





**Rotary Opens Opportunities** 

### **ROTARY CLUB**

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### DARK THIS WEEK In Honor of Memorial Day

Next Zoom Meeting -June 4, 2021



**Memorial Day**, as Decoration Day gradually came to be known, originally honored only those lost while fighting in the Civil War. The holiday evolved to commemorate American military personnel who died in all wars, including World War I, World War II, The Vietnam War, The Korean War and the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan

For decades, Memorial Day continued to be observed on May 30, the date General Logan had selected for the first Decoration Day. But in 1968, Congress passed the Uniform Monday Holiday Act, which established Memorial Day as the last Monday in May to create a three-day weekend for federal employees. The change went into effect in 1971. The same law also declared Memorial Day a federal holiday.

Many Americans observe Memorial Day by visiting cemeteries or memorials, holding family gatherings and participating in parades. Unofficially, it marks the beginning of the summer season. (Source: History.com)

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## MEETING HIGHLIGHTS— May 14, 2021

President Zaneta Encarnacion called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Albert Aguilera gave the invocation. The break-out session discussion topic was: What accomplishment are you most proud of? It triggered a very interesting conversation—some included academic goals reached, others—business achievements and early retirement. Interesting!

Lisa Johnson provided the News at Noon on behalf of Betty Waznis. She was in Minneapolis—truly a dedicated Rotarian! Jerry May knew she was standing in front of Minnehaha Falls because of his wife Judy's family connections to the area. Lisa will donate \$50 to Polio Plus on Jerry's behalf. Mauricio Lutteroth was the sponsor of the News at Noon. His two questions were about his passion: big snakes. The winners were Jim Algert (\$25 Starbucks card) and David Hoffman (\$50 Costco card).

Past President Bob Silvas announced our first in-person meeting of the year will also be our last inperson meeting - our Installation/Outstallation event! It will be held at the Living Coast Discovery Center on Friday, June 25, 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$50. Our piano player Joe will be on hand - hooray! Zoom attire? Pay on Clubrunner—and put a note in the comment box that your payment is for the IN/ OUT and email Bob too, or send a check to Bob. Jerry May reminded us of the event where incoming President totally forgot his own Installation. Hope history does not repeat itself.

As we know incoming President Neisha Hernandez is a born performer - singing and dancing. She is promising us lots of that during her year. We will return to in-person meetings at the Chula Vista Golf Meeting Room as of July 9. Billing for lunches will resume in July. We will continue to have a Zoom option for members.

Carmen Richardson introduced the guest speaker, Trudy Armstrong, with the San Diego Foundation and who is instrumental in setting up our local Chula Vista Charitable Foundation. Several club members serve on the Board.

### **INVOCATION - Given by Albert Aguilera**

We thank you for the privilege of belonging to this organization of Rotary, for the fellowship and support from our friends here this afternoon, for the opportunity to share ideas, but mostly for the opportunity to serve.

Help us to work together within Rotary so that we may do Your bidding on this earth.

In Your name we pray. Amen.





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### HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE MEETING MAY 21, 2021

Trudy Armstrong, a proud long-time fellow Rotarian (30+ years), has worked with the San Diego Foundation for many years. They raised over \$93.7 million last year to help address needs created by the pandemic.

She explained how the regional foundations were created to help support vital programs in specific communities. For the Chula Vista Charitable Foundation, each contributor member has a say in who will be funded. The process is very transparent and open. Organizations submit applications, they are reviewed, site visits are conducted and the list is narrowed down. Each member votes on who will be receive an award.

Local grants will be given out on June 3, 5:30 p.m. Check with Carmen Richardson for more information. Other club members who are involved with the Chula Vista Charitable Foundation include: President Z, Glen Googins, Mora Keller de Murguia and Lisa Johnson. Our club is also a member.

A question was asked about starting one's own family foundation. Trudy said a minimum of \$25,000 is required to set up. The San Diego Foundation sets up a fund agreement and helps get it going.

# **Governor's Dinner**

Monday, June 28, 2021

Hilton San Diego Del Mar Hotel

15575 Jimmy Durante Blvd, Del Mar, CA 92014

Cocktail Hour 5:30 PM - 6:15 PM

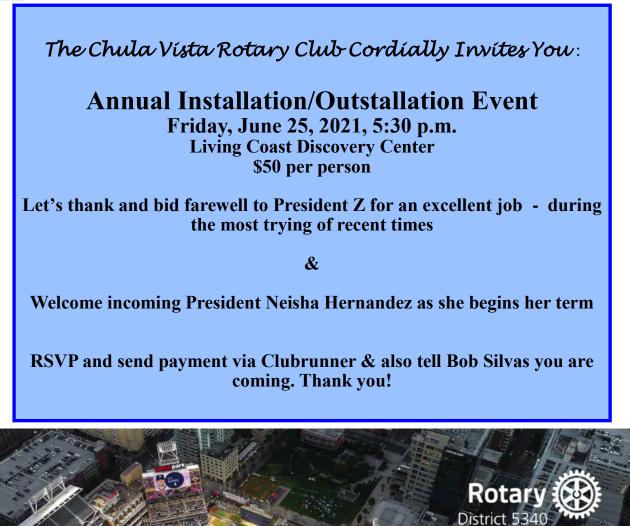
## Program & Dinner 6:30 PM—Cost \$50

The Governor's Dinner is the annual District awards and induction ceremony. Join us as we celebrate club accomplishments and present awards. District Governor Steven Weitzen also passes the baton to incoming District Governor Dan Gensler. This year, you can join the celebration in person with dinner & parking included or virtually at home. Sign up at District 5340 website.



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# ROTARY NIGHT AT THE PADRES

JUNE 8TH, JULY 6TH, 🔹 AUGUST 10TH & SEPTEMBER 3RD



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Do you care deeply about your community and looking for ideas to bring about positive change?

Registration is live for the Rotary Peace Fellow Global Peace Conference on June 19, 2021. 24 hours of peace talks, skills-based workshops, and networking is an opportunity you will not want to miss! This virtual event is free.



Learn more and register for FREE by visiting <u>https://bit.ly/3tM831L</u>.

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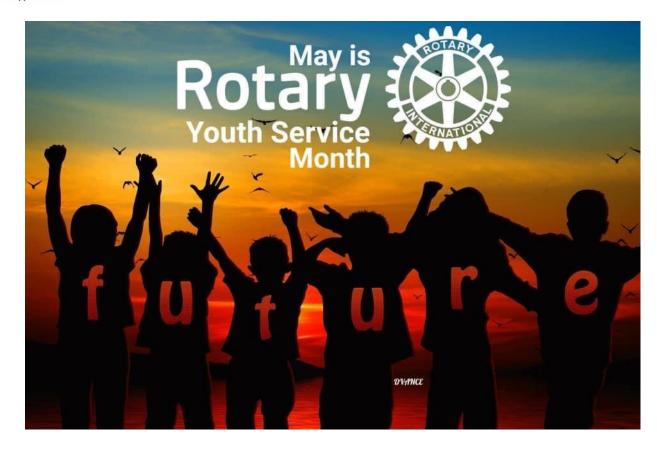






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# **SAVE THE DATE**

Chula Vista Rotary Scholarship Program

Meet the talented group of young people who will receive scholarships this year

Friday, June 11, 2021



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# THOUGHTS FOR TODAY

