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### The weekly newsletter of the Rotary Club of Chula Vista

Chartered February 16, 1926 - Club Number 908 - District 5340—  
Meets Fridays at noon, 4475 Bonita Road, Bonita (CV Golf Course)

**April 1, 2022**

Andressa Wainwright Community Outreach Specialist (COS)  
for FBI San Diego.

Introduction by Elizabeth Cox, President of the FBI San Diego  
Citizens Academy Alumni Association



.Andressa was born in Albany, NY, and moved to Greenbelt, MD prior to high school. Andressa was elected Student Government Secretary by a high school student body of over 4,000. She also served as Air Force JROTC Wing Commander, serving as the leader for all of the high school's student cadets and overseeing their activities and comportment. Andressa earned a full academic scholarship from the University of Maryland, College Park, graduating in 2003 with a Bachelor of Arts in Criminology and Criminal Justice. Two years later, Andressa entered on duty with the FBI in 2005 and was assigned to Washington, DC. Andressa has worked in surveillance, intelligence analysis, compliance, business process improvement and training matters for a variety of FBI programs all over the country. In 2014, Andressa received her Master of Arts in Criminology from American Military University. In 2017, Andressa was selected as the FBI San Diego Mission Support Analyst, tracking office milestones, goals and objectives, with a focus on reducing impediments to success. Andressa resides in Carlsbad and is married to a software developer. They have a Shiba Inu puppy named Kai, who has done an excellent job training both Andressa and her husband to his specifications.



## MEETING HIGHLIGHTS—MARCH 25 2022

President Neisha Hernandez called the meeting to order. She has again lost her gavel, a plastic one this time.

Donna Moss gave the invocation. Rasha did the guest introductions. The member of the week is Past President Chuck Bevan. This completes the Presidents' Circle with Chuck, Jerry May and Eric Rimmele all residing on the same circle and each being a Member of the Week.

The International Service Committee has donated \$1500 to the Rotary District to be used in humanitarian relief in the Ukraine.

Gary Bryant announced again the Deep Sea fishing trip set for July 14. The full announcement is on a later page of this issue. He also described the latest fishing trip taken by the faithful for steelheads in Oregon. This time, the actual catching was a little light. Pictures are shown elsewhere.

President Neisha Hernandez introduced the District Youth Exchange person, Eliot Weitz. Eliot explained the exchange program and noted that it has been dormant the last two years due to COVID. However, a student, Giovanna Sanchez, currently attending Bonita Vista High School, on her own initiative, contacted Eliot. The result is that she is the first outgoing youth to be selected. She needs a local Rotary Club to sponsor her. President Neisha will take the proposal to the Club Board at their next meeting.

April 23 is the Tijuana Home Build with Carmen and Jesse Fernandez providing their normal excellent leadership. This is the favorite project for many of our members.

May 7 is the next club fundraiser at the home of Mary Johnson.

June 2 is Red Shoe Day with several members signed up to solicit donations.

### INVOCATION by Donna Moss

Infinite Spirit, We are grateful for the food that is before us, for the friendship at these tables, and for Your many blessings. Help us to understand others, to learn to lend a hand to our neighbors and friends, and to find enjoyment in study, work, and play. Give us the wisdom to realize that our obligation to You involves honesty, charity, and concern for the welfare of humanity. Teach us to respect the religious beliefs of others and to promote freedom of thought and expression. Let us be fair and truthful with all people and all times. May our work with Rotary inspire us to improve our community and our world. May Your blessings rest upon our country and all its inhabitants. Guard and protect our land from all danger. We pray that friendship and service to others be our watchword always. Amen





## JIM BIDDLE NEWS AT NOON

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Brought to you by:

All those who  
logged-on!

With Betty Waznis

### Rotary News at Noon – March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Good afternoon, Rotarians and welcome to our guests, and our speaker, Henry Kikunaga. Our news is sponsored this week by...yours truly, and NTC Foundation, operating ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station.

Seems every time I pinch hit for Betty, I end up doing the news remotely. This time, I'm not on vacation, just occupied with an unavoidable work commitment. Now, on to the news...

