

San Diego Trafficking Prevention Collective



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Editor

"Human trafficking. It ends with us!"

Program scene-setter President **David Oates** opened today's meeting with an authentic, emotional expression of gratitude to Club 33 members who generously donated \$50,000 to fight Human Trafficking (HT). Our club's financial support will train 700 San Diego school teachers who will reach 25,000 students who then become "**educated, therefore, protected** children."

According to our guest speaker, Don Buchheit, Regional Director of the San Diego Trafficking Prevention Collective (SDRTC), we rank in the top ten worst areas in the nation for human trafficking. An \$810 million underground sex economy, 35,000 children and adults are trafficked in San Diego each year. Traffickers actively recruit children on or near campus.

One hundred ten gangs in San Diego are moving away from drugs to human trafficking, because the nasty HT business is cheaper, easier and less traceable.

To address this outrage, SDTPC launched a unique public-private partnership supported by UBS Optimus Foundation, enlightened philanthropists, volunteers, the District Attorney's office and public schools.

Kids are vulnerable and victims are often manipulated and groomed on social media or even recruited by friends and family members. SDTPC is educating and empowering students in grades 5-12 about the ugly truth of trafficking in our schools and neighborhoods.

SDTPC offers three educational tracks to help protect children from exploitation. **Protect** is a holistic classroom education program for teachers and students; **kNOw More** provides drama-based instruction for middle schoolers; and **Project Roots** is an after school program.

Don said, "SDTPC is a partnership among our community, parents and teachers. We're building awareness to protect children and help stop human trafficking in San Diego."

Questions from audience: How are HT victims (85%) identified through Emergency Rooms? How do you educate parents? Why is San Diego so high on the list of HT cities?

Anchoring today's program, Past President **Peter Duncan** presented a moving and memorable eulogy of our fellow Rotarian, the late **Bob Kyle**.

Other highlights:

- Rotary District 5340's District Governor (2022-2023) Elect Nominee is our own Past President **Chuck Pretto**. *Kudoos! (sic)*. Well done, well-deserved recognition of Chuck's "service above self" since joining our club in 1992. Prez David says, "Your step stool will be going on the road."
- **Clara Draf** inspired us with a quote from Erich Kästner, who stated, "real humans cherish their childhood."
- **Kimberley Layton** excited us about the December 5th auction. Bring a shopaholic friend and "Bid Big!"
- **Duke Sobek** thumped the importance of recruiting new club members. Give someone the "gift" of Rotary. We are all on the Membership Committee.
- **Wendy Urushima** and **Paul Nestor** encouraged support of San Diego Epilepsy Foundation's Gingerbread City gala on December 3. "A stunningly beautiful holiday display for a terrific cause."
- Our eloquent and highly accomplished Chair of the Day, **Jean Young** honored visiting Rotarian, Past District Governor Phillippe Lamoise.

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Next Meeting

**Next Week, Nov. 28 –
DARK
No meeting**

**OUR NEXT MEETING
WILL BE ON
DECEMBER 5**

For our



**Auction begins at 11:00am
and closes at 12:20pm**

Come early to bid on so many wonderful gift items, trips and MORE!

Remember to invite your friends and family, too. Just let [Mary](#) know if you are bringing guests by Dec. 2.

Bid...and Bid Big!

We thank you for supporting our Foundation and our many wonderful community projects.



**Auction Chair
Kimberley Layton**

QUICK BITS

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CALENDAR



2019 Officer and Board Election

Don't forget to complete your online ballot!

The Officer and Board election began on Monday, November 18
CHECK YOUR EMAIL FOR THE BALLOT

Voting ends on Friday, Dec. 6

Results will be announced at the Holiday Program on December 19.

Committee Chairs:

This holiday season, don't forget to invite our Rotaracts to your service activities! They are always willing to participate and help out whenever possible.

