



Next Week's Program

Shaun Briley, Coronado Public Library

Location: CYC

Upcoming:

Mar 19—CCYC

Sandra Sheller
Remember Us the Holocaust

Mar 26—CCYC

Brendan Farley, San Diego Theaters

Apr 2—CYC

Frank Urtasun, Port of San Diego

Club Events

LIMBS OF FREEDOM VISIT, ENCINITAS, MX **08 Mar**

BEACH CLEANUP; ISABELLA & OCEAN, 7:45 AM **08 Mar**

MARCH SOCIAL, AT THE HOME OF KAROL MCCLELLAND, 728 MARGARITA, 5:30-7:30 PM **13 Mar**

ROTARY GOLF TOURNAMENT, 10:30 AM **14 Mar**

DISTRICT TRAINING, 7:30 AM, LIBERTY STATION. GOOD FOR RED BADGERS **29 Mar**

HOME CONSTRUCTION IN MEXICO WITH PROJECT MERCY—ALL DAY **05 Apr**

ROTARIANS AT WORK DAY, 3 LOCATIONS **26 Apr**

COROTATOR

NOTES FROM THE SCRIBE:

The Nautilus Room was the setting for our first meeting in March. **President Pat** welcomed us (after wrestling with the PA system) on National Oreo Cookie Day. We wished PE **Natalie Bailey** a Happy Birthday, too! **Juliane Morris** provided our inspiration and led the Pledge of Allegiance. **Eric Nelson** introduced the guests of Rotarians. **President Pat** asked the Red Badgers to name their childhood hero. **President Pat** knows everyone likes Oreo cookies and passed packages around for us to take one so each of us could share in the celebration.

The Coronado Rotary YouTube link is: <https://www.youtube.com/@rotaryclubofcoronadomeeting>

Rotary Notes of Interest & Announcements

1. We visited the IB Foodbank last week and brought them lots of supplies.
2. Please come to the Social at **Karol McClelland's** home on March 13th from 5:30 to 7 pm. Her house is located at 728 Margarita. BRING CEREAL
3. On March 8, we need 3-4 volunteers to join the Limbs of Freedom team for an all-day trip to Ensenada to provide prosthetic limbs to those in need.
4. We are looking for more players for our Charity Golf Tournament on March 14. Sign up on our website or Coronadorotarygolf.com.
5. On March 29, there will be a District Meeting at Liberty Station. Red Badgers, take note, as this provides three hours credit and will fulfill one of your requirements!
6. On April 5, 2025, Project Mercy will be building homes in Mexico. **John Ovrom** will be chairing this effort. If you would like to be involved, contact John.
7. Save the date: Rotarians at Work Day will be held April 26. You can sign up now for your preferred location using the calendar on the Coronado Rotary website. Thank you, **Roni Hosler**, for leading this important effort.
8. **Samantha O'Brien** notified us about the upcoming O'BrienFest, sponsored by This Time Tomorrow Foundation on Saturday, March 15 to raise money for victims of cancer. Coronadoiscalling.com/thistimetomorrow
9. **Chris Kleber** invited all Rotarians to a Bowling Benefit for Alzheimer's, Bowl & Strike, on April 17 from 5:30 to 7:30 at the NAS North Island bowling alley. Contact Chris at chris@klebers.com (619) 889-8337, if you want to participate, or sign up through the calendar.
10. **Stephanie Anderson** invited all of us to join the best committee in the Universe, Low Tide Ride & Stride. She reminded us to sign up for this great event, taking place on June 28, 2025, to support wounded warriors and first responders. The new fundraising goal is \$175K. To find out more and to register, go to the toolbar on the club home page or select this URL: <https://lowtideride.com>.



Happy Birthday

Mar 07 Dan Harrigan
Bob Syverson

Mar 08 Jill Olen

Mar 09 Carol Sommer

Mar 10 Chris Kelly

Fines and Recognitions:

Red Badger **Bryan Lopez** gave us his Who Am I speech today, using lots of great photos to illustrate his amazing life so far! He shared with us that he always wanted to be a fighter pilot, and he got his wish! He followed his father to make the Navy his career and served with PP **Ivan Dunn** along the way. He is the proud grandfather of 8 and indulges his hobbies of photography and maintaining vintage cars.

Rotary Family—Care and Concern:

Ron Verneti joined us at today's meeting. So glad to have him back with us! PP and illustrious scribe **Dan Orr** is recovering and was on Zoom for our meeting. **Pat Freeman** is recovering from her fall. We were sorry to hear that **Lee Freeman** is under hospice care. Keep the Kipperman family in your thoughts and prayers.

NOTE: If you need a ride to and from meetings, please call or email Tim Hodges. He is happy to pick you up and take you home. 858-880-5185 or thodges53@gmail.com

Program:

PP **Tom Mitchell** introduced our speaker, Julie Brightwell, Chair of Honor Flight San Diego. Honor Flight San Diego (HFSD) is a non-profit branch of the nationwide Honor Flight Network which consists of over 130 independent "hubs" across America. HFSD escorts veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit their memorials for two flights per year using monies donated by individuals, foundations, associations, business owners and corporations who wish to recognize our veterans' contributions and thank them for their service and sacrifice to the United States and its citizens. Julie showed us a wonderful video made by local Brad Willis, filled with moving testimonials by participating veterans after they saw the memorials and met fellow participants. Julie told us of one WWII POW participant who met by chance on an Honor Flight another WWII veteran who liberated the camp where he was held. They have remained close friends ever since. Over 2,000 veterans have participated in Honor Flights from San Diego. The next San Diego Honor Flight will take place on April 27th at 1 PM; get to the Terminal 2 Baggage Claim by 12 noon. You can find out more information at honorflightsandiego.org. If you are interested in writing letters to the service members on the honor flights, you can send letters to Donna Hester, 645 Front Street, San Diego, CA 92101. Her contact information

Julie Brightwell talks about the Honor Flight program



Ron Verneti and Suzanne Manuel enjoy the camaraderie of a Rotary meeting.



Bryan Lopez gives his Who Am I? speech



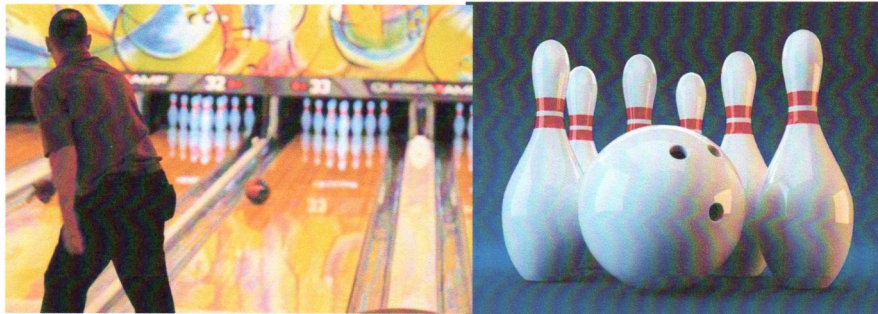


Click on the link below to view Amy Steward's Honor Flight video:

<https://vimeo.com/329025782>

Bowl & Strike - Rotary Bowling Fun, Food, & Fellowship for All

Fund raiser for Alzheimer's Research Trust—CART



When: Thursday, April 17, 5:30 to 7:00pm

Where: North Island NAS - Bowling Alley

What: Bowling (1.5 hours) , shoes, pizza,
drinks, and lots of F-U-N

Who: Rotarians, Family & Friends

Cost: \$35.00 per person (Includes donation to ALZ)

Sign up with Chris Kleber

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