

Will The Real Nathan Fletcher Please Stand Up



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Editor

Yikes! We thought we had dodged the hot summer weather until it reared its toasty head! President **David Oates**, two months into his term, was courageous enough to ask Past President and Past District Governor **Pat Crowell** for a performance review. Pat gestured with two fingers to his eyes that they are watching President David. Perhaps not a rave review, but as David explained, better than a “one finger” review. Don’t worry David; we think you are doing a great job... at least so far! President David also thanked **Walter Lam** for a great quote that “the sun never sets on a Rotary project.” Rotary is literally everywhere.

Today’s Inspirational Moment was given by **Julia Holladay**, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the *Star Spangled Banner* led by the Club 33 Singers, who were accompanied by Bryan Verhoye. Today’s News was graciously sponsored by **John Peelle** and Peelle Wealth Management, LLC (thanks John!) and was given by our own newscaster extraordinaire, **Mark Burgess**.

All visitors were warmly welcomed by President David, who followed with this week’s announcements. Another Club 33 happy hour awaits you on September 18 at WineSellar & Brasserie in Mira Mesa. Reservations are not required so just show up and enjoy some Rotary fellowship. And another great Grotarian event will be a tour of NBC/Telemundo on September 24, which **Tina Jenkins** said is not-to-miss. The microphone was then passed to our newest African ambassador, **Camille Newbern**, who hawked an exciting trip to see the Atiak Hospital Grand opening in April 2020. For those of you who aren’t in the loop, a new committee for this Club 33 hospital project has been formed with Camille at the helm. Contact [Camille](#) or [Roger Haines](#) for more information about the upcoming trip.

Prez David then introduced our Chair of the Day, **Betsy Brennan**, the President and CEO of the Downtown San Diego Partnership (among other prestigious San

Diego institutions.) Betsy had the privilege of introducing her good friend, District 4 Supervisor Nathan Fletcher. Nathan hales from a small town in Arkansas, and learned at an early age the value of helping others. Nathan joked that his high school was so small its team colors were black and white as it couldn’t afford a real color. Nathan spent ten years in the United States Marine Corps which introduced him to San Diego. He has run for mayor and served in the State Assembly. He has also been recently mistaken for Governor Newsom (not a bad thing) and a local politician who is being prosecuted for campaign crimes (not a good thing). In addition to serving as a County Supervisor, Nathan currently serves on a variety of boards and commissions including the Executive Board for the San Diego Metropolitan Transit System, the Regional Task Force on the Homeless, The Polinsky Children’s Center, the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) Transportation Committee, and the San Diego Workforce Partnership.

Nathan Fletcher’s priorities are focused on improving the quality of life for people who live and work in San Diego County. He is working hard to improve mental health services which involve homeless issues and substance abuse issues. Often the two are hopelessly intertwined and Nathan believes the solution is treating and not prosecuting those who need help desperately. The welfare of our children is also a high priority of his. Unfortunately, where one lives in San Diego, be it as an adult or as a child, can have dramatic impact on health and longevity of life. Finally, it is key to Nathan to protect the environment and tackle climate change; address housing affordability and improve the services for our homeless population; protect the rights of underrepresented and immigrant communities; and improve transit accessibility for people across San Diego County. All of this will require change by all of us, but Nathan believes we should take on bold issues if we want to make positive impacts on our world.

Next Meeting

**Next Meeting:
September 12**

**Gabor George Burt
Author**

Gabor George Burt is the global authority on re-imagining boundaries and author of the book *Slingshot*.

A mastermind of innovation, creativity and strategy, Burt enables individuals and organizations to overstep perceived limitations and to carve out successful growth strategies. His *Slingshot Framework* is at the forefront of global innovation.

The topic of Burt’s talk: Re-Imagine the Boundaries of Your Business

In today’s border-less business environment, you are either actively shaping the future of your market space, or you are left in the wake of others who are. Burt reveals how you can be among the future-shapers. He will present the simple yet highly effective concepts of the *Slingshot Framework* – built on *Blue Ocean Strategy* (the new millennium’s most influential business strategy approach) – enabling you to redraw market boundaries for strong growth, ongoing relevance and sustained customer attachment.



