



Next Week's Program

Frank Urtasun, Port of San Diego

Location: CYC

Upcoming:

Apr 9—CCYC
Karl Mueller, CUSD

Apr 16—CCYC
Christopher Ashley, La Jolla Playhouse

Apr 23—CYC
Paloma Aguirre, Mayor

Apr 30—CCYC
District Finals 4 Way Speech Competition

Club Events

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

FLAGS ON THE AVE, 30
NUE FOR CESAR Mar
CHAVEZ DAY

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

BEACH CLEANUP, 12
ISABELLA & OCEAN, Apr
7:45 AM

FATHER JOE'S VILLAGE; 5:30 AM, US 16
BANK PARKING LOT Apr

ROTARIANS AT WORK, 26
DAY, 3 LOCATIONS, Apr
RONI HOSLER

CORONADO INSTALLATION DINNER; 19
CYC, 5:30 PM Jun

COROTATOR

NOTES FROM THE SCRIBE:

President Pat welcomed us once again to CCYC and mentioned that it was National Vietnam Veterans' Day. Much more about that later! **Annie Klapka** gave her unique, Scottish twist to the invocation by reading a poem, "A Man's a Man, For All That." **President Pat** introduced the visiting Rotarians and guests and asked the Red Badgers to tell which morning beverage they prefer: coffee or tea? We had an illustrious Rotarian visitor from Stockholm, Sweden who rode her bike down the Strand to visit us for lunch! To celebrate National Vietnam Veterans' Day, **President Pat** asked all the Vietnam Veterans present (18!) to stand at the front of the room, where they were each awarded a Challenge Coin and commemorative pin by Hizzoner **John Duncan** and **President Pat!**

If you missed the meeting, you can watch it here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SLmW1g4j79w>

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

Rotary Notes of Interest & Announcements

1. **President Pat** let us know that our golf/swim tournament successfully raised \$76,529—one dollar more than last year, despite the rain!

2. **PE Natalie Bailey** reminded us that 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!

3. Lots of Rotarians are delivering lots of food to our worthy recipients: Fisher House and the IB Food Bank. Thank you for your hard work!

4. 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, please let John Ovrom know.

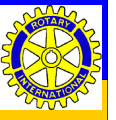
5. We will be helping out at Father Joe's Villages, and we need three volunteers to join **Bob Griffin** on April 16 at 5:30 AM at the US Bank lot. Please contact him to help.

6. 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.

7. Low Tide Ride & Stride will be here before you know it: June 28 th to be exact, and **Steph Anderson** gave us lots of reasons to participate and volunteer. The race has its own Facebook page for you to like and follow:

<https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=low%20tide%20ride%20and%20stride>
Register now! <https://lowtideride.com/>

8. **Suzanne Frontz** invited us to join her in a letter-writing gathering to celebrate Honor Flight participants at her home at 14 St. Christopher's Lane in the Cays on April 14 from 5:30 to 7 pm. Don't forget to bring a beverage or appetizer to share!



Happy Birthday

Mar 28 John Klinker

Apr 02 Carol Young

Fines and Recognitions:

President Pat called some of our hardest golf volunteers who braved the cold rain to the podium to receive a Rotary Star pin: **Rob & Mary Taylor, Karol McClelland, Tom Mitchell** and Judy & **Bob Weisman**. And Judy isn't even a Rotarian!

Frances MacCartee gave us her Who Am I, one of the briefest in recent memory. She and her husband are both Rotarians and she is a Coronado native!

Our club was honored with a visit by DG Dianne Crawford and Beth Garrow, Chair of the Rotary Foundation Major Gifts. The team announced that our club is the first in the District to join the Polio Plus Society, which signifies that every club member has contributed \$100 per year to End Polio Now. Each one of us received a Polio Plus Society pin and kerchief. We have much to be proud of, as the club has raised \$1.4 million for this cause in the last 10 years.

ROY **Jane Simeral** recognized three members as Crown Fellows, **Jim Lewis, Chris Kleber** and **Kitt Williams**, for their contributions to the Coronado Rotary Endowment Fund.

Rotary Family—Care and Concern:

PP and illustrious scribe **Dan Orr** continues his recovery. Also on the recovery list are **Ron Vernetti, Pat Freeman** and **Phil Monroe**. We were sorry to hear that **Lee Freeman** is under hospice care. **Mary Beth Parr** is resting after recent shoulder surgery.

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



Anni Klapka gives the invocation and leads the pledge.



Jim Lewis, Chris Kleber, and Kitt Williams receive their Crown Fellow awards. Jane Simeral explained the Crown Fellow program and its levels.

Program:

Jeanmarie Bond introduced our speaker, Brendan Farley, a Coronado resident who is the Vice President of Operations for the San Diego Theaters, comprised of the Balboa Theater and the Civic Theater. Brendan let us know that the Balboa Theater celebrated its 100 th anniversary last year and the Civic Theater will celebrate its 60 th this year. He explained that the theaters do not fundraise, but earn income from ticket sales, marketing and operation expense payments from touring shows. Some key metrics he shared for 2024 included: 169 events staged; 290 performances; and attendance of 432,084. They stage a wide variety of productions, from Broadway, ballet and Latin music to opera and classical symphonic productions. Through all of this, their guiding precept is to "create moments that matter" for the audience.





The Rotary Golf Tournament Stalwarts: Bob & Judy Weisman, Rob & Mary Taylor, Tom Mithcell, and Karol McClelland



District Governor Dianne Crawford and Beth Garrow induct the Rotary Club of Coronado into the Polio Plus Society.





Rotary's own Vietnam veterans gather with Pres Pat and Mayor John Duncan for National Vietnam Veterans Day



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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HONOR FLIGHT LETTER WRITING GATHERING SIGN UP FORM

A service project and social all in 1!! Monday, April 14th

Let's gather to write short letters to the Honor Flight veterans to express our appreciation of the dedication to their service and sacrifice.

The next Honor flight is April 25-27, 2025.

The details:

Who: All Coronado Rotary Members
 What: Honor Flight Letter Writing Gathering
 When: Monday, April 14, 2025
 5:30-7pm
 Where: Home of Suzanne Frontz
 14 St. Christopher's Lane (Port Royal Village, Cays)
 What to bring: Beverage or Appetizer
 What will be provided: Pens, paper, envelopes

Name

Email address

Contact Suzanne Frontz to sign up for the Honor Flight Letter Writing Campaign. Her email is suzannefrontz@gmail.com.