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Trauma Services

President Dick Troncone called the meeting to order a little breathless, but nevertheless at the correct hotel, and turned the microphone over to **David Kahn** for the Inspirational Moment. David related the lessons he learned while working on the New Orleans museum exhibit of Hurricane Katrina. Upon being asked if they needed help, many victims of Katrina replied, "No, we're doing fine, thank you," even while working to remove the mud from their homes.

George Harris, accompanied by **Suzu Spafford**, led us in *The Star Spangled Banner*. George took a \$125 fine in the process for not showing up last week to lead the singing. Before giving us his usual professional summary of the news, **Bert Wahlen** gave us a short history lesson to help us prepare for our Centennial Year in 2011-12. He told us about the revitalizing of Alcazar Gardens by Club 33 led by **Phil Klauber**. On this day in 1969, the Apollo 11 space craft landed on the moon.

In what may be the beginning of a new tradition, new members **Paul Byrne**, "Information Technology Management," and **Ed Ecker**, "Office Products," introduced themselves. Both are alumni of SDSU as is Prez Dick. **Jim Groen** is asking for a few Rotarians to help rebuild some fencing this Saturday from 8:30 to noon at the "Bridge" Youth Home.

Lyle Butler told us about our Day at the Races on August 5 so call the office for tickets because it is close to a sell out.

Skip Hymes reported on his trip to Waterfall King Salmon Resort in Alaska. He won a tournament there with a 43.6 lb. catch--that's one fish!--and collected \$11,000 in prizes. President Dick then collected \$250 for the Club.

With no visiting Rotarians, Chair of the Day **Nikki Clay** then introduced our own **Mike Sise, M.D.**, who was making a repeat performance as our program. It's not often that the President fines the speaker, but with Scripps Mercy Hospital Trauma Services brochures littering every table, Prez Dick had no choice--\$250. Mike began with "I want you to know I am a paid speaker, because I just paid to speak."

Mike spoke with passion about the trauma centers in San Diego and how they function. In 1982, 20 percent of trauma deaths were preventable but by last year, that figure was 2.7 percent. The difference came from the change in the way trauma patients are treated. Each major war has contributed to the improvement process. Mike had us all on our feet at the end of his presentation.

Watch your *Rotator* carefully for the location of our next meeting. Anyone can go wrong, even the President of the Club!

NEXT MEETING

Thursday

July 23, 2009

Sheraton East

Harbor Island Ballroom

"Decision Lindbergh Plan"

Bob Kittle
Editorial Editor,
San Diego Union-Tribune

Jim Panknin
Commissioner,
Airport Authority

Should up to \$11 billion be spent to re-configure and upgrade Lindbergh Field? Airline representatives say proposed changes could lead to passenger gridlock. The future of our airport will be debated by Bob Kittle, Editor of the *Union-Tribune* and Jim Panknin, Airport Authority Commissioner. Many have referred to the present solution as "lipstick on a pig" or "Hindenburg instead of Lindbergh". What is the problem? What is the solution, or will this debate continue for another 50 years without one?

Moderator
Joe Craver



QUICK BITS

ELECTION RESULTS

Constitution	
Approve	258
Disapprove	2
Abstain	1
Bylaws	
Approve	256
Disapprove	4
Abstain	1

A copy of the Constitution and Bylaws will be available upon request and on our homepage for downloading.

QUARTERLY INVOICES

Expect to receive your invoice for the July—September quarter via email or postal mail this week.

DISTRICT COUNCIL

Register for the Aug. 4 D5340 Council Meeting in Escondido at www.rotary5340.org. Join your fellow Club 33 Rotarians and meet some new faces. The cost is \$36 and fellowship begins at 5:30 PM. Red Badgers, heads up!

Contact **Dick Sullivan** if you can serve on the Club's District Committee.

CLUB 33 AT THE RACES

Register online or call our office to buy your tickets for our Day at the Races in Del Mar on Wed., Aug. 5. The cost is \$17 per person. Friends are welcome.

CLUB 33 FISHING TRIP

Our annual Club fishing trip is filling up fast and the District Challenge is going to make it even more exciting than usual. Sign up for the Sept. 21-23 event online or by calling our office.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Club 33 Members who are looking for their next career opportunity or who have jobs available are listed in the News section of our website, rotary33.org.

THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS



By *Bruce A. Hunt*
Executive Director

What are some of the benchmarks that will denote President Dick Troncone's term in 2009-10?

