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## REEL HOLLYWOOD



**Andy Liska**  
Editor

**H**appy Rosh Hashanah, and thank goodness for President **Chuck Pretto**'s new stool which got quite a workout today. Speaking of President Chuck, it is quite obvious he has hit his stride and is enjoying his year at the helm. And no, Past President **Jo Dee Jacob**,

you can't have your podium or your gavel back!

President Chuck welcomed back **Dean Crowder** to our meetings and then new member **Julia Brown** gave today's Inspirational Moment by reminding us that through hard work, the American dream is still within reach of our youth. Today's multiple hat wearer **Greg Zinser** led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by *God Bless America* with accompaniment from The Club 33 Singers and Bryan Verhoye.

Thank you, **Jack White**, for sponsoring today's news which was ably given by **Mark Burgess**. Did you notice the sharp Kobey's Swap Meet "Advertorial" in last week's Rotator? In case you didn't, President Chuck put copies of it on our tables and announced a new format for ads in Bruce Hunt's former space. Contact the Rotary office for details. Also congratulations to Kobey's Swap Meet for being *the* place in San Diego to find antiques. Welcome to new member **Steve Weathers**, whose classification is "Associations - World Trade Center." Steve was a San Diegan for 20 years who left town for the East only to regain his senses and move back to America's Finest City (and join America's Finest Rotary Club). Steve, just make sure to give Chuck back his stool.

Wallflower **Phil Blair** introduced us to two very qualified visiting veterans, one from the U.S. Navy and the other from past

Mr. San Diego **Joe Craver**'s U.S. Air Force. Good luck to both in the job market! Just don't ask Phil to pronounce "Loyola" again. If you chair or co-chair a Club 33 committee, get some free face time (and perhaps an adult beverage) on September 19, 2013. Just let president elect **Michelle Candland** know and she will set you up with a table. Congratulations to Manpower who will be taking over the search for a new Executive Director for our club.

Immediate Past President Jo Dee (I want my podium back) Jacob announced that September 29, 2013 will be the date of the annual Bequest Society shindig hosted at the beautiful La Jolla home of **Diane and Roy Bell**. Ever resplendent **Nancy Scott** has arranged another amazing Rotary La Puerta getaway. You can cook, wine, dine, golf and even join Chuck's mom in the strip tease aerobics class. Contact Nancy if you are interested. Two of Phil Blair's fellow wallflowers, **Jenni Prisk** and **Solveig Deuprey**, extended a Grotarian invite to an evening at Junior Achievement's Biz Town on October 1, 2013. Check the Club's website for details and to sign up for this fun event.

One last piece of business left **Lambert Hsu** and **Terry Moore** \$250 lighter. Lambert touted the upcoming California Asian Business summit on September 20, 2013, which features the first debate between San Diego's newest group of mayoral candidates. Terry proudly announced success with one of his venture capital deals including a sale which brought in \$350,000,000. I think he can afford this fine!

Chuck introduced the Chair of the Day, our Club's super multi-tasker and music man Greg Zinser. Wearing his second hat of the day, Greg (I have nothing to fear but free time) welcomed  
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## NEXT MEETING

**Thursday**  
**September 12, 2013**  
**Liberty Station**  
**Conference Center**

### **Mr. San Diego 2013** **Stephen P. Cushman**

At the September 12 Rotary meeting the Past Presidents will introduce Mr. San Diego 2013, Stephen P. Cushman. Steve is a native San Diegan and his family is a Founding Family of our city. Steve's accomplishments for our community are remarkable and are a reflection of his many significant contributions to our city. Father Joe Carroll will be presenting the award. The program will be focused on and presented by a very special panel who will discuss the guiding principles of Steve's life. The presentation, "The Pathway to Involvement," is one you will not want to miss on this special day as we celebrate Steve Cushman's remarkable life.



**Fred Fry**  
Chair of the Day

## QUICK BITS

### IMPORTANT DATES

Sept. 10—Grotarian Poolside Chat at John Morrell's home

**Sept. 19**—11:00 a.m.  
Club 33's Committee Showcase at Liberty Station

**Sept. 25**—5:00 p.m.  
Annual Fall Tennis Tournament at the Barnes Tennis Center

**Oct. 1**—5:30 p.m.  
Grotarian Event at Jr. Achievement's BizTown

**Oct. 11**—Rotary Golf at the San Diego Country Club

Register for events at  
[www.rotary33.org](http://www.rotary33.org) or  
[www.rotary5340.org](http://www.rotary5340.org)

### DISTRICT COUNCIL 9/17

Register for "Going for Rotary Gold" with keynote speaker Olympian Mary O. Andrews at the Crowne Plaza in Mission Valley. Festivities start at 5:30 PM. Sign up [here](#).

