



## 7/12/2019

### LMSR Chartered: 1986

### Opening Remarks and Announcements



Today had great attendance, guests include: Umbaldo Martinez (SDSU Rotaractor), Marian Pavolich and Benjamin Kettor, (members of San Diego E-Club, formerly of East Coast Eclub).

Peggy: next week, we will be doing the "can-can", stone soup chili, Next Wednesday, at Jewish Family Services Safe Parking, 9882 Aero Dr. 5:30 - 7:45 pm. please come help. Elena will verify this new address and send a new email. need people to sign up to bring cornbread, salad.



Peggy reminded us about 'Produce for Polio' - grapefruit and peaches.



Fern distributed new Magnetic pins with this new year's theme from our incoming RI president: Rotary Connects the World. Extra pins are available at \$5 each.

Fern will be having shoulder surgery next week, so please step up and be Greeters and other club operations to help Jeff run the meeting.

### La Mesa Sunrise Rotary Leadership 2019-2020

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4-way test: Ron Rice

Photos: Bill Pogue

Raffle: Ana Hubbel

Minutes: John Stremlau









Jeff - this year our club will be centering on environmental awareness and issues. Jeff showed a bucket to catch shower water as you wait for water to warm up. He spoke about his doing this at a "who am I" about 12 years ago, and from that John too has been using a shower bucket for water catching. It was also mentioned an appliance can be added of a recirculating pump.



Ana Hubbel won today's opportunity drawing, which she commented would pay for her Lyft to get to annual ComicCon in SD Convention Center.

# Speaker Presentation: "Keeping Guatemalan Girls in School", by Maureen Duncan, Member of the E-club

Maureen had met David in 2008. David Ballesteros is responsible for her receiving a "GUTS" grant as a University teacher, AND, for starting of the e-club. She is a founding member of that club. She is a Rotary "cadre", would travel to SEE projects. She signed up for South America region. She speaks Spanish & Portuguese.

There is a newer project where Water & Sanitation, and Education are combined all together in Guatemala, India, Honduras. The Guatemala grant was 550,000 for 48 schools, she went to Guatemala half way through the 2-year project. One of the things that she saw while there was a vocational education high school, and she thought that a District Grant would piggy back well onto the large grant. Keeping Guatemalan Girls in School. There was a contest at the school to generate alternative ideas. The new washrooms do have running water, and ability to wash these products.

Causes of poverty around the world: 1. no access to jobs, 2. poor education, especially for girls. UNICEF is particularly concerned about unemployed teenagers and what they end up doing. There is an organization out of Washington called Days for Girls. Last year's Academy Award for best documentary was for "Period", about this same topic in India. Maureen showed a "kit" that is

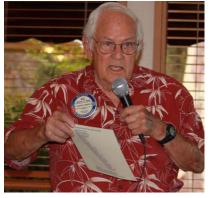
given out to 12 y/o girls of colorful small backpacks, with colorful pads, inserts, plastic bags, soap etc. Days for Girls franchise costs 3-4k, which will supply the patterns, materials, training. Probably the students would hire a community seamstress, since the students are already busy being students, and will be busy doing marketing and running this business.

Maureen will be at Edame High School, in about 20 miles outside of Antigua. This is a vocational high school. Will need to purchase a sewing machine and surger. The existing grant passed out 48 kits. This is a pilot program. The students can be paid as interns for the work done on this business.

Days for Girls, does have a different program for people here in America who want to sew pads and donate finished product to become a "Team" to make them here, donate them, and they distribute the pads. We are the third club to she has spoken to about this district grant (Grant #P2898). Donate online at Matching Grants.org toward this grant. They need \$5,000 more to meet her current goal. In Guatemala, the full "kit" costs about \$10.00. but that not workable for sales, may sell just the pads for \$1.00. All this is why they are doing a pilot program now.



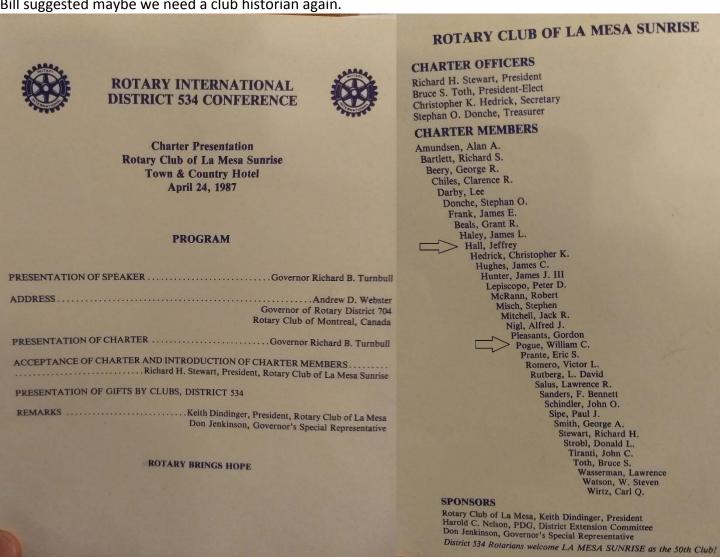
## 'Who Am I?' by Who is Bill Pogue?



In 1986 this club was founded by members spinning off from the La Mesa noon club. Jeff and Bill were the founding members. Women being allowed was litigated all the way to the US Supreme court. Our club had the 2nd woman Rotarian in San Diego: Sharon Ross. Bill feels that adding the women to the club changed the club to be more involved locally. Rotary used to be that the club would go have a project in a foreign country, and come back to the weekly meeting and talk about it. Bill talked about many of the past projects and events of the club, including Rancho Sordo Mundo trip. And the Liberian Saah family, that Bill remembers meeting them at the airport as they arrived in San Diego the first time from a refugee camp with only what they

were wearing. Two of the boys have now graduated from college. 100 of the Lost Boys of the Sudan came to San Diego of the 1,500 that came to America, and we were involved in their first ever birthday party (all of the Lost Boys were deemed to have a birthday of January 1<sup>st</sup>, so they all have the same birthday.

Bill suggested maybe we need a club historian again.



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# **Guests/Visitors**

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**Umbaldo Martinez and Benjamin Kettor** 

