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**MARK RANK**  
**WYYERD FIBER**  
Friday, May 3, 2024 - Noon



Mark Rank, Director of Commercial Sales and Engineering with Wyyerd Fiber will be presenting on Friday about Online Safety.

He will discuss possible threats that you can encounter when using the Internet. Concerns could be security threats, protecting and managing your personal data, online reputation management, and avoiding harmful or illegal content.

Wyyerd Group, via its local operating entities, delivers fast, affordable, and locally managed fiber-based Internet and related services.

Wyyerd was founded in 2017 with headquarters in Colorado, and since then has been expanding both organically and inorganically (via M&A). We believe that each community is unique and should have an equally unique and supportive Internet access network, led by a local general manager and local team with support and guidance from a deeply experienced central team.

## MEETING HIGHLIGHTS FOR APRIL 26, 2024



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President-elect Jesse Fernandez called the meeting to order. Kim Marshall gave the invocation. Treasurer Ben Koala introduced guests.

Foundation Chair Lane Pearson recognized Eric Rimmele for his seventh Paul Harris Fellow.

Carmen Sandoval called on some of the Home Build Crew to share their thoughts on the project. First-timer Reed Dinsmore said it was a great experience. Bernard Hernandez expressed thoughts on the impact on the family. Neisha's Dance Academy participants raised \$2500 approximately for the home and David Hoffman said it was a wonderful experience for Haruto Nakata, our Rotary Exchange student from Japan, his son Austin (who never looked at his phone all day, and Hilda—the whole family! Carmen thanked everyone again for the Club's support all these years. This was the **19th home** built by our Club!

Gary Bryant encouraged members to sign up to participate with a couple of activities coming up: Red Shoe Day to support Ronald McDonald House, packing food with CVR Sunrise Club and helping at the CV Animal Facility.

Mark Scott said the Bike Project is coming together. The cost of bikes has gone up and are now \$70. We plan to add 13 more bikes for a total of 94. We may need help with storage.

To accommodate our guests, we enjoyed a fun musical performance by our own Joe DeMers and his friend Kat Shoemaker earlier than a regular program.

Our meeting resumed and Mark Scott filled in for an ailing Betty Waznis. Hope you are better Betty!

Mark Scott announced there are six spots available for the August 8 Fishing Trip.

Gary Bryant stumped everyone (even Jan!) with the person behind his quote of the day—it was actor James Wood. First time ever!

### CALENDAR—UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

**Saturday, May 4, FOOD PACKING Project with CV Sunrise Rotary, 8-noon**

**Friday, May 10, FOOD DISTRIBUTION—St. Mark's Lutheran, 8-11 am**

**Sunday, May 19, 9-Noon CV Animal Care Facility**

**May 22—RED SHOE DAY—For Ronald McDonald House**

**June 8—BIKE PROJECT EVENT**

**SAVE THE DATE - June 24—District Governor's Dinner—  
Del Mar Hilton—RSVP to President Mora**

**SAVE THE DATE—Friday, June 28—Installation/Outstallation**

## JIM BIDDLE NEWS AT NOON by Betty Waznis



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Hello, everyone and welcome to today's edition of the Jim Biddle News at Noon. Today sponsored by David Hoffman and Hoffman Hanono Insurance.

A pilot program to replace thinly stretched law enforcement personnel with mental health experts for people in crisis is rapidly establishing itself in San Diego County. Today, there are nearly four dozen Mobile Crisis Response Teams countywide handling hundreds of calls for nonviolent substance abuse or mental health emergencies each month. Each team has a case manager, mental health clinician and a peer support specialist. The Chula Vista Police Department was among the first agencies to work with them. The MCR Teams work hand in hand with police and sheriff to triage mental health and drug calls. Police and deputies respond to dangerous or violent situations with Psychiatric Emergency Response Teams, or PERT - mental health clinicians paired with uniformed officers. If the situation is nonviolent, it can be diverted to the MCR Teams. In the last six months of 2023, MCR teams responded to 3,365 calls countywide, 75 percent from the 988 crisis hotline and 25% from law enforcement agencies. Less than 2 percent of calls had to be diverted to law enforcement.

