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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)**

Superintendent Eduardo Reyes
Chula Vista Elementary School District
June 10, 2022—Noon



Chula Vista Elementary School District Superintendent, Dr. Eduardo Reyes was born and raised in Mexico City until the age of 14. His family moved to the Chula Vista/Bonita area, and he attended local schools where he graduated from Hilltop High School. He earned Bachelor and Master's degrees in Business Administration. Dr. Reyes earned a Master's in Education and a Doctorate in Education Leadership.

He began his career as a financial analyst in the private sector and transitioned into education, where he has dedicated his focus for the last 27 years. He has worked at all levels of education including elementary, middle school, high school, adult, and university.

Dr. Reyes has been a teacher, program manager, assistant principal, principal, assistant superintendent of human resources, adjunct professor, and school board member. He is committed to education and knows first-hand the impact that education has on individuals. He understands the power of education and in providing opportunities for students to discover their own individual potential. He is an advocate for social justice and very active in the community.



MEETING HIGHLIGHTS—JUNE 3, 2022

President Neisha Hernandez called the meeting to order. Rasha Roshdy gave the invocation. Tina Matthias assisted as the guest Songmaster. The Club sang our famous “Welcome Song” and “Happy Birthday” to all the June Birthdays Rotarians. Ramon Moncada and Bill Padelford joined the meeting via ZOOM.

In honor of the coming ‘M & M’ leadership team—Mark Scott and Mora de Murguia—President Neisha passed out packets of M & M chocolates.

Gary Bryant shared photos and an update on the Red Shoe Day held the day before at the intersection near the Y on East H. A hearty and enthusiastic team of Rotarians, and one very BIG dog (Zaneta and Myke’s) received many donations from passing motorists. We will know how much they brought in a couple of weeks. Donations can still be made online. Red Shoe Day benefits the Ronald McDonald House who provides much needed support to families with kids at Rady Children’s Hospital.

The member of the week was Chris Lewis! President Neisha shared many fun facts about him, including: did you know he was born in Wisconsin? And he has amazing roses in his garden?

Rotary International Foundation Chair Lane Pearson awarded Paul Harris Fellow honors to Rasha Roshdy and Albert Aguilera. He encouraged others to join in and take advantage of the many points our Club has built up over the years.

Lane Pearson gave the News at Noon on Betty Waznis’ behalf. He encouraged others to pitch in when needed and said he had great fun putting it together. Mike Green was the sponsor—thanks Mike! Michael Monaco, Risa Baron and Bernard Hernandez were the lucky drawing winners.

President Neisha gave a beautiful review of her year as President. She highlighted our work through the Club committees and gave shout outs to everyone who pinched in so many ways. She shared some of the many gavels that people have given her and we learned that Tab Talbert was the one who made the GIANT gavel that was in her possession—along with the other gavels.

In a very humorous turn of events, as President Neisha was still speaking, Dan Dredla approached the podium. Everyone was uncertain about what he was doing... He GRABBED all the substitute gavels and RAN out the door. Some thought he would return but he did not. Hilarious!

INVOCATION – Given by Rasha Roshdy

In the Sufi tradition, we believe God has 99 names. They are more like adjectives not names – the creator, the forgiver, the peace, the life...

And in the Sufi tradition, we use the rosary beads and repeat it 99 times with the name of God the merciful and say it. We also believe those who are in service to others are agents of God which is what we are – agents of God.

When we gather – that light that everyone has shines so bright. For me coming to Rotary on Friday is a very personal prayer because all of us have that light that God gives us. Some have some of the naughty adjective like one of the names is the exposer – and I think that is Jan. Jan is the exposer, she sees through you and says something. Ken is not here today, but when I sit next to Ken it is because I feel he has the protector as an adjective and on rough days I want to sit next to the protector.

So today in the prayer I am going to invoke the name of God – the peace which is As-Salam – and hope that it will bring us inner peace so we can go out and spread peace to others. Amen





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Above left: President Neisha presents Chris Lewis with the Rotary bling representing his status as Rotarian of the Week!

Above right—l-r: Albert Aguilera and Rasha Roshdy are presented their Paul Harris Fellows by Lane Pearson. Congratulations and thank you!

Right—l-t: Eric Rimmele, Tina Matthias and Gary Bryant share their experience in helping out with Red Shoe Day for the Ronald McDonald House.





