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COMETS, METEORITES, AND ASTEROIDS, OH, MY!



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Editor

November is becoming known as the month for mustaches, with the prominent “Movember” movement to grow mustaches to promote men’s health awareness. Our own **President Chuck Pretto** is sporting his own horseshoe mustache (that’s the official

name on Wikipedia), reminiscent of another famous San Diego businessman, Wyatt Earp. **Rick Jackson’s** Inspirational Moment, on the day before the 50th anniversary of the Kennedy Assassination, referenced President Kennedy’s legacy of empowering us to believe our dreams can come true (such as the dream to walk on the moon). The Pledge of Allegiance, led by **Peter Duncan**, went just fine. The singing of “You’re a Grand Old Flag” was done “a cappella” when **Larry Showley** discovered his keyboard was dead. It came to life in time for the song’s last chord.

The News was sponsored by Goodwill’s **Mike Rowan**, and was delivered by **Bert Wahlen**. President Chuck introduced the new incoming Executive Director for Club 33, **Paul Devermann**, who officially starts on December 2. Visiting San Diego State University Rotaracts were welcomed. Chuck announced that the December 30 Holiday Bowl tickets are available for purchase by contacting the Rotary office. New member **Rachel Inmon**, with a classification of Architecture – Commercial, A.A., was introduced, with her sponsor April Langwell looking on. Former member **Armon Mills** reintroduced himself to the Club, having returned to the area, with sponsors **Wade McKnight** and **Randy Frisch** looking on. He again fills the classification of “Publishing – Business Weekly,” as President and Publisher of the *San Diego*

Business Journal. The last of the new member introductions was of **Robert Wright**, whose classification is “Law – Litigation Practice, A.A.” His sponsor **Linda Stirling** watched.

Kevin Clark introduced Youth Exchange Summer Camp Students from Hoover High School. **Jenni Prisk** encouraged Rotarians to attend the December 6 Cygnet Theatre performance of the radio play version of “A Christmas Carol.” Tickets are \$50, and include a special pre-theatre Rotary reception. The show will also be the subject of the next Club meeting, the day before the performance. **Nancy Scott** and **Paul Nestor** touted the upcoming annual Rotary Auction, with Nancy encouraging members to join her wreath making party on December 10. **Natasha Josefowitz** then read some moving passages from her latest book, “Living Without the One You Cannot Live Without,” containing poems about the impact and aftermath of the loss of her husband. **Joyce Glazer** was fined for recent media recognition, including a feature in the San Diego Business Journal. **Tom Karlo** announced the new season of “Downton Abbey” on PBS, and was also fined.

Chair of the Day **Craig Blower** gave gifts to a Rotarian from Stuttgart, and the visitor shared a joke. Craig introduced speaker Dr. David Harker, a research scientist with the UCSD Center for Astrophysics and Space Science. He gave a fascinating audio and visual presentation on comets and similar space objects. Comets are basically just like any other dirty snowball that is 4.5 billion years old. A new comet, Comet ISON, was discovered last September, and should be visible to the naked eye in early December, during the early morning sunrise hours. He predicts the views of Comet ISON will either be

NEXT MEETING

Thursday

November 28, 2013

NO MEETING

Happy Thanksgiving! Happy Hanukkah!

First, I want to personally wish each of you a Happy Thanksgiving! As we reflect in our lives about all that we have to be grateful for, I wanted you to know that Rotary and what it means to me is very high on my list. It has transformed my life both personally and professionally. I am forever grateful to my sponsors for introducing me to Rotary. Thank you!

Thanksgiving represents for most the beginning of the Holiday season; so much to do, and so very little time to get it all done. Hopefully, next week we can all take time to reflect and give thanks for the blessings that we have come to enjoy. It’s a time to spend with family, friends and loved ones. I hope that each of you has an opportunity to celebrate the holiday!

On behalf of the entire Board of Directors and from my family to yours, I wish you a very Happy Thanksgiving. And to our Jewish friends, I wish you an especially blessed week and a very Happy Hanukkah!

Chuck Pretto
President, 2013-14

spectacular, or poor. This illustrates that comets can be unstable and suddenly change drastically. His talk was quite informative.

QUICK BITS

IMPORTANT DATES

Dec. 6—6:30 p.m.

