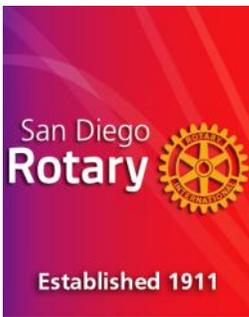


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SAN DIEGO ROTARY CLUB



Dethroning Prez Peter



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Well, for those that missed today's Club meeting where we paid our respects to our outgoing Club **Prez Peter Duncan**...boy, did you miss a Production (with a Capital P)!

The Roast Committee, led by Immediate Past Prez **Michelle Candland** and populated by **Mark Burgess, Debbie Day, Peg Eddy, Wayne Goodermote, Stan Lawrence, Chuck Pretto, Bonnie Schwartz, Jen Weissman** and **Greg Zinser**, put together one of the most remarkable Club roasts ever. Michelle correctly acknowledged that it took a Rotary "village" to put on the program, and judging by the number of actors and extras, it just about took our entire membership to pull this off. Ah! But how, you ask, could you roast all-around-nice-guy and pure-midwestern-nice Peter Duncan? Impossible! Unless, as Greg Zinser explained, "we just made stuff up!" Which of course was exactly what they did.

So what would've happened if Prez Peter's alter ego had served the Club this past year? Well, try **Andy Hewitt** presenting a Trump-like theme of "make Club 33 great again" with promises to build a wall between our no-lunch Rotarians and table Rotarians...and make them pay for it! How about Bryan Verhoye accompanying **Dave Oates** as he belted out an over-the-top version of "Proud to be a American" (even if the lunch ain't free) -- or an award for the ugliest shoes, going to **Joe Craver**, or banning Rotarians who have connections with other service clubs?!

The pace was fast, with actors sliding in and out of cornfields while a cardboard cow placidly looked on. Then we slipped into "The News from Lake Wannabegone," read Prairie-Home-Companion-like by **Mark Trotter**, with pants rolled up and wearing red socks (I'm not kidding). We moseyed out way through time to hear how Petey "Spin" Duncan earned his reputation.

Did you know Prez was an aspiring actor? And still is, according to some, given his profession as an attorney. Keep on spinning, Petey, because next up he was revealed by a host of Rotarian actors as "Super Nice Attorney." Ok, we know that's an oxymoron, but they pulled it off. Oh, yeah, and what's a Club meeting without a military theme? We got one of those, too, with a super-secret group of Rotarians trying to help the Prez with his priorities for the year. It was worth it to see **Chuck Pretto** in drag and **Bob Russell** with his pink backpack! Next up were Zack and the Rotaracts with "Peter Piper Peck of Hair" followed by **The Club 33 Singers** with "If I Had A Hammer - er *Hairline*." Hard not to laugh through that one!

Perhaps the best of tributes came from our Prez's wife and family. It's been said that one can judge the success of a person by how their family feels about them. Clearly, Peter is loved. He is a success in that part of life that means the most. Video cameos from his family made that clear. The videos were followed by the cast singing along with the Singers, to the melody "Leavin' On A Jet Plane"...with the words changed to "Your Time's Up As the Big Guy."

Greg Zinser closed with a special message to his good friend, and also the song "Have You Had Enough", Michelle gifted the Prez with the traditional past president pin and a donation to the CADES Scholarship, and Peter had his last words. A job well done, Mr. President! We thank you for your service and leadership this past year.

A special note of kudos and appreciation to Greg Zinser, who spent his time and talent to write all of the songs for the Roast. And kudos to this year's script writers: Alter Ego by Greg Zinser, Rotary Home Companion by Tom Karlo, Super Nice Lawyer by Mark Burgess, Backpack Boot Camp by Bill Earley and Peter's Pipers by Zackary Albrecht.

Next Meeting

July 7, 2016
DARK
No meeting

July 14, 2016

President's Change of Command Ceremony & a San Diego Padres Panel

Join us for the swearing-in of President John Morrell by his friend and former Mayor Jerry Sanders, followed by a timely and fun update by the San Diego Padres. Owner Tom Seidler, President Mike Dee and General Manager A.J. Preller will comprise a panel moderated by Padres Broadcaster Jesse Agler. This will be immediately after the All-Star Game at Petco and the international draft takes place, making for a timely and interesting update.

We are excited about the upcoming programs scheduled for President John's year! In addition to the Padres, upcoming programs include: an update from the San Diego Chargers; City Attorney Debate; post Olympics talk by Meb Keflezighi; an offsite at MCRD; a speaker from JPL and many more! Please visit our [programs calendar](#) on our website for dates and program details.

QUICK BITS

New Program Costs

In our recent member survey, you gave very high marks to the staff and experience at Liberty Station. The satisfaction level with the lunch increased, and there was a significant increase in the satisfaction with the service and amenities. We have negotiated a multi-year agreement to remain here into the foreseeable future. **Effective July 1, for those of you that eat, there will be a 3.2% increase which equates to a \$1 per lunch increase.**

Also, as we have mentioned, the weekly cost for us is more than just the food cost for lunch. It includes the room rental, A/V, meeting rooms, etc. (Parking is free!) We surveyed the non-eaters who sit at the beverage only tables or in the seats in back. By a more than 10:1 margin, these members agreed that it is fair that they share the cost of the attendance. **Therefore, effective July 1, there will be a \$5 charge per meeting for non-eaters.**

BIRTHDAYS

June

Jean Young	1
Rich Donnelly	2
Patti Roscoe	3
Tom Gable	4
Sandy Mayberry	5
Betty Peabody	7
John Rebelo, Jr.	7
Ben Motten	10
Ignacio De La Torre	10

A Final Farewell

A message from Peter:

It has been my honor to be your President this year. Thank you for the help, support and encouragement that you all provided to me. I appreciate it more than you know.

I am adjourned.

Past President Peter



If you missed the roast and all of the fun, a video will be available soon for you to enjoy.

CALENDAR

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

July

7 **DARK**

14 **Change of Command Ceremony and San Diego Padres Panel**

21 **Zoo Centennial/ SD History Center**

28 **SDYS's International Youth Symphony**

GROTARIAN EVENTS

**Friday, July 22
Marine Recruit Graduation
Time: 7:00 am - 11:30 am
Cost: FREE**

This will be a full-on Marine Corps experience and guaranteed to be an inspiring event!

[Click here](#) for more information and to register.

**Tuesday, September 13
Annual Grotarian Poolside Chat
Time: 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Cost: FREE**

Red Badgers! Please come and learn more about Club 33 and our committees as we enjoy President John Morrell's delicious Pozole by the pool.

[Click here](#) for more information and to register.

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

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PRESIDENT PETER'S ROAST



PETER'S ROAST *continued*



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