



THE ROTATOR

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ROTARY CLUB OF SAN DIEGO

LIGHTING YOUR PASSION



Richard Ledford
Editor

Our Club meeting today played host to District Governor Carl Kruse. And while such annual visits by Rotary VIPs can sometime lead to — ah, well, — sort of a “displaced attention syndrome,” DG Kruse brought none of that!

In fact, he was *enlightening* (ouch)! More later.

As a Club Assembly, we saw something new today. Calling it a Committee Faire, the meeting room was lined with the various Club committees and the avenues of service and projects they represent. If you were never amazed at the depth of our Club’s engagement in the community, today would certainly have impressed you! So it was appropriate for **President Chuck** to congratulate and thank the many Rotarians that made the Committee Faire possible.

Up first was **Peter Duncan** who led in song with the “Star Spangled Banner” while **Greg Zinser** pounded the piano. **Jenni Prisk** inspired us by linking our work as Rotarians with acts of peace. Thanks to news sponsor **Larry Stirling** and Teeple, Hall LLC, **Sandy Purdon** covered the news...and with a parrot joke, of all things (don’t worry, **Bert Wahlen**, *no way* Sandy’s jokes compete with yours!). President Chuck introduced past District Gov’s./Club 33 members **George Carter Jessop** and **Bill McDade**. Chuck also introduced James Jackson, President of the Southeast San Diego Club, announcing that the two clubs have signed an agreement to work together on a project. Hopefully we’ll hear more about this project later. President Chuck also announced the closure today of nominations for our Board. It should also be mentioned that our height-challenged President would like the Club to acquire a podium that adjusts up and

down for speaker height. Judging by the conversation at my table that followed, we’ll just wait out his term and save the money...

Nikki Clay introduced our newest Honorary Member, the Honorable **Toni Atkins**, Majority Leader of the CA Assembly. As Nikki so aptly put it, it’s really wonderful to have a San Diego elected official back in the inner circle of power in Sacramento. Raffle winners were announced by **Michelle Candland**: noted camera-guy **Paul Nestor** won the wine and **Bob Russell** won the \$100, which he promptly donated to the Military Affairs Committee! **Alan Spector** announced the next Grotarian event at Junior Achievement on Oct 1; **Marten Barry** urged participation in the Club’s golf tournament on Oct 11; and **David Oates** drummed up interest and support for next March’s Camp Enterprise. The Prez then whacked, for \$250 each, **Chris Bryant** for promoting an Oct. 2 event, and **Marc Tarasuck** and **Mark McKinnon** for shamelessly promoting Mark’s *San Diego Home/Garden Lifestyles* magazine featuring an article about Marc!

Our chair of the day was **Stan Hartman**, who, for an insurance guy, was incredibly brief. Our speaker, of course, was our own District Gov. Past Poway Mayor/past Olympic Torch bearer... well, you get the picture. But what DG Carl Kruse delivered was priceless! His service thru Rotary has shown him that by touching people’s lives, you are touched by it, too. Encouraging each of us to “light that inner torch,” Carl told stories of his own where the individual he helped may never remember his deed, but Carl always will! The meeting concluded with DG Kruse handing out three awards: “Torch Bearer” award to David Oates, “Igniter” award to **Bill Earley** and **Jackie Meyer**, and the “Energizer” award to President Chuck. It was a day of inspiration and passion!

NEXT MEETING

Thursday

September 26, 2013

Liberty Station

Conference Center

“Will the next generation be better off than those before it?”

Marney Cox

Chief Economist
San Diego Association
of Governments

The prosperity of America’s middle-class households has been a key ingredient for maintaining our way of life for generations. There is evidence that suggests the middle-class is being squeezed and that prosperity is threatened. The presentation will identify the major challenges to prosperity, and why some disagree with the premise of a shrinking middle-class.



Karen Hutchens
Chair of the Day

QUICK BITS

IMPORTANT DATES

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 or

www.rotary5340.org

JOINT VENTURE COMMITTEE

The Club 33 Joint Venture Committee leadership team from San Diego Rotary announced details of a three-year pact to partner with the Southeast Rotary Club. The initiative will support projects, membership, programs, publicity, and make-up strategies to strengthen the Rotary mission of Service Above Self in San Diego County's most critical community. To learn more about the Southeast Rotary Club visit <https://www.facebook.com/groups/sesdrotary/>!"

