

**SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
GRAND JUROR'S ASSOCIATION**

**Membership Meeting Minutes
January 23, 2023 11:30 AM
Elk's Lodge, San Bernardino**

Call to Order: President Ellen Miller at 11:30 AM

Blessing: Steve Miller

Pledge to the Flag: Led by President Miller

Guest Speaker: Steve Filson, retired San Bernardino County Sheriff Deputy and Allen Bartleman, Criminal Defense Attorney

Filson made a presentation regarding the Fentanyl crisis in society today. Fentanyl is a synthetic narcotic, effective for pain, however, more powerful than Heroin and 50-100X more powerful than Morphine.

He shared his personal tragedy – losing his daughter to this dangerous drug – and is now dedicated to saving lives. He is secretary of Victims of Illicit Drugs (VOID), a non-profit organizations formed to bring attention through education, awareness and legislative advocacy to the immediate danger of sudden death associated with the use of illicit drugs like fentanyl and other emerging synthetic analogs.

The film, Dead on Arrival, included personal accounts from parents who lost their children – teens and young adults – was shown. This film is available on YouTube and from stopthevoid.org.

The guest speakers answered a number of questions from members after the presentation.

President: Introduced Kristen Atkinson as a member of the Officer Election Nominating Committee, and asked for a volunteer to complete the 3-member committee. The open positions are: President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Speaker Coordinator. Details regarding the responsibilities of each position will be distributed at the march meeting. The election will take place June meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:09 PM

Next Meeting: March 27, 2023

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Hagler
Secretary

