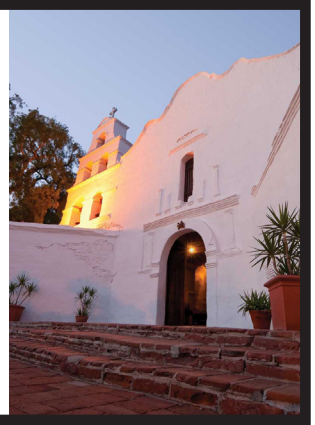




## The Old Mission Bell of Old Mission Rotary

Meetings Every Tuesday at noon  
at the Legacy Resort Hotel and Spa  
[oldmissionrotary.org](http://oldmissionrotary.org)

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### In Memoriam Kevin Cox



*Old Mission Rotary Past Rotarian Kevin Cox passed away from complications of Covid-19 on Monday, September 13th after a long hospitalization. Our hearts go out to his wife Sher and their extended family.*

Kevin Cox was introduced into Rotary by Bob Chalfa. Bob purchases dental supplies for the Thousand Smiles Foundation from Kevin's wife Sher and Kevin was inducted into Old Mission Rotary in May of 2018.

Kevin graduated from high school at 17 with a 4.0 GPA after he had left home and was living on his own! Kevin was always a hard worker and quickly became a manager at a variety of restaurants. He went on to work for Olhausen which is a San Diego company that

**Kevin Cox**

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### Community Service- STAR/PAL Open House

The graphic features a yellow background with a blue and red star logo that says "STAR/PAL" and "SERVING THE COMMUNITY SINCE 1998". Below the logo, it reads "SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 25th 11am - 1pm At STAR/PAL 4110 54th Street, San Diego, CA 92105". To the right, the words "Open House!" are written in large, white, playful letters. A pink circular icon with a white face and the text "MASKS REQUIRED!" is also present. At the bottom, there are two small photos: one of a group of people standing outdoors, and another of a woman in a white t-shirt and jeans running on a grassy field while holding a baby.

Members of Old Mission Rotary are invited to a STAR/PAL Open House on Saturday, September 25th from 11am to 1pm. STAR/PAL's Open House gives their charity partners and the community an opportunity to learn about their programs, their partnership with law enforcement and opportunities on how to get involved.

STAR/PAL is a nonprofit organization located at Colinas Park in City Heights that is dedicated to bringing youth and law enforcement together. Their programs are led by officers of the San Diego Police Department and are free of charge to youth throughout San Diego. Old Mission Rotary has participated in several of their events in the past year.

To RSVP please e-mail Myra at [mnunez@starpal.org](mailto:mnunez@starpal.org)

### Editorial- Rotary and Vaccinations

We as Rotarians have put our heart and soul into a worldwide vaccination program against Polio that we started in 1986. Vaccinations are nothing new here in America. George Washington ordered that the Continental Army be vacci-

nated against smallpox during the American Revolution: "*Necessity not only authorizes but seems to require the measure, for should the disorder infect the Army . . . we should have more to dread from it, than from the Sword of the Enemy.*"

## Flying Leathernecks Historical Foundation



*Brigadier General Michael J. Aguilar briefed the club on the latest efforts to re-establish the Flying Leathernecks Museum.*

Brigadier General Michael J. Aguilar joined us on Tuesday, September 14th to give us an update on the Flying Leathernecks Historical Museum and Foundation. We learned about efforts underway by the museum foundation to preserve and reopen the museum which lost its lease at Marine Corps Air Station Miramar this spring. The Marine Corps was cutting costs and could no longer maintain the museum property. General Aguilar noted the sad state of the museum today when one sees it from Miramar Road with the aircraft sitting in overgrown grass.

The good news is that a plan for a new museum in Irvine is in the works! The location would be in an area called Great Park which was formerly the Marine Corps Air Station El Toro. Board Members and volunteers are working hard to raise money and make the move happen. This effort includes moving all 48 aircraft from its collection.

**Old Mission Rotary  
Board of Directors  
Meeting Next Tuesday,  
September 21st  
Immediately Following  
the Regular Meeting**

## Kevin Cox *Continued from Page One*



*Kevin Cox was inducted into Old Mission Rotary in May of 2018.*

makes pool tables. Kevin helped to automate the factory to the point that production rose from 1600 to 3200 pool tables per month.

His next career was in Information Technology. Kevin became a Certified Microsoft Technician and worked as a senior solutions analyst at a computer 911 call center for 25 years.

Irregular hours and travel made him look for something else and so he opened a Farmers Insurance Agency in University City.

Kevin and his wife Sher had both been previously married and both brought kids from their previous marriages. Today these five adult children have three grandchildren between them.

Kevin was hospitalized with Covid-19 at Sharp Memorial Hospital in July. Tragically, he struggled but never recovered and passed away on Monday, September 13th.

Kevin was a great guy and always had a smile for everyone. He will be dearly missed.

People forget years and remember moments.

-Ann Beattie, novelist

## Club Host



*Steve Nuñez was our host on September 14th.*

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Steve is a dedicated Rotarian and has served as President of Old Mission Rotary and Assistant District Governor in District 5340. He has been instrumental in implementing our Rotary Clubrunner Website and helping start the Pacific Beach Rotaract Club. Just recently, Steve has been nominated to serve as District Governor!

Steve attended UC Riverside and then was off to New York City and 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. Today Steve concentrates on financial fraud and is dedicated to helping people who have been taken advantage of. He now works at his own firm, SNM Law Group APC. Steve specializes in Ponzi Scheme Class/Mass Action and helps financial fraud and injury victims get justice. He has also recently started offering Wills and Trusts and other Estate Planning services.

Steve and his wife Dawn have two children. Gabriel is 18 and is a freshman at Mesa College. Rosemary is 13 and is an 8th grader at Pacific Beach Middle School.