Cygnnet Theatre's "A Christmas Carol"

Dec. 19—Rotary Holiday Program

Register for events at

www.rotary33.org or

www.rotary5340.org

PHOENIX HOUSE

TRANQUILITY GARDEN

In partnership with the El Cajon Club, work for a day to improve the Phoenix House Tranquility Garden on Saturday December 7. Bring some gloves, a positive attitude and a desire to help kids help themselves. Contact

Michelle Candland.

mcandland@cox.net

CAMP ENTERPRISE LEGACIES

Got a relative or close friend who's a high school junior?

Think about having them come to Camp Enterprise March 13-15.

We have a few "legacy" slots that can be filled this way. Contact Michael Anderson or David Oates soon before they fill up!

ROTARY AUCTION

At our December 5 meeting, the Auction Committee is excited to offer a sneak preview of what to expect at the Auction Luncheon on 12/12/13: The LIST of donated items from our fellow Rotarians for the LIVE and SILENT auction and a "teaser auction" of a bottle of fine wine and a shopping spree to Kobey's. BTW, bring a guest to enjoy the auction!!!



THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS

Welcome to our new E.D., Paul Devermann

Paul Devermann, Rotary 33's new Executive Director starting December 2nd, is a 30-year resident of San Diego. His interest in Club 33 began a few years ago when his daughter was fortunate to attend Camp Enterprise and he witnessed the positive impact that experience had on her. She came home enlightened and inspired. It was contagious and his appreciation for the organization became rooted. Born and raised in Illinois, he graduated from Northern Illinois University before launching his career at San Diego based Oak Industries. Paul worked for Oak for several years, earning his MBA before being promoted and moved to their Rancho Bernardo headquarters. It was there he decided that San Diego winters are wonderful and this became his permanent home.

Additionally, he served as Senior Vice President for San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation during the 1980s and 1990s, where he specialized in recruiting large corporations to the area and oversaw government relations. He was one of the founders of the Border Trade Alliance and was active with the Japanese American Society. His career also included start-up through IPO of a local software firm. Additionally, Paul has launched two successful companies in software and consulting.

Paul lives in La Jolla, is married and has two children (freshman daughter at Georgetown and a son at La Jolla High). He regularly plays in a men's softball league, enjoys reading, golfing, working in his yard and attending sporting events. Please give a warm Rotary welcome to Paul.

CALENDAR

ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD
AT LIBERTY STATION
CONFERENCE CENTER

DECEMBER

5 *Cygnnet Theatre's
"A Christmas Carol"*

12 *Rotary Auction*

19 *Rotary Holiday
Program
(Sheraton East
Grande Ballroom)*

26 *DARK*

JANUARY

2 *DARK*

BIRTHDAYS

Doug Paul	Nov. 25
Peter Callstrom	28
Bill Hendrix	28
Joanne Pastula	30
Matt Dathe	Dec. 1

HOST HOSPITALITY

Rotary International is having the annual International Assembly this January in San Diego. District Governors-Elect attend this training January 12 – 18, 2014. We again have the opportunity to host District Governors-Elect from around the World on January 15, 2014. If you have interest and for more information and registration, go to the Link below.

<http://clubweb.rotary5340.org/hospitality/hosts.html>

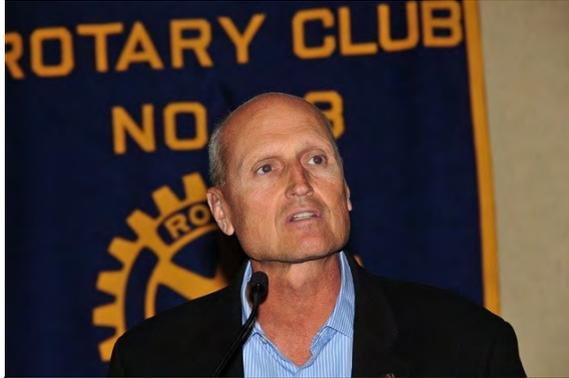
Meetings: Every Thursday at Noon, Liberty Station Conference Center, 2600 Laning Road, San Diego, 92106

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FACES IN THE CROWD AT OUR MEETING



Pictured at left from top to bottom:

Rick Jackson gave the inspirational moment

Natasha Josefowitz promoted her book, “Living Without the One You Cannot Live Without”

Joyce Glazer was fined for being honored at National Philanthropy Day and by the *San Diego Business Journal’s*, “Women Who Mean Business Awards”

Pictured at right from top to bottom:

Larry Showley on the keyboard

Tom Karlo was fined for promoting Season 4 of *Downton Abbey*, which premieres on Sunday, Jan. 5 at 9 PM.

