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Quan Nguyen & Anabel Kuykendall
SoCAN



Founded in 2002, SoCAN is a collaborative volunteer group whose mission is to continually improve the quality of life for seniors and adults with disabilities. As the pandemic spread, forcing older adults to isolate at home, SoCAN drafted a pilot program to pair student volunteers with seniors who had limited or no access to friends and family.

To overcome the restrictions imposed by stay-at-home orders, and facilitate safe interaction, iPads would be issued to participants so they can communicate with volunteers, friends, and family when in-person visitations are not allowed.

Volunteers and participants engage in structured, themed activities that match the participants' interest, including fitness, nutrition, mental health, and dementia-friendly activities. Upon successful completion of the six-month program, participants keep the iPad.

See you this Friday at noon on Zoom!



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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS— JANUARY 15, 2021

President Zaneta Encarnacion called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. She described the agenda for the Club Assembly as an opportunity to think about the future, plan ahead and be ready to support Neisha Hernandez, out incoming Club President.

Another video of the missing historic gavel was shared and featured the gavel getting examined by none other than Dr. Dan Mason. He said the gavel had good eye pressure. Very fun to see him!

Ramon Moncada reviewed the latest grim numbers on the pandemic and there are no signs yet of it subsiding. Dan Dredla has posted the link to the County of San Diego website where all the latest Covid-19 information, graphs and updates are located, on our Club website.

President Zaneta adjourned the meeting in order to have David Hoffman review the slate of officers and new Board members for the 2021-22 Rotary year. They are: Neisha Hernandez (President), Donna Moss (President-Elect), Mora de Murguia (Secretary). Board members (two-year term): Albert Aguilera, Stephen Ablahad, Mary Johnson, and Jesse Fernandez as Executive Treasurer. Motion to approve passed. Term begins July 1, 2021. Congratulations to the incoming Board! David thanked Chris Lewis for his assistance as the former, longtime Nominations Committee Chair in the transition this year.

The meeting was re-adjourned members were assigned to different groups to discuss meeting locations (pro/cons/ideals). The second round of discussion was about how we fund our future projects, favorite events and what would inspire us to give more. (Continued on page 3).

INNOVATION By Donna Moss

Prayer from Reverend Richard Holt, United Church of Canada:

In this time of Covid-19, we pray, when we are not sure God, help us be calm.
When information comes from all sides, correct and not, help us to discern.
When fear make it hard to breath and anxiety seems to be the order of the day, help slow us down.
Help us reach out with our heart when we cannot touch with our hands.

Help us to love as perfectly as we can, knowing that perfect love casts out all fear.
For the doctors, we pray.
For the nurses, we pray.
For the technicians, the janitors, the aides, and the caregivers, we pray.

For the researchers, the theorists, and investigators, we pray.
For those who are sick, for those who grieve, we pray.
For those who are affected all around the world, we pray for safety, for health, for wholeness.
May we feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty and house those without homes.

May we walk with those who feel they are alone, and may we do all we can to heal the sick – in spite of the epidemic, in spite of the fear.
Help us oh God that we might help each other.
In the name of the healer, the life of the holy spirit that is all and within all.
That it may be so.





