



THE ROTATOR

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ROTARY CLUB OF SAN DIEGO

OLD GLOBE THEATRE

NEXT MEETING

May 1

Ingrid Croce

"Business As I Know It!"



Patti Roscoe
Editor

President Chuck

called *the best Rotary Club in the world* to order and the play commenced. Welcome back to **Betty Peabody**, who joined us this day. **Darlene Davies** linked Shakespeare's 450th birthday with the Old

Globe's 80th – a bond forever joined in artistic excellence. It's always great to be front and center when **Steve Hubbard** leads us in song, today *God Bless America*, accompanied on the ivories by the talented **Greg Zinser**. Newsman and past president, *Bert Wahlen*, quoted a poll that said 54% of Americans do not think either party represents them. Thanks to another stellar arts organization, Mainly Mozart and **Nancy Laturno**, for Rotarians at Work day will be a fond memory of the many outstanding sponsoring the news.

By now, Club 33 volunteer that participated in one of the many projects. Thanks to **Bob Borgman** and the entire RAW committee for coordinating this important day. **Andy Liska** was up with two announcements. We editors desperately need help. Our brains are frazzled and fingers worn to the bone from recapping each week's speaker. If you can read and write, we'll take you. It's a very rewarding job that allows you to use all that brainpower you have stored up. The pay is great and we get regular raises. Please contact Andy – aliska@aalpc.com - if you can help. A big high-five to **John Morrell** and Higgs, Fletcher & Mack for hosting the Rotaract event last week. If you haven't mentored a Rotaract, you're missing out on a rewarding experience. Call Andy to share your expertise with these bright students.

John Peele pitched the May 14th spring double tennis tournament at the Barnes Center at 5PM. Contact him to join the love - jpeelle@peellefinancial.com. What a racket!

Congratulations to Nuffer, Smith, Tucker for turning 40 on April 1st. (Dave Nuffer always did have a sense of humor.) **Bill Trumpfheller** contributed \$400 for all the ink he and his agency received from our local print media. Forty-five Rotarians donned chef aprons at **Ron Eisenberg's** Great News! He contributed a generous \$1200 to Rotary, much of it from the profits made by the bags of products sold that night. (This editor rarely leaves his wonderful establishment without at least two bags full of kitchen gadgets.)

COD, **Jenni Prisk**, reminded us that Darlene Davies' late husband's name is the standard bearer of the Lowell Davies Festival Theatre at the Old Globe. Jenni then was perplexed as to which of the three local Rotarians should get her *Voices of Women* t-shirt. She solved that by making them decide amongst themselves. She's a clever girl, that Jenni. Barry Edelstein, Artistic Director of the Old Globe, has vitae unequalled in many circles. He's a Rhodes Scholar, American theatre director, author and educator. He joined the Old Globe in October of 2012 and San Diego is lucky to have him in our midst. As part of her intro, Jenni created a sonnet; not an easy task. Read it at the end of The Rotator. Barry proclaimed it "well done."

He then introduced our own **Michael Murphy**, Managing Director of the Globe, along with board members **Nikki Clay**, **Karin Winner**, and Kathy Hattox (spouse of Rotarian **John Hattox**.) Putting us in the bardism spirit, Barry quoted part of Sonnet 104 as a birthday salute to his 450-year-old friend: *To me, fair friend, you never can be old, For as you were when first your eye I eyed, Such seems your beauty still.* It and its translation can be read in one of Barry's books, *Bardisms: Shakespeare for All Occasions*.

When Jim Croce and I fell madly in love, I was an artist, a gymnast, a folk singer, a high school sophomore and thought business was a "four-letter word." Determined to be a musician, when we discovered we were going to have a child, Jim wrote "Time in a Bottle" and many other hits. After 300 days a year for two years on the road, Jim's songs finally hit the top of the charts. We moved to San Diego so Jim could host the Johnny Carson Show and do a movie with Cheech and Chong.

But at the peak of his career, just a month after we had moved, Jim Croce died in a plane crash in Natchitoches, Louisiana. As a twenty-six-year-old widow and single mom, with both my parents gone, I had no idea how I was going to raise my son alone.

This is my story of how I survived, overcame obstacles, and risked a lot to gain it all.



