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THE ROTARY CLUB OF MONTEREY, RI DISTRICT 5230

Colleen Bailey

Executive Director Of The Monterey Jazz Festival



A native of Monterey County, Bailey has a long history of leadership in the nonprofit and education sectors. Most recently she served as the Executive Director of the National Steinbeck Center. Under her leadership, the Center took over the operation of Sherwood Hall, the largest performing arts venue in Monterey County and developed a new performing arts series, which earned her the title of “Newsmaker of the Year” by the *Salinas Californian*. She was a founding board member, and the Executive Director of the Youth Orchestra of Salinas (YoSal), an El-Sistema-modeled music program in Salinas. Bailey was also an arts educator and administrator in schools in Colorado, and Central and Southern California.

A graduate of the Stevenson School in Pebble Beach, Bailey holds an undergraduate degree from USC, a master’s degree from

Northwestern University and a Certificate from Stanford University’s Graduate Scholl of Business’ Executive Program for Nonprofit Leaders at the Center for Social Innovation.

Ron Couter



Ron was born and raised on Long Island, NY and was very active in Scouting. He was the first boy in his troop to become an Eagle Scout and attended National and World Jamborees. As an adult, he served as a Scoutmaster, Commissioner and held other positions. He received Scouting's prestigious Hornaday Award for Conservation (only 1,100 awarded).

He graduated from the College of the Holy Cross and was commissioned in the U.S. Marine Corps. As a career officer, he served two combat tours in Vietnam and was involved in the Grenada operation in 1983. He

landed in Da Nang in April 1965 with the first Marine units, was an artillery forward observer and a fire support coordinator with Marine infantry units and commanded artillery batteries along the DMZ and overlooking Khe Sanh. He was decorated numerous times for combat actions and received the Purple Heart from Gen. Westmoreland on the battlefield. He was a Naval Tactical Air Observer

and became a leading expert in amphibious fire support coordination doctrine and tactics.

He received a MS in Computer Science from the Naval Postgraduate School and went on to develop tactical computer systems used by the Marines in the Gulf War. He retired as a Lt. Colonel. He always celebrates the USMC Birthday on November 10th.

He married his wife Rosemary at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City on 11 September (9/11... but they had the date first!) and they have 2 children. RLS graduates, his son and family live in London and daughter and her family live in



NOVEMBER

Thursday – 11/05 Jeff Orth – Why We Give, And Ideas For Effective Giving – Rotary Foundation

Tuesday – 11/10 COG Meeting – 5:30 PM

Thursday – 11/12 Board Meeting – 8:00 AM

Thursday – 11/12 Dan Coughlin – Joby Aviation – How To Save People A Billion Hours Per Day

Thursday – 11/19 Dr. Mara Orscanin – Oceanography; Our Beaches Come and Go

Thursday – 11/26 No Meeting – Thanksgiving

Topanga. He has six grandchildren. He also received a MA from Pepperdine University and an MBA from Marymount University.

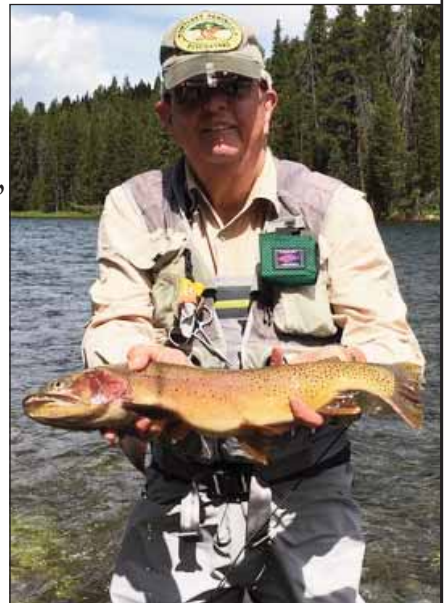
He moved back to the Monterey Peninsula in 1986 with his family, was employed by Global Weather Dynamics, Inc., and rose to COO before retiring in 2004. Currently, he is the President of a group of private real estate corporations in the New York City area.

A Monterey Rotarian since 1988, he served as Sergeant at Arms and as the Chairman and a long time Director of the Monterey Peninsula Rotary Fund. He has received multiple Paul Harris Fellowships and has driven a lot of really great sports cars.

He is a docent at the Carmel Mission and a marshal at the AT&T Golf Tournament for over 25 years. He is the Course Captain for the marshals at Pebble Beach, has marshaled 4 US Open Championships at Pebble Beach and chaired the Marshal Committee at the 2019 US Open.

An avid and dedicated fly fisherman since he was 13, he spends part of each summer trout fishing in Montana, Idaho, Wyoming and Yellowstone which proved to be very costly in Rotary fines over the years since he paid \$1 for each trout caught and released. He catches a lot of trout.

He is a dedicated golfer and was an expert alpine skier. A student of military history, he has stood on Iwo Jima's Mt. Suribachi, the beaches of Normandy and Guadalcanal, the fields of Flanders, Cemetery Ridge at Gettysburg and on Concord Bridge. He lives at Carmel Valley Ranch.



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