Old Mission Rotary



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The State of Business in San Diego



Jerry Sanders delivered an intimate and informative talk on the state of business in our city.

Old Mission Rotary enjoyed a remarkable program on May 7th. San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce CEO Jerry Sanders presented an insider's view to the happenings in the San Diego business community.

Jerry has enjoyed a remarkable career. During his senior year at San Diego State University in 1973, he became a police officer with the San Diego Police Department. He served as the SDPD police chief from 1993 until 1999. Next, he became president and CEO of the United Way of San Diego County, After the fall of Mayor Dick Murphy with the pension scandal, the San Diego was desperate for

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Art Pratt Foundation of Old Mission Rotary Grant to the Burn Institute



(L-R) Art Pratt Foundation Board Member Mark McAnelly, Old Mission Rotary President Bob Chalfa, Art Pratt Foundation Board Member Gary John Collins, Art Pratt Foundation President Lee Kaminetz, Old Mission Rotary Executive Secretary Stan Vogelsang and Burn Institute Executive Director Susan Day.

On April 16th, the Art Pratt Foundation of Old Mission Rotary presented a grant of \$5364 to the Burn Institute. The Executive Director of the non-profit, Susan Day, explained that the funds will be used to improve workstations for the staff with additional computer monitors and stand up desks. The Burn Institute reaches thousands of children and adults each year through fire and burn prevention education, burn survivor support programs and the funding of burn care research and treatment. Susan also explained that the Burn Institute offers eligible homeowners 62 and up free smoke detector installation in their homes.

Program Calendar

• May 14, 2019- Rotary District 5340 Membership Chair Dianne Crawford ill present on the Challenges of Increasing club membership.

Demotion Dinner

• Saturday, June 22nd at 5pm Celebrate the end of President Bob Chalfa's reign at the home of Jerry and Jean Hosenkamp Tierrasanta!

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a steady hand on the helm of city government. The citizens looked to a proven local leader in Jerry Sanders to restore confidence in city hall. He was elected mayor in a special run-off election held November 8, 2005 and served until he reached his term limit in 2012. The next day, he became the president and CEO of the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce.

The San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce is the biggest on the west coast with 2500 members. 1500 of the members represent small business.

The chamber concentrates on five core areas:

- -Advocacy for San Diego businesses with lobbyists in Sacramento.
- -Crafting policy for the city council and the state legislature
- -Political action by supporting pro business Republican and Democratic candidates.
- -Partnership with Mexico to promote a working border and support the 60 billion in commerce with California's biggest trading partner. -Sponsorship of over 70 events a year ranging from Business After 5 Mixers, Coffee and Conversation morning seminars and large signature events.

The Chamber is committed to making San Diego the most business-friendly region in California. A strong economy creates jobs that support families, neighborhoods, and the entire region. Since the late 1800s, the Chamber has helped San Diego grow by engaging our elected officials, our members, and the public to address the issues most important to job creation and our region.

Old Mission Rotary is a member of the San Diego Regional Chamber and members attend events.

Tepehua Community Center



Old Mission Rotary was treated to an inspiring program on April 30th by Mission Valley Sunset Rotarian Arna Lewis. Arna presented on the Tepehua Community Center in Chapala located deep in the interior of Mexico. The center was founded in 2010 and provides assistance to families in one of the poorest in all of Jalisco. Arna and her husband lived in Chapala for 12 years and worked at the center with other volunteers including Rotarians from Mexico, the United States and Canada. Services include a free community breakfast on Fridays, free vaccinations, education, counseling services, sewing classes and a clothing bazaar. Efforts are underway to open a maternity clinic. Arna is an impressive Rotarian who has brought basic human services to some of the poorest people in the world.

There is a fountain of youth: it is your mind, your talents, the creativity you bring to your life and the lives of the people you love. When you learn to tap this source, you will have truly defeated age.

-Sophia Loren, actor and singer (b. 20 Sep 1934)

Club Host



Our club host for April 30th was Mark McAnelly. Mark is a "super Rotarian" who participates at every level. Mark is active in the Thousand Smiles and the Art Pratt Foundations. He participates in Project Mercy and VIIDAI and is in charge of the silent auction for our talent show. Mark founded Southwest Landscaping in 1994 and over the decades has provided all of San Diego County with some of the finest residential and commercial landscape designs and installations. Mark has a love for Baja and enjoys taking people to Guerrero Negro to watch and pet whales in Scammon's Lagoon. Mark had brain surgery only weeks ago and is back on his feet and full of energy!

Rotary Calendar

- Saturday, May 18th-So You Think You've Got Talent San Diego- Francis Parker School.
- Tuesday, May 21st-Rotary District 5340 Padre Baseball Outing- First pitch at 7:10pm against the Arizona Diamondbacks.
- Saturday, June 1st to Wednesday, June 5th- **Rotary International Convention** in Hamburg Germany.
- Saturday, June 22nd- **De-motion Dinner** at 5pm at the Hosenkamp residence in Tierrasanta.