



The La Jolla Rotary News Bulletin for August 15, 2024

Coming next week, August 20, “The Junkman” former San Diego Padre Pitcher, Randall Leo Jones.



Randy Jones is an All-Time favorite San Diego Padres pitcher and a Charter member of the **San Diego Padres Hall of Fame**. In his career, the brilliant sinker ball specialist - -with superb control -- set numerous baseball pitching records while earning countless awards for his performances. Randy was a fan favorite known for his quick work and once won a game in 1 hour and 31 minutes.

Drafted by the San Diego Padres in 1972 and with a record of 22-14 he won the 1976 National League **Cy Young Award**, baseball's top pitching accolade while setting Padres' records of 316 innings pitched, with 25 complete games. Randy's achievements were recognized with his selection as **National League starting pitcher in the**

1976 All-Star Game, which he also won. The previous season he was San Diego's first pitcher to appear in an All-Star Game.

In this baseball season, where our beloved Padres are being described as “Sizzling Hot”, we are truly fortunate to have someone who is “inside baseball” as our speaker.



Important Please RSVP to Natascha Vossen our next luncheon August 20,

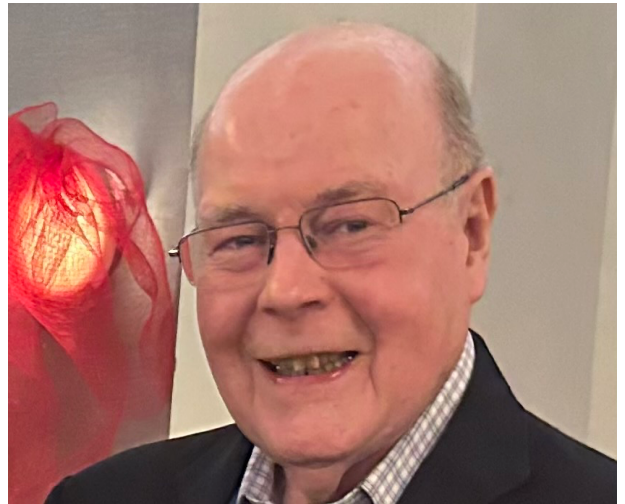
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Hi-lights from last week's meeting

President Barbara Brown called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.,



and **Sid Stutz** led the Pledge of Allegiance



Offering the Following Inspiration from former **President Barack Obama**:

“Do we allow Democracy to wither or do we make it better. That’s the choice we face and it’s a choice worth embracing.”

Announcements

President Barbara Brown noted the following:

1. In two weeks, on August 27th La Valencia won’t be able to accommodate our meeting. Instead, we will be meeting that day at **The Living Room** at **1205 Prospect Street**. Important You will need to Natascha Vossen by August 15th.
2. We will have another **Social** for the last Tuesday in September, **September 24th**. **John Donaldson and his wife** have graciously volunteered to host the Social. Put it on your calendars now.
3. On August 19 and 20th, **Operation Gratitude** will be holding an event at the **Air and Space Museum** to assemble 7,500 Deployed Troop Care Packages for the USS George Washington. This will be a good opportunity to participate in a community event to support our active-duty military. The link to register is in the **Rotary Newsbits**.

Guest of Rotarians:

- a. **Midge Coburn** had **Jordan Sargent** of the **Salvation Army** as her guest.
- b. **Cindy Goodman** welcomed guest **Talyssa D'Avila** of Scripps Health as her guest.

Happy Bucks \$\$\$

Cindy Goodman offered **\$100.00** at her pleasure in seeing **Claire Reiss** attending our meeting.

Induction of New Member

With the following words, **Margery Coburn**, sponsor of **Said Dawlabani** inducted him into our club.

“On behalf of the Rotary Club of La Jolla and Rotary International, may I welcome you to our Rotary Wheel which faces inward to represent friendship and fellowship and outward in service to our community and to the world, With the presentation of this Rotary pin, I declare you to be a member of the Rotary Club of La Jolla.”



The membership rose in applause of Said's membership in our Club

Youth Services



Youth Services Chair Craig Schniepp described the many activities of his committee. Craig pointed out that he is a third generation La Jolla Rotary Club member. He works with three schools: La Jolla High School which has a very active Interact Club (the high school version of Rotary) with over 100 members; Muirlands Middle School, whose students attend the LEAD program in the fall to learn about Rotary; and he is in the process of helping **The Bishop's School** start an **Interact Club** which will partner with **La**

Jolla High School's Interact Club in some activities. The Clubs participate in multiple **home builds** in Baja California; each house costs \$8,000 and can house up to 10 people. Remarkably, a house can be assembled on site in a half a day.

Our speakers last Week

Cindy Goodman introduced our speakers, **Wendy Moore-Robinson**, CEO of **S. D. Fire Rescue** and **Chief John Wood**, the **Assistant Chief of Operations for San Diego Fire Department**. Chief wood has been with San Diego Fire Department since 1990.

The **San Diego Fire Rescue Foundation** acts as a bridge



between firefighters and the community. It is also a bridge between the City Budget and firefighter needs. For example, the firefighters needed a

Fire hawk Helicopter, which is very expensive. The Foundation assisted in purchasing the helicopter. The foundation also assisted in creating a Health and Safety Wellness Center for first responders, who are at high risk of PTSD.

San Diego Fire Department provides multiple services to the community. All firefighters are at least EMT's, and many are also Paramedics. They can give drugs through shin puncture when veins aren't available. Cameras can spot fires earlier. **Lithium-ion batteries** can start fires. All Fire Departments in California are integrated, so the public can get better responses to fires. **Urban Search and Rescue** is run by San Diego Fire Department but is integrated with other Fire Departments in California.

Chief Wood and Wendy Moore-Robinson took questions from the audience.

Coming in Two Weeks, August 27



**Michael Semanchik, Exec Dir.
The INNOCENCE CENTER”**

**“How Technology Aided in Recent
Releases/Exonerations. “**

