

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

### Board Members

President Becki Schwartz  
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### Board Members

#### Directors

Dale Bailey  
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Gabriella Misirlioglu

### Membership

Mark Matthews

### Youth Service

Mark Matthews

### Speaker Chair

Bill Ashman



## San Diego Animal Sanctuary & Farm



Agnes Barrelet's story is truly inspiring—it's amazing how a single moment can ignite a lifetime of change. She turned her compassion for animals into action, creating a sanctuary that is both a safe haven for animals and a space for education of children. The San Diego Animal Sanctuary & Farm is remarkable for its scale and impact. Housing over 200 rescued animals from diverse species and breeds, it offers these creatures a second chance at life.

Her proactive approach, like establishing a 5+ acre garden to tackle rising food costs, showcases her dedication to sustainability. And the sanctuary's efforts to educate children about regenerative farming, composting, and animal care foster valuable connections between younger generations and the natural world.

Operating costs of \$55,000 a month and the constant care required for the animals are certainly immense challenges. Her leadership and the commitment of the team to provide such a nurturing environment with veterinary care and natural living spaces are truly commendable.

**CLUB IS DARK**

**NO MEETING, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup>**

## La Mesa Rotary Centennial Celebration



**It's time to register for the** Club's 100<sup>th</sup> 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.



### May Birthdays

May 4<sup>th</sup> Scott Elam  
May 24<sup>th</sup> Guy Elam  
May 25<sup>th</sup> Ben Hamilton  
May 27<sup>th</sup> Melvin Jacobson  
May 31<sup>st</sup> Mark Matthews

### 100 Anniversary Committee Meeting

**Wednesday May 21st @ 11 AM**

**Community Center before reg. meeting**

### Upcoming Programs

**April 30, 2025**

**Dark - No Meeting**

**May 7, 2025**

**Lainey Bloom and Hillary Ego  
La Mesa Climate Action Plan**

**May 21, 2025**

**Dale Bailey & Friends  
100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Plans**

### Lunch Time Service

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

**May 7, 2025**

**Greeter David Petri  
Pledge Mary Elington  
Thought Kathy Olsen  
4 Way Test Jim Kline**

**May 14, 2025**

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Pledge Mary Elington  
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## 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:



## May Service Opportunities

- **Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> Camp Julian Oaks Work Day.**
- **Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2:30 PM Placement of Flags at Miramar National Cemetary**
- **Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, Removal of Flags at Miramar National Cemetary**

**Help another East County Rotary Club fundraiser.**



**La Mesa Sunrise  
Rotary Club**

## ANNUAL BOWLING FUNDRAISER

**Friday, May 2, 2025**  
Parkway Bowl  
1280 Fletcher Parkway  
El Cajon  
**5:30pm-8:45pm**

Individual \$60 / Team of four \$240

or

**SPARK Bowling \$280 per team of four**

Click on this link to register yourself or your team

<https://form.jotform.com/250846754413157>

Scan this QR code to pay by venmo

La Mesa Sunrise Rotary Found.  
@LMSR\_Foundation



## Mt. Helix Sunrise Service



Many thanks to Bill Ashman, Mark Matthews, Mark and Becki Schwartz who organized the transportation process for the Mt. Helix Sunrise Service. Legacy Church provided the service.


## Mexican House Build 2025

Rotarians from La Mesa Rotary Club, Santee Lakeside Rotary Club, Chula Vista-Eastlake Rotary Club, Mt Miguel Interact and Project Mercy came together on Good Friday to provide a new home for the BarocioReyes family in Mexico. Thank you Mark for coordinating this effort.





# La Mesa Rotary's 100th Anniversary Celebration

 **Date:** Saturday, October 18, 2025

 **Location:** San Diego Harbor | Hornblower Cruises

 **Check-in Begins:** 5:15 PM | Cruise Starts: 6:00 PM

## Sponsorship Opportunities

### \$250 Sponsorship

- ✓ Logo on event signage
- ✓ Opportunity to include branded items in gift bags

### \$500 Sponsorship

- ✓ 1 Dinner Cruise Ticket (\$145 value)
- ✓ Logo featured on social media posts
- ✓ Opportunity to include branded items in gift bags

### \$750 Sponsorship

- ✓ 2 Dinner Cruise Tickets (\$290 value)
- ✓ Logo featured on social media posts
- ✓ Opportunity to include branded items in gift bags

### \$1,000 Sponsorship

- ✓ 2 Dinner Cruise Tickets (\$290 value)
- ✓ Logo featured on social media posts
- ✓ Signage at the event

### \$2,500 – Dinner Sponsor


- ✓ Special Recognition & signage at the event
- ✓ 4 Dinner Cruise Tickets (\$580 value)
- ✓ Logo featured on social media posts



### \$5,000 – Paul Harris Foundation Sponsor

- ✓ Exclusive Recognition & Paul Harris Fellowship Presentation
- ✓ 4 Dinner Cruise Tickets (\$580 value)
- ✓ Logo featured on social media posts

## How to Sponsor Online: [Register at LaMesaRotary.org](https://www.lamesarotary.org/register)

 Mail: Checks payable to Rotary Club of La Mesa California Foundation

 Address: La Mesa Community Center | 4975 Memorial Drive | La Mesa, CA 91942

**Contact Us**  W. Dale Bailey: 619-990-5111  Email: [wdalebailey@att.net](mailto:wdalebailey@att.net)

Your tax-deductible donation makes a difference! Join us in making an impact.