on each site and a link to register, click on the link below

<http://www.sandiegorotary.club/event/annual-brown-bag-luncheon/>

SWEETHEARTS PROGRAM 2016



FOUR-WAY TEST SPEECH CONTEST 2016

We are in the countdown! Only 2 weeks left before the 4-Way Speech contest on February 22! Rotarians **Jenni Prisk** and **Phil Blair** gave thoughtful tips on giving a speech as well as explaining how important this will be for them in their futures. The students, shy at first, did a super job of presenting their speech progress. Thanks to **Jack Berkman** for his commitment to these students and to **Janet McDonough** for her committee leadership. And to the Rotarians and Rotaracts who've show up each week to assist.

Dates to remember:

Preliminary Hoover High Contest - Friday, February 19 at 4:00 pm at Price Charities.

Club 33 Speech Contest - Monday, February 22 at 6:00 pm at Price Charities.

Contact [Janet McDonough](#) or [Jack Berkman](#) for more information.

