



The weekly newsletter of the Rotary Club of Chula Vista

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> Chula Vista Golf Tournament! Friday, October 29, 2021—Noon Sign-in 10:30-11:45 No Meeting—Dinner/Drawings @ 5:00 pm



Our first Chula Vista Golf Tournament will be held this Friday, October 29, with a shotgun start at noon. It promises to be a fun event with golfers and helpers urged to wear costumes.

Thanks to everyone who has helped make this event a great success already!

The festivities will conclude with dinner and prize drawings at 5 pm. Drawing items include gift certificates, Living Coast family passes, spirits, treat baskets and even Bo-tox. Tickets are 3 for \$2, 10 for \$5, 25 for \$10 and 55 tickets for \$20.

The SUPER drawing features five big tickets items where tickets are designated to a specific item. SUPER tickets are \$20 each or 6 tickets for \$100.

The grand prize is a wine fridge and spirits valued at more than \$1000. Republic Services has provided a roll-off container valued at \$700. There is a two-night stay at the Residence Inn, Collector Marilyn Monroe wine (\$400+) and Tequila Clase Azul (\$220+). Winner need not be present for SUPER drawing.



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Meeting Highlights—October 22, 2021

President Neisha Hernandez called the meeting to order. Jerry May gave the invocation. Donna Moss welcomed guests former member Autumn Reid and Maurine Beinbrink.

President Neisha thanked Ken and Dina Weimer for their hospitality in hosting the Club Social and to further salute Ken, he was named the Rotarian of the Week. Did you know he was born in Washington state and moved to Chula Vista in 1964?

National Polio Day is Sunday, October 24 and a short video was shown.

The Board of Directors met October 21st and approved various expenditures for Community Projects to AMNA Sanctuary, Corpus Christi Church, Feeding San Diego and St. Mark's Lutheran Church. These funds will go towards Thanksgiving meals for those in need.

Carmen Sandoval was the News at Noon sponsor. The lucky drawing winners received gift cards to Vons—Eric Rimmele, Jim Biddle and Brad Wilson.

Members jumped at the opportunity to pre-purchase the SUPER Drawing tickets—\$20 each OR 6 for \$100. Nearly \$1000 was raised for the Chula Vista Rotary Foundation at the meeting. The Square payment method will be available for the Golf Tournament, drawings and dinner event Friday the 29th for those who would like to use their credit or debit card.

Lisa Johnson introduced our guest speaker Glen Googins, who rebounded from a tepid (hilarious) welcome to keeping everyone riveted to their seats and into meeting overtime. We learned about their many activities to provide legal advice to the City and support the Bayfront Project.

Glen will be termed out next year and his future remains bright—just no private practice for him. He offered a few suggestions for the desirable qualities needed in the next City Attorney: smart but not too smart and not a gum chewer (mints OK). There were serious suggestions also.

Thanks for an interesting and fun talk Glen! (See photos on page 5).

ZOOM LINK

https://neishas.zoom.us/j/95585492823?pwd=cTFkeXB2Sm42OXpIM0dvU0gxWDBQdz09

Meeting ID: 955 8549 2823 Passcode: 728501



JIM BIDDLE NEWS AT NOON Image: State of the state of the

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The CDC plans to release guidance next week with more detailed information about who might benefit from choosing one booster over another.

One of our favorite neighbors and favorite Christmas projects, the Chula Vista Veterans Home, is included in Newsweek's latest annual ranking of America's Best Nursing Homes, one of only 10 so honored in San Diego County. The 2022 ranking, released this week, identifies the nation's top nursing homes based on overall performance, peer recommendations, and handling of COVID-19.

This week, scientists temporarily attached a pig's kidney to a human body and watched it begin to work, a small step in the decades-long quest to one day use animal organs for lifesaving transplants. Surgeons attached the pig kidney to a pair of large blood vessels outside the body of a deceased recipient so they could observe it for two days. The kidney did what it was supposed to do — filter waste and produce urine — and didn't trigger rejection. This is far from the first use of pigs to help humans live and heal. Pig heart valves have been used successfully in humans for decades, and the blood thinner heparin is derived from pig intestines. Pig skin grafts are used on burns, and Chinese surgeons have used pig corneas to restore sight.

In this case, researchers kept a deceased woman's body going on a ventilator after her family agreed to the experiment. The woman had wished to donate her organs, but they weren't suitable. Her family thought there was a possibility that some good could come from her last gift. More than 90,000 people in the U.S. are in line for a kidney transplant. Every day, 12 die while waiting. So we wish these scientists good luck.

Today's sponsor, Carmen Sandoval is a past president, our Chulatarian editor, and International Projects Committee Chair. The committee has helped build homes in Baja, assisted with literacy in Tijuana libraries and schools, contributed to water wells in the Philippines, and worked to eradicate polio all over the world. See Carmen if you would like to be part of this rewarding committee.

After decades of toiling away in the non-profit sector, public transit, and Caltrans, Carmen is enjoying her departure from the world of work, keeping busy with her family, garden, reading, Rotary, Hallmark Channel and much more!

This concludes today's edition of the Jim Biddle News at Noon. Today's News sponsored by Carmen Sandoval and the International Projects Committee.



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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS—OCTOBER 22, 2021







Top left: President Neisha congratulates Ken Weimer on being recognized as Rotarian of the Week.

Top right: Jerry May catches up with the elusive Brad Wilson, who took substantial ribbing for his long absence. It is because we miss you Brad!



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As Glen Googins prepares to deliver his remarks, the scene on the right is what he looked out on.

Mastermind of this caper: Brad Wilson (head popping over paper by the door). Rotarians have a good sense of humor and Glen appreciated it.





L-R Brad Wilson and Carmen Sandoval strike the President Neisha hand on hip pose. Eric Rimmele was a lucky winner. Jim Biddle wins again!

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SUPER TICKETS AVAILABLE FRIDAY!

Tickets for the SUPER DRAWING will be available <u>this Friday</u> at the Golf Tournament and dinner event. Tickets are \$20 each or 6 for \$100. Winner need not be present to win.

This is part of our Golf Tournament Fundraiser. Super prizes include a two-night stay at the Ayres Hotel in Otay Ranch (great for out of town guests!), Tequila Clase Azul (valued at \$200+), collector's Marilyn Monroe wine (with peal & peek feature...- \$400+), and the grand prize—a premium wine refrigerator stocked with quality wine and spirits valued at \$1000+.











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WORK PARTY HIGHLIGHTS



Rotarians and volunteers worked to prepare for the Golf Tournament on Friday.

Top left: Karen & Duane Buckingham, Jan Mellinger & Luke Hernandez counted golf tees and clipped tickets. Top right: Jesse Fernandez, Betty Waznis and Rick Richardson had a system for stuffing the bags golfers will receive.

Above: Bernard Hernandez, Betty, Karen, Jesse, Rick, Jan, Lisa, Carmen, Duane and Risa Baron gathered for a photo by Luke.

Right: Mora de Murguia and Lisa Johnson made sure the wine was top quality for our SUPER Drawing event. (Wine not pictured).





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THOUGHTS FOR TODAY

"Believe you can and you're halfway there."

THEODORE ROOSEVELT



