## The Tattler

## Rotary Club of La Mesa

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Meeting Date: 11/3/21

Wednesday's @ Noon

La Mesa Community Center,

4975 Memorial Drive, La Mesa CA 91942



## **Mayor Serge Dedina Imperial Beach**

Serge is the Mayor of the City of Imperial Beach. He is also cofounder and Executive Director of WILDCOAST. Serge received the Surf Industry's Environmental Award, San Diego Zoological Society's Conservation Medal as well as the California Coastal Commission's "Coastal Hero" Award in recognition of his conservation achievements.

He was named a UCSD John Muir Fellow in 2013 and was honored as a 2016 Peter Benchley "Hero of the Sea." Before co-founding WILDCOAST back in 2000, Serge was the founding Director of The Nature Conservancy's Baja California - Sea of Cortez Program where he helped to initiate successful efforts to protect Loreto Bay National Park, Espiritu Santo Island Reserve and Cabo Pulmo National Park. He grew up in Imperial Beach, California, and spent his childhood helping to preserve the Tijuana Estuary as a National Wildlife Refuge and has worked on water quality issues in the San Diego - Tijuana region since 1980.

Serge is an avid surfer, swimmer and former State of California Ocean Lifeguard. He is the author of Saving the Gray Whale, a book based on the three years he lived in the gray whale lagoons of Baja California; Wild Sea: Eco-Wars and Surf Stories from the Coast of the Californias; and, Surfing the Border. Serge has a Ph.D. Geography, University of Texas at Austin; M.S. Geography, University of Wisconsin-Madison; B.A. Political Science, University of California, San Diego

Lunch Time Service **Opportunities** 

#### November 3, 2021

Pledge Thought 4-Way

Ryan Barnhill Martin Brickson Jim Kline

#### November 10, 2021

Pledge Thought 4-Way

Bob McCellean Kathy Olsen Ron Morell

#### November 17, 2021

Pledge Thought 4-Way

Nathan Oestreich Becki Schwartz Dani Womack

#### November 24, 2021

DARK

If you cannot perform your assigned duty, please arrange for a replacement.

#### Important Dates:

November 2<sup>nd</sup> La Mesa Rotary Board Meeting – 6:00pm via ZOOM

November 3<sup>rd</sup> Club Meeting IN PERSON – LA MESA COMMUNITY CENTER! – 12:30pm

Guest Speaker: Mayor Serge Dedina – Imperial Beach

November 10<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting IN PERSON – LA MESA COMMUNITY CENTER! – 12:30pm

Guest Speaker: Amy Richards – Vet's Community Connections

November 17<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting **IN PERSON – LA MESA COMMUNITY CENTER! – 12:30pm**Guest Speaker:

December 4<sup>th</sup> Tecate, MX - Home Building with Project Mercy

#### The Passing of Dottie Jenkinson

It is with heavy heart to announce the passing of Don Jenkinson's wife Dottie.

There will be a service held in for Dottie:

Monday November 15<sup>th</sup>
11:00am
Foothill Methodist Church
4031 Avocado Blvd, La Mesa





### FILL A BAG FEED A CHILD

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#### PLEASE DONATE

**BOX OF CEREAL** 

**COMPLETE PANCAKE MIX** 

OATMEAL

MAC AND CHEESE

**CAN OF CHILI** 

JAR OF PEANUT BUTTER

REFRIED BEANS

RICE

SPAGHETTI SAUCE

PASTA

**HEARTY SOUP** 

**CANNED MEAT** 

#### PICK UP/DELIVERY

TO ARRANGE PICK UP/DELIVERY PLEASE CALL 619-319-4423

BAGS WILL FEED LA MESA SPRING VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT CHILDREN OVER THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS VACATION.



You may bring donations to any La Mesa Rotary lunch or drop off at Elam's Hallmark in Grossmont, Tierrasanta or Rancho San Diego!

Visit the La Mesa Rotary online! <a href="www.LaMesaRotary.org">www.LaMesaRotary.org</a>
Or find us on Facebook! Just search for La Mesa Rotary.

