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SAN DIEGO ROTARY CLUB

Bless Us Every One!





The room was full of beautiful people dressed in their holiday attire, waiting for "A Rotary Christmas Carol" to begin. President David started us off with his list of things he's grateful for like a loving family, a successful Michelle Candland business and of course a room full of fellow Rotarians

who give back with full hearts. Our Inspirational Moment was given by Nikki Clay, the "Queen of Trash" (you need to ask Nikki about how she earned that title.) President David led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and welcomed our visiting guests as well as 30 visiting seniors from St. Paul's Pace, Alliance for African Assistance and Neighborhood House Association. He thanked the Liberty Station catering staff who never lets us down and presented wait staff assistant manager Vanessa a gift on behalf of the San Diego Rotary Club as a token of our appreciation. He then shared the recent election results for the Rotary Board for 2020/2021 which includes newly elected Board members:

- **Solveig Deuprey**
- **Roger Haines**
- **Penny Robbins**
- Joe Craver
- **Camille Newbern**
- Simona Valanciute
- Glenn Younger

They will be joining the following Directors who will be remaining on the Board next year:

- **Daniel Amaro**
- Michael Brunker
- Mike Caruso
- Mia Harenski
- Divya Kakaiya

Lisa Miller will serve as our new Secretary/Treasurer. Chris Sichel will be the incoming President for 2020/2021, followed by his President Elect, Judy Thompson. The newly elected President for Rotary year 2022/2023 is Phil Blair. Congratulations Phil! Then on with the show!

It was a very special Rotary version of "A Christmas Carol", with a cast of thousands...or at least 17...along with a robust chorus of 24 heavenly voices and pianist extraordinaire Bryan Verhoye. Former member and past chorus director Brandon Horrocks flew all the way back from Utah to join his friends in the chorus and gave a show-stopping rendition of "You're a Mean One Mr. Grinch", complete with a Grinchy hat to compliment the mood. Scrooge was played by Phil Blair, who did an outstanding job, especially with the very believable snoring. He was visited by three Rotary Ghosts to test his resolve. When Jacob Marley (played by Pat Crowell) was asked, "Isn't it supposed to be the 4-way test?" his response was, "budget cuts!" The three ghosts, Rotary Past (Kimberley Layton) looking very ethereal, Rotary Present (Mark Burgess) looking very shiny, and Rotary Future (Chris Sichel) looking very mysterious, all of whom tried to remind Scrooge how much he loved Rotary and service above self.

Finally, after countless "Bah Humbugs!" and being shown the path to doing good as well as threatened with the possibility of becoming a member of another service organization, Scrooge saw the light. His heart was warmed by seeing Cratchit (played by Trevor Blair) playing with his daughter (played by, you guessed it, Ellie, his real life daughter). Ellie, by the way, is a natural actor - she never got out of character once. The entire production was sprinkled with memorable songs, some with original lyrics (thank you Peter Duncan and Kimberley Layton) and some good old standards we all know and love, including Counting Down to Christmas, Let It Snow, Go Tell It On The Mountain, A Hanukkah Wish, Somewhere In My Memory, Irving Berlin's Christmas and Merry Christmas, Merry Christmas. The entire program was videoed, so if you couldn't attend, check out the video link on page 2.

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DECEMBER 26 & JANUARY 2

DARK-NO MEETINGS

Next Meeting: January 9, 2020

Annual State of the Investment Markets

Kick off the New Year with one of our most popular programs. Advisors Linda Stirling and Don Bauder (via Skype) will discuss, and may even debate, how stocks, bonds and other investment assets will fare over the next 12 months. Come prepared with your questions for our experts!



Nancy Scott Chair of the Day

ANNUAL DONATIONS:

If you would like to make your annual contribution before year end for tax purposes, please call the office with a credit card or mail your check before December 31. Mailed checks must be postmarked no later than the 31st. The office will be closed on December 30 so please make arrangements prior to that time if you plan to pay with a credit card. Checks should be made payable to Rotary Club of San Diego Foundation. Thank you.

