

The Chamber of Commerce for Greater Brawley would like to invite you to participate in their **2022 Cattle Call Theme Contest**. The winner of the contest will be awarded with the title of 2022 Cattle Call Junior Grand Marshall and invited to ride in the 2022 Cattle Call parade and will receive 2 wristbands for the Chili Cook-off. Submit your entry to: contact@brawleychamber.com by **July 29, 2022**. Go to the chamber’s website for more information.

Great news! District 5340 will receive a **\$25,000 disaster response grant** from The Rotary Foundation to support **Ukrainian refugees** right here in our own District. Congratulations to James Morrison, District Foundation Treasurer and member of Point Loma Club and his team for getting approval of their Disaster Response Grant (DRG) for Ukrainian refugees in our local area in record time!

July 20th: David Cañez, Jr., Representative of PPLSI (Pre-Paid Legal Services, Inc)
July 27th: Regular meeting, Stockmen’s Club
August 3rd: Regular meeting, Stockmen’s Club

July Birthdays:
11th: Simon Canalez
15th: Sheila Kruger
19th: Sal Ortiz
23rd: Shavaun O’Malley King

Wedding Anniversaries:
23rd: Greg and Michele Smith, 39 years

Member Anniversaries:
11th: Carter Taylor, 21 years
11th: Nick Pricola, 38 years
29th: Sheila Kruger, 29 years

This Week’s Meeting

Guests: Juan Rodelo

Recognitions: President-Elect **Stephen Smith** led the meeting today, as new President **Simon Canalez** was out of town at a work conference. Immediate Past President **Dillon Faubion** went to Montana with his wife and enjoyed a fun-filled vacation of camping, hiking, fishing, and kayaking, he paid \$30. President-Elect **Stephen Smith** went to Twin Falls, Idaho, where he and his wife saw antelope and elk. His wife is still there and he’s going back to pick her up. He paid \$30. **Tim Kelley** paid \$20 for his recent travels where he saw people he knew from the Imperial Valley. **Tim Kelley, Bob Shank, Mary Miller, and Mercedes Wheeler** each paid \$5 for not wearing their name badges.

Program: Program Chairman for July Ramiro Urias was unable to attend today due to being on a family vacation. Mayor Sam Couchman introduced Fire Marshall and Deputy Chief Juan Rodelo. Juan told us that he was born in Mexicali and moved here when he was 17. He previously worked as battalion chief at the County of Imperial Fire Department and decided to make the move to Brawley because he liked the teamwork he observed here. He joined the Navy after high school and wanted to be in the medical field. But the Navy had other plans for him, and he spent 3 years in North Carolina. He has been married to his wife for 22 years. The position of Fire Marshall has been vacant in the City of Brawley for 5 years due to budget constraints. It recently opened back up and Juan was hired. He told us he likes to educate people and inform businesses about what is required before he enforces those requirements. His job is to make sure everyone is in compliance. He prefers to inspect in person and will write a report only when corrections are needed. The position of Fire Marshall/ Deputy Chief is needed for backup, in case the Chief is unable to perform his duties for any reason. He told us that the City of Brawley is getting a new off-road fire truck that can be used for river-bottom fires. Thank you, Fire Marshall/Deputy Chief Rodelo!

Children's Logic: "Give me a sentence about a public servant," said a teacher. The small boy wrote: "The fireman came down the ladder pregnant." The teacher took the lad aside to correct him. "Don't you know what pregnant means?" she asked. "Sure," said the young boy confidently. "It means carrying a child."