Here is their contact info:
SDSU Rotaract - sdsurotaractvpservice@gmail.com
City Heights Rotaract—
chrotaractclub@gmail.com
San Diego Rotaract - sdrotaractservice@gmail.com

BIRTHDAYS

November

Doug Paul	25
Rob Wright	27
Daniel Butler	28
Megan Pogue	30

December

Matt Dathe	1
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Please extend Thanksgiving gratitude to Club 33 Rotarians who supported our program today:

- Badge: **Kathleen Carroll, Barbara Noerenberg, Bob Russell**
- Registration: **James Buley, Mike Conner, Rich DeBolt, Suzanne Frontz, Mia Harenski, Annie Rodriguez**
- Greeters: **Daniel Amaro, Steve Carlson, Toni Giffin, Camille Newbern, Ginny Ollis, Marina Peugh, Nancy Scott**
- The Patriotic moment led by Past President **Debbie Day** accompanied by Bryan Verhoye
- Photography by **Paul Nestor** and **Lisa Miller**
- Our dedicated professional staff, **Paul Devermann, Mary Radovan** and **Carole Ledford**.

The News was reported by **Ginny Ollis**. Her joke: "The King County High School in Tampa was built on an old cemetery. If you get your test answers from the spirits, is it cheating?"

Bob Kyle's Celebration of Life is scheduled for January 4, 2pm-5pm, at the San Diego Yacht Club. Please contact the Rotary office if you would like to make a gift to our CADES Scholarship in honor of Bob, who generously helped start the fund that assists under-privileged high school kids attend college.

Club member **Don Wilkie** lost his son on Thursday, Nov. 21, in a tragic Air Force training accident. This is the statement from the Wilkie family:

"Our son Travis was born ready. His intense personal drive to achieve fueled his incredible accomplishments in academics, athletics and most recently, as an Air Force Academy graduate only weeks away from getting his wings. He made everything look effortless yet he invested great effort in everything. He had a huge smile and a humble heart. He was a great brother and great son. And he was deeply in love with his new wife Peyton. We are immensely proud of Travis and will cherish him forever."

Please keep the Wilkie Family in your thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time.

ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT LIBERTY STATION CONFERENCE CENTER UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

November

28 DARK— Happy Thanksgiving

December

5 Bid Big Auction

12 Garry Bonelli-Board of Port Commissioners

HOLIDAY EVENT

Registration closes on Nov 27 so sign up now!

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

[Click here for more event details and to register](#)

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

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BRING YOUR FRIENDS

and Join Us for the 2019 BID BIG! Auction!

Benefitting the San Diego Rotary Foundation

Thursday, December 5th • 11:00 am - 1:30 pm

Liberty Station Conference Center • 2600 Laning Road, San Diego, CA 92106

Here's a sample of some of the cool items up for bid this year...

Please bring a guest willing to raise a hand for Rotary as well!

Dinner under the stars

on the deck of the Pavel's Spanish hacienda home in Mission Hills. The 5-course gourmet dinner for 10 will be prepared and served by Linda Stirling.



Three nights in a Lake Tahoe

5 bedroom/4 bath home. Sleeps 14. Recently upgraded, this house offers amenities from head to toe including the 42 ft. long Indoor heated pool.



You and a guest can enjoy **Rancho La Puerta** for a Saturday. Saturdays at the Ranch are great get-aways for spa and fitness enthusiasts.



A week at a Sedona Cabin

with a Million Dollar View. Bring your mountain bike and hiking boots as you will only be a mile from some of the best trails in Sedona.

Sunset cruise or mid-day adventure

on San Diego Bay aboard Joe Craver's brand new yacht, the luxurious 'Sweet Escape.'



Padres suite

for a game for up to 25 guests. Mutually agreed-upon game date during 2020 season. March 30 - May 28. Blackout dates apply. Based on availability. Food & beverage not included - can be pre-ordered separately.



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BARRY SLATT MORTGAGE

Join us as we celebrate the amazing community work of San Diego Rotary and transform the Hall into a wonderful world of gifts for family, friends, or even just a treat for yourself!

Proceeds from this year's event support San Diego Rotary Foundation's community projects here at home and around the world. With more

than 30 member-driven committees, San Diego Rotary supports programs from scholarships and student mentorship programs to cross-border humanity projects and even a Ugandan hospital!