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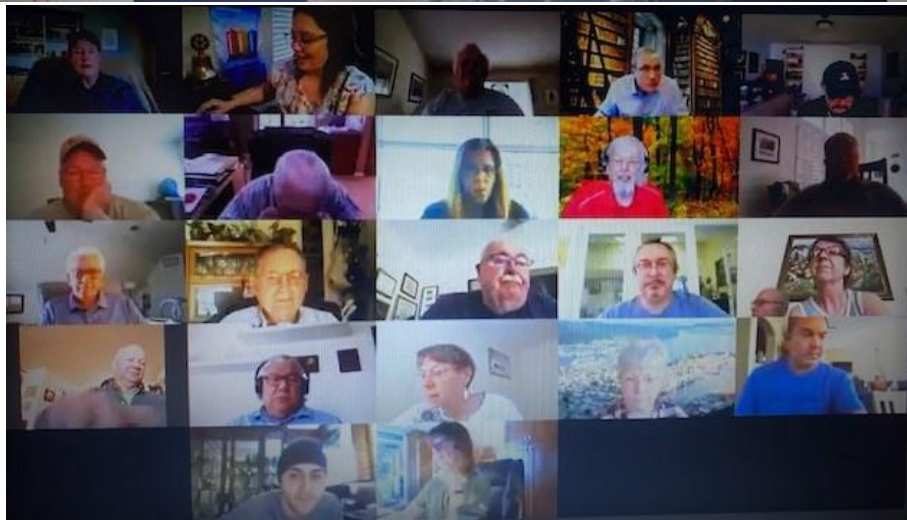
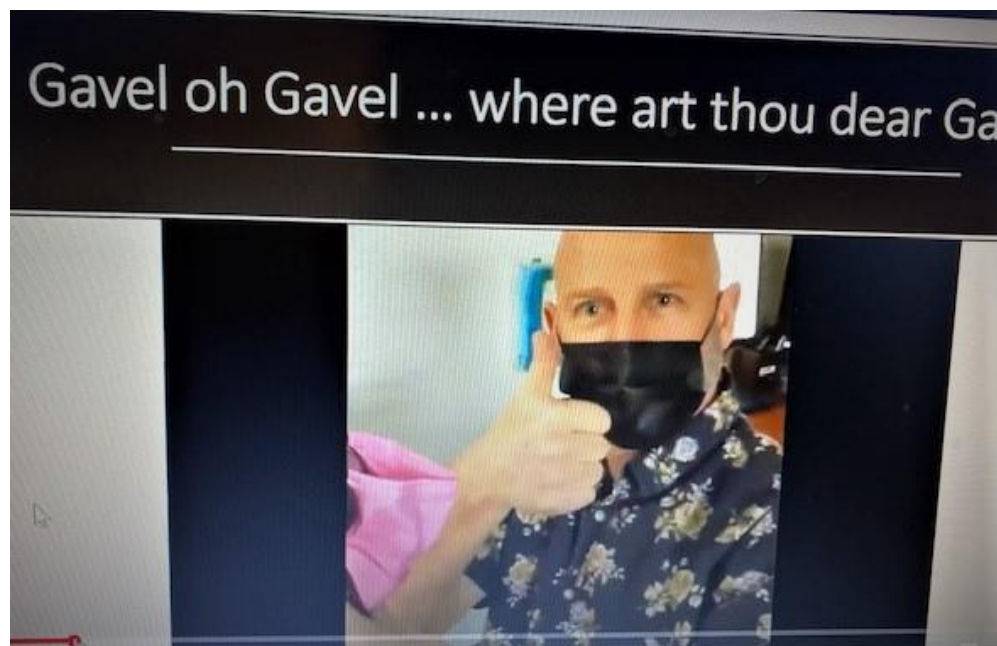
Highlights of January 15, 2021 (Continued)

The various small groups provided helpful ideas and suggestions for our future in-person meetings and club fundraising to support the many projects and needs in our community and the world.

The note takers will send the comments to President Zaneta and President-Elect Neisha. Additional topics will be discussed in the near future.

Excellent food for thought and effective way to get significant feedback from members in a short amount of focused time.

(Below: Dan Mason giving the thumbs up for the gavel. Group zoom photo.)





