

# THE ROTATOR

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**SAN DIEGO ROTARY CLUB** 

#### PROTECTING OUR COAST





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When I think of the ocean, a number of things come to mind--vacation, bikinis, swimming, sky-high real estate prices, etc. Basically, sun-shiny California things. This past Thursday's program, however, challenged me to look at San Diego's claim to fame in a different light, or

darkness, if you will. And no, I'm not talking about sharks (although that would make a good program; Programs Committee, please take note.) I'm talking about the domestic and international threats to our sacred coastlines and how our nation's Coast Guard is keeping us safe. But more on that in a bit.

I always love the way POATES calls the meeting to order. (POATES of course being my self-proclaimed clever moniker for President David Oates.) He has a commanding positivity that lights up the room. And when POATES proclaims his now-tagline "We Are Everywhere!" you just feel so gosh darn (I would use more colorful descriptors were this not the Rotator) fortunate to be standing in that room, knowing that you're a part of something so incredibly great. For those of you regular attendees, you know exactly what I'm talking about. And for those of you who don't, all I can say it that you're really missing out. My words will never do justice to the electricity of a Thursday luncheon.

The Inspirational Moment was delivered by uber-speaker, author and philanthropist Jabez LeBret. Even though it might not always be clear that we're making a difference, Jabez offered the analogy of a line of dominos. Rarely do we get to be the final domino; more often than not, you're somewhere in the middle. Even if you're not the catalyst, find satisfaction in knowing that without your help, that person's change would not be possible.

The **Bruce Knowlton** with Moss Adamssponsored News was artfully delivered by **Mark Burgess**, who made the delightful, dare I say Freudian slip, in calling the congressional "impeachment," an "impairment." Whoops! Congratulations to our own **Betsy Brennan** and **Patti Roscoe**, both of whom made the San Diego Business Journal's list of Business Women of the Year! I would also be remiss if I did not also acknowledge **Tracy Sundlun** or, more accurately, Tracy Sundlun's mouth, which earned him a \$350 fine. (I guess that's what happens when you try to fine people without that presidential authority, Tracy!)

A big thank you to all those who donated to the Senior Services Committee's Warm Clothes Drive. A lot of our seniors will be much toastier thanks to your support.

Not only are we helping keep our fellow San Diegans warm this season, we are also making sure their bellies are full. This year, Club 33 is quintupling the City Heights Park and Rec's turkey program donations. Originally slated at twenty, now 100 City Heights families will receive turkeys just in time for their Thanksgiving dinners.

There is still time to register for the Club 33 Holiday Celebration at the Timken Museum on December 3 at 5:30 pm. This annual tradition is not to be missed! Details are on page 2.

In the spirit of "We Are Everywhere," **Tom Vecchione** reported on last month's MOST trip to San Cristobal de las Casas, in Chiapas, Mexico. The 60-person team performed a total of 265 cases (predominately cleft lips and palates, as well as other acquired anomalies) in three and a half days. Incredible work, MOST, 35 years and counting!

Everyone's favorite **Daniel Amaro** (I mean seriously, how great is that guy!?) encouraged members to consider signing up for the next round of the Mentorship Program, either as a mentor or a mentee. Starting back up in January, let Daniel or **Barbara Noerenberg** know if you're interested. And don't forget to thank the people who've mentored you along the way. It's easy. (Thank you, Pops aka **Will Newbern**, **Walter Lam** and **Roger Haines!!**) See? More details on the program can be found on page 4.

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Next Meeting: November 21

Don Buchheit

Spotting Human Trafficking Before It Starts

Training both students and educators on how to identify a young person targeted for recruitment into this dark world remains a critical front line in the battle against human trafficking.

We will hear from Don Buchheit, Regional Director of the San Diego Trafficking Prevention Collective, about how organizations from across the county are banding together to increase the awareness of the tactics employed by traffickers and ways to counter it.



Chair of the Day Jean Young

#### **QUICK BITS**

#### **Protecting Our Coast** Continued from page 1

#### **CALENDAR**



San Dego Rotary LEAD Club 33 Social Hour Thursday, Nov 21 **≜**KAIROA 5:30 -7:30 pm

We're doing something special for this month's happy hour! San Diego Rotary and LEAD San Diego are holding a joint social hour. Many of our members are graduates of LEAD San Diego programs. And for those of us who are new to LEAD, this is a great opportunity to learn more about LEAD's mission to build and connect experienced leaders across San Diego. LEAD is a program of the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce and its alumni span every sector of the local economy and community.

We will be meeting at the new Kairoa Brewing Company in University Heights at 4601 Park **Blvd**, which also offers an impressive wine list and food options. Hope to see you there!

**BIRTHDAYS** 

	November
Irene Wells	19
Steve Porter	19
Neil Larson	20
Shandon Harbour	20
Bridget Meckley	20
Gordy Lutes	20
Larry Kuntz	21
Rich DeBolt	23
Jerry Van Ert	23
Divya Kakaiya	23

Much like my vintage Levi's, what's old is new again. Welcome back to old/new member Monty McIntyre. As a mediator, arbitrator and civil trial attorney, Monty considers himself a short-term San Diegan, having only been here for 50 years. (I'd hate to be on the receiving end of one of Monty's "short-term" sentencings.)

Who better to be last week's Chair of the Day than Rick Huenefeld? As a US Marine, Rick has served over 40 year on active duty. He is such a dedicated Marine, he was even married to his wife of 41 years on Veteran's Day. Talk about commitment (both Rick and his wife)!

