

# Old Mission Rotary

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

September 15 and 22, 2015

# Project Mercy Saturday, October 3rd



Gary Stemple briefs Old Mission Rotary about the logistics for our Project Mercy house building trip to Tijuana. this Saturday.

Project Mercy has been improving the lives of the most poor and needy in the outlying neighborhoods of Tijuana since 1991, through the construction of basic sturdy homes and community projects. Thanks to Old Mission Rotarian Gary Stemple, our club will be working together with the Francis Parker Interact Club to build three homes in a Tijuana Colonia in one day. On Saturday morning, October 3rd, our team will meet at the Starbucks on the corner of Genesee

bucks on the corner of Genesee and Balboa at 6am or at the Mc-Donald's on Siempre Viva at the Otay Mesa border crossing at 6:30 am. Please bring your Passport, GOES or SENTRI card so returning to the US will be easy.



Familia Sanchez Bernabe is exceedingly poor. and the father works odd jobs Here, children play by a retaining wall for their future 12ft x 28ft house.



Familia Gomez Cardona will receive a 12ft x 28ft house. The father works as a mason for 1000 pesos per week.



Familia Argueta Pablo will get the keys to a very narrow 12ft x 28ft house in a good location.



**Dresses for Dignity** 



President Jerry's sailor friends, Sherry and Dennis Day, have delivered beautiful dresses to women on the impoverished island nation of Vanuatu in the South Pacific.

Thanks to the contributions of many of the members of Old Mission Rotary, President Jerry's friends, Sherry and Dennis Day, managed to purchase 100 Mother Hubbard dresses for the women of the islands of Avokh and Awei. These islands are part of the remote Vanuatu island nation. Sherry and Dennis were transiting the globe in their sail boat the S/V Trillium when they arrived at Vanuatu and were struck by the desperate poverty. They have been working with the Vanuatu Women's Council to have local women make the dresses to provide work. It was a happy day when the free dresses were distributed. This small effort may not seem like much, but the colorful dresses are a treasure to these woman who eke out a subsistence living.

#### **ReBoot Workshop**



Maurice Wilson (R) briefed the club on ReBoot Workshop for veterans. Hugh Kramer just participated in a Homes for Our Troops Project.

Maurice Wilson is dedicated to helping veterans successfully transition from the battlefront to the homefront! REBOOT Workshops are designed to assist members of the military in making the social and career transition from years of service by addressing their fears and "re-booting" their skills. The workshop features three weeks of education designed to enhance and build upon their training, experience and skills to prepare them for life after the military. Maurice served 25 years in the US Navy.

### A New Home for Alfonso



Alfonso Fierro announced that he has found a new location for his landmark restaurant! Alfonso's of La Jolla will be relocated to the 101 in Solana Beach this fall.

#### **USS Midway**



CJ Beaudu spoke to Old Mission Rotary about the USS Midway Museum. CJ is a very passionate docent on the museum staff!

The USS Midway Museum is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization established in 1992. The Museum opened in June 2004. It is governed by a board of directors. Thier mission is to preserve the historic USS Midway and the legacy of those who served, inspire and educate future generations and entertain museum guests.

The Midway class was the last of the straight-deck aircraft carriers. Commissioned a week after the end of World War II, Midway was the largest ship in the world until 1955, as well as the first U.S. aircraft carrier too big to transit the Panama Canal. A revolutionary hull design, based on the planned Montana-class battleship, gave it better maneuverability than previous carriers. It operated for an unprecedented 47 years, during which time it saw action in the Vietnam War and served as the Persian Gulf flagship in 1991's Operation Desert Storm. Decommissioned in 1992, it is the only remaining U.S. aircraft carrier of the World War II era that is not an Essex-class aircraft carrier. Many San Diego Navy veterans have served abard the ship and our own Brian Dempsey has even flown off the ship!

## Club Host Steve Nuñez



Steve Nuñez served as club host on September 22nd. Steve is a senior attorney at Ward & Hagen LLP but admits he has his hands full as a dad with his seven year old daughter, Rosemary, and his twelve year old son, Gabriel!

> Old Mission Rotary will celebrate the 101st birthday party for Vesta Young at our next regular meeting on September 29th.

#### **Rotary Calendar**

• Tuesday, September 29 from 4:30pm-6pm- **Wounded Warrior Dinner** at the San Diego Naval Medical Center

• Saturday, October 3- **Project Mercy** in Tijuana

• Tuesday, October 6 from 6pm-8:30pm- **LEAD Advisor Orientation** at the District Office in Old Town

• Thursday, October 8 at 7;30am- **Old Mission Board Meeting** at the Copley-Price YMCA

• Friday, October 16- Sunday, October 18- **VIIDAI** Trip to the Salvador Diaz School in San Quintin Mexico