

# THE ROTATOR

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**SAN DIEGO ROTARY CLUB** 

# Take'n It To Da Bank

**Next Meeting** 



Richard Ledford Editor

Our effervescent Prez Suzy called us to order, recognized our "5<sup>th</sup> generation" as a Club, and extolled all the wonderful learning experiences we've gained from each other as we put to work our Rotary tradition of Service Above Self. Mike Conner provided this week's Inspirational Moment.

Mike shared his own odyssey of pain from an injury that migrated into complications and a life-threatening condition, giving him a her fourth, and Mike Connor and Judy moment of complete clarity. His message was a simple one and very Rotary-like: Paying it forward will matter! As this Editor has noticed several times, our Club has a very deep bench. Mike and wife/fellow Rotarian Judy Thompson have helped to vaccinate over 25,000 children for polio in India. They've also assisted in the formation of three Rotary Club coalitions in Fiji to provide over 200 rural families home drinking water systems. A very deep bench!

Our own fabulous Club 33 Singers led us in the Pledge and a rousing Star Spangled Banner, accompanied by Mega-Music-Talent Bryan Verhoye. Mark "Marginal Jokes" **Burgess** (hey... that one came from my tablemates!) gave us all the News, this week sponsored by Page Mountain LLC. (That's Mark's firm for those in the know.) Our Prez' now-famous Art Moment was covered by Paul "Camera-Guy" Nestor, who... well, took a heck of a lot longer than a moment... shared with us his Koby Swap Meet arthunter instincts. Some wins, some losses there. But, it does go to show art is where you find it! Alas, the mere mention of Koby's brought the Prez' wrath down on poor past prez Chuck Pretto who was hit with a \$1,000 fine.

Apparently in the mood, our prez then recognized Ann Hill, who along with many others, have launched a series of events celebrating San Diego's 250-year anniversary. Of course, no good deed goes without recognition. Ann left a few hundred dollars lighter after her fine. Check out their website for more info (www.SanDiego250.com).

Prez Suzy honored Club members who have earned their newest Paul Harris Fellow pins. Check out Rotary history for more on our remarkable founder of Rotary, but know that Paul Harris Fellows fund the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International, which in turn fund international programs like the Polio Plus Fund and Humanitarian Grant Program. Prez Suzy honored Bill McColl with his first Paul Harris Fellow pin, Bill Wise for his second, Scott McClendon for his third, Peg Eddy for Thompson for their ninth! Well done, Rotarians!

Program time and our Prez introduced our Chair of the Day, banker extraordinaire Robert Horsman, who in turn recognized a visiting Rotarian from the Hawaiian Islands. Wearing his best Texas Tech hat, Robert somehow got away without a fine from the Prez when he offered our visitor gifts, among them an invitation to come on down to his bank for his financial planning needs! How do you spell "promotion"?!

Robert moved gracefully from his bank promo to the introduction of our guest speaker, Robert Gleason, Chair of the Los Angeles Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. Given his introduction, there is a lot more to Robert than his work on behalf of the public at the Federal Reserve Bank. His civic and professional credentials are impressive. His regular job is overseeing the day-to-day operations at The Lodge at Torrey Pines, Bahia Resort Hotel and Catamaran Resort Hotel and Spa as President and Chief Executive Officer of Evans Hotels.

Robert walked us through the labyrinth of roles and responsibilities of this "two-part system" that's "independent within the government." Think of the 12 independent regional Federal Reserve Banks as wells of common sense, providing functions of review, input and counsel on national monetary policy. There was a lot more shared that won't make it in this review, but we left with a much deeper understanding of Federal Reserve Bank and its roles and responsibilities.

### **Next Meeting:** April 11

Dr. Thomas A. Buchholz Scripps MD Anderson **Cancer Center** 

#### The Progress in the Fight Against Cancer

Thomas A. Buchholz, M.D., serves as the Senior Vice President and Medical Director of the Scripps MD Anderson Cancer Center, a comprehensive and clinically integrated cancer care program in San Diego that opened for patient care in October, 2018.

He will be sharing the exciting developments in cancer treatment and research and hope these advances offer new hope for patients and families who confront this disease.

The presentation will cover some basic information about cancer and its treatments, as well as share new opportunities for our San Diego community that has resulted from the exciting partnership between Scripps Health Care System and MD Anderson Cancer Center.



Jan McDonough Chair of the Day

# **QUICK BITS**

## Rotary Youth Exchange Summer Music Camp

# **CALENDAR**



RESCHEDULED!
CLUB 33 GOLF—
FINAL ROUND
Our final round has been rescheduled to

MAY 3 at the San Diego Country Club. <u>Click here</u> for more details and how to register.



#### CLUB 33 SOCIAL HOUR

We look forward to seeing you at our April Club 33 Social Hour at Waypoint Public on Wednesday, 04/17 at 5:30 PM. Waypoint is located in Northpark, and offers an impressive selection of craft beers, wine and cocktails, in addition to a delicious food menu. Enjoy some appetizers or perhaps stay for dinner!

