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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)

CLUB ROUNDTABLE—No Formal Meeting
Rotary Fellowship & Lunch
Friday, September 3, 2021—Noon

Why Do We Celebrate Labor Day?

Labor Day, an annual celebration of workers and their achievements, originated during one of American labor history's most dismal chapters.

In the late 1800s, at the height of the Industrial Revolution in the United States, the average American worked 12-hour days and seven-day weeks in order to eke out a basic living. Despite restrictions in some states, children as young as 5 or 6 toiled in mills, factories and mines across the country, earning a fraction of their adult counterparts' wages.

People of all ages, particularly the very poor and recent immigrants, often faced extremely unsafe working conditions, with insufficient access to fresh air, sanitary facilities and breaks. As manufacturing increasingly supplanted agriculture as the wellspring of American employment, labor unions, which had first appeared in the late 18th century, grew more prominent and vocal. They began organizing strikes and rallies to protest poor conditions and compel employers to renegotiate hours and pay.

Many of these events turned violent during this period, including the infamous Haymarket Riot of 1886, in which several Chicago policemen and workers were killed. Others gave rise to longstanding traditions: On September 5, 1882, 10,000 workers took unpaid time off to march from City Hall to Union Square in New York City, holding the first Labor Day parade in U.S. history.

The idea of a "workingmen's holiday," celebrated on the first Monday in September, caught on in other industrial centers across the country, and many states passed legislation recognizing it. Congress would not legalize the holiday until 12 years later. (*from History.com*)



Meeting Highlights—August 27, 2021

President Neisha Hernandez called the meeting to order. Jerry May gave the invocation and led the pledge.

President Neisha shared that over than **\$1000** has been collected through the Polio Pig thanks to everyone and a couple of large donations. Thank you!

Leon Redondo was our Rotarian of the Week. The Club Social was a huge success with excellent food, great company and a wonderful view from the Redondo home.

Next week will be a “Roundtable” meeting. Members can have lunch and enjoy conversation and there will be no formal meeting.

Gary Bryant shared an invitation to attend the dedication of the new Scout campsite at Camp Bashor. Our club donated funds. It will be held Saturday, September 25. Please be sure to RSVP.

David Hoffman complimented President Neisha on her first two months in charge and presented her with a Rotary Swag chain modeled after the very popular Padres’ swag chain. In fact...it is a modified Padres swag chain!

Lane Pearson presented Paul Harris awards in absentia to Zaneta Encarnacion (2) and Eric Rimmele (6).

FUN FACT: Ramon Moncada and Jim Biddle have already received their booster vaccinations.

President Neisha shared a news clip of Rasha Roshdy’s work helping four Afghan families who recently arrived in east county. She has an Amazon wish list on her Amna Sanctuary website. Many Rotarians chipped in with cash a little later in the meeting. Thanks everyone!

The door prizes were won by

In a special twist, Ken Weimer also won a gift card at his “yellow” table, where certain Rotarians had opted NOT to sit despite a request from Madame President to mix it up via assigned color.

Guest speaker Alexandra Keegan shared about the East County Youth Symphony which serves young music lovers from the entire region. She asked anyone with instruments no longer being used to consider donating them to her group and bring them alive again.

ZOOM LINK - NO ZOOM THIS WEEK:

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

Meeting ID: 955 8549 2823
Passcode: 728501





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 Jesse Fernandez and the Rotary Fundraising Committee.

More than 170 were killed, including 13 American service members, after attacks by Isis suicide bombers at and near the Kabul Airport Wednesday. As of last evening, more than 104,000 people have been evacuated from Afghanistan since August 14, in an operation scheduled to conclude Tuesday.

The Caldor Fire is within 14 miles of South Lake Tahoe. Communities to the southwest are being evacuated and tourists are advised to leave.

Delta Air Lines will charge unvaccinated employees \$200 a month extra for insurance and limit their COVID related sick leave, noting that each COVID-19 hospitalization costs the company an average of \$50,000.

If you've been to Disneyland sometime in the past 22 years, you may have used Fast Pass, a free system that cuts your waiting time for popular attractions. As part of a drastic behind-the-scenes overhaul that prioritizes increased per-guest spending at both Walt Disney World and Disneyland, Disney is launching a new, pay-to-play system that will charge visitors every time they want to use a shorter line.

Called **Lightning Lane**, it will allow guests to secure FastPass-like access for "up to two highly demanded attractions each day" as long as they pay extra.

