

# Old Mission Rotary

Meets Every Tuesday at noon at the Best Western Seven Seas Hotel Hotel Circle South oldmissionrotary.org



January 2019- Edition One

## Welcome Pat Esparza



(L-R): Old Mission Rotary President Bob Chalfa, Pat Esparza and Old Mission Rotary Executive Secretary Stan Vogelsang. Pat Esparza was inducted into Old

Mission Rotary on January 15th. Pat has been a Rotarian for 13 years and was the president of the Mesa Arizona Club.



Happy Birthday to Stan Vogelsang who was presented with a piece of cake and a brilliant candle by our server Donna.

**Reception for International DGEs** 



Congratulations to the Mission Valley Sunset Club for a wonderful evening of fun and fellowship at their International Assembly reception on January 16th. Rotarians from Mission Valley Sunset and Old Mission with Rotaractors from City Heights and Pacific Beach and Interactors from Madison High School warmly welcomed District Governor Elects and their spouses from New York State, Maine, England, France and Burkina Faso. The evening at the Best Western Seven Seas featured an amazing mariachi band, Mexican food and several presentations. Special thanks to Past District Governor Marge Cole for organizing the event.

#### Pacific Beach Rotaract



Tanya Pulley of Pacific Beach Rotaract announced that her club will be donating \$500 to the Rotary Club of Paradise in Northern California for wild fire relief.

## **Rotary Calendar**

• Saturday, January 26th- **District Council Dinner** in Imperial Valley 5:30 to 8:30

• Tuesday January 29th- Art Pratt Board of Directors Meeting after our Rotary Meeting

Friday-Saturday February 1st and 2nd Thousand Smiles Clinic in Ensenada Multi District Dinner
Monday February 4th, Gala

**Talent Fund Raiser Committee Meeting** at 5:30pm at the Boys and Girls Club in Clairemont.

• Tuesday February 12th- Old Mission Rotary Board of Directors Meeting after our Rotary Meeting

#### Art Pratt Foundation of Old Mission Rotary Grant to St. Paul's Senior Services

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The Art Pratt Foundation of Old Mission Rotary presented a grant of \$4000 to St. Paul's Senior Services. Liam Dunfey explained that the funds will be used to furnish a community room in a service center with chairs designed for seniors. (L-R) Old Mission Rotary President Bob Chalfa, Art Pratt Foundation President Lee Kaminetz, Art Pratt board members Eric Benink and Sherrie Suanico, Director of Major Gifts and Planned Giving for St. Paul's Senior Services Liam Dunfey and Art Pratt board member Mark McAnelly.

#### **Club Host**



Past President Bob Self served as club host on January 15th at Old Mission Rotary. One of his life changing Rotary moments was when he grudgingly served as a holiday season Salvation Army bell ringing solicitor in front of a Target store. Bob was shocked and deeply moved when a ragged looking homeless man threw money into the collection kettle!

#### Rotary Leadership Institute



On Saturday, January 12th, Old Mission Rotarian Matt Risi graduated from the Rotary Leadership Institute for District 5340. Presenting the certificate of graduation were Past District Governor and Rotary Leadership Institute coordinator Marilyn Sanderson and Assistant District Governor Alex Robertson.

The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) seeks to provide quality education in Rotary knowledge and leadership skills.

### **Pacific Beach Rotaract**

The Rotaract Club of Pacific Beach invites Old Mission Rotary to participate in their January and February activities:

• Friday, January 25th: WeAll-Count: San Diego County's **Annual Homeless Census**. WeAllCount is the San Diego name for the federally mandated annual census of homeless persons and is meant to be a one-day snapshot of persons living either on the streets or in short-term shelters.

• Friday, February 1st- San Diego Gulls game

• Monday, February- 4th **Fresh Start Showers**: Think Dignity is a non profit that provides a twoshower mobile trailer for the use by the homeless throughout San Diego County.

It's best to give while your hand is still warm. -Philip Roth, novelist