



# Old Mission Rotary

Meets Every Tuesday at noon at the  
Best Western Seven Seas Hotel  
Hotel Circle South  
[oldmissionrotary.org](http://oldmissionrotary.org)

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**Welcome!**

**Michele Tondreau**



*Old Mission Rotary was thrilled to induct Michele Tondreau into the club on January 3rd. Matt Risi served as Michele's sponsor.*

Our newest club member, Michele Tondreau, grew up both in Maine and San Diego. Her family even has a peninsula named after them in Harpwell Maine.

Michele Tondreau graduated from California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo in 2008 with a B.A. in Theatre Arts. While at Cal Poly, she was actively involved at her college's radio station, serving as co-program director, staff instructor and DJ of special format radio shows. Eager to bring live music to San Luis Obispo, Michele booked, promoted, and produced concerts under the moniker Pocket Productions. After graduation, Michele returned to San Diego and worked in ticket services at Lamb's Players Theatre

and La Jolla Music Society. She now works at the San Diego Children's Choir after four years as Operations Coordinator for Catholic Charities. At Catholic Charities, she monitored contracts and budgets, wrote quarterly newsletters, and provided operational support to the agency's multi-faceted Homeless Women's Services Department. Michele lives in North Park and spends her free time with her family and friends, enjoying the outdoors, and reading. Her significant other, Eidon, who recently graduated from USD law school and is preparing for the bar exam. Michele is anxious to get to work and has joined the Gala Committee.

## HandsOn San Diego



*Jesse Case briefed the club on the non profit Hands On San Diego.*

Have you ever wondered how to find interesting volunteer opportunities? Many people want to help out in hands on projects but do not

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have the time to join individual organizations. HandsOn San Diego's mission is to present a variety of volunteer projects with a project calendar that allows people to easily search and sign-up for volunteer projects at nonprofit organizations all over San Diego County. These nonprofit organizations include community groups that are making a big difference in a variety of areas including children and youth education, disaster and emergency services, health and wellness, animals, arts and culture, environment and many others. Individuals can join HandsOn San Diego with a onetime membership fee of \$25. Our speaker, Jesse Case, was an interact member at Grossmont High School and a Rotaract member at UC Santa Cruz. Now she is a member of the Pacific Beach Rotaract Club. Jesse is the AmeriCorps Volunteer Infrastructure Project (VIP) Fellow for the 2016-2017 year for HandsOn San Diego.

## Rotary Program

- Tuesday, January 10th-  
**Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)** with Rob Reddeg.

## Club Host



*Bob James Jr. served as club host on Tuesday, January 3rd.*

We were first introduced to Bobbie by his super star Rotarian dad Bob James Sr.. But Bob Jr. is a remarkable Rotarian in his own right! Bob and his wife Kathleen are new residents of Santee and have two adult sons.

Bob James Jr. worked for years with his dad as a commercial real estate appraiser in the family business. Now Bob has moved to the high powered corporate world of CBRE which is the world's largest commercial real estate services firm serving owners, investors and occupiers. He is also on the board of directors of the San Diego Chapter of the Appraisal Institute. Bob has spent decades involved with and marching bands and field shows and is now an announcer for major tournaments across Southern California. He also volunteers as a High School Marching Band coach. Bob is an accomplished Rotarian and was a charter member of the New Generations Club (now La Jolla Coastal). He has been involved with our District 5340 for years and has served on many committees and has been the District Membership Chair. Bob is our President-Elect for our 2017-2018 Rotary year.

## Thousand Smiles



*Bob Chalfa invited his son Bob Jr. to lunch on January 3rd. Bob reported that Thousand Smiles recently received three separate contributions totaling \$70,000 for the dental clinic in Ensenada.*

## Pacific Beach Rotaract



*Erica Rodriguez with Jessie Case from Pacific Beach Rotaract. We were very impressed with the variety of service projects that the club has scheduled!*

## What? Me Worry?



*Brian Dempsey reported on the post election stock market surge that has surprised and delighted investors and Wall Street. The Dow Jones Industrial Average finished up an impressive 13.4% in 2016.*

## Rotary Calendar

- Monday, January 9th- **Talent Gala Committee Meeting** at 5:30pm at the Boys and Girls Club offices at 4635 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard.
- Tuesday, January 10th- **Old Mission Rotary Board of Directors Meeting** after our Rotary Meeting.
- Tuesday January 17th- **Art Pratt Foundation Board of Directors Meeting** after our Rotary Meeting

## RYLA 2017

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is a program that encourages leadership in youth by recognizing and rewarding deserving 11th grade students who are chosen to attend RYLA as an "award" for their past and present leadership and service activities. These select young people attend an all-expenses-paid camp and return to their schools and communities motivated to take on additional leadership roles and to find additional ways to serve. This year's RYLA Camp at Idyllwild will take place from April 7th to April 9th.



*Tom Sandler has served as the Old Mission Rotary RYLA Chair for many years and is asking for volunteers to help conduct interviews at some six area high schools.*