



The Weekly Roundup

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THE ROTARY CLUB OF RANCHO BERNARDO

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Overcoming Obstacles

Alex Montoya was one of the first San Diegans mainstreamed from special education to an integrated school environment in 1980. A triple amputee from birth, Alex uses humor and inspirational stories to motivate, educate, and elevate.



Alex Montoya

Alex Montoya is the San Diego Padres' Director of Latino Relations. Previously he was the Director of Communications for the San Diego County Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (SDCHCC) and on the event staffs for the San Diego Padres and Chargers.

Alex has appeared in the major motion films Artificial Intelligence and Minority Report. Alex's inspirational book, *Swinging for the Fences*, chronicles his amazing life and is full of wit, wisdom and life lessons.

A former Olympic Torch Relay carrier, Alex believes in "passing the torch" to audiences through presentations given to

schools, corporations, and organizations like Rotary Clubs.

Alex is a 1996 graduate of the University of Notre Dame (B.A. Communications) and was named to San Diego Magazine's "50 San Diegans To Watch" list in 2000.

He lives in San Diego and is the author of the upcoming book, *Swinging for the Fences – choosing to live an extraordinary life*".

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

By Troy Daum

Jan 14 - Alex Montoya, Overcoming Obstacles

Jan 21 - Dr. Jeff Moses, Water for Life Project in Africa

Jan. 28 - Eric Pahlke, San Diego County Victorian Age.

Feb 11 - Fary Moini, Rotarian in Action & Afghanistan

Feb 25 - Ed Knight, Ambassadorial Scholar Ecuador

Mar 11 - B. Greg Mitchell, Algae Based Biotechnology

Mar 18 - Nuvi Mehta, Voice of the SD Symphony

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

By Sandie Dewane, Scribe Extraordinaire

Greeter Frances Blair welcomed us to the meeting. President Barbara Baldwin called the meeting to order and Larry Valente stepped up to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance and Charley Crew gave the Invocation. The effervescent Jack Mitchell led us in a song, which prompted Jason Salazar to question if our songs could be a bit more current.

Frances introduced our Visiting Rotarians and guests. President Barbara thanked the following volunteers: Greeter- Frances Blair; Raffle – Jim Wise; Scribe – Sandie Dewane; Set up Crew – Bill Bonner, Paul Donick and Ken Larson; Hat Passer – Ken Larson.

President Barbara thanked Suzie and Don Lisio for hosting the New Year's Eve party at their beautiful home. She also announced that there will be a joint Foundation and Board meeting on January 13 to discuss the Shapiro lawsuit. The slate of officers for next year are President Suzie Lisio; Vice President Jason Salazar; Secretary Jeanne Hawkins; Treasurer

Jim Reading and President Elect Bill Angus.

Bill Angus informed us about several Youth Service activities coming up: RYLA approval process takes place in January; Interact Club – “Tee Off for the Cure” event on 2/15 at Carmel Mountain Country Club; Model UN in April, we will be sponsoring one team. Also, this year's Rotarians at Work day will include students.



Sandie Dewane

Suzie Lisio announced that the International Assembly is set for 1/16-18 at the Manchester Hyatt. Volunteers are needed to serve as greeters, host visitors and give tours around San Diego. Anyone interested should go to the 5340 website for more information.

Don Lisio had no sunshine news today. He read a thank you letter from Lucas Shaw, one of our scholarship winners. Lucas is attending UC Santa Barbara. He used some of the scholarship funds to purchase a laptop computer, which he needed for school.

Ann Calvert thanked the Lisios for hosting the New Year's Eve party and Susie, in turn, thanked those who helped with set-up and clean-up.

Our very fine FineMaster, John O'Neill will be absent for a couple of months for medical procedure and recovery. We're sending our good wishes with you John! Always in good form, John proceeded to fine several people for various reasons. .

We were very pleased that two new members were inducted into our Club today: Rick Bramble and Mike Sullivan. Welcome gentlemen!

Troy Daum introduced guest speaker Charles Pope, who gave a presentation on the war on drugs in Mexico. Charley Crew asked for our help in recruiting

speakers as he is the Speaker Chair for the next quarter.

Troy had the winning number, but did not pick the joker to win the \$705 pot. There's still hope for the rest of us.

NEW MEMBERS INDUCTED -- Rick Bramble and Mike Sullivan are welcomed as new members by (from left) Charley Crew, Troy Daum, President Barbara, and Marty Judge -- Photo by Arilla St. Laurent





Rotary Club Meetings: Weekly on Thursdays from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Buffet opens at 11:30 a.m. for early

birds to socialize.