Above left: Tina Matthias was a very spirited guest Song Master. President Neisha with her “guest gavels” (which included a candle stick) just before they were all absconded by Dan Dredla. Notice the giant gavel has a chain on it and used to have a lock as well.

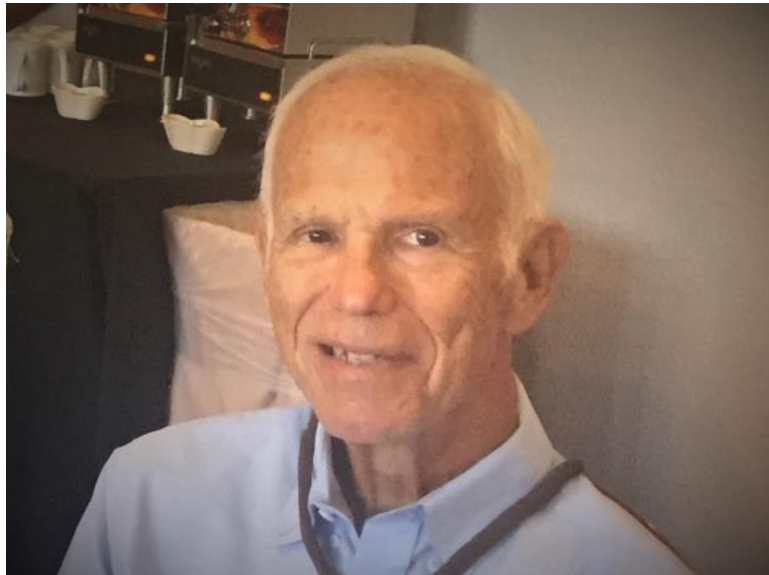


L-R: The lucky drawing winners, pictured with Mike Green, were Michael Monaco, Risa Baron and Bernard Hernandez





CELEBRATION OF A LIFE



Club members are invited to celebrate Jim Algert's life—WELL LIVED!—on **Sunday, June 26, 4:30-6:30 p.m.** at the Coronado Yacht Club, 1631 Strand Way, Coronado.

If you cannot attend that day, you are invited to Jim and Maurine's home on Sunday, June 12, 4:00—7:00 p.m., 23 Catpaw Cape, Coronado.

Long time Rotarian Jim Algert passed away late May 4. He was a successful engineer, avid sailor, and passionate runner. Jim spoke fluent Portuguese from his time working in Brazil.

He served on the International Projects committee for many years and assisted with several home builds in Tijuana.

Jim joined our Club on November 16, 1992—nearly 30 years ago—and was a Paul Harris Fellow.

Our most sincere condolences to his wife, Maurine Beinbrink, his family and many friends.





HAPPY BIRTHDAY DEAR ROTARIANS!



Mora de Murguia - June 4

Tina Matthias - June 5

Michael Monaco - June 23

Rasha Roshdy - June 23

Brad Wilson - June 25

Reed Dinsmore - June 25

Maria Kachadoorian - June 27

**GOOD-BYE POLIO
THANKS ROTARY**





RED SHOE DAY—A GREAT SUCCESS!



Above left—l-r: Eric Rimmele, Kathleen Carroll, Myke Encarnacion, Zaneta Encarnacion, Rasha Roshdy and Gary Bryant—and the Encarnacion family's beautiful dog, Hanzo.

Above right—Eric with his son Yannick, who helped out and still made it to school on time.

Left: Kathleen and Rasha on their assigned corner.





Scholarship Committee member Betty Waznis is shown above with two students from Chula Vista High School, as she presented them with their certificates and \$1000 scholarship checks at the recent awards ceremony.

CLUB CALENDAR

June 17—Roundtable

June 24—**Installation/Outstallation— Please RSVP by
June 16**

June 26—Jim Algert Celebration of Life, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

June 30—District 5340 Governor's Dinner

July 1—CLUB DARK





Save-the-Date

Chula Vista Rotary Installation/Outstallation

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE NEISHA'S PRESIDENT
YEAR AND WELCOME NEW PRESIDENT MARK SCOTT

Special discount
rate for those who
want to stay the
night on June 23

Discount Code: 22Rotary



SUN OUTDOORS
SAN DIEGO BAY

825 E. Street
Chula Vista, CA

FRIDAY

June 24

12:00 P.M.

Governor's Dinner
Del Mar Hilton

SAVE THE DATE ~
Registration opens 4/20/22

June 30th, 2022
5:00pm-8:00pm



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