

Birthdays & Anniversaries
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 Announcements

At the board meeting last week, we voted to nominate **Kenny Humes as our President Elect Nominee** for the 2025-26 Rotary year. If you would like to nominate someone, please contact President Stephen Smith. We will vote at the general meeting to be held Wednesday, February 7th.

Simon Canalez gave us an update on the **BUHS girls' wrestling team**, who is undefeated. Our Brawley Rotary Club banner is proudly displayed at every match!

The 2024 **District Training Assembly** will be held Saturday, March 9th at Liberty Station in San Diego. If our club would like to participate in District and/or Global Grants, two of our members must attend the District and Global Grants seminars. To register, go to the District website and click on the District Training Assembly link.

- February 7th: Tom DuBose, President of DuBose Design Group
- February 14th: Four Way Speech Contest
- February 21st: Kirk Mann, Executive Director of the Imperial Valley Housing Authority
- February 28th: To be announced

February Birthdays:

3rd: Mary Miller

Member Anniversaries:

3rd: Sal Ortiz, 25 years
 13th: Tim Kelley, 22 years

Wedding Anniversaries:

4th: Nick and Kay Pricola, 18 years
 6th: Jeff and Heidi Jones, 36 years
 6th: Lee and Shavaun King, 14 years
 7th: Kenny and Jessica Humes, 9 years

This Week's Meeting

Visiting Rotarians: None

Guests: Alma Silva, Victor Torres

Recognitions: **Bob Shank** paid \$5 because his team is going to the Super Bowl.

Program: Tim Kelley, program chair for January, introduced Alma Silva, who is the Business Director for the Far South/Border North (FSBN), which is a regional collaborative that supports artists in San Diego and Imperial counties. Arts and culture are critical to the health and well-being of California. Imperial county is one of California's most disproportionately impacted communities. The California Arts Council, in partnership with the State legislature, developed California Creative Corps, Far South/Border North. FSBN is a two-year investment in the financial support of artists and cultural practitioners working in the community. FSBN provides grant funding and development opportunities for artists in Imperial County. The FSBN goals are to increase public awareness and to reduce the stigma of mental health and to create awareness of how art can be used as a tool for self care and mental health. Alma has a bachelor's degree in media and fine arts. Her work is displayed at the pediatric office on Marshall Ave in Imperial. We had fun drawing and coloring with markers on wood discs that Alma distributed and we got to take our art home! Thank you, Alma and Tim! Check out our Facebook page for pictures of our artwork!

