



The Tidings

The Online Weekly Bulletin of the
Kiwanis Club of San Diego

Sept 27, 2005

Our Program
Installation of Officers and
Past President's Day

Chairman
Stephen All

Invocation
Carine LeCates

IT'S A BIG SPECIAL DAY, for the Downtown San Diego Kiwanis Club. We are not only going to install our new Club President, Tom Bauer and President of the Foundation, Bruce Boland, but we've gone and invited all the Past President to share in the festivities.

BIGGEST SURPRISE IS....we understand the entertainment video that will be shown, was not only mastered by the great (Houdini) Jack Templeton , but the **ACTORS** look surprisingly like people we know, but how did they get so young?

Honestly, you don't want to miss a thrilling moment of the days events. So be sure to **MAKE A NOTE** on that date....**KIWANIS OR BUST...**

Happy Birthday Friends

Carl Nettleton City of San Diego
Chris PareRetired
Gordon Boerner San Diego National Bank



**Our last San Sack Drawing produced the name
Jim Hewitt**

**Jim was not present and missed the \$100 prize
so the 9/27/05 meeting will have a \$150 prize.
Get to the meetings, you must be present to win.**



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NOTES FROM THE 9/20 MEETING.....

The meeting opened with a prayer by Corrine LeCates and the patriotic song "This Land is Your Land" led by Art Stillwell. When we got to the line "From California to the ..."
 Art did a magnificent imitation of the Schwarzenegger pronunciation of California.

Prez Doug announced that starting next week we will collect business cards to be placed in the next issue of the Tidings - For Free.

We recognized the Sailor of the Year GSMT Antonio Tarray from the Guided Missile Destroyer USS Decatur.



Ethel Merriam announced that our December Holiday Party (aka Christmas Party) will be on December 2.



Charlie Coleman asked for members to join him at the installation of our new Lt Governor on September 29.

We had another beautiful Flowers by Coley arrangement which brought some active bidding but was finally won with a \$55 bid by Art Stillwell.



Persida reported on our very successful 85th anniversary event last week. Since the web site went up late last week I have saved the report on the 85th anniversary party which can be seen by [clicking here](#).

A final note: A past member of our club, Jennifer Case has moved back to her home town of New Orleans but does check our web site periodically. I recently received the following email from her:

Hi Ron! Just a note to let everyone know that I survived the recent disaster in New Orleans. I was born and raised in New Orleans and moved back in June. I happened to be in Texas for a literacy meeting when the storm hit. Now I have only the clothes I had in my suitcase. My family and neighbors, however, are safe but our homes were ravaged by floodwaters and high winds. The magnitude of the devastation is truly unfathomable and the displacement of hundreds of thousands of previous residents overwhelming. We will not be allowed to return for weeks and it appears the city will be uninhabitable for months. Evacuees are beginning the process of re-constituting lives in new places and many will likely never return. Alas, in addition to the losses of personal property and family heirlooms, we mourn even more the loss of a way of life, a community, and an entire city. ...and I drift like many in the nation during this trying time through waves of disbelief as well as shock, anguish, horror, grief, and sorrow...

Please keep us in your thoughts and prayers. I never expected to be so personally connected to a catastrophe of such epic proportions.

Graciously, Jennifer Case

PS - I can be reached via my old cell at 619-992-6873

or mail via my sister at 412 Greenbriar Brandon, MS 39047



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This Is Entertainment !

Show Time!!! During the club's 1979-80 years we had a group led by advertising Executive Bob Shumake who put on a series of very talented amateur shows. The first 'production' was a member produced version of a TV program called "the Gong Show" which Bob and his friends named the "Bong Show". These marvelously funny and un-productions would go on each year until 1981. Others followed, "The Tonoon Show" (take off on the Tonight Show), "Bong Show II" and an income tax extravaganza, "Tax A Lot, Fella".

Fortunately these shows were recorded professionally with TV cameras and, until last year, stored untouched in the Club's warehouse (also known as the club office) That's when Past Presidents Bob, Steve All and Jack Templeton decided to try and capture these wonderful historical events through the latest technology into a modern format.

In the past months and with only basic equipment, Jack Templeton has been doing the extremely difficult and painstaking process of editing these exciting, memorable, and fun shows down to a usable product for the entertainment of our membership. The result? A playable DVD with excerpts and highlights from each production.

The 30-50 minute programs had to be shortened for viewing by our membership. The delightful "Bong Show" (edited to 13 minutes) will be highlighted during our Past President's Day, September 27th.

The others will be shown at various Tuesday luncheons during the next few months. The DVD with all shows is available now at \$25.

Please make every effort to see them, you will be glad you did. They are precious views of the vibrant and exciting golden years of the San Diego Downtown Kiwanis.

Anyone who was anybody in San Diego (and a Kiwanian) was featured in these productions.