



# Old Mission Rotary

Meets Every Tuesday at noon at the  
Best Western Seven Seas Hotel  
Hotel Circle South  
[oldmissionrotary.org](http://oldmissionrotary.org)

November 25 2014

## Thanksgiving for the Wounded Warriors

On Tuesday, November 25, Old Mission Rotary and Francis Parker Interact served up a Thanksgiving dinner for our Wounded Warriors at the San Diego Medical Center. Hugh Kramer organized the dinner. Bernadette Castro, Mark McAnelly, Patty Risi, Katherine Willey, Jim Green, Lydia Stewart and Matt Risi represented Old Mission Rotary. Victoria Helms led the Francis Parker contingent of 19 students who came to the dinner even on their school break!

Michel Malecot of the **French Gourmet** donated a full Thanksgiving feast for over 130 Sailors and Marines. Old Mission Rotary deeply appreciates Michel's support that made this monthly dinner so extra special!

John Ohle and Mike O'Hara represented the Knights of Columbus from Our Mother of Confidence Catholic Church in University City. John is also the Assistant to Michel Malecot of the French Gourmet.



Victoria Helms (R) is a math teacher and the Interact Advisor at Francis Parker School. Marc Tardieux of Francis Parker was one of 19 Interact students who served up turkey dinner at the Wounded Warrior dinner. It was Marc's 16th birthday! On the left a very enthusiastic Alexis is Jim Green's grand daughter.

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## District 5340 RI Foundation Seminar



*Stan Vogelsang with Distict Governor Nominee Marilyn Sanderson who served as the chair of the District RI Foundation Seminar.*

Every year, our Rotary District 5340 conducts a RI Foundation Seminar in November. This year Old Mission Rotary presented at the event to showcase our efforts in San Quentin Baja at Colonia Lomas de San Ramon and the Escuela Primaria Bilingue Salvador Diaz Miron. Stan Vogelsang played the role of an 11 year old boy from the Colonia. Gerry Hosenkamp wrote the powerful script describing the improvements made over the course of this young boy's life. Bob James Jr. from the La Jolla Coastal Club prepared a slide show to accompany Stan's presentation. We enjoyed the many other presentations as well as the impressive venue of the UCSD International House.

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## A Very Special Day!



*(L-R) Tatyana Lazukin, Artem Lazukin, Hugh Kramer, Vesta and Lyall Young.*

At our meeting on November 25, we were honored to welcome Artem Lazukin and his mother Tatyana. Artem, his brother and mother immigrated to the United states from Russia. When Artem turned 18 he joined the Marine Corps and was promptly sent to war. On his second deployment to Afghanistan, Artem was blown up by an IED and lost both his legs. Old Mission Rotary was blessed to meet Artem several years ago at our Wounded Warrior Dinners. We have had a close relationship with Artem and his mother ever since. Artem has been discharged from the military and lives in East County.

Vesta and Lyall young also attended the luncheon and we were so happy to hear Vesta serenade us with her wonderful music. One hundred years young, Vesta even played the Marine Corps Hymn in honor of Artem!

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*At the District Foundation Seminar, (L-R) Gerry Hosenkamp, Bob Self and Bob James.*



*Jack Cottrell directs half awake Rotarians from the Pangea garage to the International House to attend the District Foundation Seminar. Was Jack's early morning assignment directly related to the fact that he is married to the Chair of the event Marilyn Sanderson!*



*Lydia Stewart with Joe Mintz, Both serve on the Board of the Thousand Smiles Foundation.*

**Program Schedule**

- December 2, 2014  
Amanda Roussell  
**Interactions for Peace**

**Wounded Warrior Dinner  
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*(L-R) President Matt Risi, Mike O'Hara and John Ohle of the Knights of Columbus from our Mother of Confidence Church in University City. and Bernadette Castro. The Knights of Columbus donated gift cards to lucky Sailors and Marines at the dinner.*



*Hugh Kramer and Jim Green (R) with volunteers from the Francis Parker Interact Club.*



*Lydia Stewart (R) with some of the 19 Francis Parker Interact students who volunteered to serve dinner at the Wounded Warrior dinner during their school holiday break!*

**Art Pratt Foundation  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Copley YMCA  
Thursday, December 4  
Starting at 7:30am**



*Haley Gale serves up a plate of turkey with all the trimmings! Haley is a 9th grader at Francis Parker and a member of Interact.*



*Larry Edwards was proud to introduce his daughter Kelly at our November 25 meeting. Kelly is a sixth grade teacher in Bonita and she delivered Thanksgiving artwork from her students that was used to decorate the Liberty Center at the Wounded Warrior Dinner.*

**A Tech Rep's Life**



*Our speaker on Tuesday, November 25 was Frank Caperino. Frank presented a fun slide show on his experiences living in Naples and Yokosuka Japan as a tech rep for the US Navy. Frank compared his experience to that of the Tech Rep in the James A. Michener novel *The Drifters*.*