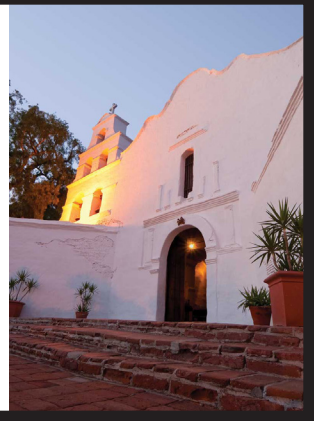




Old Mission Rotary

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Four Way Test Speech Contest Second Round



(L-R) Old Mission Rotary Four Way Test Speech Chair Eric Benink, Kai da Luz of Saint Augustine High School, Alyssa Chavez of Hoover High, Kun Sreypich Chhea of City Heights Charter Prep Academy, Cole Mullins of Coronado High and Sophia Rogers of Helix Charter High School. Cole and Sophia will advance to the next round of the competition.

On Tuesday, March 11th, Old Mission Rotary hosted one of the second round competitions of District 5340's Four Way Test Speech Contest. Once again, Eric Benink served as chair of the event and orchestrated a flawless contest. Eric shared the great Mark Twain Quote: "There are two types of speakers: Those who get nervous and those who are liars."

The Four Way Test Speech contestants have between 5-7 minutes to speak and must relate their topic to the Rotary Four Way Test.

Kun Sreypich Chhea argued that education is a human right. She immigrated to the US from Cambodia and she contrasted her school experiences in her native land to here at City Heights

Charter Prep Academy. Her personal experiences made her talk very engaging and credible. Kun was sponsored by the San Diego Downtown Breakfast Club. She is a Junior and is thinking about attending USD to study environmental science.

Alyssa Chavez delivered a poignant talk about organ transplants and her frustration at the lack of organ donors when the need is so great. Alyssa is a junior at Hoover High School and is a member of the Interact Club. She is interested in journalism and was sponsored Club 33.

Cole Mullins is a Junior at Coronado High School and started out

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Welcome Back!



Mark McAnelly is back at Old Mission Rotary after brain surgery last week! Mark experienced dizzy spells and was first diagnosed with a stroke and then with a brain tumour. Finally, the medical staff at Sharp Grossmont discovered that Mark had an excess of twisted blood vessels on the surface layer of his brain. The operation took place on Tuesday and Mark was back home on Saturday. We were thrilled to see him at Rotary!

Program Calendar

- March 26th- **Shelter Box** by Pete Griffith
- May 21st- **RYLA Students** • •
- May 28th- **Model UN Students**

Speech Contest Continued

in life struggling with his speech. Speech therapy gave him the confidence to tackle the challenge of public speaking. He is a Junior and a member of the school's Interact Club. Cole is looking forward to an east coast college experience and hopes to study medicine or dentistry. Cole was sponsored by the Coronado Rotary Club.

Kai da Luz focused on the outrageous cost of higher education. He proposed a plan, inspired by the post war GI Bill, where students can work at government jobs to subsidize their tuition. Kai is a Sophomore at Saint Augustine High School and looks forward to studying either medicine or law. Sophia Rogers was on fire! She passionately called upon women to express themselves with anger and rage. She is upset that women are stereotyped as quiet and docile. She argued that feminism needs to be fueled by fury and transformed into action. Sophia is a Senior at Helix Charter High School and will attend Vanderbilt University next year where she will dual major in communications and political science. She was sponsored by La Mesa Sunrise Rotary.

All of our contestants were exceptional. Our judges selected Cole Mullins of Coronado High and Sophia Rogers of Helix Charter High School to advance to the next round of the competition.

Of all the preposterous assumptions of humanity over humanity, nothing exceeds most of the criticisms made on the habits of the poor by the well-housed, well-warmed, and well-fed.

-Herman Melville, novelist and poet (1 Aug 1819-1891)

Welcome to Old Mission Rotary! Three New Members Inducted.



Photo: (L-R) Old Mission Rotary President Bob Chalfa, Phil Yates, Don Krupp, Chuck Andrean and Executive Secretary Stan Vogelsang.

Our club meeting on March 5th was remarkable! Old Mission Rotary inducted three new members.

Charles Andrean retired after 30 years as a Colonel from the US Army. He was a member of the Crystal City Rotary club while stationed at the Pentagon.

Two of our new members are past members of the Oregon City Rotary Club who have relocated to San Diego!

Donald Krupp is a retired County Administrator and is married to Susan who is still a member of Oregon City Rotary.

Phil Yates is a retired lawyer and restaurateur. He has also been a member of Wilsonville OR Rotary and the Uptown Rotary of San Diego. He is married to Vickie who remains a member of Oregon City Rotary.

Hugh Kramer



Hugh Kramer was remembered at the District 5340 Conference during the In Memoriam Ceremony on Sunday, March 3rd. A bell was struck and a rose was placed into a vase for him. Hugh had a big heart and was so very passionate about Thousand Smiles and Wounded Warriors.

Rotary Calendar

- Saturday, March 30th- **District Training Assembly** at USD Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice.
- Saturday, April 6th- **Model United Nations**
- Friday-Sunday April 12th-14th- **Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)**
- Tuesday, April 16th- **District Padre Game** at PETCO Park.
- Saturday, April 27th- **Rotarians at Work Day**
- Monday, April 29th- **District Foundation Gala** at the La Jolla Aventura Hyatt