

# The Tattler

## Rotary Club of La Mesa

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Meeting Date: 3/1/17

Wednesday's @ Noon, La Mesa Community Center,  
4975 Memorial Drive, La Mesa CA 91942



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B O B H I L L

### Recycling: The Past, Present & Future

Since 1967, *family owned and operated* EDCO has served the integrated waste and recycling needs of California communities. Built on the fundamental philosophy of providing superior customer service with a **"We'll Take Care of It"** approach, the EDCO team embraces its unique role as an innovative, experienced and committed premium service provider.

With a focus on recycling, EDCO has developed an extensive network of Material Recovery Facilities, Construction and Demolition Processing Facilities, Commingled Recycling Processing Centers, Buyback Centers and Household Hazardous Waste Collection Centers that are collectively designed to maximize recovery efforts. The collective resources of these facilities, supported by a wide array of front line equipment and our dedicated team members, has allowed EDCO to create collection programs that are tailored to the unique operating conditions of local communities.

As a pioneer who has consistently advanced recycling efforts, EDCO has long been recognized as an industry leader. In addition, EDCO is a very active member of the communities it serves and participates in numerous worthwhile efforts to enhance the quality of life in the region.

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### Lunch Time Service Opportunities

#### March 1, 2017

Greeter	Rob Sauvajot
Songs	Jay Thompson
Pledge	Martin Brickson
Thought	Scott Killian
Raffle	Mel Jacobson
Fines	Jenny Flynn
4-Way	Mike Mascari

#### March 8, 2017

Greeter	Becki Schwartz
Songs	Bonnie Welch
Pledge	John Carlson
Thought	Robert Aguilar
Raffle	Don Jenkinson
Fines	Nathan Oestreich
4-Way	Mark Matthews

#### March 15, 2017

Greeter	Maggie Eggers
Songs	John Witt
Pledge	Gary Clasen
Thought	Mike Fellows
Raffle	Nathan Oestreich
Fines	Larry Mascari
4-Way	Jenny Flynn

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

## Important Dates:

- Feb 25<sup>th</sup> District 5340 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Peace Studies Forum – USD Kroc Center
- Mar 1<sup>st</sup> EDCO – Bob Hill - Recycling: Past, Present & Future
- Mar 3<sup>rd</sup> Jenny Flynn Grotarian – 6:00 pm
- Mar 18<sup>th</sup> Rotary District Training Assembly
- Apr 8-9 RYLA Youth Conference
- Apr 19<sup>th</sup> Rotarians at Work Day
- May 20<sup>th</sup> District 5340 Conference – Liberty Station

### **Save the Date for a Grotarian gathering!**

Get to know Jen Flynn  
March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6 – 8:30 PM

“Never doubt that a small group of THOUGHTFUL  
COMMITTED CITIZENS can CHANGE THE WORLD.

Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.”

*Margaret Mead*



**We can't wait to share our passions and get  
better acquainted with everyone at Rotary. We  
look forward to changing the world with you!**

Please join us: Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> 6-8:30 PM  
3428 Juniper Street, South Park, 92104  
Cross street is Westland

RSVP TO JEN at [jen.flynn66@gmail.com](mailto:jen.flynn66@gmail.com) or – 860-830-4454



## 4-Way Speech Contest



The High School 4-Way Speech Contest was held last week at La Mesa Rotary. We had 3 students come and give their speech, hosted by Sam Bauchmann. The students are members of their Interact Clubs on their High School campuses.

Our contestants were Carl Shin, a senior at Mount Miguel, Meredith Drake, a Junior at Patrick Henry High School, and Ellen Thompson, a senior at Mount Miguel High School.

Each student gave interesting speeches which were to revolve around the 4-Way Test. Ellen Thompson won the competition with an interesting and energetic speech about Mindfulness – You are made of Stardust! She won \$100 for coming in 1<sup>st</sup> place.

Meredith Drake came in 2<sup>nd</sup> and won \$75 for her speech on Optimism and

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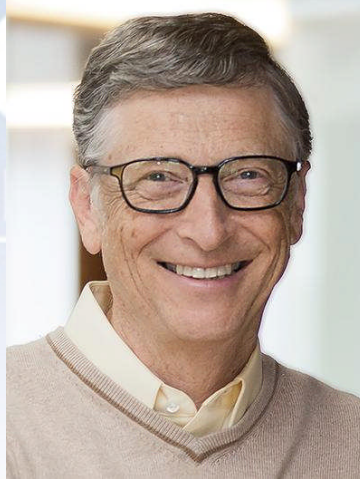
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## Bill Gates to be keynote speaker at Rotary International Convention in Atlanta



ATLANTA, Ga. (Feb. 14, 2017) – Rotary's 108th annual **international convention** June 10–14 is expected to attract 40,000 Rotary club members from over 160 countries, and will inject an estimated \$52.3 million into Atlanta's economy.

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Often described as a “mini-United Nations”, Rotary's third convention in Atlanta will transform the Georgia World Congress Center into a cultural kaleidoscope as the organization's global network of volunteers gather to exchange ideas on how to improve lives and bring positive, lasting change to communities around the world.

Registrants will engage in workshops and hear from a lineup of world-class speakers, including Bill Gates, co-chair, of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The Gates Foundation and Rotary International have an ongoing match of 2:1 to support polio eradication efforts up to \$35 million a year. Today in **Bill and Melinda Gates' Annual Letter** they reaffirmed the important role Rotary has played in polio eradication.

“Rotary and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation have been working together on polio eradication for a long time, and our strong partnership will continue through the final years of the effort,” said Rotary International President John Germ. “With the most effective resources in place, it's possible that we will soon see the last case of polio in history. At the convention, Bill will say more about how we can — and will — end polio.”

Organized by Rotary International in conjunction with the **Atlanta Host Organizing Committee** of local Rotary members, registrants of the convention will also get to experience Atlanta's southern charm with visits to the World of Coca-Cola, the College Football Hall of Fame and an Atlanta Braves game.



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“The Rotary International Convention provides an exceptional opportunity to bring together more than 40,000 civic and business community leaders from throughout the world to Atlanta to enjoy our unique brand of southern hospitality,” said William Pate, president and CEO of the Atlanta Convention and Visitors Bureau. “The addition of Microsoft founder Bill Gates as a keynote speaker reflects the importance and good work that Rotary does worldwide.”

The global eradication of polio has been Rotary's top priority since 1985. Through the **Global Polio Eradication Initiative** – a public-private partnership that includes Rotary, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the World Health Organization (WHO) and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) – the incidence of polio has plummeted by more than 99.9 percent, from about 350,000 cases a year in 1988 to just 37 confirmed in 2016. Rotary, including matching funds from the Gates Foundation, has donated \$1.6 billion to polio eradication.

Atlanta's first Rotary convention took place 100 years ago, when **The Rotary Foundation** was established with its first contribution of \$26.50. The Rotary Foundation's assets have grown to approximately \$1 billion, and more than \$3 billion have been spent on projects and scholarships that promote **peace**, fight **disease**, provide **clean water**, support **education**, save **mothers and children**, and grow **local economies**.



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