Membership: Chair **Bink Cook** and V-C **Kobe Bogaert** are aiming to introduce 50 new members into Club 33 with help from all our members who continue to sponsor quality candidates. A special effort will be made to attract younger members.

Service: Project Allocations has received \$161,500 from the Club 33 Directors to be used to fund the charitable works that we do in the community. So far, PA has made \$149,150 in grants.

Speaker gift: President Dick is donating vaccinations against the polio virus for 30 children to the RI Polio Plus Campaign for each speaker who presents the program to our Club.

Roster cover: We chose white for the cover of President Dick's Roster so that members could distinguish this year's Roster from last year's. Blue will be back for **Bonnie Schwartz's** Roster in 2010-11.

Election: We will choose a President-Elect, President-Nominee, Secretary/Treasurer and 10 Directors in the election later this year, the first under the newly revised Bylaws.

Fellows: Increase the number of Club 33 Fellows from 192 at the end of **President Stan Hartman's** term and introduce as many or more new Paul Harris Fellows, 26, and multiple PHF, 38, as Stan did.

Do you have your scorecard set up?

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CALENDAR

JULY

30 *Steve Fisher*
SDSU Head Basketball
Coach
Sheraton East

AUGUST

6 *Gary Schons*
Asst. Attorney General
Sheraton West

13 *FBI, Cunningham Case*
Sheraton West

20 *Debra Reed*
President/COO, SDGE
Sheraton West

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

July 23

Membership	Marina 6
PR/Marketing	Marina 5
Senior Services	Harbor Island Ballroom

BIRTHDAYS

John Sands	July 20
Bob Thaxton	20
Rick McElvain	20
Tom Blair	22
Greg Garner	22
Bert Wahlen	22
Suzy Spafford	23
Craig Evanco	23
Denis Vanier	23
Richard Carr	23
Jim Kidrick	26

Meetings: Every Thursday at Noon, Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina

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FACES IN THE CROWD AT THE CLUB 33 MEETING

Paul Byrne, classification “Information Technology Management,” introduced himself to Club 33 today. Paul is the Founder/President of ReadyTECH, a company that provides outsource management and support for business networks in San Diego County. He has lived in San Diego for 46 years and Paul enjoys golfing, skiing & fishing with his wife, Karen, son, Kevin and daughter, Erin. **Jerry Doran, Mel Katz and Stan Hartman** are Paul’s sponsors.

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Ed Ecker, classification “Office Products,” also introduced himself to Club 33 today. Ed is the General Manager of Give Something Back, a company that sells 40,000 business products for next-day delivery and donates profits to local non-profit agencies. He is married to Nancy and they have three sons, Chadd, Brett and Gregg. The family enjoys hiking, kayaking and swimming. **Jen Martino, John Van Deusen and Kobe Bogaert** are Ed’s sponsors.

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Mike Sise



Dick Troncone & David Kahn



Skip Hymes



Nikki Clay



George Harris

ROTARY CLUB 33 SUPPORTS VETERANS VILLAGE STAND DOWN



What is Stand Down?

In times of war, exhausted combat units requiring time to rest and recover were removed from the battlefields to a place of relative security and safety. Today, Stand Down refers to a grassroots, community-based intervention program designed to help the nation's estimated 200,000 homeless veterans "combat" life on the streets. The hand up, not a handout philosophy of Stand Down is carried out through the work of thousands of volunteers and numerous organizations throughout the nation.

What is the history of Stand Down?

The first Stand Down was held in San Diego. The popularity of the event has steadily grown from the original in 1988 to some 300 annually throughout the nation. Hundreds of homeless veterans are provided with a wide range of necessities including food, clothing, medical, legal and mental health assistance, job counseling and referral, and most importantly, companionship and camaraderie. It is a time for the community to connect with the homeless veteran population and address this crisis that affects each and every town, city and state in this country.

When and where will the San Diego Stand Down 2009 be held?

The 2009 San Diego Stand Down will be held on the grounds of San Diego High School adjacent to Balboa Stadium beginning at 05:00am on Friday, July 17 through 15:00pm on Sunday, July 19.

What can I do to assist in this Project?

Members of Rotary Club 33 can contribute to the Pre-Stand Down clothing drive by bringing donations to the weekly meeting on July 2nd, 9th, or 16th. All donations are welcome but the Stand Down staff has asked us to emphasize the need for bath towels and washcloths this year. Club 33 will also provide hands-on assistance during the Stand Down. Any amount of volunteer time will be useful. Please let John Sands or the Military Affairs Committee know if you can commit some time to this community service project.