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January 11, 2019 California Innocence Project



California Innocence Project (CIP): California Innocence Project (CIP) is dedicated to releasing wrongfully convicted inmates, providing an outstanding educational experience to law students, & promoting a fair and effective criminal justice system by advocating for change in California laws and policy. CIP works to secure freedom for our clients after years of wrongful incarceration, reunite them with their families and reconnect them to their communities. Over the past seventeen years, CIP has helped free thirty people who have spent a combined two hundred and sixty-four years in prison wrongfully.

Jasmin Harris has been with the Project since 2014. She began as a volunteer while she was an operating partner in two of the Original Pancake House restaurants in San Diego. In her work now as External Relations Administrator, Jasmin oversees all development and policy work for the Project. She is responsible for shepherding proposed bills and policy measures through the legislature. Several bills sponsored by the Project have now become law. Exonerees are now able to make requests for information regarding available evidence to prove their innocence; be given fair compensation, and ask for transitional services upon their release. Jasmin's work in legislation have also dramatically changed police practices and procedures regarding eyewitness identification.

Coming Soon

January 16—DGE Dinner 6:00 pm

January 18— Project PAINT

January 25—TBA



CLUB BOARD MEETING
2nd Thursday of each month.
6:00 p.m.
Administrative Office of Sharp
Medical Center
751 Medical Ct
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619-502-5839

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Friday January 4, 2019



STEP stands for Support the Enlisted Project and focuses its efforts on the six lowest pay grades in the military E-1 thru E-6. Tony Teravainen became its leader in 2014 after serving it as a volunteer and then a board member. He grew up in an Air Force family and served in the Navy on submarines for 8 years.

Some facts about E-1 thru E-6 men and women: They are moved to a different station on the average of every three years and they must personally pay \$3-5,000 out of their pocket when 60% of them live paycheck to paycheck. About 12,000 families involved every year lose a basic necessity (home, car, enough money for food). E-1 thru E-6 comprise 75% of all the military. In San Diego, there are 60,000 military families when only 10,000 units of military housing are available. Financial reasons cause most of the separations from the military at a time when training costs are very high and therefore readiness is an issue. 25% of the families are on food assistance programs. A shocking fact is that in a recent year, 100% of the men and women in E-1 thru E-6 at Camp Pendleton were divorced.

STEP has served 4500 families in the last six years. No government funding is used by STEP, they are dependent on donations and grants. They have a \$300,000 annual budget. It is important to understand that while they do provide emergency funds, most of the help is in consulting and counseling to enable the families to get back on their financial feet.

News at Noon

Sponsored by: David Hoffman

Hoffman Hanono Insurance Services is a third generation company that was founded in 1959 and moved East, from 3rd Avenue (a couple of years ago) where you will find them conveniently hidden behind LA Fitness on Otay Lakes Road in their own building. The agency specializes in commercial insurance lines with many insurance offerings in personal coverage including life, health, and disability insurance. They also provide Umbrella Insurance policies for those of you who are walking liabilities. David Hoffman is anxious to provide you with a quote for your business needs and will give special service emphasis for Rotarians.

Winners



Miscellany



Taking down the Vets Home Christmas decorations



A group picture of the Rotarians who attended the club meeting where the presentation was made to commemorate the club's \$2,500 volunteer contribution to help alleviate the campfire tragedy in California

My name is James Morrison, VP USA-CAN, Rotary Fellowship Cycling2serve. While I am a member of the Del Sol Rotary Club in Albuquerque. We spend 4+ months annually in San Diego and actively serve in the Point Loma Rotary Club.

Several cycling Rotarians will be riding from Thousand Oaks to San Diego January 10-13. This is not a fundraiser nor fee event. It is an informal fellowship ride.

We are extending an invitation to all Rotarians in D5340 and D5320 to join us along the way. It is an opportunity to meet up and enjoy fellowship of cycling Rotarians. A large number of us have just completed the Ride to End Polio, recently held in Tucson, AZ, (El Tour de Tucson), November 17, 2018. We are always looking for ways to extend our cycling and Rotary fellowship.



Prepare and serve the meal at the Ronald McDonald House

Where: Ronald McDonald House, 2929 Children’s Way, San Diego 92123

When: Wednesday, December 12th

Time: Time for helping prepare the meal: 4:00 pm

Time for helping setting up the dinning room: 5:00 pm

Time for serving the meal: 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Time for Cleanup: 7:30 pm to 8:00 pm

What to bring: Cookies. Must be commercially prepared and purchased thru a bakery or retail store.

What to wear: Comfortable closed-toe shoes and comfortable clothing.

Questions: Contact Gary: Cell (619) 778-3264 or email: grbryant1@outlook.com

Signup sheet: Please sign up at Rotary or email Gary with the number of individuals who will volunteer. Family members encouraged.

This is a good event to bring a Rotary prospect to.

Gary B.

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