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# La Mesa Rotary 2020-21 Board of Directors

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New Generations:

Mark Matthews

Sp<mark>eak</mark>ers Chair: Bill Ashman

Membership: Jen Flynn

Social Chair: Marsha Darling

#### **EXCITING!** Rotary District 5340 International Project

#### Work, Party & Make a Difference!





Who: 5340 Rotary Clubs in partnership with Project Mercy

What: Building a community of homes for homeless families

Where: In the rural area between Tecate and Tijuana, Baja How: Donate time/money to help & enjoy dinner afterwards with an overnight stay at a Tijuan 5 Star Hotel

When: 6 Houses December 4, 2021 and more in Spring 2022

Goal: 10/20 houses built + social time with our clubs too!

Call or email Jeb Bakke at jebbakke@gmail.com or 858-705-4603

#### Get involved!



Makes a great holiday project for your club!



## La Mesa Rotary Board Meeting

The next Board Meeting for President Sue Richardson will be Tuesday November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00pm. The Board Meeting will be on ZOOM. If you are on the new Board please try to join us for this meeting.

Tuesday November 2<sup>nd</sup>

6:00pm

Via ZOOM

#### New Member Applicant: Frank Sekula



#### Biography

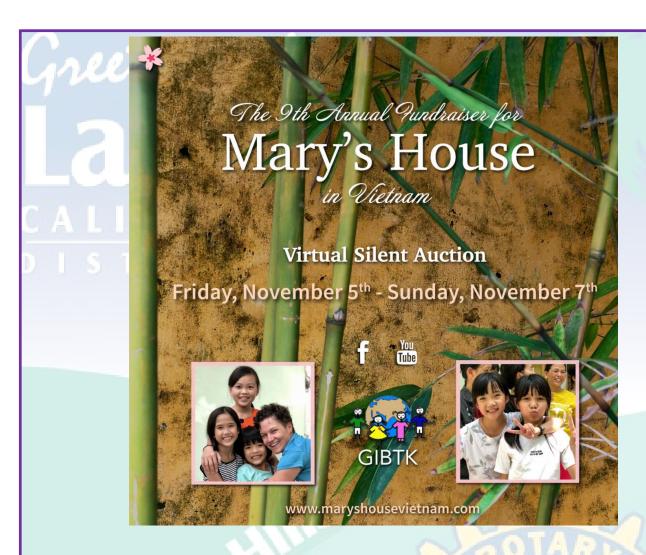
Frank M. Sekula

3684 Mission Montana Drive San Diego, California 92120

1960-1964	Cathedral High School, Indianapolis, Indiana
1965	Marian University, Indianapolis, Indiana
1966-1968	Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana
	Awarded full scholarship by Evans Scholars Foundation
	Graduated with a BS in Accounting, with honors
1969-1971	U.S. Army, drafted and served in Korea
1972-1976	Staff Accountant, Price Waterhouse Coopers, Chicago, Illinois
	Promoted to Senior Accountant in 1974
1977-1979	Internal Auditor, American Hospital Supply Corporation, Chicago, Illinois
1979-1996	Teledyne Inc., Los Angeles, California
	Hired as Financial Analyst, Promoted to Financial Planning Manager in 1991
1997- 2001	Controller, L. A. Mart, Los Angeles, California
2002-2005	Controller, ONEGeneration, Van Nuys, California
2005- Present	Temporary accounting jobs

#### Outside Activities:

City of Westlake Village, California Advisory Committee (1986-1987)
President of Westlake Canyon Oaks Homeowners Association (1985-1987)
Big Brother (1985-1992)
Lector at St Therese Parish, San Diego



Jen Flynn's Annual Fundraiser to support her foster home in Vietnam is happening ONLINE soon! Please click here to make a direct donation or to register to bid on one of many fun items including wine, vacations and more! Jen's goal is to raise \$40,000 through this event this year.

https://maryshousevietnam.com/