### WITH APPRECIATION FROM FRANK ARRINGTON

*Hi Suzy,  
WOW what an unbelievable card. You have made my day week year, I have it propped up here at my desk and those 32 eyes make me feel better than all of these medications. Thank you so very very much for this super kind gesture. I miss seeing you and those others (but now I have my zoo to keep me company). Hope to see you again.*

*Frank Arrington*

### MEETING SURVEY

Please complete our survey on the new meeting location at Liberty Station by clicking on this link:  
<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/7DXMQDZ>

Your input is very important to us...thanks!

## MEMBER HIGHLIGHT

### Kobey's Swap Meet



For the first time, Kobey's Swap Meet has been voted San Diego's BEST Antique Store in the annual UT-San Diego Readers Poll.

Kobey's beat out La Mesa Antique Mall, Newport OB Antique Mall and Antiques at the Village, making it the #1 place to go antiquing in San Diego County.

Kobey's struck another win as it was also voted BEST Swap Meet in the poll for the fourth year in a row.

"We couldn't be more proud," said Anthony Pretto, Grandson of founder Monte Kobey and son of Rotary President Charles Pretto and Kimberly Kobey-Pretto. "We would like to thank the readers for nominating and voting for our family business. We strive to present the best outdoor market to San Diego's diverse shoppers."



Anthony Pretto, Grandson of founder Monte Kobey.

**\$1 Off Shopper Admission**

**Saturday or Sunday only**

Offer good Sat. or Sun. only. Good only for ticket received and used the same day. Good only for regular adult admission. Not good with senior or any other discount. Not for resale. One coupon per customer per day. No reproductions or virtual coupons accepted. **Expires December 29, 2013**

Kobey's RC33

## CALENDAR

ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT LIBERTY STATION CONFERENCE CENTER

### SEPTEMBER

**19** *Rotary District Governor Carl Kruse*

**26** *Marney Cox SANDAG*

### OCTOBER

**3** *Pradeep Khosla Chancellor, UCSD*

**10** *Jacopo Annese, Ph.D. Assistant Professor of Radiology and Founder of The Brain Observatory, UCSD*

**17** *Susan Taylor Executive Director External Affairs Scripps Health*

**24** *Matt Anderson Director of Behavioral Psychology San Diego Zoo*

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS

#### SEPTEMBER 12

Review	Room 201
Grotarian	Room 203
Nominating	Room 207
Wilson Interact	Main Ballroom

## BIRTHDAYS

Karen Hewitt	Sept. 9
Andy Liska	9
Mary Walshok	10
Shelly Brockett	11
Jim Jessop	12
Tyler Cramer	13
Ben Wood	14
Betty Hubbard	14

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:*

**Michelle Candland** encouraged members to participate in and attend the upcoming Committee Showcase on Sept. 19.

Chair of the Day, **Greg Zinser**

**President Chuck Pretto** presented Fred Saxon with a speaker's gift

*Pictured at right from top to bottom:*

**Julia Brown** gave the Inspirational Moment

**Terry Moore** was fined for one of many successful venture capital deals.

**Solveig Deuprey** and **Jenni Prisk** pitched the Oct. 1st Junior Achievement BizTown Grotarian event.

**Jo Dee Jacob** updated us on the Nominating Committee's process

**Nancy Scott** encouraged members to get some R&R at the Nov. 16 Rancho La Puerta trip

*Photos courtesy of Paul Hartley*



## PLEASE WELCOME...

**Steve Weathers**, "Associations - World Trade Center," who introduced himself to Club 33 today. Steve is President and CEO of World Trade Center San Diego and a former member of the Savannah, Georgia Downtown Rotary Club. He is married to Veronica and they have a 10-year old daughter, Elizabeth. Steve serves on the board of the San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation and the International Economic Development Council. **Joanne Pastula** is his sponsor. (B) 619.615.0868 ext. 104



## MORE “REEL HOLLYWOOD” BY ANDY LISKA

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visiting Rotarians from La Mesa and Lake Tahoe. Greg then introduced today’s guest speaker, Emmy award-winning Fred Saxon who also welcomed Chuck’s stool. Fred has almost 30 years in the entertainment industry and has reported, acted and even done some standup comedy. In 1980 Fred began his career with the launch of CNN, which at the time was America’s first 24 hour news station. Fred became CNN’s first entertainment reporter and eventually continued his career at San Diego’s KUSI. His work has been seen on multiple networks and includes interviews with some of Hollywood’s most famous names. Interestingly, Fred admitted he didn’t appreciate at the time how much fun he was having.

Entertainment interviews were done in two different formats. “At event” interviews were dubbed “shoot and scoots” and often resulted in some very candid dialogue. Fred didn’t always know what questions he would ask and neither did his interviewees. He interviewed Sylvester Stallone and Dolly Parton following the release of 1984’s *Rhinestone*. Dolly was asked if she would work with Sly again. Dolly predicted that if *Rhinestone* was a hit, they would, and if not, they probably wouldn’t see each other again. Guess what?—they never saw each other again (picture tough guy Sly Stallone singing-ouch!). At an event for director Frank Capra, Hollywood legend Jimmy Stewart told Fred that Frank Capra’s *It’s a Won-*

*derful Life* was his favorite film.

