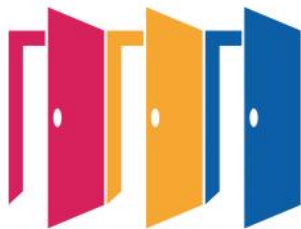


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Friday, October 16, 2020—Noon on Zoom
Rachel Garrett
Walters Management



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Many Chula Vista neighborhoods are managed by Walters. Please be sure to join the meeting this Friday to hear more about this topic.



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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS—OCTOBER 9, 2020

President Zaneta Encarnacion called the meeting to order. Troy Ray gave the invocation and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The breakout rooms had us discussing what ONE item we would bring with us if we had to be in isolation for one month—except for family and pets. Some of the items included #1 mobile phones; others: chocolate, television and an accordion. Fun discussion and the off the topic discussion also.

Betty Waznis gave us all the latest news—thanks Betty!

Installation of new member—President Z inducted Dr. Rasha Roshdy into our Rotary Club and had her pin herself with the Rotary logo pin she delivered earlier in the week. Welcome Rasha!

Michael Simonsen was the News sponsor for this week. Members were asked Republic Services-related questions to secure a prize. This week's winners were:

- Maria Kachadoorian for knowing a greasy pizza box goes in the trash (black bin)
- Bob Silvas for knowing Republic customers receive 4 certificates for the landfill—2 for trash and 2 for green (yard waste) - lots of wrong guesses!
- Ken Weimer for remembering that Michael enjoying watching his daughter play fast pitch.

President Zaneta asked everyone to keep any eye out for a coming email with a request to update our information on the club roster. Thanks in advance!

Lisa Johnson provided the introduction for this week's speaker, Linda Caballero Sotelo, and also introduced the Board Chair of the New American's Museum Rosa Buettner, who joined us on Zoom.

INVOCATION BY TROY RAY

Today we pray that we may receive Your special blessing, because we are committed to be real Rotarians to help humankind.

May each of us in our daily routine come to know the joy of caring and sharing with others not as fortunate as we are.

Amen & Shalom





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Brought to you by:

All those who
logged-on!

With Betty Waznis

Hello, Rotarians and guests. Welcome to today's edition of the Jim Biddle News at Noon. Today's News sponsored by Michael Simonsen and Republic Services.

The Padres have come from behind to win 22 times during the regular season, more than any other major league team. But the streak did not hold, as they were swept by the Dodgers in three games in the National League Division Series. The Dodgers scored five runs in the third inning last night to finish with a 12-3 win.

In other news, although economic fallout from COVID-19 has caused thousands of Americans to miss rent payments. The San Diego area had one of the smallest percentages of residents not paying rent in the nation, 3.4 percent, in September. That compares to 12.9 percent in New Orleans and 10.6 percent in Las Vegas.

There is a new and free COVID-19 test site in Chula Vista. Mayor Mary Casillas Salas and county Supervisor Greg Cox opened the drive-up site at the South Chula Vista Library Monday, part of an ongoing effort to address South Bay's high case rate.

The testing site will be open Sunday through Thursday from 12:30 pm to 8 p.m. and can conduct 200 tests each day. The test takes five to 10 minutes and results come back in roughly three days. No appointments are necessary. County officials encouraged people in high risk groups with and without symptoms to be tested.

Michael Simonsen is happy to be alive! Currently, Michael serves as the Municipal Relationship Manager for Republic Services, a national and local waste and recycling industry leader.

Michael is also a proud husband and father of two daughters 19 and 16 and enjoys spending time with family and friends. His hobbies include watching his 16-year-old play competitive fastpitch softball, snowboarding, body surfing, reading, and traveling...hopefully that will happen again soon.

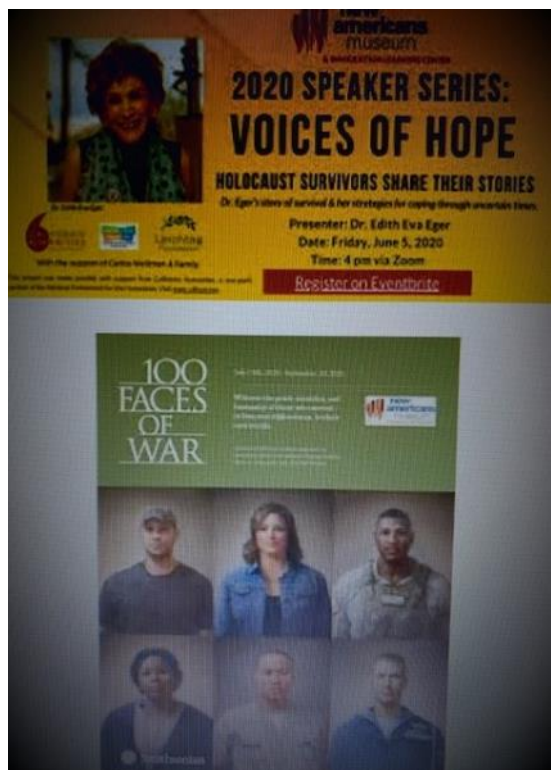
This concludes today's edition of the Jim Biddle News at Noon. Today's news sponsored by Michael Simonsen and Republic Services.