Spring ahead? Feels like we skipped right to summer this week, with temperatures reaching the mid-80's on Wednesday, the warmest day this week. Don't get used to it...rain is expected on Monday. I know we're not complaining, as deadly tornados have swept through the southern part of the U.S, devastating towns from Texas to Louisiana.

In Florida, a man was killed early Thursday morning after the car he was driving collided with an 11-foot alligator near Tampa. After striking the animal, the man's car went off the road and rolled into a ditch according to the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office. The alligator also died at the scene.

The Fair is back! The San Diego County Fair has announced its 2022 Toyota Summer Concert Series lineup that includes big names like Jason Derulo, Prince Royce, and Shaggy. The fair, which comes back after a two-year hiatus with its theme, "Heroes Reunite", runs from June 8 through July 4 at the Del Mar Fairgrounds.

Lisa Johnson is the President & CEO of the NTC Foundation, which operates ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station. With more than 800,000 visitors a year to ARTS DISTRICT and more than 2.1M visitors to Liberty Station, we are one of the premier destinations in San Diego, for locals and tourists alike. ARTS DISTRICT is home to more than 100 tenants, including non-profits, fine artists, performance artists, and authentic San Diego creative retail and food. We also host great events. Don't miss the world-renowned WOW [Without Walls] Festival, April 21<sup>st</sup> through the 24<sup>th</sup> [WoW Festival 2022](https://www.libertystation.com/artsdistrict). La Jolla Playhouse brings together local creatives as well as performers from around the country and around the world for a weekend of fabulous performance art for everyone. Details on our website [www.libertystation.com/artsdistrict](https://www.libertystation.com/artsdistrict).

Scientists say they have found the sunken wreck of polar explorer Ernest Shackleton's ship Endurance, more than a century after it was lost to the Antarctic ice. The vessel lies 10,000 feet below the surface of the Weddell Sea, about four miles south of the location recorded in 1915 by its captain, Frank Worsley. An expedition set off from South Africa last month to search for the ship, which was crushed by ice and sank in November 1915. Shackleton's 1914-16 attempt to become the first person to cross Antarctica via the South Pole failed -- he never set foot on the continent. But his successful bid to reach help at a remote South Atlantic whaling station and rescue his men is considered a heroic feat of endurance. All the men survived and were rescued many months later.

I wanted to give you the latest price of gas, but I am recording this on Thursday, so by the time you see this on Friday, it will have gone up.

And that concludes this edition of the Jim Biddle News at Noon...brought to you by me...Lisa Johnson...and ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station.

I wish I could be there with you. While you are enjoying an afternoon of fellowship, fine food, friendship, and a great program, I am actually at Liberty Station, tied up in an all-day workshop with the City of San Diego's Economic Development Department. But, thanks to new grandma, Carmen, my raffle prizes were safely delivered to Neisha, and she will do the raffle in my absence.

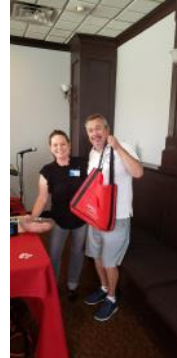
Along with some coveted ARTS DISTRICT swag...only available from me...winners will enjoy a gift certificate to THE LOT Theater at Liberty Station to enjoy a movie and some snacks.







## MEETING HIGHLIGHTS MARCH 25, 2022



L-R: Chuck Bevan wearing the “Bling” of Member of the Week; Bernard , Tina and Eric , winners of the raffle, Eliot Weitz, District Youth Exchange



Lisa Johnson doing News at Noon remotely from Liberty Station

Below are the fishing trip to Oregon pictures provided by Gary Bryant





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## FIESTA FUN-RAISER!