A similar expedited pay-per-ride system launched a few weeks ago at Disneyland Paris charges an estimated \$10 to \$18 per person each and every time it's used. The new plan is expected to be rolled out here in October.

In a record of sorts, the Padres lost to the Dodgers 5-3 in 16 innings at Petco Park on Wednesday, the longest extra-inning game since the new extra innings rule started in 2020. The game was 1 to 1 after nine innings and nobody scored again until the 15th. The game lasted 5 hours and 49 minutes, until close to 1 am.

Jesse Fernandez is a native San Diegan and proud Padres fan through thick and thin. He is one of 7 brothers and sisters raised in the Skyline area and appreciated the support and opportunities that came his way growing up. He has paid it forward through work in other organizations and now through his work with Rotary.

He was with ATT for 40 plus years in various positions. Now, he and Carmen live in Bonita and keep super busy in retirement. Jesse has chaired the Scholarship committee, serves as Club Executive Treasurer and is spearheading the first ever Chula Vista Rotary Golf Tournament, along with Albert.

Jesse may need to retire from retirement.

This concludes today's edition of the Jim Biddle News at Noon, today's News sponsored by Jesse Fernandez and the Rotary Fundraising Committee.





CHULA VISTA ROTARY GOLF TOURNAMENT

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



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



MEETING HIGHLIGHTS—AUGUST 27, 2021

The famous Fishing Group Photo presented to President Neisha. Leon shows off his yard sign.



David Hoffman presents President Neisha with her Rotary bling. Donna Moss wins the first door prize.





CLUB SOCIAL HIGHLIGHTS



Top left: Eric Rimele—recently returned from Germany—with wife Yiwei.

Top right: Troy and Jeanne Ray enjoying the day.

Left (l-r): Sabrina Monaco, Duane Buckingham, Karen Buckingham and Ken Weimer pose for a photo.





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Two Additional Drawing Winners—Ken & Rasha



SAVE THE DATE!

Our Chula Vista Rotary Club provided a contribution to this project:
You're invited to Camp Bashor at Otay Lakes County Park on **Saturday, September 25th** when we will be celebrating all of the donors whose generosity helped create this extraordinary new outdoor camping and recreation facility for youth and families from all over San Diego County – especially the South Bay.

I'm delighted to provide you with the electronic registration link below that includes the details for the event.

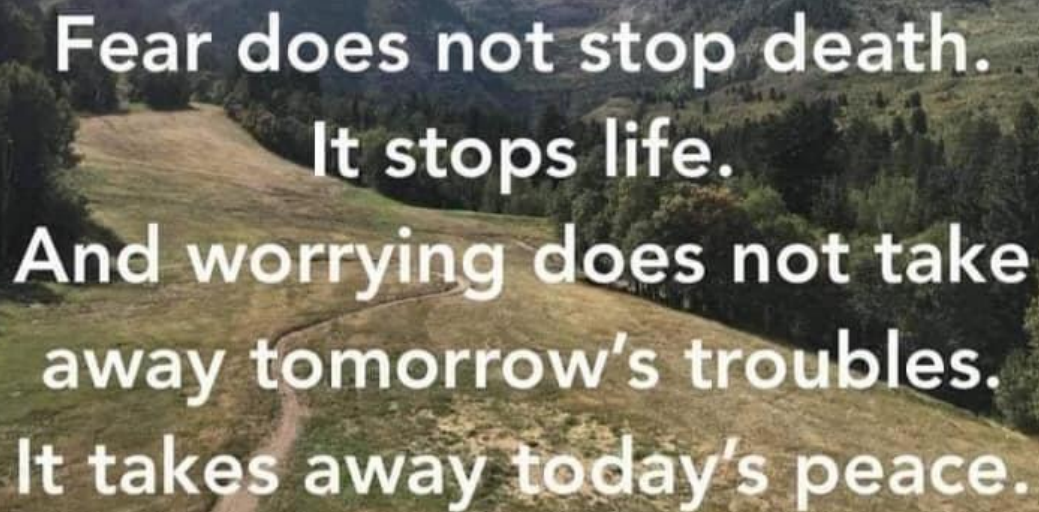
To register, please complete the RSVP form at: <https://sdicbsa.doubleknot.com/event/camp-bashor-invite/2842806>

GOOD-BYE POLIO
THANKS ROTARY





THOUGHTS FOR TODAY



Fear does not stop death.
It stops life.
And worrying does not take
away tomorrow's troubles.
It takes away today's peace.

**"May your troubles be
less and your blessings
be more."**

—Irish Blessing