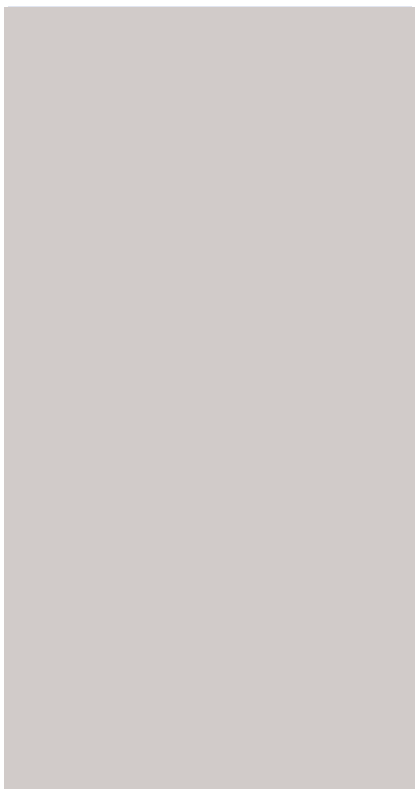
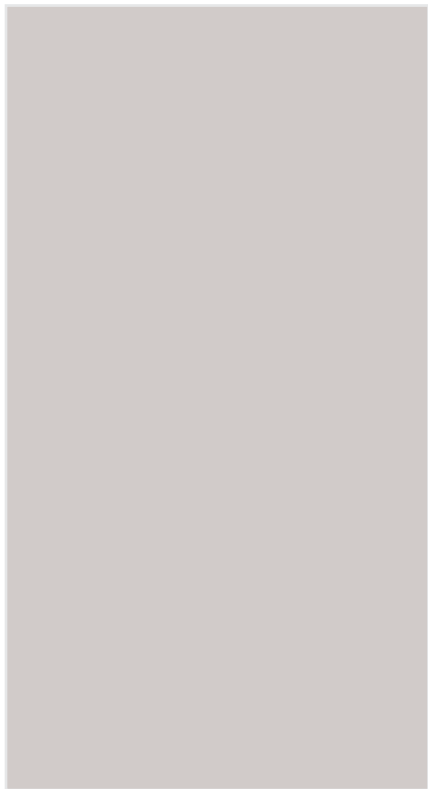
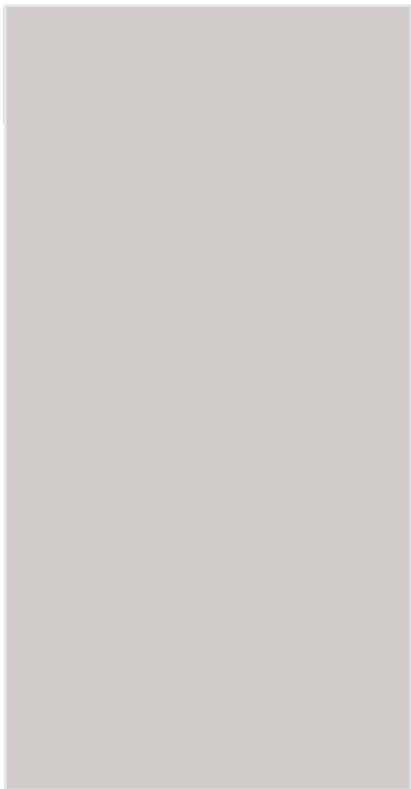
Rotary Golf: Meets 1st Wednesday of each month at the Oaks North Golf Course at 10 a.m. Reservations are a must! Call Dan Malloy for information.

Rotary Board: Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the San Diego Na-

tional Bank in the upstairs conference room at 4 p.m.

Rotary Foundation Board: Meets the 4th Wednesday of every third month at 4 p.m. at Rancho Financial in the conference room.

Newsletter Deadline: Thursday 5 p.m. the week before the speaker speaks.



VOLUNTEERS

	Greeter	Pledge	Invocation	Raffle	Scribe
1/7	Frances Blair	Paul Casterline	Charley Crew	Janice France	Sandie Dewane
1/14	Spencer Wright	Frances Blair	Ann Calvert	Sherry Collins	Bill Angus
1/21	Gabriela Brown	Lou A. Dickerson	Troy Daum	Jim Edwards	Karen Stelman
1/28	Mira Bozanich	Rich Finegold	Tom Giles	Cliff Frey	Kathleen Smith
2/4	Jeanne Hawkins	Carl Hoffman	Frances Blair	Ron Hunt	John Goodrich
2/11	Jim Hyldahl	Ed Knight	Don Lisio	Dan Malloy	Sandie Dewane
2/18	Janice France	Suzie Lisio	Shirley Napierala	Frances Blair	Bill Angus
2/25M	Benita Page	Gary Saks	Arilla St. Laurent	Spencer Wright	Karen Stelman
3/4	Jim Sommer	Lynn Ross	Larry Valente	Gabriela Brown	Kathleen Smith

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