



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

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### Membership

Greg Erickson

### Youth Service

Mark Matthews

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Bill Ashman



## Salvation Army - The Reardon's Next Chapter



For more than a century, The Salvation Army has been a vital part of San Diego, operating seven community centers with churches, five Silvercrest senior residences, multiple rehabilitation centers, and five senior lunch programs. For the past three years, Majors Rob and Amy Reardon have served as the regional divisional officers overseeing San Diego and Imperial Counties—a role that also includes leadership of the Door of Hope in Kearny Mesa and the Joan Kroc Center, which will celebrate its 25th anniversary next year.

The Salvation Army's mission is to meet the spiritual, emotional, and physical needs of individuals and families. Locally, this mission comes to life through food banks, the Backpack for Kids program, seven summer camps, and the beloved overnight Camp Sleep Away in Malibu Canyon. Known for its strong musical tradition, the organization also teaches children to play instruments and provides them with the tools to learn.

The Reardon's have dedicated 30 years to The Salvation Army, moving six times and expanding their family through the adoption of several children in addition to their biological ones. In just a few weeks, they will begin a new chapter in London, where Amy will serve as spokesperson for the General and write his newsletter, while Rob will oversee the Salvation Army's global educational programs—supporting 2,400 schools and 1,400 hospitals worldwide.

Their daughter Tia, a former foster child from Grenada whom they adopted at age three along with her five-year-old brother, is a proud recipient of one of the Patrick Henry High School Rotary scholarships. Tia graduated from PHHS in just three years, earning straight A's.

## Lunch Assignments

**Please exchange with someone if you're unable to perform your assignment.**

### **June 3, 2026**

Greeter Marsha Starr  
Pledge David Petri  
Thought Greg Erickson  
4 Way Test Gabriela Misirlioglu

### **June 10, 2026**

Greeter Ron Morell  
Pledge Marsha Starr  
Thought Ryan Barnhill  
4 Way Test Keith Dindinger

### **June 17, 2026**

Greeter Mike Fellows  
Pledge Ron Morell  
Thought Jay Thompson  
4 Way Test Jim Kline

### **June 24, 2026**

Greeter Marsha Darling  
Pledge Mary Elington  
Thought Bonnie Welch  
4 Way Test Kathy Olsen

## Thought For the Day

The following is Keith's thought for today.

"Wars have not ended. In a way Rotary is at war, too, -- against disease, poverty underdevelopment, indifference, animosity, and other invasions on human life.

But through Rotary, away from politics, Rotary has been helping to open doors for a better tomorrow. As a Rotarian you must be at the same time, a dreamer and a doer. When you "look beyond yourself", you set goals to be accomplished and then act to realize them.

This is the turning point between simply being a member of a club and becoming a ROTARIAN."

## May Birthdays

**5/25 Ben Hamilton**

**5/27 Melvin Jacobson**

**5/31 Mark Matthews**

## Little Free Libraries



The first of two of the Little Free Libraries will be delivered to Dale Elementary School on Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 8 AM. Please plan to attend if you're able. The school is located at 4271 Olive Ave, La Mesa.

The second library will be delivered at another time to Avondale Elementary School.

## Flag Day Parade



Volunteers are needed to help organize the annual La Mesa Flag Day Parade on Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. We will gather at the Community Center Board Room for our assignments around 7 AM. Please let Bonnie know if you can participate for a few hours on this day.

## Operation Flags 4 Vets



Saturday, May 23, 2026, was a day of remembrance and gratitude for those individuals who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. Over 500 Rotarians along with a few family members and friends placed American Flags on the 23,000 graves at Miramar National Cemetery. Thank you to Bonnie (family and friends), Becki, Bill, Interact and Rotoract, Mary and Gabriela's sons who went over Tuesday to remove the flags for storage.

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date/Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
Govenor's Dinner	Friday, June 26 <sup>th</sup> 6 pm Registration & Cocktails 7 pm Dinner	Space & Air Museum Balboa Park
La Mesa Flag Day Parade	June 13 <sup>th</sup> 7 AM	
Bonnie Welch Demotion	June 17 <sup>th</sup> Club Meeting	
2026 - 27 Installation Dinner	TBD	