

The Old Mission Bell of Old Mission Rotary

Meetings Every Tuesday at noon at the Legacy Resort Hotel and Spa oldmissionrotary.org

March 2022- Edition One

Father Joe's Villages Helping the Homeless



Deacon Jim F. Vargas brings to Father Joe's Village more than 30 years of broad management and human resources experience. In addition to serving as President and CEO of the non profit, Jim is also a Deacon of the Roman Catholic Diocese of San Diego

Deacon Jim Vargas spoke about the good work Father Joe's Villages is doing to prevent and end homelessness here in San Diego. Established in 1950 to serve San Diegans experiencing homelessness and poverty, Father Joe's Villages has grown to include a comprehensive campus and scattered-site programs that house over 2,000 people nightly.

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President Elect Training Seminar- PETS



Don Krupp just completed his President Elect Training Seminar (PETS) along with President Elects from across the southwest. PETS is one of the most intense and impressive training in all of Rotary.

Shari Stauder A Blue Badge Rotarian



Shari Stauder received her Blue Badge on March 1st from Executive Club Secretary Stan Vogelsang.



Primeros Pasos Guatemala



Jamie Pet is passionate about a project to help a remote community of Guatemala

Our program speaker on March 8th was Jamie Pet. She is a travel registered nurse with Aya Healthcare and a member of the Sweetwater Rotary. She had served as the Executive Director for Primeros Pasos from 2014 -2016. She holds a bachelor's from UCLA in International Development and a master's from UC Davis in nursing. Primeros Pasos is an independent non-profit organization established in 2002 with a comprehensive vision of healthcare. With the collaboration of health professionals, volunteer health educators, and community leaders, Primeros Pasos provides quality and affordable health care and health education to under served rural communities in the Palajunoj Valley of Quetzaltenango, Guatemala.

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At least 7,600 people are experiencing homelessness every night in San Diego. Of those, nearly 4,000 men, women and children lie down to sleep each night on sidewalks, in doorways, canyons and alleys. They live without regular access to food or water, and no place to use the bathroom, wash their hands. bathe or do laundry. People who are homeless are at greater risk of serious illness, mental health issues, substance abuse and violence. The Father Joe's Villages Permanent Supportive Housing **Program** offers people who are chronically homelessness and living with a disability long-term rental subsidies and services ensuring lasting independence and dignity. The Turning the Key Initiative aims to build 2,000 units of affordable housing for people who have experienced homelessness. Through Permanent Supportive Housing, rent is affordable and ongoing supportive services help people gain stability and live more productive lives. Clients in Permanent Supportive Housing are paired with Tenant Services Coordinators and receive physical and behavioral healthcare, education and job training, addiction treatment, and more. There are many ways to Support Father Joes's Villages:

- Donate Cash and stocks
- Donate Vehicles
- Donate Goods
- Donate Time as a volunteer
- Shop at Father Joe's Villages Thrift Stores
- Attend a fund raising event
- Planned Giving

Once again, we are amazed by the high quality of our Rotary luncheon programs and the access that we have to community leaders!

Rotary Calendar • Tuesday, March 15th- Rotary District 5340 Sub-Regional 4-Way Test Speech Contest

 Tuesday, March 15th- Board of Directors Meeting immediately following the regular meeting.

Saturday, March 19th- District Training Assembly from 7:30am to 2pm at the Liberty Station Conference Center.
Tuesday, March 22nd- Eve-

ning Club Social staring at 6pm • Saturday, May 14th- So You

Think You've Got Talent San Diego? staring at 5:30pm at Francis Parker School.

• Thursday, May 19th- District 5340 Social from 6pm to 8pm at the Legacy Resort.

• Sunday, June 12th- Thursday, June 16th- Rotary International Convention in Houston Texas.

Ruby from Canine Companions



Tom Sandler brought Ruby to our Rotary luncheon on March 8th. Tom and his wife Sondra have raised over a dozen puppies for the Canine Companions program over the decades. Their last dog, May, has been assigned to a veteran with PTSD who said that she had changed his life.

So You Think You've Got Talent San Diego!

Please promote our "So You Think You've Got Talent" Fund raiser! The date is set for the evening of Saturday, May 14th at Francis Parker School.

- Members are asked to contribute by:
- Buying and Selling Tickets to the Show
- Buying and Selling Raffle Tickets
- Soliciting Talent to Compete in the show
- Soliciting or Donating prizes to our Silent Auction
- Volunteering to help Staff the Event\
- Promote the event with a PDF that you can send by e-mail or post in social media.

Participation by all club members is critical as the net profits are divided between Thousand Smiles (70%) and the Old Mission Rotary Foundation (30%) and is our only club fund raiser of the year.



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Questions? Contact Bob Chalfa at gottalent@oldmissionrotary.org or call 619-843-2943

I look at the world and I notice it's turning / While my guitar gently weeps / With every mistake we must surely be learning / Still my guitar gently weeps. -George Harrison, singer-songwriter (25 Feb 1943-2001)