



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

## Board Members

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## Membership

Mark Matthews

## Youth Service

Mark Matthews

## Speaker Chair

Bill Ashman



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## Camp Julian Oaks



Terry, CJO, Mary CJO, Becki, Kathy, and Bonnie

Terry, a Camp Julian Oaks (CJO) and Camp Julian Oaks CJO camper were our speakers on Wednesday. Camp Julian Oaks is a Christian camp that ministers to children who have been abused or neglected. CJO campers are foster children between the ages of 15 and 19. CJO holds 8 weeks of summer camps with 20 students attending for one week at the cost of \$30. The camp has a ratio of 1 counselor for every 2 campers. Campers find it a safe stable environment where they can feel love and learn life skills. Campers are busy from 7 AM to 11 PM each day participating in archery, animal husbandry, horseback riding, skits and singing songs. Other components of the CJO program are the mentoring program and the benevolent fund. The mentoring program is a dinner at which community residents speak on Getting a Job and Holding a Job, Community College, personal growth and money matters/budget.

Mary, former camper, now a Jr Counselor is being mentored by Terry. Mary is studying Child Development at a Community College.

LMR has been supporting CJO for several years by providing renovations to the camp grounds in the spring, participating in the mentorship program and adopting campers at Christmas. At the conclusion of the talk, we gave them a \$500 donation from our Charitable Giving Fund.

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## La Mesa Rotary Centennial Celebration



**Time is running out! Last day to register for the** Club's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is September 17<sup>th</sup>! The event will be held on **Saturday, October 18, 2025**, on the Hornblower Harbor Cruise from 5:30 pm to 9 pm. Please use the QR code below to sign up.



## Lunch Time Assignments

### September 17, 2025

Greeter Bill Ashman  
Pledge Mark Matthews  
Thought Mary Elington  
4 Way Test Maggie Eggers

### September 24, 2025

Greeter Jim Kline  
Pledge Bill Ashman  
Thought Mark Matthews  
4 Way Test Mary Elington

### October 1, 2025

Greeter Martin Brickson  
Pledge Jim Kline  
Thought Bill Ashman  
4 Way Test Mark Matthews

## Upcoming Programs

### 9/17/2025

Tracy Giordano  
La Mesa Village Association  
Good Neighbor Award

### 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting

Wednesday, September 17th, 11 AM  
Prior to Regular Meeting

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## September Service Project



The club is collecting non-perishable food items to donate to the Good Shepherd Ministry Center. This is the food pantry that we learned about from our speaker, Susan Naslund, last week.

Suggested items are:

- Cooking Oil
- Peanut butter
- Canned tuna
- Pasta Sauce
- Pasta
- Soup
- Canned beans
- Canned tomatoes

Items are to be brought to the meeting by Wednesday, October 1st.

## Plastic Beaches



No Bill is not our resident "Bag Man". Along with the GH Interact Club are collecting soft plastic bags such as dry cleaner bags, vegetable and bread bags. Plastic grocery bags aren't included because they aren't completely recyclable. Once a larger bag is filled it will be mailed to Oklahoma where they will be recycled into Trek deck items.

## End Polio!

Vaccines are a hot topic now. That said, Bill participated in a Rotary Immunization Coalition meeting this morning. Also participating in this county meeting were 200 nurses. One of the group's goals is to ensure polio vaccines continue to be required for children.