[Click here to view Rotary Joint Venture](#)

CAMP ENTERPRISE

If you ever wanted to be inspired by witnessing the transformation of young people who excel in unfamiliar surroundings, then participating in Club 33's 2014 Camp Enterprise program is for you! Learn more at 1:30 p.m. on Sept. 26 at the Liberty Station Conference Center. Contact **Keith McKenzie**, keith@delpriprivate.com

Memorial Services:

Frank Arrington, 5-7 p.m., Oct. 17
San Diego Yacht Club.

Bill Dick, 10:00 a.m., Oct. 21
All Souls Episcopal Church

THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS

A Weekend with Pablo Picasso San Diego Repertory Through October 6!

Welcome to Picasso's studio at his home in the South of France in the spring of 1957! The great man himself is taking a bath but don't let that stop you from making yourself at home. He's no stranger to people popping in (Matisse does it all the time), however, he doesn't want to imagine that we could be spying on him!

Now, most of us have never met Pablo Picasso, yet it feels as though Herbert Siguenza has; such is his understanding of this amiable, inimitable and nimble artist. "Painting is the nearest we can get to work in the now," he utters among many wise and worldly maxims as he skips, hops and runs around his light and airy studio, expounding on the value of life and art and politics.

Director Todd Salovey has guided the very talented Siguenza (who is a gifted painter himself) through the 90-minute piece that Siguenza scripted. The scene and costumes designed by Giulio Perrone are perfect for the period and the man. And Victoria Petrovich has mounted colorful and creative slides to illustrate the master's many paintings. The Rep produced a workshop production of this one-man play in 2010. Since then, Siguenza has presented it in L.A., the Bay Area, Denver and Houston. That he is comfortable with the show is an understatement, as he dips his brush and creates his artistic magic at lightning speed, while conversing with his audience. We come to know the legendary artist whose "every picture is a vial with my blood in it."

This delightful production runs through October 6, with the performances on October 5 and 6 delivered in Spanish. See it, and meet Picasso!

Jenni Prisk

CALENDAR

ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD
AT LIBERTY STATION
CONFERENCE CENTER

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 26

Camp Enterprise Room TBD

BIRTHDAYS

Steve Gross	Sept. 27
Pete Bowie	27
Chris Sichel	28
Mike Rowan	28
Sam Rinaker	29
Christy White	30
Bob Arnhyam	30

SPECIAL THANKS

Rotarians enjoyed beer and wine at our Sept. 19th Rotary meeting compliments of **Chris Cramer** with Karl Strauss and **Mike Morton, Jr.** of The Brigantine Family of Restaurants.

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:

Sandy Purdon delivered the news

President Chuck Pretto Presented DG Carl Kruse with a speaker's gift

Alan Spector promoted the Oct. 1 Jr. Achievement BizTown Grotarian Event

Roger Haines demonstrated the Solar Cooker to benefit villages in Gulu, Uganda

New honorary member, **Toni Atkins; Chris Bryant** was fined for promoting the Oct. 2 luncheon featuring San Diego Leaders

Pictured at right from top to bottom:

Michelle Candland raffled wine and \$100

Marc Tarasuck was fined for being featured in *San Diego Home/Garden Lifestyles* magazine

DG Carl Kruse presented **David Oates** with the Torch Bearer Award

DG Carl Kruse presented **President Chuck** with the Energizer Award

Mark McKinnon was fined for selling subscriptions of *San Diego Home/Garden Lifestyles* magazine; **Marten Barry** promoted the Oct. 11 Golf Tournament

Photos courtesy of Paul Nestor



FACES IN THE CROWD AT OUR COMMITTEE FAIRE



Pictured at left from top to bottom:

John Peelle, Tennis Committee

Larry Hoeksema, Senior Services Committee

Andy Liska and SDSU Rotaracts

Jenni Prisk, Peace Committee

Jeremiah Doran and volunteers, Cardinals Interact Committee

Pictured at right from top to bottom:

Craig Blower and **Dick Tronccone**, Cesar Chavez Rotary Readers Committee

Solveig Deuprey and volunteer, Girl Scouts Committee

Drs. Doug Arbon and **Tom Vecchione**, Mercy Outreach Surgical Team (M.O.S.T.) Committee

Jim Groen and volunteer, The Store Front Committee

Bob Russell, **Rick Huenefeld** and **Mike Caruso**, Military Affairs Committee

Photos courtesy of Paul Nestor

