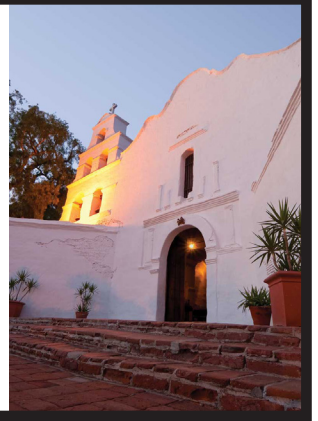




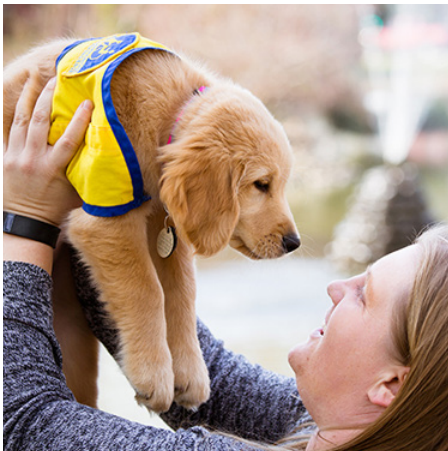
Old Mission Rotary

Meets Every Tuesday at noon at the
Best Western Seven Seas Hotel
Hotel Circle South
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August 2019- Edition Two



Club Field Trip Canine Companions!



Don't miss this opportunity to visit the amazing Canine Companions facility on our Saturday, August 24th field trip!

Members of Old Mission Rotary and their guests will meet at 11am at Canine Companions at 124 Rancho Del Oro Drive in Oceanside. The tour will last two hours until 1pm and lunch will be included! If you have not already registered or have questions then please call Tom Sandler at 619-992-0640.

Club Programs

"Why not invite a friend?."

- August 20th- John Musselman of the **Flying Samaritans**
- August 27th- Rajah Gainey of the **Promises2Kids** about supporting foster kids.
- September 3rd- **San Diego Police Department** Chief David Nisleit.

Friends of Balboa Park



John Bolthouse presented a program on the efforts to improve and preserve Balboa Park.

Old Mission Rotary enjoyed an amazing program on Balboa Park at our August 13th meeting. Friends of Balboa Park was founded in 1999 by a group of longtime volunteers and is dedicated to initiating projects that the underfunded City of San Diego may never address. The Executive Director, John Bolthouse, presented a remarkable slide show documenting some of the projects completed over the years. Past park improvements include:

- Restoration of the Lily Pond after it was vandalized by a flashmob of college students
- Placement of information kiosks and landmark signage to help visitors navigate and learn about the park
- Restoration of the two original

ticket booths from the 1915 Pan-American exposition. Rotarian Jim Hughes of Club 33 personally made this project happen! The all-original Herschell-Spillman Carousel was recently purchased so it can remain permanently in the park. John thanked the Art Pratt Foundation for our recent grant to help with restoration of the carousel.

One very important contribution over the years has been the funding for field trips for title one schools. This program has allowed 20,000 underprivileged school age kids to visit the park

Projects now in the works include:

- Building a fence and a shade platform to protect the massive Moreton Fig Tree

- Rebuilding of the long gone Palm Canyon bridge

Jackie Carpenter's husband, Jack, is a passionate member of the Friends of Balboa Park and is using his talents as an architect to design and build gateway monuments and to study and analyze parking and traffic circulation.

Balboa Park is home to more than 16 museums, multiple performing arts venues, lovely gardens, trails, and many other creative and recreational attractions, including the San Diego Zoo. John's program inspired Old Mission Rotary to re-engage with this San Diego treasure!

MusiCamp Youth Symphony



The annual International Youth Symphony is a partnership program between the San Diego Youth Symphony (SDYS) and Rotary District 5340 International Youth Exchange. The program just completed its 15th year of bringing musicians from across the globe together with the most experienced musicians of SDYS for a two-week intensive music experience.

In July of 2019, 24 international musicians representing 10 countries joined SDYS students to create a unique orchestra, comprised of exceptionally talented student musicians led by SDYS Music Director Jeff Edmons. After two weeks of rehearsals and a variety of recitals and concerts, the grand concert of Beethoven and Mozart took place on Saturday, July 27th in Escondido.

The foreign students stayed with Rotarian host families including our very own Don and Susan Krupp. They shared their home with a cello player from Germany. The Rotary District ensures that the kids have fun and the group visited many San Diego attractions. Bob Self has been on the district committee for the International Youth Symphony for years and our club is very grateful to him for his service.

*Little Strokes, Fell great oaks.
-Benjamin Franklin*

Are you Prepared for Disaster?



Our program on August 6th was about Emergency Management and Disaster Preparedness. Our speaker was the animated and charming Candace Hadley of Ready San Diego.

Candace explained that the biggest potential disasters in San Diego are: Wildfire, Earthquakes, Floods and Tsunamis.

She advised us all to register our cell phones with AlertSanDiego to receive warnings and instructions. She also advised us to maintain 100 feet of defensible space around our houses and to be ready to evacuate in 15 minutes or less.

Rotary Calendar

- Canine Companions Visit-** August 24 from 11am to 1pm
- Old Mission Board of Directors Meeting-** September 10th immediately following the regular meeting.
- Rotary District Padre Game** against the Chicago Cubs on Tuesday, September 10th.
- Rotary Leadership Institute (Pre-PETS)-** Saturday, September 21st
- Interact Symposium-** October 5
- Project Mercy-** House building in Tijuana on Saturday, October 5th.

Club Host



Our club host on July 9th was Lydia Stewart. Lydia joined Old Mission Rotary after her Mission Valley club closed. She immediately made an impact on Old Mission by introducing the youth programs of LEAD (Middle School Leadership) and the Model United Nations for High School students. Lydia also volunteered to represent us with the Pathways to Peace Rotary program. Lydia has volunteered as a nurse for many decades at the Thousand Smiles program in Ensenada.

Rotarian from Down Under



On August 13th, Australian Rotarian Peter Childes- Freeman visited Old Mission Rotary. He is a member of the Varsity Lakes Rotary Club in Gold Coast which is a city just south of Brisbane on the eastern coast of Queensland.