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April 27, 2018
State of the City



Born and raised in Chula Vista, Mary Casillas Salas' South Bay roots run five generations deep. She has dedicated her career and life's work to family and to the community she loves. Mayor Casillas Salas has two daughters Michele and Sara and is the proud grandmother to Michael, Adriana, and Marissa. Mayor Casillas Salas is a product of local schools, graduating with honors from San Diego State University.

She began her public service on the Chula Vista Civil Service Commission in 1991, and was then appointed to the City's Planning Commission in 1993, where she served until elected to the Chula Vista City Council in 1996. In 2000, she was reelected with 66 percent of the vote. After leaving the Council in 2004, she served as a Director of the Sweetwater Authority/South Bay Irrigation District. In 2006, she was elected to the California State Assembly where she chaired the Committee on Veteran's Affairs. She also served on the Jobs, Economic Development and Economy Committee, the Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee and the Health Committee. Her love of community spurred her to once again seek election to the City Council. She was elected to the City Council in 2012 and in 2014, she made history as the first elected Latina mayor in Chula Vista and the County of San Diego.

Serving her hometown has always been Mayor Casillas Salas' passion. Her effective leadership and consensus-building skills are her strength. Her work to move Chula Vista forward is evident throughout the city. She led efforts to secure funding for new urban parks, formed strategic partnerships with various government agencies to ensure completion of Olympic Parkway and other major traffic thoroughfares, played a key role in the planning of the award-winning communities of Eastlake, Otay Ranch, and San Miguel.

During her tenure as Mayor, Chula Vista has received national and international recognition for our efforts to reduce greenhouse gases and prevent climate change, our smart cities initiatives, and our actions to ensure sustainable development. The City obtained ownership of the Chula Vista Elite Athlete Training Center from the U.S. Olympic Committee. Mayor Casillas Salas led the campaign to adopt Measure P to rebuild our aging infrastructure, and advanced the development of the Bayfront in partnership with Port of San Diego with a signed "Letter of Intent" with RIDA Development. She continues to guide major projects, including the development of a four-year university and the revitalization of western Chula Vista.

Now Mayor Casillas Salas is looking to the future and is committed to a better quality of life for the people of Chula Vista through excellent public safety, effective stewardship of public funds, and careful planning that leads to superior sustainability of community resources.

Upcoming Rotary Events

April 28 Rotary at Work Day

May 4—San Diego Youth Symphony's Community OPUS Project

May 11—Parks Initiative in Tijuana

June 10—Installation/Outstallation



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Friday, April 20, 2018

Video of Meeting at:

CLUB BOARD MEETING
Third Thursday of each month.
6:30 p.m.
Carmen Sandoval Home
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Chula Vista 91913

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Superintendent/President Kindred Murillo of Southwestern College (SWC) explained the goals for the college including those of student access and completion (90% of incoming students are deficient in Math and English) and addressing the student economic insecurities (80% of the students are on financial aid). She was gracious in complimenting our Zaneta Encarnacion on her efforts on behalf of the SWC Foundation.

There are five campuses in the SWC system, which is one of 72 such systems in California. Each of the five will benefit from the current planning to improve facilities with the proceeds of the recently approved \$400 million bond initiative.

A primary new emphasis is to get to 2-3 years as the time needed to obtain an AA degree or move on to a four year institution. The college is also looking into being able to grant Bachelors and Masters degrees .

A tour of the new Wellness and Aquatic structures was planned for after our meeting.

News at Noon

Sponsored by: Nick Gistaro

Nick Gistaro has his drilling shop right across H Street from Buffalo Wild Wings. Nick calls himself a family dentist as he wants every member of the family to have a happy mouth. He has the latest and finest scanning equipment in a modern and very pet friendly office. Nothing can make you happier than a good teeth cleaning that makes you healthier. That's why I am so healthy; I see Nick. Nick may be creating a branch office in Montana, ask him about it some time when you have an hour to spare.

Winners



Miscellany

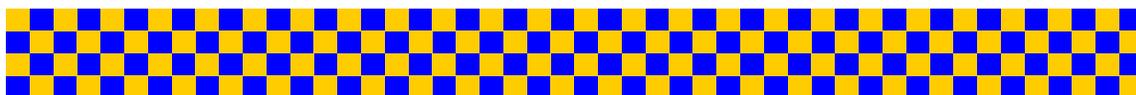
WHAT: **The Innovation Station**

TIME: Thursday, May 24

TIME: 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

WHERE : The Innovation Station, located in the lower level of Chula Vista Public Library, 365 F Street

For our May Service project, Chula Vista Rotary will assist at the Innovation Station, the leading edge science and tech lab developed as a partnership with the Chula Vista Elementary School District, Qualcomm, and the Chula Vista Public Library. Each CVESD 6th grader spends a day at the lab to explore science, engineering, math and tech careers, learn basic computer coding and build simple robotic crafts. Our assignment? Be an audience as each teams creates their robocraft, listen and ask questions as they explain their inventions, followed by light clean up. The 6th graders in attendance on May 14th will be from Eastlake Elementary School. Signups coming soon.



*Installation/Outstallation— June 10— Westgate Brunch—
Tickets \$65 each— Pay on line or check to Diane*



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