Chair of the Day **Craig Blower**, guest speaker **David Harker** and **President Chuck Pretto**

Photos courtesy of Paul Nestor



PLEASE WELCOME...

Rachel Inmon, “Architecture-Commercial, A.A.,” who introduced herself to Club 33 today. Rachel is Project Director at LPA, Inc. and is married to David. April Langwell is her sponsor.
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PLEASE WELCOME...

Armon Mills “Publishing-Business Weekly,” who introduced himself to Club 33 today. Armon is President and Publisher at the *San Diego Business Journal* and a returning member to Club 33. He is married to Sandy and they have four children. Wade McKnight and Randy Frisch are his sponsors.
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PLEASE WELCOME...

Robert Wright “Law-Litigation Practice, A.A.,” who introduced himself to Club 33 today. Rob is Partner at Wright & L’Estrange. He is married to Christie and they have three children. Linda Stirling is his sponsor.
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MEMBERSHIP

The following applicants were recommended to the Board by the Membership Committee and will be approved for membership unless objections are received at the Rotary Office by December 2 .

Robert Stephen Ayers
SAIC (Retired)
“Retired-Contracts Manager”
Sponsor: **Dick Eger**

L. Ben Motten
Conner Networks, Inc.
“Information Technology”
Sponsor: **Bill Earley**

Christina Gustin
UBS Financial Services Inc.
“Wealth Management, A.A.”
Sponsor: **Jean Young**

Barbara Noerenberg
Qualcomm
“Telecommunications-R&D”
Sponsor: **Jackie Meyer**

Robert A. McNeely
Union Bank
“Retired-Banking-Statewide”
Sponsor: **Dick Murphy**

Emily Rex
Departure
“Website Development, A.A.”
Sponsor: **Patti Roscoe**

RESIGNATIONS

The following members have resigned as of November 22, 2013:

Bruce Frost and John Ohanian



Rotary Golf Tournament – 2013/2014 Round 1

On October 11, 2013, 22 Rotarians enjoyed a glorious day of golf and camaraderie at San Diego Country Club. Past President Bonnie Schwartz and Jackie Meyer enjoyed the attention of the other 20 male golfers – Lady Rotarian Golfers: STEP IT UP!

Ellis Smith and past Club Champ, Dick Green tied with net 72s for the first round lead in President Chuck’s Rotary year, closely followed by Marten Barry’s net 73. But with two rounds left and the new Club Champ determined by the best of two out of three rounds, it’s anybody’s championship to win and current champion Don Tarte’s to lose. Stay tuned for an announcement soon for the upcoming second round.



SAVE THE DATE:
 DECEMBER 12, 2013
 Rotary Club 33 Polio Plus Auction Luncheon Fundraiser

DONATION DEADLINE: Email/Mail by Nov. 25, 2013
 Bring items by last meeting on November 21, 2013

Name: _____

Company (if applicable): _____

Address: Work Home City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: work (____) _____ home (____) _____ cell (____) _____

Name of auction item: _____

Description: (interesting facts, unusual aspects, rarity, size, color, dates, etc.) _____

Restrictions: (limitations or guidelines for use, such as number of persons, age, expiration, exclusion dates, etc.) _____

Approximate retail value: \$ _____

Accompanying the donation form is a: Item Ticket Certificate Letter Other _____

Would you like the Auction Committee to create a certificate: No Yes (if yes, please call to discuss details) Diana 619-808-8808 text/cell

I would like to donate a monetary donation of: _____

Donated item will be delivered to Rotary Luncheon Diana's Office Date of Delivery: _____

Donated item needs to be picked up. Location: _____ Date Available: _____

Rotary's Club 33 Polio Plus Auction Luncheon Fundraiser (You MUST make an appointment for delivery of items)
 c/o Diana MarJip-Chuh, Nine Dragons Inc. 1034 14th Street, San Diego, CA 92101 619.808.8808 text/cell dmjchuh@gmail.com

We appreciate your support of Rotary Club 33 — Donations, silent and live auction proceeds will benefit our commitment to the eradication of the viral menace that jeopardizes the health of poor children that are unlucky enough to be born in the slums of India, Afghanistan, Pakistan and Nigeria.