GOOD-BYE POLIO
THANKS ROTARY





Meeting Highlights - October 9, 2020 (continued)



New Americans Museum Executive Director, Linda Caballero Sotelo, provided information about the museum located at Liberty Station.

They have a variety of activities which have been adapted online due to the pandemic and are planning to re-open in a limited capacity on Oct. 15.

In addition to special events, exhibits and arts education, the Museum has responded to a community need for people to connect and network with each other. Truly an interesting presentation. Thanks Lisa for setting it up.

What we do *continued*

Arts Education & Training (*MICRO NAM, a unique microenterprise creative sectors training program for immigrants & refugees*)

With a focus on increasing skills, self empowerment & community microenterprise training programs were presented in:

- Sewing & design, City Heights [Southern Sudanese Center]
- Jewelry-making, Logan Heights [Logan Heights Library]
- Knitting, crocheting & Fiber Arts, Linda Vista [Linda Vista Library]
- Recycled materials use in product design, Southeast San Diego & El Cajon

Future Digital Locations planned: Escondido, National City, Chula Vista & Imperial Beach

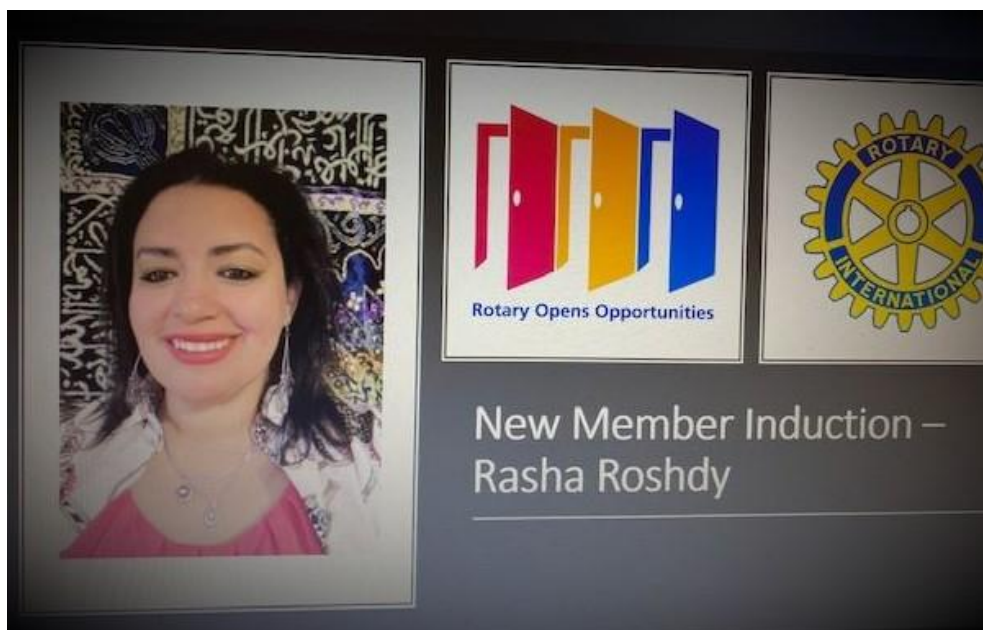
Oral & Visual Histories Archive (*Sharing Family journeys & Essays*)

Adding to our collection of over 2,500 oral & essay narratives, and representing over 80 countries of origin, community members & students share first-hand stories of their family's immigration journeys. Each digitized narrative contributes to a living archive of inspiring multi-generational testimonies.





Meet Our Newest Member: Rasha Roshdy



Dr. Rasha Roshdy started her career as a French language instructor. She held the position of Assistant Professor for seven years working for Kansas State University, Coleman University and University of Arizona. In her eleven years working for the Federal government she has held several leadership positions: Academic Dean, Curriculum Developer Manager and Director of Research programs.

She founded Amna Sanctuary, a non-profit organization <https://www.amnasanctuary.org/> and focused her career on helping immigrants, refugees and low-income families. She devoted two years to working with educational institutions in Saudi. She became a research fellow at the Institute for the Study of Culture and Language (ISCL) at Norwich University in Vermont. She was nominated as a mentor last summer by the MiddCore, the leadership and innovation summer program of Middlebury College.

She obtained her doctorate in Educational Leadership from San Diego State University and her Master of Science in Data analysis and Decision-Making from Minerva Schools at KGI. She holds a higher diploma in French Literature from La Sorbonne. She worked as a journalist in Egypt her native country and continues to write for several Arabic magazines.





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SOME FUN FOR TODAY

"In the year 2020 humanity was threatened with extinction. Panic spread across the planet like never before"

"What were you doing grandpa?"

"Just sending memes to friends and stuff"



**SOMETIMES I
WONDER IF ALL OF
THIS IS HAPPENING
BECAUSE I DIDN'T
FORWARD THAT
MESSAGE TO 10
OTHER PEOPLE**

Climate Change needs to hire
Corona Virus's publicist.