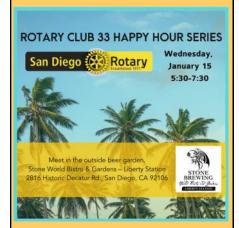
QUICK BITS

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CALENDAR

January Social Hour

Please join us on Wednesday January 15 at 5:30pm for our first social hour of 2020! We'll meet right here in Point Loma at Stone Brewing in Liberty Station (2816 Historic Decatur Rd). For non-beer drinkers, Stone also offers a full bar and restaurant. If the weather is good, please look for us in the outdoor bar/patio area.



Club 33 Mentor Program

What better folks to give back to or learn and grow with than fellow Rotarians! If you are interested in being a mentor or a mentee, please contact Barbara Noerenberg or Daniel Amaro for more information. We are planning on starting in late January 2020.

BIRTHDAYS

| | December |
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| Stephanie Saathoff | 24 |
| Georgina Serrano | 26 |
| Mike Conner | 27 |
| Jan McDonough | 28 |
| Glenn Younger | 30 |
| Sue Goldstein | 30 |
| Peg Eddy | 31 |
| Will Hage | 31 |

President David closed the program with sincere thanks to the village it took to create the wonderful production including Holiday Committee Chair Solveig Deuprey, committee members Debbie Day, Lynn Spafford, Suzy Spafford and Simona Valanciute along with playwright & director Deirdre Maloney. Bonnie Schwartz once again produced a charming program, and of course, a huge THANK YOU to the miracle workers, Paul Devermann and Mary Radovan who are the wizards behind the curtain. David also gave two extemporaneous awards: One to Daniel Amaro for making the ultimate sacrifice of shaving his beard for his role as "Kid", and to Ellie, who successfully caused Scrooge to break character not once, but twice due to her amazing cuteness. President David wished everyone a safe and happy holiday and we'll see you all back on January 9 for our annual State of the Investment Market program with Linda Stirling and Don Bauder. Yes, THAT Don Bauder!

Click here to view the holiday program video.

We Wish You And Your Loved Ones A
Happy And Safe Holiday

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Best Wishes For The New Year!

Camp Enterprise Legacy Nominations

Is there a High School Junior in your life? A son or daughter, niece or nephew, grand, close family friend? It's time to consider nominating them to attend Camp Enterprise March 19-21, 2020. It sounds like a long time away, but we would love to have many legacy students this year and there's no time like the present to nominate that special young person. Students headed into business or entrepreneurial careers will find Camp an particularly informative and rewarding experience.

Please submit nominations by Dec 31.

Click here for the nomination form.

Got questions? Contact <u>Bridget Meckley</u> or <u>Christy</u> White.

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

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9 Annual State of the Investment Market

16 Cody Hooven-Chief Sustainability Officer, City of San Diego

GROTARIAN

Grotarian Fireside Chat January 28 5:30-7:30pm Academy of Our Lady of Peace 4860 Oregon Street, SD 92116 Cost: Free

This event is for Grotarians only. Please no spouses or guests.

Red Badgers – please come and learn more about Club 33 and our Committees as we sit by the fire on a cool evening in San Diego. We will have 8-10 Committee Chairs speak about their committees, what their committees do, and how you as a committee member can help.

This is one way for you to find the committee that is the perfect fit for you, AND satisfy one of your permanent badge requirements!

Click here for more 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

INTRODUCING YOUR 2020-2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS & OFFICERS



Chris Sichel President



Judy Thompson President-Elect



Phil Blair President-Nominee



Lisa Miller Secretary/Treasurer



Chris Sichel Immediate Past President



Daniel Amaro



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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. 30:

- Rachel Luis y Prado Workshop for Warriors "Manufacturing Services, A.A."
 - Jules Taggert Wayward Kind "Marketing Digital A.A."
- Fatema Jass Alliant Insurance Services "Insurance Private Client Services"
- Nicole DeBerg Ronald McDonald House "Social Service and Welfare Ronald McDonald House Charities"



Prospective Member Reception

Share the Gift of Rotary

You and your prospective member are invited to a pre-lunch reception for an opportunity to meet with fellow Rotarians and Board Members. Bring one (or more) guests that are interested in learning more about Rotary.

When: Thursday, January 9

Time: 11:30 in Room 202
REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED
BY A CLUB 33 MEMBER

Click here to sign up your guest(s) by January 6

January 9 program: Our Annual State of the Investment Market with Linda Stirling and Don Bauder

HOLIDAY PROGRAM 2019 Photos courtesy of Paul Nestor















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