

# The Tattler

## Rotary Club of La Mesa

Volume 2020-21, No.328 Meeting Date: 5/19/21  
Wednesday's @ 12:30pm Via  
ZOOMhttps://us02web.zoom.us/j/618141217  
Meeting ID: 618 141 217



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### La Mesa Rotary 1<sup>st</sup> In-Person Meeting!



It was so great to have our 1<sup>st</sup> in-person meeting! We had a great turn out and we pulled off a great Hybrid Meeting! We had members in person and on ZOOM along with our guest speaker, Lee "Hacksaw" Hamilton on ZOOM. Special thanks to Sue & Jen for helping with all the technical aspects to be sure the sound and video worked great for those in person and on ZOOM! I was excited to host our 1<sup>st</sup> in-person meeting of my Rotary year as President!

#### Lunch Time Service Opportunities

##### May 19, 2021

Pledge	Mary Ellington
Thought	John Fistere
4-Way	Gary Clasen

##### May 26, 2021

Pledge	Jim Kline
Thought	Ben Hamilton
4-Way	Mark Bagula

##### June 2, 2021

Pledge	Rose Hurst
Thought	Sue Richardson
4-Way	Marsha Starr

##### June 9, 2021

Pledge	Becki Schwartz
Thought	Louise Herr
4-Way	Rose Hurst

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

## Important Dates:

- May 19<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting on ZOOM – 12:30pm  
Guest Speaker: Sue Emerson – San Diego Natural History Museum
- May 26<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting - **IN PERSON – LA MESA COMMUNITY CENTER!**  
Guest Speaker: Loxley – Athena Girls STEM
- June 2<sup>nd</sup> Club Meeting on ZOOM – 12:30pm  
Guest Speaker: San Diego Padres
- June 7<sup>th</sup> La Mesa Rotary Board Meeting – 6:00pm via ZOOM

## SUE EMERSON

“A Whale of a Good Time”

Sue Emerson will discuss her role as a volunteer naturalist with the San Diego Natural History Museum (the NAT) on the Hornblower and introduce the types of whales observed off the San Diego coast. As a life-long whale watch enthusiast who has experienced whale watching all over the world, Sue will share stories of her whale watch adventures with an emphasis on observations of Gray Whales in San Diego and Mexico. Humpback whales in San Diego and Maui as well as Orca along our Pacific coast will also be discussed. She will touch on migration, feeding, behaviors and threats. If time allows, other common animals observed on whale watch trips will be included.

Sue Emerson has a life-long passion for the ocean. She has a Master of Science in Biology with an emphasis in marine ecology. A life-long educator, she taught biology and chemistry for 22 years and served in administration for 15 years. Most recently, Sue has volunteered as a whale naturalist through the San Diego Natural History Museum on the Hornblower whale watch cruises. Sue has served the past two years as President of the NAT Whalers group, including on-going training for over 60 whale watch volunteers. Her experiences include whale watching along the Pacific coastline from San Diego to Washington, Mexico, Canada, Alaska, Hawaii, New England, Norway, Iceland and South Africa.

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## 2021 District Conference Registration is now open!

Excited to announce that the 2021 [District Conference registration](#) is now open! Join fellow Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors, & guests for a weekend of celebration and connection on September 10-12, 2021 at the Hotel del Coronado.

The conference team is working hard to make this a fun celebration to reunite us in person. Join your Rotary family for this unique opportunity to exchange ideas, strengthen leadership and friendships as we celebrate our clubs' successes! If you have any conference questions, please contact us at [District@Rotary5340.org](mailto:District@Rotary5340.org).

Register today for the 2021 District Conference on the District website.

Visit the La Mesa Rotary online! [www.LaMesaRotary.org](http://www.LaMesaRotary.org)  
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# Greetings from La Mesa Rotary 1<sup>st</sup> In-Person Meeting!

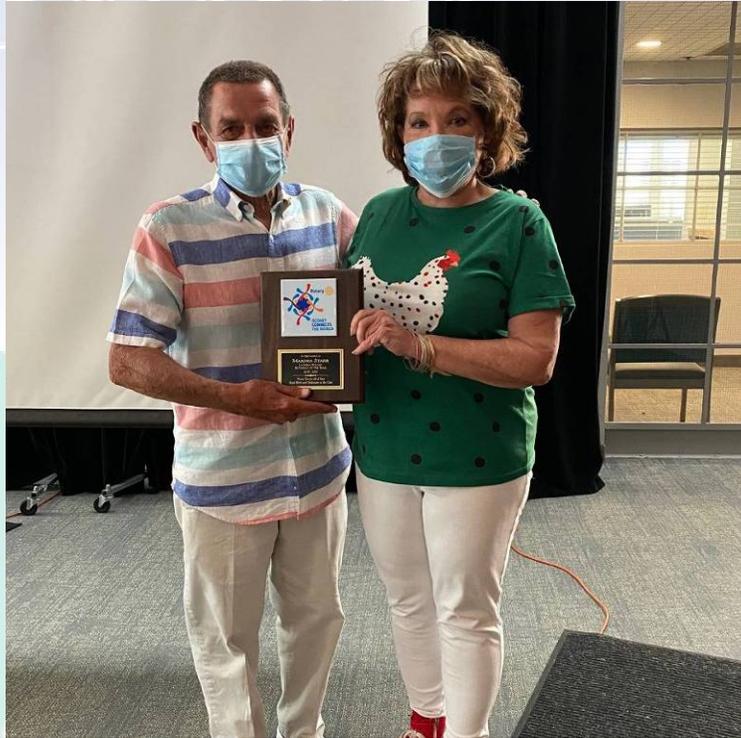
What a full meeting we had! We were able to HONOR 5 La Mesa Rotarians for their Paul Harris awards! Jen, Sue & mark each received their 1<sup>st</sup> Paulo Harris and Kathy & Nathan were honored for multiple Paul Harris Fellows! Thank you to Keith for presenting!



# LA MESA ROTARY

## Rotarian of the Year for 2019-2020

At our 1<sup>st</sup> meeting Past President Jack Dargitz was able to (finally) present Marsha Starr with her Rotarian of the Year Plaque for all the work she put into one of our most successful fundraisers during his year as President!



We were able to welcome our newest member, Ryan Barnhill, and present him with his Red Badge!

