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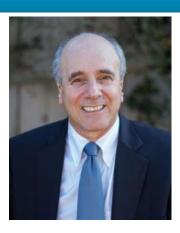
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STEVE WEITZEN—Vice Governor Combating Human Trafficking—What Rotary Can Do Friday, MARCH 17, 2023 - Noon



District 5340's dedicated Anti-Human Trafficking task force proudly launches a series of initiatives that are designed to increase the awareness of San Diego County's human sex trafficking scourge and generate measures to help prevent individuals -- primarily young people -- from becoming victims.

A 2016 Point Loma Nazarene University study estimates that between 3,000 and 6,000 human sex trafficking victims live amongst us in San Diego County. Approximately 80 percent of those exploited hold U.S. citizenship and average 16 years of age. Exploiters begin to groom their victims as early as the fifth grade, through online and in-person methods, and generate \$800 million in illicit income in the region.

Our efforts will make an impact, but only through your help! Visit District 5340 website for upcoming volunteer projects and prevention initiatives with public school districts. In the meantime, take time to view one or more of the educational workshop series to understand the elements of human sex trafficking in San Diego County and what you can do to keep your eyes and ears open.

CLUB CALENDAR

March 17—Above & Beyond Bonita/Sunnyside Fire St. Patrick's Social at the Monaco's—March 17 TIJUANA HOME BUILD—Saturday, April 15 SAVE THE DATE: Installation/Outstallation—TUESDAY, JUNE 20



MEETING HIGHLIGHTS—March 10, 2023

President Mark Scott called the meeting to order. Chuck Bevan gave the invocation. Jesse Fernandez assisted with the introduction of guests.

Announcements included a call for volunteers to assist in reviewing scholarship applications for Southwestern College students.

Suzanne Catanzaro shared about her mishap with a door jam. March 8 was International Women's Day. Go to the Rotary International to make a donation in support of programs helping women.

Carmen Sandoval introduced the family our Club will be building the home for on April 15—the Velez Flores family. Licet (29) and Paulino (33) and son, 5 year old Neitan. They are from Acapulco and moved to Tijuana when Paulino could not find work during the pandemic. He is a mason when he can find work and Licet works in a pizza parlor. They earn very low wages—Licet (\$97 per week) and Paulino, approximately \$128 per week.

Michael Monaco invited everyone to the St. Patrick's Social at his home on Friday, March 17, 6-9 pm. Please let him know if you plan to attend.

The Sunrise Club is organizing a Rise Against Hungry work event on April 22. Sign up ahead of time. It involves packing bulk food into units for individuals.

Save the date for the Installation/Outstallation—TUESDAY, June 20, due to various travel needs. Betty gave an awesome News at Noon.

Lane Pearson introduced Joe Carroll who began his engineering journey at 28. Joe shared about NASA and space debris, providing insight into an assortment of NASA projects.

Thoughts and Invocation by Chuck Bevan

I wanted to add a medical directive to my estate plane. I wanted to use Mike Green, but the internet was cheaper. So here is my directive:

If I am ever on life support, unplug me and plug me back in and see if that works.

Father, please help us to use this newly revived springtime seadon to revive a newness in our hearts, our homes, and in our lives.

Help us to be more loving, generous, and thoughtful.

As we live day by day, remind us of the beauty of spring, and what new beginnings mean.

Place those in our path that need help.

Present us with situations where we can support others. And give us insight on when to show compassion.

Amen





JIM BIDDLE NEWS AT NOON



Hello, everyone. Welcome to today's edition of the Jim Biddle News at Noon, today sponsored by Kathleen Carroll.

California hasn't yet recovered from historic snows that buried streets and collapsed roofs—now we need to be braced for flooding. An atmospheric river storm, the type sometimes called The Pineapple Express, is moving in from the tropics to California over the next few days. Serious flooding is feared as warm rain is expected to fall on the state's near-record snowpack and cause melting at elevations of 2,000 feet to 4,000 feet. The governor has declared a state of emergency in 34 California counties (not SD). Emergency coordinators in Fresno County have already issued evacuation warnings for foothill and mountain communities in advance of a storm that may drop as much as 6-8 inches of rain over the coming week.

WeightWatchers stock soared 79 percent Tuesday after the company announced it was getting into the prescription drug weight loss business with the acquisition of Sequence, tapping into a red-hot market. Sequence, a telehealth operator, says that its specialists can prescribe semaglutide, a medication sold under brand names including Ozempic, Wegovy and Trulicity. While prescribed for diabetes, these drugs can also help people lose weight, They work as an appetite suppressant by mimicking a hormone released after eating that typically makes people feel fuller and generally eat less. Its effectiveness has recently caused the drug to go viral on social media and in celebrity circles.

The World Baseball Classic, Baseball's top international championship, opened Wednesday at Taichung, Taiwan and concludes on March 21. The tournament started in 2006, and is the first of its kind to have national teams featuring professional players from the major leagues around the world, including US Major League Baseball. It provides a format for the best baseball players in the world to compete against one another while representing their home countries, the World Baseball Classic hopes to further promote the game worldwide and grow into a global event comparable to soccer's World Cup. It's held every four years, returning now after 2017 because of a pandemic interruption with an expanded 20-nation field. Japan won the first two championships in 2006 and 2009, followed by the Dominican Republic in 2013 and the United States in 2017. This year the Dominicans are considered the favorite with a roster that includes Juan Soto and Manny Machado. In total, 63 MLB All-Stars and 7 MVP's are on the various national 30-man rosters.

We have another championship team from Chula Vista to cheer for, this time from right down the road at Bonita Vista High School. Their number 1 seeded girls basketball team faces number 4 Fresno Central tomorrow in the state championship game at Golden 1 Center in Sacramento.

This week's sponsor, Kathleen Carroll is a proud daughter of a Marine officer Dad and has always loved horses. She worked as a clinical Social Worker for 37 years, most recently at Kaiser and is now retired. In 1990, she met and married her husband Joe Carroll, an aerospace engineer. Within three years of their marriage, they bought a home near Southwestern College and adopted 15 month old identical twins, Jenny and Heather. Both girls married last year and are both expecting little boys due soon, 6 weeks apart!

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Passionate about theater, opera, reading, and dogs, Kathleen enjoys our club for its commitment to service, warmth, and humor!! This concludes today's edition of the Jim Biddle News at Noon. Today's News sponsored by Kathleen Carroll.



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Kathleen Carroll was the sponsor for the News at Noon. Prospect Dave Pidgen was a lucky winner. Eric Rimmele picked a fun mug and returning member, Max Scrivens wins again! Thank you Kathleen!









Suzanne Catanzaro boldly announced her mishap—an unfortunate encounter with a door jam—saving herself multiple concerned inquiries.

Joe Carroll gave an interesting presentation about aerospace and NASA.

Proud dad David Hoffman shared that Sofia would be on The Voice. Very exciting stuff!





NEXT WEEK!

You are cordially invited to our Club's St. Patrick's Day Social, Fri. March 17, 6-9 pm

Graciously hosted by Michael & Sabrina Monaco 1008 Plaza Escalante, Chula Vista







DEADLINE TO SIGN UP IS MARCH 18





UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS:

Friday, April 28, 2023 - TRIVIA NIGHT Chula Vista Sunrise Rotary Club



