# **Old Mission Rotary**



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

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# The World Needs More Rotarians!



Diane Crawford of the Southeast San Diego Rotary Club and Membership chair for District 5340 presented a program on Membership. On May 14th, Old Mission Rotary enjoyed a program on membership from one of San Diego's great Rotarians. Diane Crawford joined the Southeast San Diego club in 1997 and has served in many club leadership roles including president. In 2003, Diane has offered her talents to our Rotary District 5340 and has served some 15 District Governors. Today, she is the district membership committee chair.

Diane started her talk with the proclamation that "The world needs more Rotarians!" For more than a decade, Rotary's membership has lingered around 1.2 million. That means that for every person who joined during that period,

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# Ninth Annual "So You Think You've Got Talent San Diego"



(L-R) The Lehoffe Trio finished in third place playing the lively second movement of Brahms Trio Number One with Leo Liang on Piano, Sunny Fan on cello and Kevin Hu on violin Comedienne Ella Engelberg finished in second place with her hilarious "middle child routine" and Soprano Chelsea Snow finished in first place singing the aria "Tu sei di che sei cinta" from the Puccini Opera Turandot. Matt Risi served as the Master of Ceremonies.

The ninth annual "So You Think You've Got Talent San Diego" gala was an amazing success! The talent was better than ever and this year the audience voted for the winner by text on their smart phones. Money raised by Old Mission Rotary, Mission Valley Sunset Rotary, Pacific Beach Rotaract and Francis Parker Interact will help fund about 35% of the annual operating budget for the Thousand Smiles Foundation. Thousand Smiles provides free treatment to the less fortunate children in Mexico who suffer from lack of dental care and from facial deformities such as cleft palates at their quarterly clinics in Ensenada in Baja.

### **Program Calendar**

"Why not invite a friend?"

- RYLA and Model UN Students on May 28th
- Sid Vivek of Junior Achievement in San Diego on June 4th

#### **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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another person left.

Here is a list of benefits for joining Rotary:

- Friendship
- Professional Development
- Personal Growth
- Leadership Development in the Community
- Continuing Education
- Public Speaking Skills
- Global Citizenship
- Unique Travel Experiences
- Opportunities for the Family
- Prestige
- Community Connections
- Opportunity to Serve
- Make a Difference
- •Have Fun!

Retention is critical! Many new members are gone within a year as they never connect with the club Here is a list of ways to keep new members in the club:

- Membership satisfaction Surveys
- Club Meeting Flexibility
- Different Membership levels
- Engage Members
- Ongoing Membership Education
- Reach Out to at Risk Members
- Relevant and Interesting Programs
- Leadership Development
- Club membership Plan
- Communicate Using All Media
- Involve the Family
- Social Events

Diane congratulated Old Mission Rotary on our vitality and membership growth this year. We need to keep the momentum going!

Life is a long lesson in humility.
-James M. Barrie, novelist,
short-story writer, and playwright (9 May 1860-1937)

### Oregon City Rotary



The recently transplanted Oregonians, Vicki and Phil Yates, are a welcome addition to our weekly Rotary meetings! Phil is now a member of Old Mission but Vicki stubbornly clings to her membership with the couples former club in Oregon City.

Oregon City was established in 1829 by the Hudson's Bay Company and during the 1840s and 1850s, was the last stop on the Oregon Trail. The Rotary Club of Oregon City was organized on November 8, 1936.

Vicki presented a club banner that shows the famous Willamette Falls, the Oregon City Bridge that spans the Willamette River and the Municipal Elevator that serves as a vertical street!

Vicki noted that her club is very proud of their youth and school projects including "Chess for Success" and a dictionary distribution program. All in the room were wondering what it would take to get Vicki to defect and join Old Mission Rotary!

I feel fairly certain that my hatred harms me more than the people whom I hate.

-Max Frisch, architect, playwright, and novelist (15 May 1911-1991)

#### **Club Host**



Michelle Malin served as club host on May 7th. Michelle is very proud of her 26 years with the Boys and Girls Clubs. Her passion at work is training and she remembers how she was thrown into her first job with no instruction. She recalled how early in her career, a talented employee named Jose resigned because he did not understand his job. Michelle was inspired to implement comprehensive training that kept Jose on the job. Today she runs the training program for all of the Boys and Girls Clubs 18 area sites.

Michelle's knowledge and experience fund raising has been instrumental in the success of our gala! Once again, assisted with the administrative and organization of the Silent Auction.

## **Rotary Calendar**

- Saturday, June 1st to Wednesday, June 5th- **Rotary International Convention** in Hamburg Germany.
- Saturday, June 22nd- **Demotion Dinner** at 5pm at the Hosenkamp residence in Tierrasanta.
- Thursday, June 27th- Governors Dinner at the La Jolla Marriott at 6pm