



The Weekly Roundup

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THE ROTARY CLUB OF RANCHO BERNARDO

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Remembering the 65th Anniversary of D Day



Doug Gordon always wanted to visit Normandy and finally got his chance a few years ago.

He was shocked to discover how much the French love America today because of what our Greatest Generation did to liberate France.

His program describes events from his latest Normandy trip last June during the

65th Anniversary of D-Day.

Doug is a corporate attorney in San Diego and a member of Rotary 33. He was born in Houston, Texas and graduated from Harvard and



Doug Gordon

the University of Texas Law School.

He advises Boards of Directors based on his unique experience as a board member, senior executive, and attorney of various companies, including Gordon Jewelry Corporation, the nation's second largest retail jewelry chain.

Doug has been interviewed by CBS and NBC TV, and the Wall Street Journal on corporate topics.

The RB Rotary Club meets Thursdays at 12:30 p.m. at Bernardo Heights Country Club at 16066 Bernardo Heights Parkway, San Diego 92128. Address correspondence to the club at Box 28005, San Diego, CA 92198. Telephone 858.485.5820.

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

By Karen Stelman, Scribe Extraordinaire

Acting President Charley Crew opened the meeting with a big sigh of relief that tax day is here and gone! Troy gave our pledge and Tom Giles the invocation. Jack is still going strong as music man with help at the piano by John Hawkins who can really tickle the ivory. Rich Finegold ran the raffle and Rick Bramble was our Red Badge greeter today.

Bill Angus reported that the Interact Golf Fundraiser raised almost \$5000. There were a few left over items he brought in for the club members to bid on so we could all help support the research for breast cancer cause.

Tom Giles updated us on Rotarians at Work and will have final assignments by this week. Let's all try to be there to lend a hand on Sat., April 24. If you don't have an assignment, please call Tom directly. This is going to be a joint effort with the Interactors, parents, club members and Boy Scouts. We may get off easy this year as we are supervising the groups and "digging

in" to help only if we are capable.

Jeanne Hawkins thanked Mira and Norm for an outstanding TGIX at their home and left a survey on each table to get our input for the coming year. Please pass on any suggestions or ideas to Jeanne if you weren't able to fill out the form.

Jim Hydahl called to order a brief session of the Rotary Club Foundation and asked for approval on 2 projects. One was \$2052 for the RB High School Library who is in dire need up updating materials and subscribing to a data base for history research for the students. The other was to fund the dictionary project \$2000 with a matching grant from the District. We provide dictionaries for 3rd grade students of the Poway Unified School



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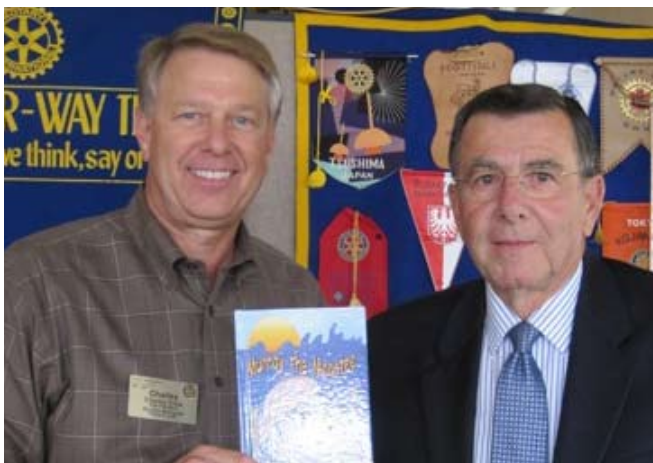
District and may also support John Goodrich's goal of sending dictionaries to Guam and surrounding areas. Both were unanimously approved.

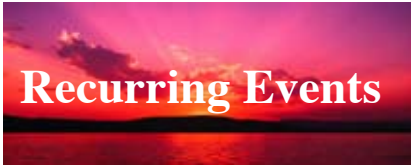
Sherry Collins was kind enough to give a donation of \$250 to support the Soft Coat Wheaton Terrier which was matched by the Foundation.

Frances Blair presented a Rotary banner from her trip to Bali and was also awarded a matching \$500 gift for the poor children in Bali to further their education. Schooling is not free in this country and in most cases, donations are the only way they can afford to go to school.

Frances also gave her "Who Am I" speech to check the box to becoming a full fledged member of our club. She has had a very full and interesting life as an educator at Chapel Hill and then in sales and marketing in San Diego. She also went into home furnishing as an independant sales person. She retired 4 years ago and has been working with the San Diego Hospice as a volunteer. She is also on the speakers bureau and works with the YMCA. She is extremely active in The WINS Project which provides education for the children of Indonesia. Francis is married to Earnie Giles who is currently Secretary/Treasurer of the WIN Project while Frances is Vice President. She

President de jure Charley Crew presents a speaker's gift to Jim Bregante, Docent for the San Diego Maritime Museum, (left) and received a Rotary banner from Frances Blair from her trip to Bali. -- 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.

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will be a wonderful asset to this club. Welcome Frances.

Our speaker for the day was Jim Bregante, a native of San Diego and Docent for the San Diego Maritime Museum and board member of the Italian Historical Society of San Diego. Jim shared his experience of growing up on the waterfront and Little Italy with a presentation featuring pictures from historical and family archives. His grandfather first arrived at Ellis Island in 1903 and eventually made his way to San Diego. The family started out with the Alaska Packers Association and caught salmon for canning. In 1942, during the war, the Navy used their ships to ferry products

and patrol the coastal shores. He gave us a wonderful look into the rich history and romance of our beautiful waterfront and of Little Italy.

John O'Neill entertained us with his natural humor and fines which, I must admit, we look forward to! (He made me say that) Tom Giles had the winning raffle ticket but no joker so we all have another chance at the big bucks.

Next week: Douglas Gordon, Normandy Loves Us -- The Untold Story



Spring Council To Be May 25

The Spring Council for the North County Clubs has been changed from 4/20 to 5/25.

The new fun exciting fellowship event will take place at PetCo Park, a Rotary Night at the Padre game. Tickets that normally sell for \$17.00 are now only \$8.50 thanks to Rotary.

We will all be seating in the same area and one person from our area will either throw out the first pitch, another raise the Rotary Flag and a Rotarian singing the National Anthem. Game time is 7:05 pm, meet at 6:00 pm for fellowship. Contact one of the 3 Escondido Club Presidents to get tickets. Each North County Club can also sell raffle tickets as a fundraiser to have a chance of throwing the first pitch or raise the Rotary flag at \$5 each. Contact me Jim Reading for more information.

VOLUNTEERS

	Greeter	Pledge	Invocation	Raffle	Scribe
4/15	Jim Edwards	Troy Daum	Tom Giles	Rich Finegold	Karen Stelman
4/22	John Hawkins	Carl Hoffman	Rick Bramble	Gabriela Brown	Bill Angus
4/29	Ron Hunt	Jeanne Hawkins	Jim Hyldahl	Pat Kenney	John Goodrich

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