



Chartered October 26, 1925
Wednesday 12:00 noon
La Mesa Community Center
4975 Memorial Drive
La Mesa, CA 91942

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La Mesa Nationals Little League



Janet Reade, La Mesa Nationals Little League Secretary and Safety Officer was our guest speaker today. Janet thanked us, on behalf of the Little League, for the barbeque we have put on for 8+ years on opening day. The Little League appreciates what has now become a community event.

The La Mesa LL team was founded in 1953 and chartered with Little League Baseball, Inc in 1954.

The movie, A Perfect Game, was based on the 1960 final game of the LL World Series in Williamsport. La Mesa played in that game but unfortunately did not come out on the winning side.

This year there are 230 registered players spread across the 5 majors teams, 4 minor teams, 5 Caps, 4 Rookie, and 5 T-ball teams. In addition to the Kuhlken Field, the league plays at 4 fields behind Lemon Ave Elementary School and the one field at Murdock Elementary School. A seniors baseball team plays 3 days a week at Kuhlken Field.

The LL annual budget is in the area of \$60,000. The average cost per child to enroll is \$200 with scholarships available to those in need.

Volunteers are needed for coaching, umpiring, snack bar, score keeping/pitch count or field maintenance.

La Mesa Rotary Centennial Celebration



It's time to register for the Club's 100th Anniversary on **Saturday, October 18, 2025**. The event will occur on the Hornblower Harbor Cruise from 5:30 pm to 9 pm. Please use the QR code below to sign up.



April Birthdays

4/16 Marsha Darling
4/23 Jack Dargitz

100 Anniversary Committee Meeting

Wednesday May 21st @ 11 AM

Community Center before reg. meeting

Upcoming Programs

April 30, 2025
Club Assembly

May 7, 2025
Lainey Bloom and Hillary Ego
La Mesa Climate Action Plan

May 14, 2025
John Maguire

May 21, 2025
Dale Bailey & Friends
100th Anniversary Plans

Lunch Time Service

Please trade with someone if you are unable to perform your assignment.

April 23, 2025
Greeter Scott Elam
Pledge Maggie Eggers
Thought Jylene Ledesma
4 Way Test Marsha Darling

April 30, 2025
Greeter Don Jenkinson
Pledge Scott Elam
Thought Maggie Eggers
4 Way Test Jylene Ledesma

NAMI WALK

Once again, Rotary District 5340 is a major sponsor for NAMI Walks San Diego. The National Alliance on Mental Illness in San Diego (NAMI San Diego) is the community's voice on mental illness. Join the District 5340 Team for a 1 loop walk around NTC Park, approximately 1.5 mile.

Date & Time: Sat. April 26th | 8:00am-11:00am

**Location: NTC Park in Liberty Station
2455 Cushing Road, San Diego, CA 92106**

Scan QR code to register:



Mexican House Build



Friday, April 18th, is the day for the Mexican House build. Call Mark at 619-454-0545 to volunteer, Group will meet at the Mt. Miguel High School Parking Lot at 0550 or at the Otay Border at 6:30 am. Please let Mark know which place you will be meeting him.

April Opportunities

April 2025

Environmental

- 4/10 Lunch for Urban Angels
- 4/16 100 Year Anniversary Meeting
- 4/18 Mexican House Build
- 4/20 Sunrise Service
- 4/25-4/27 RYLA
- 4/26 NAMI Walk at Liberty Station

May 2025

Youth Service

- 5/10 Camp Julian Oaks Work Day
- 5/21 100 Year Anniversary Meeting
- 5/25 Operation Flags for Vets - Miramar

Urban Street Angels Barbeque



Members of the La Mesa Rotary Club provide a barbeque Thursday, April 10th at the Urban Street Angels Program. Urban Street Angels is a non-profit organization dedicated to ending youth homelessness in San Diego. 20 young adults between 17 and 22 years of age were treated to the barbeque. Rotarians Mark Matthews and Ryan Barnhill were the grill masters. Bill Ashman, Marsha Starr, Sue Richardson, and Mary Elington also joined in on the fun by visiting with the young adults, playing Left, Right Center, and serving. Thank you Marsha Starr for coordinating the event with Jerry Troyer, Director of Shelter Operations for Urban Street Angels. Prizes were provided including several bikes for the participants. All in all a very beneficial afternoon for the residents and the Rotarians.