World Rugby is the first sports governing body to implement instrumented mouthguards, also known as smart mouthguards, into its head injury assessment protocol. The league, with 8 million players worldwide, rolled out the devices in January after years of research and studies involving over 200,000 youth and adult players. While the dangers of a concussion are well known, the ability to spot them during competition can be tricky. Under the new system, a sideline doctor uses an iPad with an app digitally connected to the mouth guard to monitor head impacts. When a player suffers a collision that reaches 70 g's, comparable to a sledgehammer hitting a helmeted head, the player is identified and pulled off the field. The NFL is closely watching the rugby results as they consider implementing the devices for pro football.

The fully renovated Jacumba Hot Springs Resort officially opened this week with a dedication ceremony and expended hours. The resort and its mineral hot springs is an hour east of San Diego for anyone looking to recharge close to home in peaceful surroundings. Jacumba's hot springs were once a destination for Hollywood stars like Clark Gable and Marlene Dietrich. The resort's new owners hope the renovation, begun in 2021, lives up to its legacy.

Quickly after the 2023 soft opening, the resort with its 20 rooms, two pools, one hot tub, a restaurant, and a bar became a popular destination by word of mouth. They're now building a regular schedule of Saturday night concerts, some in the candlelit ruins of an old bathhouse.

Manny Machado is taking off this week's four-game series to take on a new role. This week he is becoming a real padre – a father. Machado's wife, Yainee, is expected to give birth to the couple's first child any day. Machado is expected to be on the paternity list until today, when the team begins a six-game homestand against the Phillies. His return to the team should coincide with his season debut at third base.

David Hoffman is President of Hoffman Hanono Insurance, a three-generation local firm founded in 1959. It provides commercial and personal insurance in multiple lines guided by the motto, "Modern insurance solutions grounded by old school values." There has been a lot of excitement in the Hoffman household. Sophia is finishing her second year at Chico State with a major in music recording arts. Her Rotary fan club was thrilled to see her repeat her outstanding performance this season on NBC's The Voice television show. Austin is finishing his sophomore year at Olympian High School and plays football team for them as well as Varsity Lacrosse. When not tending to his lovely family and business, David enjoys fishing, golfing, and a good bourbon! This concludes today's edition of the Jim Biddle News at Noon, today sponsored by David Hoffman and Hoffman Hanono Insurance.



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L-R: Lane Pearson expresses his appreciation to Eric Rimmele for his 7th Paul Harris Fellow Award. (Yes, this was his expression in all three shots...) Kat Shoemaker and Joe DeMers put on a fun show to brighten our Friday afternoon.



L-R: It was fun to see Marty Adler, our former member, who was in town from Aurora, Colorado. He moved there three years ago from Washington, following his daughters and granddaughters (ages 9, 6, 6, 3). We remembered his dad Manny and Jon Miller started the bike project many years ago. David Hoffman has a thing for his face on socks. We are not sure why but they are very funny.



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L-R: Bob Bliss and his good luck are back! Jesse Fernandez and Reed Dinsmore were the other lucky winners.

**A FEW MORE  
PROJECT  
MERCY  
PHOTOS**



**THANKS  
AGAIN  
EVERYONE!**



Above: Team Rischer Shields & Chik Fil-A talent really worked hard all day to make the home a reality.

R: Cheryl painting the out-house with help on left from Alfonso with the Tijuana Independencia Rotary Club and his grandson Amir.

L: Crew securing the roof boards.





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4300 Allen School Lane, Bonita

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The San Diego Foundation, Fund 7211  
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- Beggin' Strips dog treats
- XXL Kongs for dogs
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- New or gently-used animal crates, small & medium size
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**CARNIVAL IN VENICE**

Saturday, May 4, 2024  
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

**\$100 PER PERSON**  
INCLUDES: DINNER, DRINKS,  
ENTERTAINMENT &  
DANCING

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