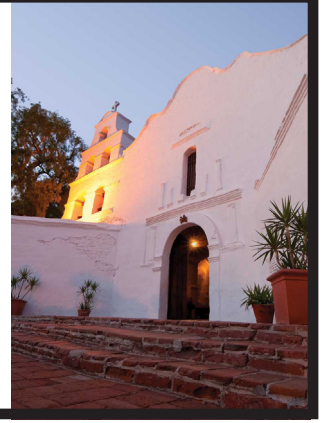


Rotary



The Old Mission Bell of Old Mission Rotary



Meetings Every Tuesday at noon
at the Legacy Resort Hotel and Spa
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January 2023- Edition Two

Fresh Start Surgical Gifts



Brandy Schwab is the Events Manager for Fresh Start Surgical Gifts. She presented an amazing program on January 10th.

Fresh Start Surgical Gifts is a medical charity for children that transforms the lives of disadvantaged infants, children and teens with physical deformities. These can be caused by birth, accidents, abuse or disease and sadly, many health insurance companies classify procedures to correct deformities as “cosmetic surgery.”

.Fresh Start Surgical gives the gift of reconstructive surgery and related healthcare services at no cost to patients. They treats patients who are under 18 years old. Most patients are from the US but many others come to San Diego for treatment from around the globe. Medical treatments are provided at

one of the Fresh Start locations by an all-volunteer team of surgeons and medical professionals. Their largest clinic is at Rady Childrens Hospital
Fresh Start patients often require extensive follow up and years of surgeries and medical services until the best medical outcome has been reached. Fresh Start maintains long-term medical relationships with patients and follow-up surgeries – the average cleft lip and palate patient, for example, requires seven years of dental care and approximately 49 treatments until the best possible medical outcome has been reached. Fresh Start Surgical Gifts reminded us of the work of the Thousand Smiles Foundation in Mexico in that all treatment is free and nobody is turned away that can be helped. Both organizations help children who would otherwise live isolated and desperate lives defined by their deformities. Members of the club were very impressed by the Fresh Start Surgical Gifts organization that truly creates miracles at every one of their clinics.

Program Calendar
Why not invite a friend to an Old Mission Rotary meeting?
• Tuesday, January 17th- Rest Haven Children’s Health Fund with Cass Kaminetz.

Art is the elimination of the unnecessary. -Pablo Picasso,

Club Host- January 10th Brian Dempsey



Brian Dempsey is a native of northern New Jersey and has fond memories of his job as a lifeguard over five summers on the iconic Jersey Shore. He was a regular at the Asbury Park Convention Hall where he attended many concerts including a Rolling Stones performance on July 3rd, 1966.

Rotary Calendar
• Tuesday, January 19th- OMR Board of Directors Meeting immediately after the regular club meeting..
• Tuesday, January 24th-Old Mission Rotary Club Social at 5:30 pm at the Mission Bay Resort on the Covewood Patio,
• Friday-Saturday on February 3rd and 4th- Thousand Smiles Clinic Ensenada Baja.