

The Old Mission Bell of Old Mission Rotary

Meetings Every Tuesday at noon on Zoom
Post Pandemic at the Legacy Resort Hotel and Spa
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June 2021- Edition One



Electoral College



Paula Whitsell, Chair of the San Diego County Republican Party, presented a program defending the Electoral College in Presidential Elections.

At our regular club meeting on April 6, 2021, we heard from the League of Women Voters of San Diego about the League's long-standing position to abolish the Electoral College in favor of the direct popular vote method for electing the President and Vice-President of the United States. In the spirit of offering equal time for the presentation of a topic subject to a significant public debate, we invited Paula Whitsell, Chair of the San Diego County Republican Party to talk with us about the

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First Live Meeting!! Tuesday, June 15th

Our first meeting at the Legacy Resort & Spa will be at noon on Tuesday June 15th.

The luncheon will take place outside in the patio area above the Lobby at Teresa's Steak house. Members can park in the parking garage and take the ticket to be validated at the front desk. There will be one plated meal served but members with dietary restrictions such as gluten free, vegan etc. can be accommodated. Our check in desk will accept payment by cash, check or credit cards for the \$24 meal charge.

Members can buy and pay for alcoholic beverages directly from the bar.



General Manager and Old Mission Rotarian Steve Marciano (L) with Executive Chef Brian Freerksen. The brand new hotel and grounds are remarkable!

Miles Durfee and Donna Maytum elected to the Art Pratt Foundation Board

The club membership elected Miles Durfee and Donna Maytum to the Art Pratt Foundation Board of Directors for its upcoming 2021-2022 Fiscal Year (beginning July 1, 2021). The term lasts for three years and the duties include attending a monthly board meeting, setting an annual budget, and vetting and voting on grant requests.

The Art Pratt Foundation is separate from the Old Mission Rotary Foundation but its board of directors is elected by the membership of Old Mission Rotary and must be members of the club.

PB Rotaract Social at the Air Conditioned Lounge

Pacific Beach Rotaract Club will be holding and afterwork social at the Air Conditioned Lounge in North Park (4673 30th Street) on June 10th starting at 6pm.
All Old Mission Rotarians are invited to attend this no host event. Old Mission Rotary is one of the sponsors of Pacific Beach Rotaract and just presented them with a grant for \$1000 for the new Rotary year.

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counter argument in favor of retaining the Electoral College.

The Electoral College was created by the framers of the U.S. Constitution as an alternative to electing the president by popular vote or by Congress. Several weeks after each general election, electors from each state meet in their state capitals and cast their official vote for president and vice president.

In the Electoral College system, each state gets a certain number of electors based on its total number of representatives in Congress. Each elector casts one electoral vote following the general election;. There are a total of 538 electoral votes and the candidate that gets more than half (270) wins the election.

Electoral votes are allocated among the States based on the Census. Every State is allocated a number of votes equal to the number of senators and representatives in its U.S. Congressional delegation. There are two votes for its senators in the U.S. Senate plus a number of votes equal to the number of its Congressional districts.

All but two states, Nebraska and Maine, have a winner take all electoral vote system.

Paula stated that the Electoral College prevents the "Tyranny of the Majority" She explained that now we have 51 separate elections and each region of the country has a voice. The Electoral College also encourages coalition building.

Program Calendar

Why not invite a friend to ZOOM with us?

• Tuesday, June 8th Luke Zabel of MedCure will tell us how to **Donate our Bodies to Medical Science!**

Corona Conversation



The Corona Conversation with Don Krupp is a weekly feature now included in our Old Mission Rotary Zoom Meetings.

At this week's Corona Conversation, club member Don Krupp talked about getting ready to meet in person once again. Steps we are taking to get together safely are to meet outside and have plated meals instead of a buffet.

One of the key things we've learned about Covid-19 is that transmitting the virus from incidental touching of surfaces is not likely.

Notably, a study conducted last Fall by the Bank of England found that the prospect of getting infected from handling bank notes is extremely low. That's because cash is typically kept in places where it is not exposed to the virus. It's also the case that the virus does not survive long on paper and fabric surfaces.

Still club members are asked to wear their masks until you are seated at your dining table as a special courtesy to those cashiering and greeting arrivals. If you have yet to be vaccinated you should wear your mask until your meal is served.

Also, use hand sanitizer before paying the cashier and before starting your meal.

Of course, the best and safest way to enjoy our return to in-person meetings is to get vaccinated. Most of our club members have taken the shot and are anxious to get together again. If you haven't yet, schedule your vaccine appointment and then you can fully and confidently enjoy the freedom of meeting again safely.





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Rotary Calendar

- Tuesday, June 8th,- Old Mission Rotary ZOOM Board of Directors Meeting.
- Saturday, June 12th-Wednesday, June 16th Rotary International Virtual Convention
- Monday, June 28th-District Governor's Dinner
- Tuesday, June 29th- Art Pratt Foundation ZOOM Board of Directors Meeting
- Thursday, July 1st- Michelle Malin assumes the Presidency of Old Mission Rotary
- Tuesday, July 27th- Art Pratt Foundation Board of Directors Meeting
- Friday, August 6th-Saturday August 7th- **Thousand Smiles Clinic in Ensenada**