

# The Tattler

## Rotary Club of La Mesa

Volume 2020-21, No.336 Meeting Date: 7/28/21

Wednesday's @ Noon

La Mesa Community Center,

4975 Memorial Drive, La Mesa CA 91942



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## La Mesa Police Chief Ray Sweeney

La Mesa announced on July 1 that Captain Ray Sweeney will serve as the new La Mesa Police Chief, effective immediately. The selection was made by City Manager Greg Humora. Sweeney has served as a Captain in La Mesa Police since 2015 and has previously served in the United States Army and the Army National Guard.

“After a comprehensive and thorough recruitment process, I am confident Ray Sweeney is the leader we need to advance our Police Department and sustain our professionalism and focus on best practices to deliver for our community. The La Mesa Community will benefit from his immediate familiarity with our City and Police Department while also leveraging his strong character and clear vision for effective community policing,” City Manager Humora said in the press release.

This appointment comes almost a year after former La Mesa Police Chief Walt Vasquez announced his retirement would start in August 2020.

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### Lunch Time Service Opportunities

#### July 28, 2021

Pledge	Bonnie Welch
Thought	Mike Fellows
4-Way	Jack Dargitz

#### August 4, 2021

Pledge	Marsha Darling
Thought	Keith Dindinger
4-Way	Jenny Flynn

#### August 11, 2021

Pledge	Dani Womack
Thought	Nathan Oestreich
4-Way	Courtney Patterson

#### August 18, 2021

Pledge	Ben Hamilton
Thought	Jim Kline
4-Way	Mark Matthews

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

## Important Dates:

July 28<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting **IN PERSON – LA MESA COMMUNITY CENTER!**

Guest Speaker: La Mesa Police Chief Ray Sweeney

August 3<sup>rd</sup> La Mesa Rotary Board Meeting – 6:00pm via ZOOM

August 4<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting **ZOOM – 12:30pm**

Guest Speaker:

August 11<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting **IN PERSON – LA MESA COMMUNITY CENTER!**

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Guest Speaker: Council Member Sean Elo-Rivera

## Rotary International Embraces Diversity

At its June meeting, the RI Board of Directors, with guidance from the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Taskforce, took additional steps to ensure our organization values and lives the principals of diversity, equity and inclusion by revisiting and strengthening Rotary's 2019 DEI statement. The result is a new *Commitment to Diversity Equity and Inclusion* adopted in June 2021:

*“At Rotary, we understand that cultivating a diverse, equitable, and inclusive culture is essential to realizing our vision of a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change.*

*We value diversity and celebrate the contributions of people of all backgrounds, across age, ethnicity, race, color, disability, learning style, religion, faith, socioeconomic status, culture, marital status, languages spoken, sex, sexual orientation, and gender identity as well as differences in ideas, thoughts, values, and beliefs.*

*Recognizing that individuals from certain groups have historically experienced barriers to membership, participation, and leadership, we commit to advancing equity in all aspects of Rotary, including in our community partnerships, so that each person has the necessary access to resources, opportunities, networks, and support to thrive.*

*We believe that all people hold visible and invisible qualities that inherently make them unique, and we strive to create an inclusive culture where each person knows they are valued and belong.”*

# La Mesa Rotary Board Meeting

The next Board Meeting for President Sue Richardson will be Tuesday August 3<sup>rd</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 August 3<sup>rd</sup>  
6:00pm  
Via ZOOM



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## La Mesa Rotary 2020-21 Board of Directors

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Marsha Darling

## La Mesa Rotary School Supply Drive

Martin would like to start his Fall School Supply Drive this month! We have seen Staples, Office Depot, Wal Mart & Target start with some of their Back-To-School Specials!

If you get a chance to buy any of these promotional school supplies please bring them to the Community Center when we meet for lunch!

## San Diego Padres

Rotary District 5340 is teaming up with the [San Diego Padres](#) to offer four top-tier games with special seats at [Petco Park](#) reserved exclusively for Rotary members. Rotary has a long history of involvement with the Major League Baseball franchise. Get back to the ballpark with your fellow Rotarians and reserve your ticket(s) today:

1. [Padres vs. Marlins - Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2021](#)
2. [Padres vs. Astros - Friday, Sept. 3, 2021](#)

Tickets are first-come, first-serve. **Limit per person five (5) game tickets.** Electronic tickets will be emailed to you by Erika, District Admin. Please allow two (2) business days for email. Check the District website for more information.





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## MOVIES IN THE PARK



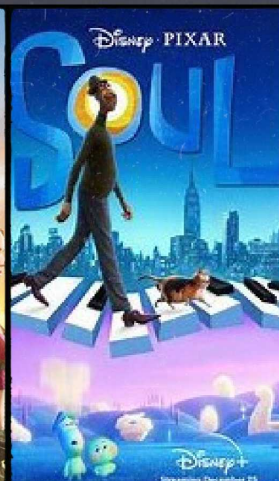
**July 30**

Dive-In Movie  
La Mesa Municipal Pool  
5100 Memorial Dr



**August 13**

MacArthur Park  
La Mesa  
4900 Memorial Dr



**September 24**

La Mesita Park  
La Mesa  
8855 Dallas St

**All movies start 15 minutes after sunset**

For more information call 619.667.1300

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