**Please join us for a FIESTA FUN-RAISER  
Saturday, May 7, 4:00 p.m.**

At the Home of Mary and Robert Johnson  
Capacity is limited—sign up soon

**TAQUERO—MUSIC—FUN !**

Various fun-raising opportunities include CONTESTS FOR BEST:

**SALSA  
MARGARITAS  
GUACAMOLE**

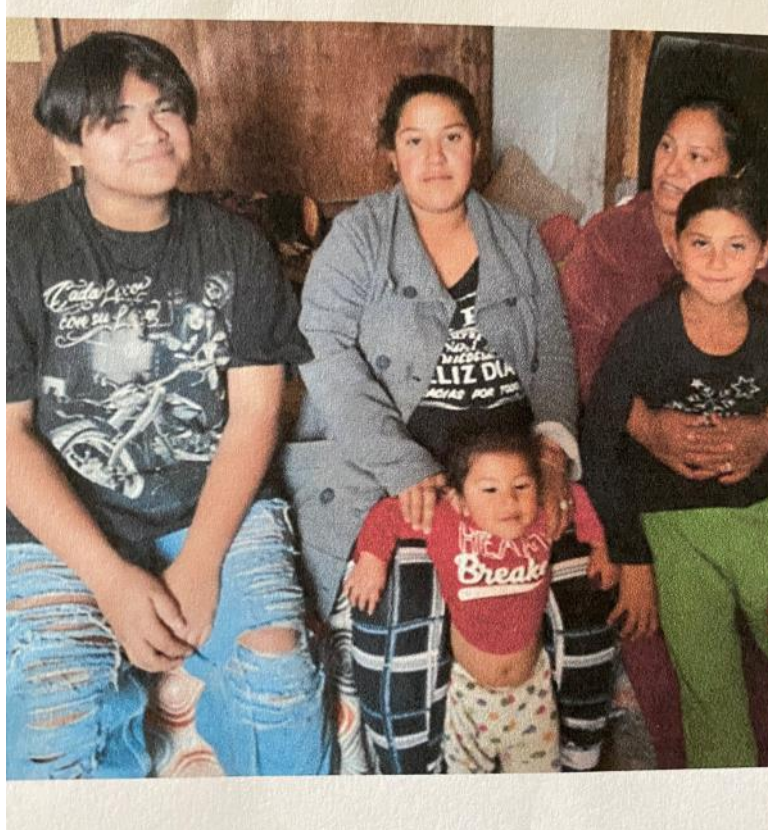
Please reserve your ticket by emailing Jesse—[fernfam@pacbell.net](mailto:fernfam@pacbell.net)  
Address provided with confirmation

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## MEET THE RAMIREZ TAFOLLA FAMILY



L-R: Grandson Dilan Alexander (14), Daughter Alexandra (20) with her daughter Elizabeth (2), Yamilet (9) and Concepcion (57)

Meet the Ramirez Tafolla family that will receive the home we will build in collaboration with Project Mercy!

The mother, Concepcion, is 57, and was born in Sinaloa. She and her husband migrated to Tijuana 40 years ago in search of work. Unfortunately, her husband of 35 years died 8 years ago and she was left to raise 8 children—and now her grandchildren.

Grandson Dilan is 14, very attentive and likes to help others. He wants to be a doctor.

Yamilet, 9, is caring and loving, however she has significant learning disabilities. Because the family does not have money, they have not been able to provide therapy. Two months ago, she developed strange bruises and spots on her skin and mouth. It was diagnosed as an allergy but the medicine is expensive (2500+ pesos) and they cannot afford it.

Concepcion receives a small pension of 2000 pesos (@\$103) Her daughter Alexandra (20) sells donuts in the streets and earns 150 pesos per week (\$8).

In Concepcion's own words: We do not have running water so we have to buy water from a passing tanker truck but it is expensive. When it rains, water leaks through holes in the roof and turns the floor to mud and get our clothes and bed wet.

I am very happy to know that you can help us by building a house since it is very difficult for us to do so on our own. We dream of a place where we will not be cold; a place where my children and grandchildren will be safe and warm.







## SUGGESTIONS FOR THE FAMILY

Our Club is already providing a huge gift to the Ramirez Tafolla family—a new home!

