

# Old Mission Rotary

Meets Every Tuesday at noon at the Best Western Seven Seas Hotel Hotel Circle South oldmissionrotary.org



May 13, 2017

#### The Seventh "So You Think You've Got Talent San Diego!"



(L-R Standing)) Gala emcee Matt Risi, Second Place winner Alec Hamilton, The Sea Monks Family Band, Judges Joe Dyke, Elena Peavy, Ron Jones and the Pizarro Brothers. Members of the The Jam Fusion Band, with kids ranging from ages 8 to 15, are kneeling in the front row.

The Seventh Annual "So You Think You've Got Talent San Diego" was another amazing success! On Saturday, May 13th, ten variety acts competed on the campus of Francis Parker School. The event was sponsored and organized by Old Mission Rotary, Kearny Mesa Rotary and Francis Parker Interact. Profits will be donated to the Thousand Smiles Foundation. First place and \$1000 was awarded to the youth rock band "Jam Fusion" who rocked the crowd with "Hotel California." Second place and \$500 was awarded to the "Sea

Monks Family" band who performed an original composition with hilarious lyrics called "Sticks and Stones." Third place and \$250 was awarded to Alec Hamilton who mesmorized the baby boomers in the audience on piano with his vocals of "Scenes from an Italian Restaurant" by Billy Joel. Special thanks to co-chairs Jerry Hosenkamp and Michelle Malin who started planning for this event six months ago.

Stan Vogelsang deserves special recognition for coordinating the

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# Kazana and the Hummingbird!



Murugi Kenyatta wants to introduce Americans to the beautiful hand crafted jewelry of East Africa.

Murugi Kenyatta spoke to Old Mission Rotary on May 9th about the Kazana program where women in the East Afican countries of Kenya, Rwanda and Tanzania are working to distribute and sell their hand made jewelry.

Kazana hummingbird bracelets are handmade by Maasai women of Amboseli, Kenya, using traditional techniques honed over generations. Small variations in color, design and craftsmanship are part of what makes each piece uniquely special, personal and beautiful.

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#### **Club Host**



Steve Nuñez is a past president of Old Mission Rotary and serves as an Assistant District Governor. Steve Nuñez served as our club host on May 9th. Steve started the meeting with a touching poem in memory of Donna Larranaga who just recently passed away. Steve attended UC Riverside and then Columbia for law school. He failed the California bar exam twice before passing and jumped from firm to firm in Los Angeles, Orange County Bakersfield and San Diego before discovering his true passion. Today Steve concentrates on financial fraud and is dedicated to helping people who have been taken advantage of. He works at Ward & Hagen LLP which is a full-service civil litigation firm that provides cost-effective solutions to a wide range of insurance, business and consumer clients.

### The Red Cross



On May 9th, Bill Early, the CEO of the San Diego Chapter of the American Red Cross, visited Old Mission Rotary.

Got Talent Gala Continued from side one.. finances, ticket distribution and many other important details. The Gala Committee worked hard to make every aspect of the evening a success including the catering, silent and live auctions, the bar and of course the show itself. An evening like this has many complex moving parts and our many Rotarian, Interact and family and friend voluteers made it all work. Our new venue at Francis Parker was even better than before with a a beautiful room for our silent auction. We appreciate the generous donations of prizes to our silent and live auctions and we are grateful to our many sponsors!

See you next year at our eighth Got Talent Gala!

Among individuals, as among nations, respect for the rights of others is peace. -Benito Juárez, President of Mexico (1806-1872)

#### Kazana Continued...

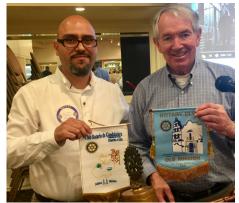
Each bracelet is made by a Maasai woman who has dreams and aspirations for herself and her family. The hope is that the jewelry will find a market in the US and allow the women of Amboseli and East Africa to thrive.

KAZANA is a Swahili word that has many related meanings including, make a united effort; hold together; work hard; keep at it; and exert energy. This spirit of a united effort is the vision behind KA-ZANA.

The hummingbird often symbolizes beauty, agility, optimism, wisdom, love, joy, courage and the celebration of life.

The bracelets and other jewelry and accessories are available at: **www.kazanabracelets.com.** 

## Guadalajara Rotary



On May 2nd, we welcomed Manuel Aceves from the Rotary Club of Guadalajara Mexico. His Internet marketing comapny is Geek Commerce. Hacemos que tu Negocio Venda por Internet!

Rotary Calendar • Tuesday May 16th Art Pratt Foundation Board of Directors Meeting after our Rotary Meeting

• Friday May 20th Celebration of Rotary Dinner at The Admiral Kidd Club.

• Saturday, May 20th **District Conference at Liberty Station.** 

• Saturday, June 10th-14th: Rotary International Convention in Atlanta

• Saturday June 17th Demotion Dinner at the Hosenkamp home in Tierrasanta.

• Tuesday June 20th Art Pratt Foundation Board of Directors Meeting after our Rotary Meeting

Club Program for May 16th Debbie Beyer Literacy First Charter Schools