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The Speaker for November 13th: Doug Wilson



Q and A with San Jose Sharks General Manager Doug Wilson

Rarely has a member of the hockey world experienced the level of success and longevity on and off the ice as Sharks General Manager Doug Wilson.

On Jan. 26, 2017, Wilson entered an extremely elite club, becoming only the fourth individual to play in 1,000 NHL hockey games and to serve as a general manager of an NHL club for at least 1,000 games. The only others to accomplish the feat are Hockey Hall of Famers Bobby Clarke, Bob Gainey and Bob Pulford.

Following a 16-year career as one of the NHL's most dynamic defensemen, Wilson was named the San Jose Sharks general manager on May 13, 2003. Since that time, he has strategically built the Sharks into one of the National Hockey League's elite franchises through strong drafting, shrewd trades and timely free agent signings.

Beginning with the 2003 NHL Draft, Doug Wilson's first as general manager, and through the 2017 draft, Sharks draft selections have played the fifth-most games of any NHL team's draft picks (10,411) and posted the fifth-most goals (1,693) in that span, despite the organization having the lowest average draft position of any NHL team during that span (129.75).

In his 15 seasons in charge of the Sharks hockey department, Wilson has guided the franchise to its most successful era, including a Stanley Cup Final appearance (2016), capturing a Presidents' Trophy (2009), five Pacific Division titles (2004, 2008-2011), advancing to the Western Conference Final on five occasions (2004, 2010, 2011, 2016, 2019) and qualifying for the Stanley Cup Playoffs in 14 of 15 seasons.

During his tenure as the Sharks general manager, only the Pittsburgh Penguins have appeared in as many Stanley Cup Playoff series as San Jose (30). In addition, the Sharks are first amongst all NHL teams in regular season points (1,504 points, 681-373-142 record) and first in regular season wins. Since the 2003-04 season (not including the 2012-13 lockout-shortened season), the team averaged 103 points per season and posted four 50-win seasons.

[Read More](#)

Welcome Our New Executive Director



Leslee Hamilton is a Bay Area native and has worked in downtown San Jose for over 30 years. After graduating with a degree in business economics from UCSB, she joined the Peace Corps, which sparked a love of service, travel, and cultural adventures. She has extensive training in non-profit management and most recently was executive director of Guadalupe River Park Conservancy. A Rotary member since 2008, Leslee is inspired by club members' generosity and Rotary's local and international impacts.

November 13th
Career Development Committee

November 14th
Contributions Committee

November 14th
Downtown Impact Committee

November 14th
Orientation Committee

November 14th
Red Badge Reception

November 19th
Club Board of Directors

November 20th
Play Garden Committee

November 20th
Fun & Friendship Committee

November 20th
Thanksgiving Program

November 21st
Foundation Board of Trustees

November 21st
International Service Committee

November 27th
Military Care Committee

November 27th
Leigh Weimers Awards Committee

November 27th
No Meeting

November 29th
International House Committee

November 30th
PAWS TO CONSIDER

December 3rd
DATE CHANGE: Red Badge Committee Program Committee

December 3rd
Rotaplast Committee

December 4th
Paws to Consider Committee

December 5th

Veteran's Day Parade



Veteran's Day Parade
Monday, November 11, 2019



The Military Care committee has secured a motorized cable car as the Rotary Club's entry.

Veteran Rotarians and their guests are welcome.

Space is limited to 32 passengers.

We will have a hospitality tent on Arena Green where we will assemble before the parade begins.



Please click here to sign up with [Dave Sylva](#).

Silicon Valley Young Professionals Mixer



Los Amigos
December 5th
ELC Committee

Joint Silicon Valley Young Professionals Mixer ♦ Giving Thanks and Toys!
Join Fellow SVYPs, Campbell YP, SVO Next, and Rotary 360 for our joint November Mixer.

Thursday, November 14
5:30 PM-10:30 PM

The Ranch
4601 Hill Top View Lane, San Jose 95054

Ticket Prices: \$10/\$15 online, \$20 at the door (\$15 if you bring a toy)
Parking is free.

Join us as we help support the local kids of Campbell with toys for the holiday season.

Every toy brought will enter you into a drawing for awesome door prizes and raffles!

For more information and to purchase your ticket, please [click here](#). Please RSVP to [Tony Nguyen](#).

2020 Ski Rotary Ski Week



2020 Rotary Ski Week

February 1 – February 8, 2020

Limelight, Aspen Colorado

**It is not too late to join the Rotary Club of San Jose's
Ski Committee in Aspen Colorado!!**

This trip is for you if you are a skier or non-skier!

Don't wait – Only Two spots left!

You'll love Aspen's world-class skiing opportunities and après ski culture. Aspen has four mountains that are a paradise for skiers and snowboarders alike. It's a perfect place for skiers of any experience level, offering a wide array of slopes, as well as plenty of runs through expert-only terrain.

Don't ski, but want to visit ASPEN? This beautiful mountain oasis is right in the center of the White River National Forest, surrounded by the peaks of the Elk Mountains. It's a perfect year-round locale for anyone wanting to enjoy the Colorado mountains. Aspen downtown area of Aspen boasts over 80 restaurants alone, ranging from classic establishments that have been around for years to farm-to-table dining. While Aspen certainly has everything you'd want in an outdoor paradise, the city is also bursting with arts and culture. Several theaters and music and film venues, the Aspen Santa Fe Ballet. Art lovers will enjoy the Aspen Art Museum, as well as a wide array of art galleries throughout the downtown area. The city is also home to several impressive cultural institutions, including The Aspen Institute and Aspen Words for literature lovers.



