

# Chulatarian



The weekly newsletter of the Rotary Club of Chula Vista  
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Meets Fridays at noon, 4475 Bonita Road, Bonita (CV Golf Course)

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**Dr. Mark Sanchez**  
Superintendent/President  
Southwestern College  
Friday, September 24, 2021—Noon



Dr. Mark Sanchez' experience includes over twenty years in community college leadership, teaching and instruction and workforce development. His passion for social justice is demonstrated throughout his career. At the previous colleges in which he served, Dr. Sanchez worked collectively with his Student Life and Leadership team to bring students from diverse backgrounds together to engage in cross-cultural learning and engagement. Prior to beginning his Presidency at Southwestern College, Dr. Sanchez was the Assistant Superintendent/Vice-President of Student Success and Support Programs at Cuesta College.

He is a strong supporter of whole person development and services that assist college students with the skills they need to complete their educational, career and personal goals. Among these services is access to counseling, financial aid, academic supports, and mental health/wellness coaching for students. Additionally, he has experience in fiscal management with both short-term and long-term fiscal planning.

Dr. Sanchez is a native of San Diego, CA and began his college career as a student at Southwestern College. Upon graduating from Southwestern College with an Associate's Degree in General Studies, Dr. Sanchez went on to complete his Bachelor of Arts in Sociology at Point Loma Nazarene University in San Diego, CA. Master of Arts in Education Administration with Distinction and Doctorate in Educational Leadership both from California State University, Fresno. Dr. Sanchez knows San Diego and the South Bay well and is proud of his roots growing up in the region.

**Let's give Dr. Sanchez a warm Chula Vista Rotary welcome!**



## Meeting Highlights—September 17, 2021

President Neisha Hernandez called the meeting to order. Carmen Sandoval Fernandez gave the invocation and led the pledge.

Fine Master Michael Monaco provided photographic evidence of Betty Waznis' new Genesis SUV and fined her accordingly. Ken Weimer invited us to the Club Social on Saturday, October 16, 4:00.

Jesse Fernandez provided an update on our upcoming Golf Tournament and said a dinner-only option is available for \$25. Everyone is welcome to attend. He discussed the big raffle item—a fully stocked wine fridge. President Neisha invited those members who remembered to bring in their donated wine up to put it on the table. Thank you! Other libations are welcome also and we already have a nice bottle of vodka.

Betty Waznis gave her excellent Jim Biddle News at Noon report and brought us all up to date.

Chris Lewis provided the door prizes to the lucky drawing winners: Betty Waznis (again!), Lane Pearson and Mark Scott.

Bob Coleman and Manuel Medrano, with the city of Chula Vista, presented on the draft Zero Waste Plan. Six key tasks include: promote source reduction and reuse, reduce use of toxic materials, promote Zero Waste Principles, support recycling industry, improve education in trash/recycling, keep organics out of the landfill. More info: <https://www.chulavistaca.gov/ZeroWaste>

### Invocation—Given by Carmen Sandoval Fernandez

#### A Prayer for a Season of Change

Dear Heavenly Father, just when we settle into a pattern, things change far too quickly  
One door opens; another closes,  
We rise, we eat, we sleep,  
We smile, we laugh, we cry.

Even change itself is ever changing and Lord, if I'm truthful, I don't like change.  
Because I desire the control.  
Will you forgive my lack of understanding that Your creation of seasons is exquisite?

Would you remind me that the ebb and flow of life is rippled by the gifts of love and laughter?  
And that life is measured by memories, not minutes?  
May the season of change fuel me forward towards another beautiful season of the blessing of Your Almighty hand.  
Amen.

### [ZOOM LINK](#)

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

Meeting ID: 955 8549 2823  
Passcode: 728501





MEETING HIGHLIGHTS—SEPTEMBER 17, 2021



Top left: Door prizes winners Lane Pearson and Mark Scott. Top right: Lucky Betty Waznis wins again! Move over Bob Bliss...  
Above left: A shot of the group listening attentively to all sorts of information about reducing waste and recycling.  
Above right: Bill Padleford looking happy to be at his first in-person club meeting in a long time.





