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LA JOLLA GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROTARY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2 2022



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RI President 2022-23
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NANCY GATSCHET

SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 2022 - SPEAKER

9..... Andy Blue
Project Wildlife

23..... Dr. "Bowtie" Todd Jenkins - Zoom
Moving from Diversity to Inclusion



JOE SIGURDSON



BOYS TO MEN MENTORING NETWORK

Joe Sigurdson is the co-founder of Boys to Men Mentoring Network along with co-founder and collaborator Craig McClain. Joe was a teenage father, he and his wife of forty-six years Nancy, have two children and seven grandchildren.

Joe is an active member of Alcoholics Anonymous with thirty-four years of sobriety. Joe is the past president of The Kiwanis Club of San Diego with thirty-two years of service and he has been active in the Mankind Project doing interpersonal work for the past twenty-eight years. His experiences in these programs have given him insight into what is lacking in our society, especially teenage boys. He has worked with thousands of boys and men around the world. He knows that inside every boy is a desire to be a good man.

Boys to Men has developed an approach to helping boys become the good men they want to be by listening accepting and encouraging. These principles are the result of Joe's path through life and recovery.



WE ENCOURAGE AND EMPOWER BOYS TO FOLLOW THEIR DREAMS



REPORT

from the last meeting



THE FOUR WAY TEST



OF THE THINGS WE
THINK, SAY OR DO

01

IS IT
THE TRUTH?

President Nancy opened the meeting at 7:30 am on the dot.

ROTD was **Linda Andrews** of real estate fame. She gave us a great inspirational message about how life is a train ride. Sometimes the people on the train with you get off but that is a reflection of them, not you. Be sure to pay attention to the ones that stay on the trip with you. I agree wholeheartedly. Linda then gave us very important real estate tips: Alligators are not allowed in backyards in Arkansas; people in Ohio are not allowed to take a bath after 10 pm but I'm not sure why; Oregonians continue to surprise me: they must be fully clothed to bathe. Linda also introduced her guest Carolyn from the biotech industry.

President Nancy gave a report of last Thursday's evening meeting and that **Chris Richards** has left the club. I feel certain those two announcements are not intertwined.

Linda Andrews came back to the podium to announce her annual children's book drive. Bring as many books as you can to the first 3 meetings in September. They don't have to be new but they do need to be in good condition. These books will go into the personal libraries of children in our area, up to the third grade level. Picture books are welcome.

There will be a membership tent at the San Diego Festival of the Arts. Volunteer if you can.

Past president Jacquie has Rotary pins for sale: many different sizes, designs, and prices.

Please contact **Susan Schwartz** if you can help bring **Louise** to Rotary and take her home. You don't have to commit for every week but as many times as you can. Louise is no longer driving.

The not-so-bashful **Steven Tako** report that he is receiving help from NFL players with voice-over assignments for his anti-bullying books and film. Not certain how much he paid for that plug but I hope to hear more about this journey.

Don't forget to write letters to be distributed at Mail Call on the Honor Flight for only Vietnam Veterans who are Purple Heart recipients or higher. This flight is limited to the Seawolves, a squadron that was both commissioned and decommissioned during the Vietnam War. The letters can be mailed to North San Diego Business Chamber, attn. Sophia Hernandez, 10875 Rancho Bernardo Road, Ste 106, San Diego, CA 92127. Bring them to the club meeting or mail—PRIOR to September 9.

Our scintillating speaker

was the dry-witted **Ernie Dronenburg**, County Assessor/Recorder/Clerk. He lives in Fallbrook, is also a flower farmer, served in the US Coast Guard, worked in aerospace before being elected to his current spot in 1978.

Ernie explained the functions of each of his three responsibilities, is proud of his department's customer service and its awards, announced that there has been a marked increase in filings in the past two years due to refinancing in real properties.

Additionally he clarified Proposition 13 system of assessing real properties. Real properties is assessed at time of sale at a rate of 1% of sales value. Other fees can be added to those properties for mosquito abatement, schools, public improvements—that sort of thing. However these additional fees are levied by the city in which you live NOT San Diego County. This county doesn't tax 501c3 properties. Values can go up 2% annually and during times of economic downturn, if values decrease, you can request a re-evaluation. Those homes in the county that have historical significance pay lesser property taxes. There was a little bit of time for questions and meeting was adjourned around 8:35 am.

~Reporter

Sandi Rimer

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WILL IT BE
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PHOTOS FROM LAST MEETING



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IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?



How Does Proposition 13 work?

- Agreement between you and the government
- 9% of assessed value = property tax
- Assessed value is based on market value - assumption is purchase price is market value
- Assessed value can increase up to 3% annually based on consumer price index inflation

UNDERSTANDING PROP. 13

Proposition 13 was passed right after Prop 13 and allowed for temporary tax relief if your property value fell below the Prop 13 Restored Base Year.

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WILL IT BUILD GOODWILL AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

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SEPTEMBER 2022

September 9 - Ajay Asher

September 16 - - -



ROTARIAN
 OF THE DAY

LORI BENDE

Lori has been a member of the La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club since 1999. She is a recipient of the Rotarian of the Year award by LJGT, a multiple Paul Harris Fellow, past board member, past Fine Master, past Family of Rotary Chair, past treasurer and charter member of the International Eyecare Fellowship of Rotarians, past LJGT Road Rally Winner, past Road Rally Dipstick “Winner”.

Lori is a past president of the San Diego County Optometric Society and was awarded the “Young Optometrist of the Year” (a few years ago, ahem) by the California Optometric Association.

That’s a lot of “past” stuff. What has Lori been doing lately???

After 20 years in private practice optometry in University City, she sold her practice and is working part time close to her home in Rancho Penasquitos at Carmel Mountain Vision Care.

Lori’s twins started their freshman year of high school this year and will be 15 this month. Lori and her husband Joost are very involved with Scouts BSA (Boy Scouts). Lori is getting more involved in the International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians.

Lori continues to value her friendships she has made, and continues to make, in the La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club; truly the Most Dynamic Rotary Club in the World!

If you want to hear more personal details of Lori’s recent life happenings, you will have at attend the September 2 meeting for her Rotarian of the Day speech.