Your one week trip package includes:

- Round trip coach class airfare from San Jose to Aspen
- 7 nights' accommodation at Limelight Hotel
- Hosted Welcome Reception the evening of arrival
- Daily Buffet Breakfast at Limelight Hotel
- Bellman and Maid gratuities / Ski lockers / Ski Shuttle to all mountains
- Lift Tickets (5 of 8 days) Aspen Mountain, Aspen Highlands, Buttermilk, Snowmass
- Gala Farewell Group Wine Dinner: The Rotary Committee will organize the dinner and announce the place and time at a later date.

Per Person, double occupancy @ \$2,875 skiers / Non skiers \$2,475 pp

Don't hesitate to contact me for more information.

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District Newsletter

Each month, our District Office compiles a newsletter for Rotarians. These are intended to keep you informed about Rotary ideas and events that are bigger than just our Club. [Please click here](#) for the October Newsletter.



New Member Daniel Jue

Daniel Jue serves as Co-founder & CTO of LiveFreely, Inc. He has over 20 years of experience in emerging technology and professional software development in companies such as IBM. A self-taught programmer, he wrote his first computer game at the age of 8 on a Radio Shack TRS-80 with only 4k of RAM. Having lived and worked abroad for over ten years, he can speak several languages. He has a deep passion for entrepreneurialism and has started several companies in the tech, import/export, and hospitality industries. He loves serving his community and exotic car racing.



New Member Sal San Filippo



Sal San Filippo is the General Manager for Garden City and Milpitas Sanitation. Sal has been in the recycling and garbage industry for over 30 years. Sal has seen many changes through the years from picking up the trash with a garbage can that was carried on his shoulder to automation where the truck performs the lifting. Sal is also a musician who has played the drums for 52 years. He has performed with many bands through the years enjoying the challenge. He also is an avid cook dabbling in the art of creating dishes to temp the pallet.

The Meeting Summary for November 7, 2019



The Culinary and Hospitality Committee members were today's reception line greeters, at the club's 5,227th meeting.

Karyn Sinunu-Towery welcomed members and guests. She announced our own **Leslee Hamilton** as the club's new executive director.

Our president then fined herself for getting

photo captions wrong at last week's meeting. Later in the meeting, **Dan Orloff** was also fined.

Jazz vocalist **Tori Paul**, a music student at San Jose State University, accompanied by a friend on the guitar, opened the meeting with a song.

Traveling microphones were handled by Red Badgers **Joe Sweeney** and **Deima Elnatour**. They handled the introduction of many guests.



Brian Welch from the District Attorney's Office gave an interesting talk on how grand jury proceedings are handled in Santa Clara County. He said that the current closed door impeachment proceedings in Washington D.C. are often compared to a grand jury, but there are many differences. He explained how a criminal grand jury works here, deciding how to handle 30 to 50 cases a year.



Blue Badges were presented to four Rotarians: **Gretchen Feyer, Mick Greco, Jay Jensky** and **Carmen Roman**.

Matt Braker announced details on the holiday lunch set for Dec. 18. There's a winter wonderland theme. But no ugly sweaters this year.

Chris Wilder shared all kinds of pet news. He introduced **Shari Rodenberger**, South Bay chapter president of Canine Companions. He encouraged participation in the annual toy, food and leash drive for the Second Street Studio,

and announced a fundraiser which involves turning your pet's image into art.

Audrey Fox presented a highlight video of the Golf Committee's year of activities, interspersed with some clips from what looked like America's Funniest Golf Videos. The committee had five outings this year, with about 50 Rotarians and guests. **Judy Deaton** was the woman's champion and **Jay Jensky** was the men's and overall golf champion.



Dave Sylva, chair of the military care committee, announced that club members are invited to join in the club's trolley car at the Veteran's Day parade on Monday. Other committee activities include visiting patients at the VA hospital in Palo Alto. His remarks were followed by a video on veteran called "When A Soldier Makes it Home."

Next year the club's April First meeting will feature a talent show for club members.

Suzanne St. John-Crane invited all interested members to contact members of the committee if they are interested in performing for three to five minutes.



Steve Ellenberg introduced today's speaker, State Senator **Scott Wiener**, who has quickly made a name for himself by attempting to change state housing policy. **Senator Wiener**, who previously was a supervisor in San Francisco, said most politicians don't have an incentive to tackle housing, since it's a difficult area to fix. But a balanced supply of housing helps determine if California will have a thriving economy, and plays a key role in helping the state meet climate goals. He said cities have extreme local control, which allows them to ignore their obligations for low income housing and apartments. He said there is a statewide shortage of 3.5 million housing units. More

apartments have to be built near major job centers. Otherwise, it leads to sprawl and building in wildfire zones. The state government has recently increased subsidies for low-income apartments and approved a rent cap law. He said 40 percent of Californians are renters.



Respectfully submitted by Larry Sokoloff, Meeting Summaries Committee.
Photos taken by Cindy Faulkner, Photography Committee. [Click here](#) to see the full set.

Youth Protection Bit-O-Info



What should you do if a young person reports an incident of abuse or harassment or if you suspect that abuse or harassment or if you suspect that abuse or harassment has occurred? Talk to the young person's parents unless you suspect that this may place the younger person at greater risk.

Membership Application

[Click Here](#) for the Rotary Club of San Jose's Fillable Membership Application.
