

**District 5340****08/24/2018****Established 1993**

Opening Remarks and Announcements



President Elena called meeting to order. Lilly, who will be starting school next week was nominated to lead us in the pledge. John Stremlau led us in the 4+1 way test.

We have get well cards at the front table for: David Ballesteros' wife, Delores, who has been in and out of the hospital, and David who is caring for her. Muff, in the nursing home on University Ave – many have visited, Elena hopes to see Muff when delivering the card. Bobbi, caregiving for Muff

We brought Clara Harris to the front to be recognized for her 4th Paul Harris society membership pin. Our club has a very high per capita donation history with the Paul Harris society, and the pins, with their various number of jewels are a way to see the amount of participation our members have shown.



Hugo was recognized to the measure of \$30 for his new car. A Toyota Rav4 that, he later told me, he hopes to someday take to Costa Rica, hence the reason for NOT getting the hybrid version.

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Credits and Acknowledgements

- Pledge: Lilly Alba
- 4-way test:
John Stremlau
- Photos: Floyd Morrow
- Drawing: SDSU Rotaract
- **Minutes: John Stremlau**





Next – Ivan took the mic to induct our newest member: KIMBERLY LOBER, who doesn't really feel like a 'new' member due to her being a Noah Homes staff member with lots of past participation with our club. As of today she is an official member our LMSR. Welcome Kimberly.



*** Next week we meet at 5:00 pm at El Torito ***. August 31st will be the 5th Friday in the month

of August so we will NOT have a breakfast meeting at Marie Callender's. We will meet in the evening at El Torito, on Baltimore just north of El Cajon Blvd. Near Burlington Coat Factory. The club will provide appetizers. Members pay for their own drinks and can stay for meals if they wish. Bring a GUEST. This will be a good social environment to enjoy, share, meet, and talk.

After 6 years of regular attendance, except the year of travelling around the world, both of the younger Alba members will have a schedule conflict and not be able to attend our meetings regularly. Isabel will be starting High School at Patrick Henry, and Lilly will have a 7:25am start time. Isabel and Lilly each took the mic and had a chance to stand in front of a room full of adults and give us some thoughts of their growing up participating in our club, and once again proving how this has grown them and provided maturity to them. We look forward to their future random visits, and to seeing them at club events.



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*** Tea is coming up in 2 weeks. If payment hasn't been made, please pay Fern. She has a lot of declared attendees, but wants confirmation by payment. Flyers are available up front if needed. There will be a Tea committee meeting at 5:30 at Jeff & Fern's house. On Sept 7th, people helping set up will head to Noah Homes after our regular meeting to do set up. Help will be appreciated.

John is in charge of Servers, Bill Pogue, Paul Michlik, and Kendal Nakao confirmed they will assist, so we are looking well-staffed. Christine has confirmed our head brewer George will come back and brew for the event. (I think he is the ONLY one who has done this each year.)

Speaker: Jack Olmstead on Lighthouses



Bill Pogue introduced Jack Olmstead to talk with us about Lighthouses. Jack had spoken at Bill's neighborhood men's breakfast meeting, and now is speaking at Rotary clubs etc. (one more Bill Pogue participation group – you go Bill!)

The Batter Point Lighthouse – where Jack and his wife have lived and staffed four different times over the years was the main talk.

It is an Exact copy of the Point Loma lighthouse, so the photo looked very familiar. It was built one year AFTER the Pt Loma lighthouse, but Battery Point is still in operation, whereas Pt Loma was replaced by a lighthouse down closer to the water. At 422 ft. above sea level, and with the fog, the Pt Loma lighthouse wasn't seen, and so was replaced by



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a lighthouse closer to sea level.



Battery Point Lighthouse was built in 1856, and since first staffed 12/25/56, it has been lived in overnight EVERY night since then. It is on an island, and is not accessible at high tide. Only at low tide is there land walkable to the main shore. One time he and his wife were unable to leave for 4 days straight, in part because if you left you MUST get back to staff the lighthouse.

The lighthouse is provided a stove, desk, and “banjo” clock. All the rest of the furnishings get provided by the keepers. So, it doesn’t have a set of “original” furnishing, since each leaving keeper would take their furniture away with them.

The lighthouse is built with 18” (14? 24?) inch thick granite walls, and so it is silent on the inside. Jack shared photos and stories of the lighthouse history and operation. And the Frenel Lens, and past lens’s that have been used, and that the keeper used to have to every 8 hours go crank a 200 lb. weight up that created the mechanics to spin the lens. The light, when using kerosene was visible for 14 miles out to sea. When replaced by a 1,000 watt electric bulb it was visible for 14 miles. When that was replaced by a halogen lens, still 14 miles, because that is the result of the curvature of the earth.

Jack also included some interesting info on the Point St. George lighthouse that is 12 miles away from the Battery Point Lighthouse. Point St. George sounded like the most dangerous posting for a keeper. To get to



the small rock that it was on, a person used to have to climb into a basket at the end of a 90 foot boom to be swung over to the lighthouse. Now access is by helicopter. After years of being closed to the public after being deemed too dangerous, it was reopened in 2018. Jack was able to take a helicopter ride and visit the lighthouse on a tour.



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