However, many of our generous members like to send/take additional items that will help the family get set up in their new home. Remember sending clothes is tricky—as in the government does not want it coming across the border.

Here are just a few suggestions:

**Non-perishable food**—beans, rice, tuna, spaghetti, pasta, peanut butter, crackers, soup, cooking oil, sugar

**Items** to support the donut business— sprinkles, colored sugars, wax paper, small bags, oil, flour

**Kitchen items**—pots, pans, dish towels, plates, plastic cups

**Home goods**—blankets, towels, rug, cushions, sturdy plastic storage bins, folding chairs, card tables, folding tables, racks for food storage, rolling cart

**Other:** solar lights, broom, trash bags, detergent, soap

**Cash**

### March 25 Speaker

Dr. Henry Kikunaga presented “Kendo” a version of the Martial Arts. He has practiced this art for almost 40 years. He demonstrated with one of his students. It is loud and appears violent with special protection provided to eliminate any serious injuries. They have competition based on points scored for striking specific areas of the body with a bamboo pole. Matched are only 4 to 5 minutes. His class at Liberty Station has 80 members, one is 82 years old. He also teaches the discipline at UCSD> Dr. Kikunaga took over Dan Mason’s business when Dan retired. Dan is a Past President of our club.





SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES  
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**RED SHOE DAY**

**THURSDAY  
JUNE 2, 2022**

**Red Shoe Day is BACK IN PERSON!**

[Support Red Shoe Day! \(onecause.com\)](https://onecause.com)

Rotary  ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 3261

"Water is the most basic of all resources. Civilizations grew or withered depending on its availability."

**MARCH** WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE MONTH

Rotary  PEOPLE OF ACTION







Chula Vista Rotary

¾ day deep-sea fishing trip – July 14, 2022

- Landing:** H & M Landing  
2803 Emerson St., San Diego (Shelter Island next to Pt. Loma Seafoods)
- Parking:** As most of you know parking can be tough in the lot so car pooling makes sense.
- Boat:** Vendetta II - 65 Foot – 20 passengers maximum. The boat is the last boat on the right at the end of the dock.
- Captain:** Ray Summer (619) 985-3563
- Date:** Thursday, July 14, 2022
- Arrival Time:** The captain requests that we show up at the boat by **4:30 am promptly** so he can complete the paperwork.
- Departure Time:** 5:00 am promptly
- Return Time:** 6:00 pm

**Cost Breakdown per person assumes 20 passengers.**

<b>Boat (includes Mexican Visa if necessary):</b>	\$250
<b>Mexican Fishing License: If necessary</b>	\$25
<b>Rod Rental (if needed):</b>	<u>\$25</u>

**Total**

**\$300 with rod rental or**

**\$275 if you bring your own rod.**

- Gary:** I will collect the funds for the trip and write one check to the Captain for the balance due. You can give me cash or check.
- Deposit:** To reserve the boat and date I will be sending in a \$1,000 deposit. The deposit cost per fisherman is \$50 which you can give to me at a Rotary meeting or forward to me at the address below. **Your spot WILL NOT be reserved until I receive your deposit which means it will go to someone else if we are oversubscribed.**
- Food:** As before the boat is supplying both breakfast, lunch and beverages (water and soda) which is included in the cost of the boat. Beer is available for a cost. You can bring your own beer, etc if you prefer. Ice chest space is available but no large ice chests.

**What to bring:**

**Must have passport if we end up fishing in Mexican waters.**

You will need a California fishing license if we end up fishing California waters. As we get closer to the date the captain will see what the fishing outlook looks like and will determine what waters we will be fishing and will let us know the appropriate license to get. The Captain will obtain the Mexican License if needed.

Your own fishing rods, gear, etc. if you have them. Saves \$25

Appropriate clothing for the day on the ocean including shoes/ boots that can handle getting wet and provide safe footing on the deck. Wet decks can get slippery.

Sunscreen lotion.

Cash for tip for the deck crew, jackpot, and tip if you have them process (filet) your fish.

Looking forward to another fun trip. Call me with any questions you may have.

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