Chair of the Day
Paul Nestor

QUICK BITS

BOARD AND OFFICER ELECTION

CALENDAR



Please join us on Wednesday, September 18 for our next social hour at the WineSellar & Brasserie, located at 9550 Waples Street in the Sorrento Valley area. This event will kick off a bit earlier than our normal time, as the WineSellar is hosting a special Tuscan wine tasting event for just \$15. Please join us at 5:00 if you'd like to participate in the tasting, or feel free to arrive any time between 5:00 and 7:00 to join your fellow Rotarians for a glass of wine and camaraderie. We will be meeting in the downstairs bar, and the full food menu will also be available. See you there!

BIRTHDAYS

September

Karen Hewitt	9
Andy Liska	9
Mary Walshok	10
Jim Jessop	12
Travis Anderson	13
Tyler Cramer	13
Ben Wood	14
Betty Hubbard	14
Clara Draf	15
Kim Higgins	15

The Nominating Committee has begun meeting to put forth their nominations for this year's election for Board officers and directors.

Our Bylaws allow for any member to nominate themselves or another member via petition. So if there is someone you would like to nominate for the Board or for an Officer petition, please contact [Paul](#) at the office as soon as possible.

Our election will take place on November 18.

ADVISORS NEEDED FOR 2019 DISTRICT 5340 LEAD CONFERENCE



Come join the fun! Rotarians are invited to be Advisors at District 5340's LEAD (Leadership, Ethics, Aspirations & Determination) Conference. Best of all - there is no charge to Rotarians or to their clubs for serving as a LEAD Advisor! The conference will be held October 19-20, 2019.

LEAD is a two-day weekend leadership camp for 8th grade students (Delegates) where they discuss issues of ethical responsibility, improve leadership and communication skills, develop a positive outlook on service and life, and have fun with new friends. Delegates from middle schools and K-8's around the District will attend, and we need 12+ Rotarian Advisors to work with these wonderful young people.

Please go to the [LEAD website](#), click on the Advisors Link and follow the instructions to complete the application. You may call Paul Pierce at (760) 942-9911 or email him at pepjr@peplaw.com if you have questions.

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

September

- 12 Gabor George Burt, Author
- 19 Mr. San Diego Program
- 26 Rocky Long-SDSU Football Coach

GROTARIAN EVENT



ONLY A FEW SPOTS LEFT!

Join us on Tuesday, September 24 at NBC 7 & Telemundo 20 and go behind the scenes of San Diego's leading TV stations.

Address: 9680 Granite Ridge Drive, San Diego 92123- 5:30pm-7:30pm

We will:

- * tour the news studios
- * learn about their multi-platform marketing offerings
- * get a sneak peak of the 2020 Tokyo Olympics Games

Cost: \$20 per person (includes food and beverages)

Guests 8 years of age and older are welcome.

Deadline to register is September 17 – space is limited to 25 people max. All attendees must present a valid ID upon check-in at security.

[Click here to register](#)

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

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AUCTION

SAVE THE DATE



Mark your calendars now
for this year's

San Diego Rotary Foundation BID BIG! Auction!

Thursday, December 5th • 11:00 am • Liberty Station Conference Center

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.

TO DONATE AN ITEM FOR THE AUCTION, [CLICK HERE](#) TO COMPLETE THE ONLINE FORM

FACES IN OUR CROWD

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We were all delighted to have **Doug Arbon** back with us! (Left) **Joe da Rosa, Jan McDonough, Glenn Goltz, Tom Vecchione, Dom Teemsma, Jeanne Schmelzer** and guest **Chrissy Gavin**; (right) **Jack Berkman, Pamela Gutierrez** and **Julia Holladay**.



(Left) **Sabrina Lopez**, Vice President of Sales at **NBC7/Telemundo20**, helped **Tina Jenkins** promote our Sept. 24 Grotarian event; (right) **Betsy Brenner** served as our Chair of the Day.



(Left) Guest speaker County Supervisor **Nathan Fletcher**; (right) **Bob Rubenstein, Marie Raftery** and **Mel Katz**.