



Rotary Club of

El Cajon

**Gearbox**

Service Above Self



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Humbert Cabrera  
President, 2014-2015

**Previous Meeting – September 23, 2014**

The grant night dinner was a success. **Humbert** was able to talk to all of the recipients and all but two recipients were able to attend. One man came from the hospital to let us know he would not be able to attend then he went back!

**Visiting Rotarians and Guests:** Unknown as the Editor was not present.

**Birthdays & Anniversaries:** None celebrated.

**Happy \$5.00.** None.

There will be a Fireside Chat for all Red Badge members, 6:00PM, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at the home of Stu Scott, 1193 Bradley Court, EC 92021. Food and beverages will be served.

**Today's Meeting – September 30, 2014**

Our very own **Doug (The Newlywed) Williford** will present us with an update on just how things are going here in Downtown El Cajon.

**Upcoming Club Events**

- Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>** Board Meeting, 8:00AM, COCO's, 2<sup>nd</sup> & Main.
- Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>** Rotary Work Day, assembling picnic tables.
- Oct. 31 – Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>** Assist 1000 Smiles, Ensenada, Mexico.
- June 27<sup>th</sup> 2015** Annual Auction and Fundraiser.

**Upcoming Meetings**

- Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>** C.V. School District representative
- Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>** Carol Lewis, Speaker.
- Oct. 21** Sheridan Baker, Speaker.

- Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>** Terri Sprecco, Speaker
- Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>** DARK

**Meredith Stowers** is the September Program Chair.  
**Cathy Hilton** is the October Program Chair.

**District News**

**2014 District Conference - Palm Springs, CA** Oct 24, 2014 - Oct 26, 2014.

**LEAD Youth Conference** Oct 11, 2014 09:00AM - Oct 12, 2014 3:00PM.

**Upcoming District Events**

**IT'S DISTRICT CONFERENCE TIME!**

Enjoy a Weekend Getaway, with a couple of hundred friends, some that you know now, some that you will meet for the first time at the 2014 District Conference, taking place at the Desert Princess Hotel and Golf Resort on October 24-26, 2014 in Palm Springs. And enjoy a FREE reception Friday night, with hospitality suites for all attendees. If you would like to host a suite, contact Susan Bleicher McNeil at [susan@bleicherpro.com](mailto:susan@bleicherpro.com) for details.

District Conference Registration has opened, and 150 of these friends have already registered; we need you there too. To register, [CLICK HERE](#). And make hotel reservations by clicking [RESERVE A ROOM](#). You can also call 1-800-433-0431 if you'd like and use Code RTRT5340.

District Conference registration starts at \$99, with full packages (including all meals and the Foundation Gala) at \$199.. This promises to be an amazing conference, set in an idyllic resort. Don't miss out: rooms at the Desert Princess are going fast.

**Help needed for District Conference**

**HELP NEEDED:** If you are attending the District Conference in Palm Springs October 24, AND you have a van or pickup truck that will fit two large crates, we are seeking your assistance.

Very generously, Tom Thomas from the Rotary Club of Lake Elsinore has offered the use of their stage drapes and

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their supports. The location of the crates is about 25 minutes off the I-15 Lake Elsinore off ramp and the items would need to be to the Doral Desert Princess Hotel by about 11:00 a.m. on Friday, October 24.

The crates would also need to be returned to Tom after the breakdown on Sunday, October 26. If you are able to assist with this please contact Linda Stouffer at 858-8

### Rotary Rose Parade Float Decorating Volunteers

Every New Year's Day, Rotary has a float in the Rose Parade in Pasadena, California. The Float for 2015 is depicted in the artist rendering above.

The Rose Parade float is not funded by Rotary International. It is entirely funded by voluntary contributions and the decoration of the float is done by volunteers.

The sign up for Float Decorators for the Rotary Rose Parade Float will open at 8 AM on September 20, 2014. Decorating starts December 8 and continues until December 31. Sign up at [www.rotaryfloat.org/schedule](http://www.rotaryfloat.org/schedule). Be early to register to get the best times for your group.

For more information contact [Ed Knight](#), a member of the Rotary Rose Parade Committee.

### Become a LEAD Advisor!



Come join in the fun! Rotarians are invited to be Advisors at District 5340's LEAD (Leadership, Ethics, Aspirations & Determination) Conference. LEAD is a 2-day weekend leadership camp for 8th grade students. Delegates discuss

issues of ethical responsibility, improve leadership and communication skills, develop a positive outlook on service and life, and have fun with new friends.

The 2014 LEAD Conference will be held October 11-12 at Camp Cuyamaca in San Diego County. Delegates from middle schools around our District will attend.

12 Rotarian Advisors are needed to help direct activities. If interested, please go online at [www.rotary5340lead.org](http://www.rotary5340lead.org) and follow the instructions in the Advisor section of the LEAD

website. You may also call Paul Pierce, 760-942-9911, if you have questions.

### Chula Vista Rotary Club presents Mariachi OktoberFiesta

On October 4, 2014, Chula Vista Rotary Club will hold its inaugural Mariachi OktoberFiesta. This OktoberFiesta will be a family friendly fusion Mexican and German food, music and culture.

The event includes exciting Mariachi performances, food and drinks, and a silent auction.

<http://www.chulavistarotary.org>

Noon to 4 p.m.

Saturday, October 4

Memorial Bowl, Memorial Park  
373 Park Way, Chula Vista 91910

### Editors Corner

Doing what you like is Freedom.

Liking what you do is Happiness.

### Joke of the Week

#### TWO ENGINEERS

Two engineers were standing at the base of a flagpole, looking at its top. A woman walked by and asked what they were doing.

"We're supposed to find the height of this flagpole," said Sven, "but we don't have a ladder."

The woman took a wrench from her purse, loosened a couple of bolts, and laid the pole down on the ground. Then she took a tape measure from her pocketbook, took a measurement, announced, "Twenty-one feet, six inches," and walked away.

One engineer shook his head and laughed, "A lot of good that does us. We ask for the height and she gives us the length!"

Both engineers have since lost their engineering jobs and are currently serving in the United States Congress.

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