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## JIM BIDDLE NEWS AT NOON

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Brought to you by:

All those who  
logged-on!

With Betty Waznis

Good afternoon Rotarians and guests. Welcome to today's edition of the Jim Biddle News at Noon. Today's news sponsored by Chris Lewis and the Lewis Group.

California's gubernatorial recall election was held Tuesday. Governor Newsom was retained in office after a statewide vote estimated to be over 13 million.

A SpaceX capsule with four civilian passengers lifted off from NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Florida on Wednesday. The crew will be in orbit for three days at an altitude of about 357 miles above the Earth before splashing down off the coast of Florida.

The commercial space industry mission was created by billionaire tech entrepreneur Jared Isaacman. He bought out an entire SpaceX capsule and serves as the mission's commander. He held a sweepstakes in which people who donated money to charity could be entered into a raffle for one of the three remaining seats. The winners were a physician assistant, a geoscience professor, and an engineer. This is the first time an entire crew of people who aren't professional astronauts reached orbit.

The 49th BonitaFest continues this weekend with two parades. At 6 pm tonight, the BonitaFest Twilight Trails steps off from the Sunnyside Saddleclub Arena in Rohr Park. You're invited to ride horses, bicycles, or walk the one and a half mile route, which ends with a community party in the parking lot of the Bonita library, next door.

At 10 am tomorrow the Bonitafest Car Parade starts from the Sweetwater Community Church. Bonita Sunnyside firefighters and San Diego County sheriffs will lead the way on the 13-mile route through the Sweetwater Valley. If you'd like to enjoy a great history of Bonita Fest with lots of historic photos like these, see <http://sunnycv.com/history/exhibits/bonitafest.html>

Chris Lewis was born in 1944 and raised in rural Wisconsin. He joined the U.S. Navy in 1963 and served for 20 years. His enlisted service encompassed 8 years and included duty aboard 2 destroyer escorts, 1 destroyer and 1 repair ship. After a steady record of promotions, he was commissioned an officer of the Line as a Junior Grade Lieutenant in 1976, and in 1979 was promoted to Lieutenant and then to Lieutenant Commander. On retirement in 1983, he joined Southwest Marine as the Corporate Director of Planning and Engineering. Then began his real estate career with McMillin Realty in 1993, forming his own Real Estate and Property Management company in 2013.

In addition to his work career, Chris has served his community in many capacities and still enjoys being involved as much as possible. Chris was married to Jean in 1963 and raised (Jean did) 3 children. They now have 7 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. They have resided in the Bonita area since 1986. While still actively working in their business, they find time to travel and enjoy life together. This concludes today's edition of the Jim Biddle News at Noon, Today's news sponsored by Chris Lewis and the Lewis Group.





# CHULA VISTA ROTARY GOLF TOURNAMENT

**Friday, October 29, Shotgun Start at Noon**  
**Chula Vista Golf Course - 4475 Bonita Road**

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**Supporting Youth Leadership, Scholarships, Community Projects & More!**



**\$125 per player/\$450 per foursome paid by Oct 14**  
**\$500 per foursome after Oct 14**

**INCLUDES LUNCH, SNACKS, DRINKS, DINNER & FUN!**

**TOP THREE TEAMS WIN PRIZES**

***Golfers in Costume Will Be Entered to Win Prizes!***

**Contact Jesse Fernandez (619 370-6805) or Albert Aguilera (619) 395-7947**



**UPCOMING PROGRAMS—BRING A FRIEND!**

October 1 - **Eric Duvall**, OB Historical Society—Trolley to the Beach

October 8 - **Liz Ramirez** - Promises2Kids

October 15 - **Patrice Milkovich** - Restorative Justice & Rising Scholars—  
Southwestern College

October 22 - **Glen Googins** - What does the City Attorney Really Do?

October 29 - **No Meeting** - Chula Vista Rotary Golf Tournament—  
Sponsor, donate, play, volunteer, join golfers for dinner—thank you!

**GOOD-BYE POLIO  
THANKS ROTARY**



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September is...



**Basic Education & Literacy Month**





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**THOUGHTS FOR TODAY**