PROJECT MERCY UPDATE—HOME BUILD THIS WEEKEND

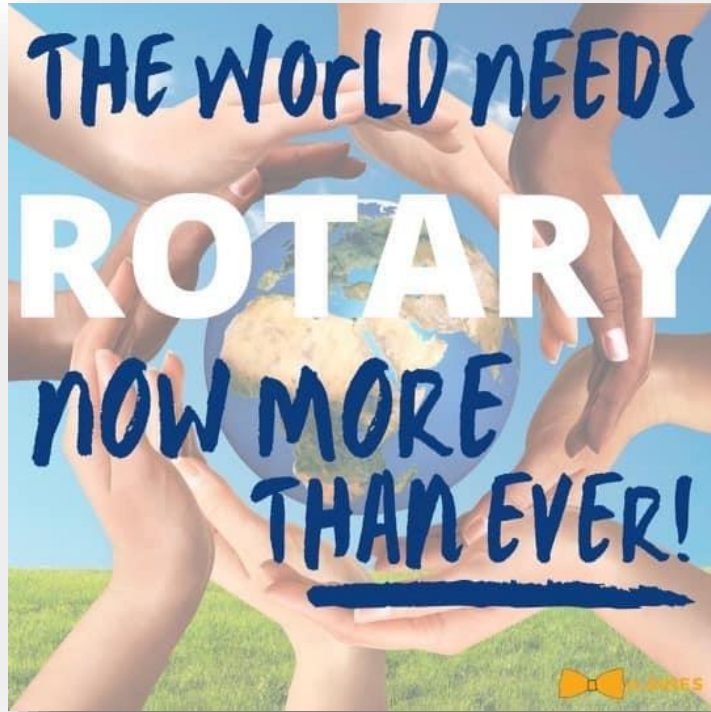


This Saturday, January 23, the Gonzalez' Family's dream for a safe, larger home for all of them will be realized thanks to the caring and generosity of the Chula Vista Rotary Club—all of you!

On behalf of the Gonzalez family and Project Mercy organizers who work tirelessly to house those without proper homes in the Tijuana region —

THANK YOU!





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"Of all the hundred and one ways in which men can make themselves useful to society, undoubtedly the most available and often the most effective are within the spheres of their own occupations."

Paul P. Harris (Founder of Rotary)

VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

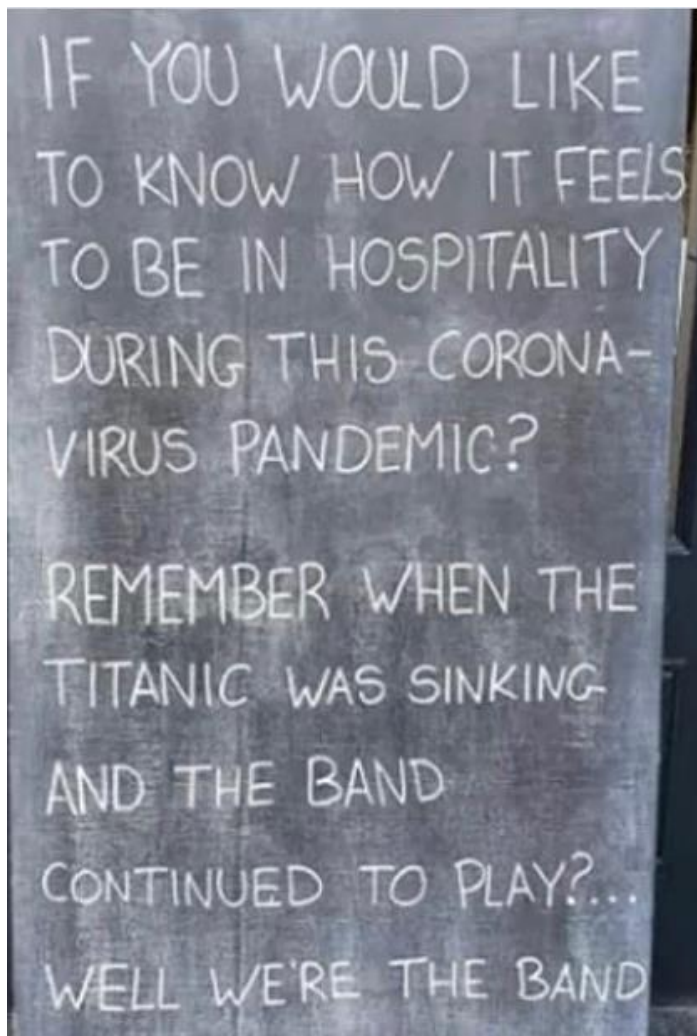


TAKE ACTION: Get Involved, Join Rotary





Things to Think About



First Time in History
We Can Save The
Human Race by Lying
In Front of the TV
And Doing Nothing
Let's Not
Screw This Up

The Most Unused Household Item
During
Quarantine 2020:

BRAS.

