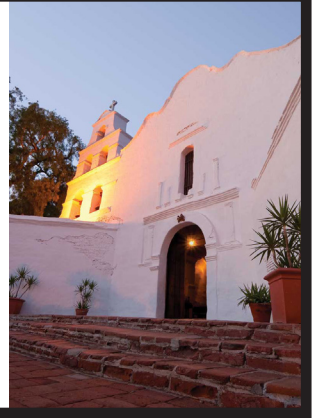




The Old Mission Bell of Old Mission Rotary



Meetings Every Tuesday at noon
at the Legacy Resort Hotel and Spa
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Preserving Balboa Park



Roger Showley is the President of the The Committee of One Hundred and works to preserve Balboa Park's architecture, gardens and public spaces

The 1915 Panama-California Exposition held in Balboa Park introduced Spanish Colonial Revival architecture to Southern California and to millions of visitors. The California Building and its tower, the Spreckels Organ Pavilion, and the “temporary” buildings along El Prado have stirred the souls of San Diegans for over 90 years. During the 1960s two wonderful

buildings on the Plaza de Panama were demolished. The Science and Education Building was replaced by the modern west wing of the San Diego Museum of Art; the Home Economy Building was replaced by the Timken Museum building. Four other “temporary” buildings on El Prado were destined to meet the same fate but a group of determined people stepped up and brought a halt to the destruction.

Since its formation in 1967, The Committee of One Hundred has been a strong advocate for these buildings, raising funds and public support for the bonds that financed reconstruction of the remaining temporary buildings, which have now been rebuilt along with the two missing arcades.

Recently, the non profit group has been active in restoring what is now the Comic-Con Museum and is restoring the facade of the Balboa Park Gymnasium.

Roger is a retired newspaper reporter and witnessed San Diego history first hand over 44 years at the Union Tribune!.

Art Pratt Grant Committee of 100

On Tuesday, February 1st, the Art Pratt Foundation of Old Mission Rotary presented a grant to the Committee of 100 to help them in their efforts to preserve Balboa Park. The grant of \$ 10,000 will be used for the preservation of the facade of the Balboa Park Gymnasium

Old Mission Rotary Meetings on ZOOM

The Omicron wave of the COVID 19 virus is so contagious that Old Mission Rotary will once again meet on ZOOM and NOT in person at the Legacy Resort and Spa. ZOOM Meeting links will be sent to members by club e-mail. Evening socials will now be rescheduled to noon meetings on ZOOM.

What do we live for, if it is not to make life less difficult to each other? -George Eliot (pen name of Mary Ann Evans), novelist

Rotary Calendar

- Friday, February 4th- Saturday, February 5th- **Thousand Smiles Clinic** in Ensenada
- Wednesday, February 9th- **District 5340 Foundation Training Seminar** from 4pm to 5pm on ZOOM.
- Friday February 25th- Sunday, February 27th- **District 5340 2022 President Elect Training Seminars (PETS)** at the Marriott LAX
- Friday, March 4th- **End Human Trafficking Seminar** from 11am to 2pm at the Liberty Station Conference Center.
- Saturday, March 19th- **District Training Assembly** from 7:30am to 2pm at the Liberty Station Conference Center.