Rick had the honor of introducing Captain Timothy Barelli of the US Coast Guard. As the new Sector San Diego commander, Captain Barelli and his fellow servicemembers are responsible for coastal defense, search and rescue, and maritime law enforcement, not only locally, but on all seven continents. The Coast Guard is often the sole federal presence in the most remote parts of the world. San Diego is uniquely located a mere ten miles from Mexico, making it a hotbed of activity for transnational crime organizations. Despite our military's efforts, the smuggling in of drugs, humans, etc. remains consistent, as criminals are constantly adapting their tactics. Fortunately, our Coast Guard collaborates closely with the military's other branches to protect our citizens.

In his impressive career, Captain Barelli is responsible for saving 182 lives. If you, like myself, are thinking we need to get this guy in Rotary, POATES was way ahead of us, welcoming the Captain as an honorary member of Club 33.

### **MEMBERSHIP**



Club 33 would like to welcome back to the club Monty McIntyre— "Law-Alternative Dispute Resolution." Monty is a mediator, arbitrator and referee with ADR Services. Inc.

Monty is a graduate of Coronado High School, UC San Diego and the University of San Diego law school. He began practicing law in 1980 and

became a full-time mediator in 2013. He and his wife, Mary Beth, have lived in Tierrasanta since 2006.

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

November

21 Don Buchheit - Human Trafficking Prevention

28 DARK- Happy Thanksgiving

December

5 Auction

#### **HOLIDAY EVENT**

Club 33 Holiday Celebration Tue, Dec 3 @ 5:30pm - 7:30pm

The Grotarian and Club 33 Social Hour Committees are organizing another special holiday celebration at the Timken Museum and you are all invited!

The Timken will be presenting its very popular "Jewels of the Season" holiday ornament display. And also on view is Masterpieces of Italian Drawings from The British Museum. The exhibition is an ambitious first-time-ever collaborative effort among the Timken, USD and The British Museum in London.

There will be adult beverages and delicious food, and a holiday sweet station. This will be a magical evening full of good cheer and merriment!

Cost: \$40 per person Registration closes on Nov 27 so sign up now!

Click here for more event details and to register

Meetings: Every Thursday at Noon, Liberty Station Conference Center, 2600 Laning Road, San Diego, 92106 David Oates, President • Paul Devermann, Executive Director

## **AUCTION**

Be sure to check out the preview of auction items that will be available.

A partial list was emailed out to you on Nov. 8. We will continue to add more items to preview and email them to you each week until the Auction. There will be more than 100 items for you to Bid Big on! So remember to arrive by 11:00 to give yourself plenty of time to shop around.

A Special Thank You to our auction sponsors:

Manpower (Phil Blair & Mel Katz) San Diego Foundation (Mark Stuart) The Los Angeles Chargers (Kimberley Layton) Barry Slatt Mortgage (Tom Cohen)



Great Auction Items including trips, hotel stays, theatre and sporting tickets, family oriented packages, excellent wine and so much more! And remember, your support for this year's BID BIG! Auction will directly impact those who need us in the community!

For more information or to provide an item to support Rotary's work in the community - Please contact Auction Chair, Kimberley Layton at (858) 232-0650 or Mary Radovan in the Rotary Office at (619) 299-3309.













Not to worry if you missed Bring Your Wine to Rotary Day for the auction.

You can still bring your wine to a Thursday meeting or drop it off at the Rotary office by November 22nd.

All we ask is that the donation be a wine over \$25, or over 90 points. We will also accept other alcohols for those of you who prefer a different type of adult beverage! Thank you.

## **MENTOR PROGRAM**

Club members mentoring club members!

We are looking for two types of folks:

- Mentors meet with mentee approximately once a month to track goals, provide guidance and "ask the right questions". Training and guidance for mentors will be provided by Barbara Noerenberg. So if you don't feel like you know what to do, no need to worry! We've got you covered.
- Mentees folks who are looking to learn and grow from someone in the club. Need to be willing to meet with your assigned mentor and be open to sharing and discussing goals and progress.



The mentorship program is scheduled for 6 months. Mentors/Mentees are free to continue beyond 6 months, but that is up to them. We are planning on starting in late January 2020 (dates TBD).

What better folks to give back to or learn and grow with than fellow Rotarians! Please contact <u>Barbara Noerenberg</u> or <u>Daniel</u> Amaro for more information.

## FOUR-WAY TEST SPEECH COMMITTEE

The committee had an excellent meeting with Hoover Cardinal Interacts on Friday, Nov. 15. Committee Vice Chair **Stephanie Saathoff**'s ice breaker of having everyone introduce themselves, after tips from Rotarians, was super. **Laurie Coskey** gave a wonderful presentation about telling stories and how important that tactic can be in a speech. Our leader, **Jack Berkman**, inspired the students and brought his guest, Cindy Matalucci, a media entrepreneur who shared her focus and drive for founding an online and live TV show interviewing people to tell their authentic stories. These students are learning such valuable skill sets!







## CITY HEIGHTS ROTARACT

For the fifth year in a row, the City Heights Rotaracts helped cheer on and guide riders at the Point Loma Rotary Club's <u>Ride the Point</u>. Since 2013, the event has raised over \$135,000 for UC San Diego Moores Cancer Center for pancreatic cancer research in honor of a fellow Rotarian who was an avid bicyclist who had a passion for Rotary.



## FACES IN OUR CROWD Photos courtesy of Lisa Miller





(Left) The Senior Services Committee had another hugely successful Warm Clothes Drive thanks you our generous Rotarians; (right) Chair of the Day Rick Huenefeld, USCG Captain Tim Barelli and President David.





(Left) There is no shortage of medical professionals here: Dr. Tom Vecchione, Dr. Frank Pavel, Dr. Frank Pavel, Jr. and Dr. Doug Arbon; (right) Past President Stan Hartman, guest Fatema Jass and Michael Brunker.





(Left) Guest Brian Jackson chats with SDSU Rotaracts; (right) Past President Debbie Day and Larry Showley.