



Old Mission Rotary

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

February 17 and 24, 2015



Greetings from Nashville



Katherine and Bruce Willey are now settled in Nashville and enjoying the winter season!

Katherine Willey writes from her new home in Tennessee: *Greetings from the land where the weather forecasters earn their pay! After having arrived in Nashville at the exact point when the weather hit its 10-year crummiest point (according to the locals) we've enjoyed our first days here and have laughed about what Mother Nature might throw at us next. This may change in time, but I've actually appreciated every minute of the waning days of winter here. We got an inch of snow last night but all traces were gone by noon. The puppy dogs frolic in their big yard like they're at the beach!*

Special Olympics Receives Grant



The Art Pratt Foundation of Old Mission Rotary presented a grant for athletic safety equipment. (L-R) Steve Nuñez, Darlene Bates, Jim Green, Karen Terra of the Special Olympics, Bernadette Castro, Matt Risi and Art Pratt Foundation. President Stan Vogelsang.

On February 17, the Art Pratt Foundation of Old Mission Rotary presented a grant of \$2250 for athletic safety equipment. The Regional Director of the Special Olympics for Southern California, Karen Terra, accepted the award, The Special Olympics of Southern California changes the lives of people with intellectual disabilities through sports training and competition. Children and adults with intellectual disabilities who participate in Special Olympics develop improved physical fitness and motor skills, greater self-confidence and a more positive self-image. More than 17,000 athletes from 11 counties participate in Southern California.

Be A Gift to the World



*Our District Governor Nominee, Marilyn Sanderson, presented President Elect Gerry Hosenkamp with the Rotary Banner for next year. Rotary International President-elect K.R. "Ravi" Ravindra announced the theme: **Be a Gift to the World** at the District Governors Training Assembly in San Diego.*



*Our Old Mission Rotary Pathways to Peace Chair, Lydia Stewart, attended the 3rd Annual **Peace Forum** on Saturday, February 21, at the Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice. The event was co-sponsored by Rotary District 5340 and USD.*

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Mary Castleberry (L) and Sharon Whitehurst-Payne briefed the club about the The San Diego Education Fund on February 24th.

Sharon Whitehurst-Payne and Mary Castleberry are passionate about education! On February 24, they presented a program on the San Diego Education Fund (SDEF). The fund was organized in 1954 to assist San Diego City Schools in recruiting and training new teachers. The program has expanded in scope since and today the SDEF provides critical scholarships, mentoring and counseling to ethnically diverse students attending San Diego community colleges and universities whose goals are to be teachers, scientists, technologists, engineers and mathematicians. Many of the students scholars are the first in their family to attend college.

Sharon Whitehurst-Payne is the President of the SDEF after a career in education. She worked at the San Diego Unified School District and the California State University San Marcos. She is also a dedicated Rotarian and a member of the Southeast San Diego Club.

**The Russians are Coming!
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at our Regular Tuesday
Meeting on March 31st**



Al and Donna Larranaga went shopping at COSTCO for our Wounded Warrior Dinner. The theme of the February 24 dinner- was chili and corn bread.



Bob James Jr. (L) and Steve Nuñez Represented Old Mission Rotary at the President Elect Training Seminar in Los Angeles on Saturday, February 21. Bob served as a Sergeant-at-Arms and Steve served as an Assistant District Governor. Gerry Hosenkamp attended the event to receive training for his upcoming presidential year.

Program Schedule

- March 3, 2015- **Social Media for Rotary-** Rotary District 5340 PR Chair Scott Carr.
- March 10- **Clean Energy-** Tina Ngo Bartel
- March 17- **Night Moves** Marshall B Bubin



We were delighted to see Pat Paschall on Wednesday, February 24th! Pat moved to Carlsbad several years ago and is a member of the High Noon Club. Pat was our newsletter editor at Old Mission Rotary. (L-R) Lee Kaminetz, Wayne Mayer, Pat Paschall and Jim Green. Lee Kaminetz served as club host on February 17 and Wayne Mayer on February 24.

Rotary Calendar

- Monday March 9 at 5:30pm- **Got Talent Gala Meeting** at the District Old Town office.
- Thursday, March 12 at 7:30am- **Old Mission Rotary Board Meeting** at the Mission Valley YMCA
- Thursday, March 19 at 7:30am- **Art Pratt Board Meeting** at the Copley-Price YMCA
- Saturday March 21- **District Training Assembly** from 8am to noon at the Joan Kroc Center at USD.
- Tuesday, March 24- **Wounded Warrior Dinner** at the Naval Medical Center from 4:30-6pm.
- Saturday April 11 - Sunday, April 12- **Model UN Seminar** from at the Joan Kroc Center at USD.