Waypoint Public-3794 30th St. SD 92104



Catch up with our SDSU Rotaracts. Click here to read their March Newsletter.

# **BIRTHDAYS**

	April
Cari McCormick	8
Jon Greulich	8
Kurt Volker	9
Lauren Lek	10
Jeanne Schmelzer	11
Jim Fitzpatrick	11
Rachel Inmon	12
Bob Cairneross	12

#### **HOST FAMILIES NEEDED!**

In late July each year, our club is treated to an amazing classical music performance by a group of very talented young musicians.

That concert is part of the Rotary Youth Exchange Summer Music Camp that brings young musicians from around the world to San Diego for 3 weeks of music and international fellowship.

This year is our 15<sup>th</sup> annual music camp and we have 24 students joining us from 10 different countries.

A big part of making this program affordable for our international guests is recruiting families who agree to host one or two of the musicians for the 3 week camp starting on July 13<sup>th</sup> and ending on August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

This will be our 3<sup>rd</sup> year as a host family and it's hard to overstate how much of a pleasure it is to share your home and your life with these young musicians for a 3 week period that goes by very quickly. It is truly a mutually beneficial experience.

At this point, we need 4 more host families so if you would consider being one of them, please contact me as soon as you can and I will send additional information. Thank you.

Greg Zinser gregzinser@gmail.com



Memorial Services for Dick Troncone

Tuesday, April 23 at 10:30 am

First United Methodist Church of San Diego 2111 Camino del Rio South San Diego, CA 92108

Reception immediately following services Click here to view Dick's obituary

In lieu of flowers, the Troncone family is suggesting that a donation be made in Dick's honor to the Club's Foundation designating
The Cesar Chavez Readers Committee

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ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT LIBERTY STATION CONFER-ENCE CENTER UNLESS OTHER-WISE NOTED

April

- 11 Dr. Thomas Buchholz-Scripps MD Anderson Cancer Center
- 18 Dr. Larry Smarr-CA
  Institute for Telecommunications and Information Technology
- 25 Four-Way Test Speech Contest-District Finals

## **GROTARIAN EVENTS**

Save the Date for our April Grotarian Event!

Date: Monday, April 29 Event Location: Stu Segall Military Training Compound (Strategic Operations).

MORE DETAILS COMING SOON!

<u>CLICK HERE TO VIEW THEIR</u> WEBSITE

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

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# **ROTARIANS AT WORK DAY**

#### JOIN US FOR ROTARIANS AT WORK DAY ON SATURDAY, APRIL 27

Rotarians At Work (RAW) Day happens the last Saturday in April each year. Started in 2006 as a joint effort between two Rotary Districts (one in the United States and one in Mexico), Rotarians at Work Day continues to grow. Each year, Clubs around the world identify hands-on projects that all members can participate in to help their local community on this single day.

This is a great day to bring your kids, grandkids and prospective rotary members to see our club in action.

Our list of available projects are listed below. Remember to wear your San Diego Rotary t-shirt. If you do not have one, the RAW committee will be handing them out at our Thursday meetings.

#### Click here for more detailed information on each project and to register.

#### **Balboa Park Nursey**

Time: 9:00 am – Noon # of volunteers needed: 15-20

#### **Cooper Canyon with Hoover Interacts**

Time: 9:00 am – Noon # of volunteers needed: 10-15

#### San Diego Zoo

Time: 9:00 am – Noon # of volunteers needed: 100

#### St. Paul's Senior Center

Time: 8:30 am - 12:30 am# of volunteers needed: 8-12

#### San Diego Humane Society—FULL

#### **Storefront Youth Shelter**

Time: 8:00 am – Noon # of volunteers needed: 10-12

#### **Jackie Robinson YMCA**

Time:

# of volunteers needed: 10-20

#### **Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery**

Time: 8:00 am – Noon # of volunteers needed: 25

#### **Boy Scouts**

Time: 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm # of volunteers needed: 6-8

#### San Diego Canyonlands with City Heights Rotaract

Time: 9:00 am – Noon # of volunteers needed: 5-15



# FACES IN OUR CROWD

Photos courtesy of Paul Nestor and Lisa Miller





(Left) Guest speaker Robert Gleason with Judy McDonald; (right) Chair of the Day Robert Horsman.







(Left) Chuck Pretto, **Jo Dee Jacob** and **Ron Eisenberg** catch up before the meeting; (center) **Dick Green** takes a new photo for the roster; (right) Mark Burgess delivers the day's News.





(Left) Paul Harris Fellow recipients with President Suzy; (right) **Lisa Miller** with guest Mark Barry, who was our Visiting Rotarian from the Farthest Distance (from Maui) and an old colleague of hers.



(Left) **Duke Sobek**, Robert Gleason and **John Rebelo**; (right) Paul Nestor presented the Art Moment.