Guests are most welcome, but please RSVP to Mary Radovan in the Rotary Office at (619) 299-3309, by COB December 2nd with your guest count to ensure sufficient meals.



We Are Everywhere!

MEMBERSHIP

The following applicants were recommended to the Board of Directors by the Membership Committee and will be approved for membership unless objections are received at the Rotary office by Dec. 4:

- Sabrina Lopez - NBC/Telemundo- "Media-Broadcast"
- Julie Marner - Burundi Friends Intl. - "Social Service & Welfare-Burundi Friends Intl"

DISTRICT NEWS

Congratulations to our very own Past President Chuck Pretto who was selected as District 5340's District Governor for 2022-2023! (Pictured below with current DG Marta Knight and several past DGs who joined us for lunch and the special announcement). We look forward to working under your leadership again, Chuck!



MENTOR PROGRAM

Club members mentoring club members!

We are looking for two types of folks:

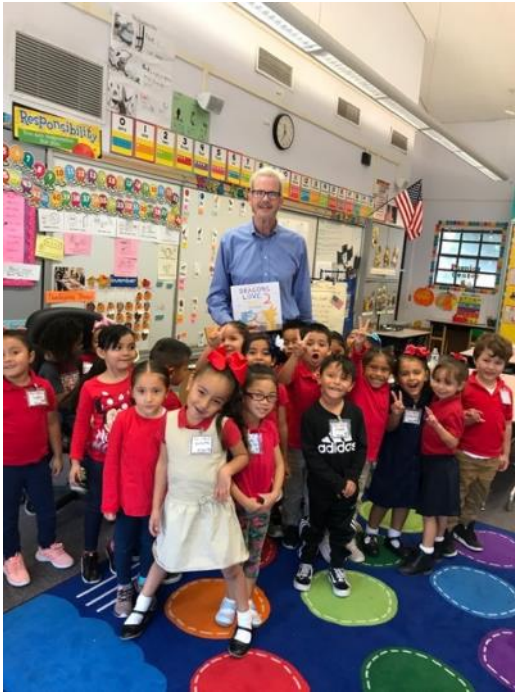
- Mentors – meet with mentee approximately once a month to track goals, provide guidance and “ask the right questions”. Training and guidance for mentors will be provided by **Barbara Noerenberg**. So if you don't feel like you know what to do, no need to worry! We've got you covered.
- Mentees – folks 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 [Barbara Noerenberg](#) or [Daniel Amaro](#) for more information.

ROTARIANS IN ACTION!



Wednesday, Nov. 13—**Wade McKnight** read to a kindergarten class at Cesar Chavez Elementary as part of our Rotary Readers Committee. The book of choice...*Dragons Love Tacos 2*. It was a hit with kids!

(If you would like to join the committee to read to students at Cesar Chavez, please contact [Mike Meaney](#). They could also use readers that can read in Spanish.)



Friday, Nov. 22—City Heights Rotaracts and Hoover High Interacts handed out 100 turkeys to needy families in City Heights for the Thanksgiving holiday, thanks to the support of our San Diego Rotary Club Foundation.



Saturday, Nov. 23—the Military Affairs Committee had a great time at the 2019 Build A Bike event. They built bikes for forty-four young kids who are now going to get new bikes! Thank you to the Single Marine Program for their efforts and special thanks to **Rick Huenefeld** and **Diana Marjip-Chuh** for their special efforts in helping to make this event a huge success!

FACES IN OUR CROWD

Photos courtesy of Lisa Miller



(Left) President David with guest speaker Don Buchheit and Chair of the Day Jean Young; (right) Clara Draf delivered our Inspirational Moment and Ginny Ollis presented the morning's News.



(Left) Past President Chuck Pretto received a standing ovation upon the announcement of his District Governorship; (right) President David gifted Laura Kyle with Bob Kyle's Rotary badge; also pictured with Past President Peter Duncan and Laura's guests Al and Nancy Swanson.



(Left) President David, guest Cory Segall, and Michael LaCroix; (right) Marinda Peugh and Daniel Amaro.