Mike Conner
Chair of the Day

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QUICK BITS

The **Small Club/Joint Venture Committee** would like to remind Red Badgers of the requirement to make up a missed meeting at the Rotary Club of Southeast San Diego. SESD Rotary meets at noon on Wednesdays at Jacobs Center Community Room, 404 Euclid Ave., Corner of Euclid & Market St., San Diego, CA 92114. Here's the link to their website: <http://portal.clubrunner.ca/10094/>.

Note: They are dark on Wednesday, April 30th

Rotator Editors Wanted!

Please contact the Rotary office or Andy Liska if you are interested in becoming a Rotator Editor.

BIRTHDAYS

Darlene Davies	April 28
Jamie Moraga	28
Braze Golding	28
Judy Thompson	28
Terry Moore	28
Mark Allan	29
Jen Weissman	29
Larry Showley	30
Dick Jackson	30
Bob Kelly	30
Budd Rubin	30
Steve Cairncross	May 1
Skip Starkey, Jr.	1
Steve Ayers	2
Ron Eisenberg	3
Jim Groen	3

OLD GLOBE THEATRE

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As we heard earlier, the Old Globe will celebrate its 80th year. It was built in 1935 as part of the Pan-California Exposition and modeled after the famous Shakespeare's Globe theatre in London. They produce 14 plays annually with over 600 performances on three stages. It plays host to an annual Shakespeare Summer Festival on the outdoor Festival Stage under the beautiful San Diego skies. They have an ambitious schedule that can be viewed at www.theoldglobe.org.

An inspired partnership has developed between the Old Globe and Combat Arts, an organization that teaches art to returning Iraqi military veterans. Their works of art are on display in the Sheryl and Harvey White Theatre. In the near future, we will enjoy a "Globe to Go," where performances will be taken into the neighborhoods in libraries, homeless centers, senior centers, correctional institutions, on a Naval vessel, etc. Barry feels art belongs to everyone; that it starts conversations among people from all walks of life, it helps bond families that experience the arts together, and allows us all to appreciate what arts and culture bring to a community.

The Old Globe partners with USD in training young actors. They host an intensive Shakespeare summer course for teens, and they have a robust arts training program. It is Barry's goal to replicate El Sistema in bringing music and art to all the neighborhoods.

Next season will open with a Steve Martin musical and world premier, *Bright Star*. Barry and Steve Martin have worked together over the years and this is a play Martin has always wanted to produce. Lucky San Diego! We won't want to miss that one.

CALENDAR

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

May

- 1 *Ingrid Croce*
- 8 *John Corcoran*
- 15 *Dr. Richard Della Penna*
- 22 *Jeff Bacon, Cartoonist, Navy & Marine Corps Times*
- 29 *Iris Engstrand, Balboa Park History*

June

- 5 *Jim Ryun, 50th anniversary of his record breaking sub 4 minute mile*

GROTARIAN EVENTS

May 27 - San Diego Library & e3 Civic High School Tour - 4:30-6:30 pm. Register at www.rotary33.org

Future Events:

June 22 - San Diego Polo Club

July 15 - America's Cup "Yacht America" Sailing

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



President Chuck presented our speaker, Barry Edelstein of the Old Globe, with a certificate of appreciation.



Betty Peabody was back to join us for the day.



Bill Trumpfheller was fined \$400 for the publicity he generated for the PR firm he leads, Nuffer, Smith, Tucker, on their 40th anniversary.



Ron Eisenberg was fined \$1,200 from the proceeds he earned for hosting a Grotarian event at his retail store, Great News Cookware and Cooking School.



Andy Liska made a plea for members to take on the task of becoming Editors of the Day.



Solveig Dueprey was joined at lunch by her aspiring actor son, Daniel.

GROTARIAN COOKING EVENT



A large group of members attended the Grotarian event at Great News to learn new cooking techniques from the pros.



President Chuck and his wife Kim were among the attendees at Great News.

Sonnet to Welcome Barry Edelstein to Rotary

by Jenni Prisk

A golden globe stands in a park of green
Where players speak in couplet and in rhyme;
And to its midst came Barry Edelstein,
Prolific in the Bard, 'ere long a time.
With steady hand he steers the mighty "O",
The actors all do follow his good lead...
With ne'er a slip twixt sonnet and rondeau
All portray the living and the dead.
We call on you to speak with honeyed tongue,
And may your time with us be one of joy,
Your 'rival in this room has long been sung
So let not *all* your words be mild and coy.
'Tis time to hand this podium to thee
And bid you welcome... at our Rotary!