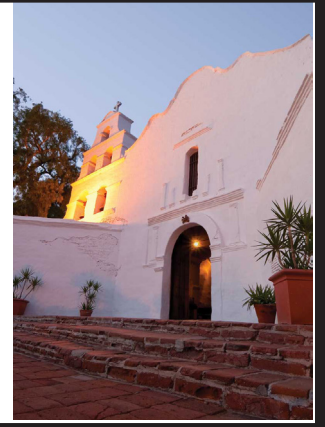


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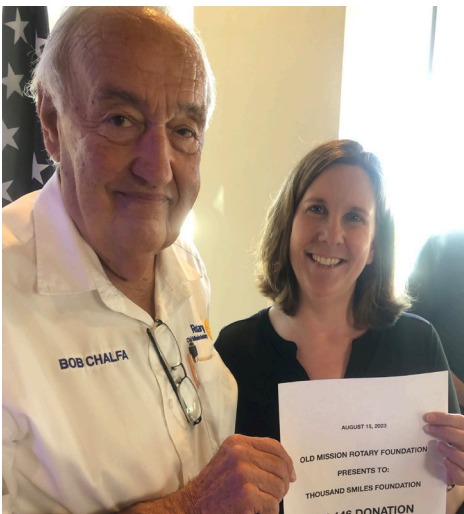
The Old Mission Bell of Old Mission Rotary

Meetings Every Tuesday at noon
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The Numbers Are In! So You Think You've Got Talent San Diego!



So You Think You've Got Talent San Diego fund raiser Chair Michelle Malin presents a check for \$21,146 to Bob Chalfa who was representing Thousand Smiles.

So You Think You've Got Talent San Diego is the fundraiser gala for Old Mission Rotary and President Stan Vogelsang reported that the 11th annual talent show generated a net profit of \$28,514.

The Thousand Smiles Foundation received \$21,146 which is about 20% of their annual operating budget.

The Old Mission Rotary Foundation received \$7,369 of the net profits. These funds will be disbursed to a variety of local programs and organizations.

We congratulate Michelle Malin who served as the chair of the event.

San Diego Blood Bank



Susan Josephson is the Development Manager of the San Diego Blood Bank.

San Diego is truly blessed to have a world class blood bank in our city! Susan Josephson is the Development Manager, of the San Diego Blood Bank and she presented an informative and comprehensive presentation at our meeting on Tuesday, August 22nd.

The San Diego Blood Bank was established in 1950 and today collects over 100,000 pints of blood donations per year from eight regional full service fixed locations and 10 fully equipped mobile units.

The San Diego Blood Bank must collect more than 350 units of blood each day to meet the needs of local patients who are battling life-threatening blood disorders and cancers, suffering from traumas such as burns or serious accidents, or even complications from childbirth. One pint of blood can save up to three lives.

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STAR/PAL Back to School Event



Charlotte Cofield is the Community Service Chair of Old Mission Rotary (front row second from right) and Vicki Yates is a Rotarian from the Oregon City Club and a great friend of Old Mission Rotary (front row second far right). STAR/PAL Staff and other volunteers are also in the photo.

Old Mission Rotary is proud to support the STAR/PAL Program that connects at risk youth with San Diego law enforcement. Charlotte Cofield represented Old Mission Rotary at their **Back to School** event on Saturday, August 19th at Colina Del Sol Park where school supplies were distributed to kids from the local underserved community.

**The Board of Directors of
Old Mission Rotary have
proposed
Aryanna Edwards for
club membership**

UPENDO One Kid at a Time



Our speaker on Tuesday, August 15th was Kathleen T. Harris, Ph.D., J.D.. She is an educator and international traveller and coordinates fundraising for the Upendo Foundation in Tanzania.

The Swahili word for love is Upendo and the UPENDO - One Kid at a Time project was created in 2015 to provide sustainable support to orphaned children in Tanzania. The orphans in this West African country include children from unstable one parent homes. Many of the children are from a mother who is abandoned by the child's father. Other children arrive at the orphanage straight from the hospital after birth or have been abandoned as infants. Unfortunately, up to now, when the children reach five years of age they have been dispersed and relocated.

The immediate goal is to build a new center which will be the permanent home for the children who are five-years old and older. The new facility will hold self-contained quarters, an infirmary, open-air dining room, kitchen and storage, recreational rooms, classrooms, a service learning building, administrative offices, a residence for care-takers and intramural fields. Future plans include a farm that would provide the center with most of its staple foods including cereals, vegetables and fruits.

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The San Diego Blood Bank provides Southern California regional hospitals with a wide range of blood banking services. These include blood collection, component preparation, plateletpheresis, plasmapheresis, leukapheresis, washed blood, frozen blood, autologous storage, designated donation services, and a reference laboratory. San Diego Blood Bank's Cord Blood Banking Program provides lifesaving stem cell transplants to patients worldwide.

Susan encouraged all of us to volunteer to donate blood. Walk-ins are welcome. Same-day appointments are available. All blood types are needed

Challenge Coins!



District Governor Don Fipps presents Rotary District 5340 Challenge Coins to Old Mission Rotary President Stan Vogelsang and to Newsletter Editor Matt Risi. Don has been a newsletter editor for three Rotary Clubs.

A challenge coin is a small coin or medallion, bearing an organization's insignia or emblem and carried by the organization's members. Traditionally, they might be given to prove membership when asked and to enhance morale.

Rotary Calendar

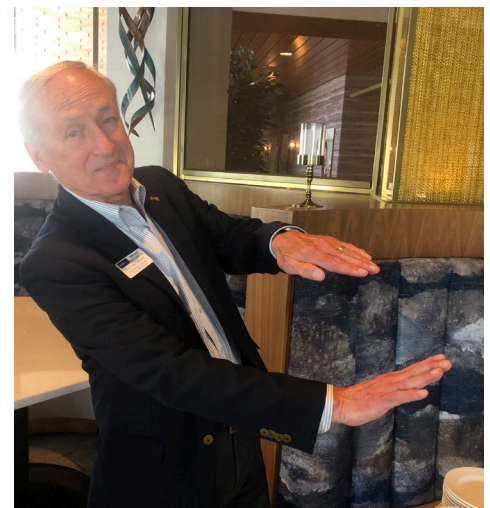
- Tuesday, August 29th- **Art Pratt Board of Directors Meeting** immediately after the regular club meeting.
- Tuesday, September 12th **Board of Directors Meeting** immediately following the regular meeting.

Program Calendar

Why not invite a friend to an Old Mission Rotary meeting?

- Tuesday, August 29th-Wakeland Housing & Development Corporation with VP of Operations Tricia Tasto Levien,

Club Host Brian Dempsey



We all know Brian Dempsey as a brilliant Financial Planner with 30 years of experience with Edward Jones Investments.

Brian's first career was as a naval aviator. He served for 23 years and was a navigator in high performance jets.

Brian could not resist telling us one of his favorite sea stories and in the photo above, he uses his hands to demonstrate an intercept of an Iranian P-3 patrol aircraft over the Persian Gulf by his F-14 Tomcat aircraft carrier launched fighter.