The other style of interview was the sit down, one-on-one interview with a celebrity. During a “tease” which Fred worked into one such interview, Dustin Hoffman quipped with Fred about his movie *Confidence*, calling it “Fred and Dustin’s” new restaurant and salad. Samuel L. Jackson’s 2001 *Formula 51*, a movie Fred really didn’t like, was the subject of another interview. When asked by Sam Jackson about the film, Fred wisely kept his opinion to himself. An interview with Kevin Costner followed the release of Costner’s *Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves*. Fred had the unenviable job of being the 200th of 200 reporters to interview Kevin that day, who by that point had become a very tired and bored actor. A story about a psycho Kevin Costner fan saved the day for Fred.

Fred’s shortest interview was with Ozzie Osbourne. Fred was flown to New York to spend a quick 2 minutes with Ozzie and never understood what Ozzie was saying. Sandra Bullock was one of Fred’s favorite subjects. It became apparent, though, that George Burns had a special place in Fred’s heart. He asked George, a notorious lady’s man, what the secret was to understanding woman. George told Fred, “You can’t lie to women; they’re just too smart.” George said honesty was his policy with Gracie Allen: “If you can fake that, you’ve got it made.” Not Four Way Test material, but pretty funny stuff.

## CLUB 33 MONTHLY DONOR LIST

Thank you to all our members who made their annual \$250 Every Rotarian Every Year donation or an extra gift to Club 33 and Rotary International in July and August. If your gift arrived after our deadline, we will list your name next month.

All members should have received a letter in August about making your annual donation during **President Chuck Pretto**’s year. Please call the office if you have any questions. Thank you again for your generosity.

Addario, Dominick	Densley, Randall	Hunt, Bruce	Ridge, Garry
Arnett, Warren J.	Deuprey, Solveig	Jackson, Kirk I.	Roscoe, Patricia L.
Barry, Jr., Marten	Eddy, Margaret F.	Jacob, Jo Dee C.	Rowan, Michael S.
Bertell, Kristin J.	Enright, William	Kent, Donald B.	Russell, Robert G.
Caughey, Patrick W.	Evanco, Craig S.	Kirby, Russell	Showley, Larry G.
Ceberos, Karen	Fichthorn, Andrew P.	Mazzocco, Thomas	Smith, Ellis
Chacon, Paul	Frisch, Randy	McCull, William	Smith, Sidney C.
Chaplin, Edward, R.	Frost, Jr., Gordon T.	McDonald, Judith E.	Steppe, Cecil H.
Ciruzzi, Vincent R.	Fulhorst, Kathryn	Meyer, Jackie	Stirling, Lawrence
Clapper, Larry R.	Furby, James R.	Morton, Michael A.	Szekley, Deborah
Clark, Garet B.	Gable, Tom P.	Nestor, Burton H.	Tenney, Jr., M. Murray
Collins, H. Michael	Gildred, George L.	Nickel, Charles E.	Tobiason, Sidney
Coopersmith, Steven T.	Gildred, Jr., Philip L.	Noonan, Gregory L.	Troncone, Richard A.
Crogan, Linda L.	Goodermote, Wayne	North, Kay G.	Trotter, Mark C.
Crowder, Dean M.	Gore, William D.	Peabody, Betty L.	Van Ert, Jerald L.
Crowell, Frederick P.	Hamer, Joy	Plant, Frank E.	Vanier, Denis K.
da Rosa, Joe	Hartman, Jr., Stanford F.	Pretto, Charles J.	Vecchione, Thomas R.
Day, Daryl	Hattox, John S.	Purdon, Sandy	White, Christy
Day, Thomas B.	Herde, Daniel D.	Ramirez, Celia, ED.D.	Younger, Glenn
Dennis, Martha G.	Horiye, Joseph M.	Richman, Lawrence	Zygowicz, John J.



It's all about Business in this town! **Junior Achievement's BizTown!**

October 1, 2013 from 5:30-7:30pm, over cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and conversation, visit the businesses that kids in our region are managing! You may gain some tips for your own business.

Learn more about **JA BizTown** from the Founder and our own Rotarian, Joanne Pastula

And special attraction: you will get a personal preview of the upcoming **JA Finance Park**, where teens will learn money management, workforce readiness and how to own their economic success!

Please mark October 1 on your calendar now!

Only \$25.00 per person and free parking

RSVP to: <http://www.rotary33.org> under Upcoming Events and go to [www.jasandiego.org](http://www.jasandiego.org) for more info and driving directions.

Cross the bridge to the future for our Kids.

