



## Next Week's Program Capt. Ladislao Montero

## Location: CCYC

## Upcoming: Dec. 18—CCYC HOLIDAY PARTY: Theme is Ugly Sweater

Jan. 8—CYC  
Financial Market Fore-  
cast

Jan. 15—CCYC  
Hala Madanat: Research  
and Innovation at SDSU

## Club Events

CHRISTMAS PARADE, **06**  
5:50 PM, 7TH & **Dec**  
ORANGE; ALL INVITED  
TO WALK WITH US

FLAGS ON THE AVE: **07**  
FIRST & ORANGE, **Dec**  
7 AM

BEACH CLEANUP, **14**  
ISABELLA & OCEAN, **Dec**  
7:45 AM

MILITARY AFFAIRS **14**  
COM: BUILD A BIKE, **Dec**  
8:30 AM, MCRD  
MARINA BOATHOUSE

DUNCAN, FLEMING, **17**  
STEWART SWEARING **Dec**  
IN, 4 PM, CITY COUN-  
CIL CHAMBERS

.HOLIDAY PARTY, 11 **18**  
AM: UGLY **Dec**  
SWEATER

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

## COROTATOR

### NOTES FROM THE SCRIBE:

**President Pat** welcomed us to CYC on National Repeal Day. **John McCann** gave us a true inspirational moment by playing a video of Gen Jinchang winning a 50- meter freestyle swimming event without arms! He also led us in the pledge, and **Nadiia Bagin** had the privilege of introducing the visiting Rotarians and MANY guests (and Lederer fans) of Rotarians. **President Pat** introduced all the Red Badgers and asked them to tell us the place where they spent their favorite Christmas. **President Pat** let us know that, while there will be no fashion show this year, **Mary Ann Berta** (La Mer) and Rich Brady (Brady's Menswear) will provide a discount to Rotarians on Wednesday, December 11, 2024.

In case you missed the meeting, you can catch it here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D3R-48vW1OY>

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

## Rotary Notes of Interest & Announcements

1. The slate of new officers of Rotary Year 2025 –26 for our Club was read by **President Pat** and an affirmative vote of the membership was taken. Returning officers are **Marvin Heinze**, **Rick Wilcoxon**, and **Stephanie Anderson**. New officers are **Sara Cheverton**, **Jacqueline Trapp**, and **Carol Sommer**. Directors are Treasurer **Chris Keyes**, Secretary **Brittany Teeter**, Past President **Pat Starke**, President **Natalie Bailey** and President-elect **Karol McClelland**.

2. Save the date: On December 17 at 4:00 PM at City Hall--, three Rotarians get sworn in at City Council: **John Duncan** - Mayor, **Mark Fleming** and **Amy Steward** – City Council members. Let's show up and support them all!

3. 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 **President Pat** know.

4. Ms. Santa Claus, aka **Debby Syverson**, asked for your participation as a Santa, a reindeer (driver) or an elf (helper) so Coronado Rotary can carry on its long-standing (95 year) tradition of delivering gifts on Christmas Eve to kids (and even adults!). We need 20 Santas this year (up from 15 last year) so contact **Tim Hodges**, **Debby** or **Bob Syverson** if you want to participate.

5. Holiday Fun for all! **Shannon Canu** reminded us that the Rotary Christmas Party will be held December 18 at CCYC, featuring caroling, ornament exchange, and ugly sweaters, along with a spelling bee. **Juli Gallagher** and **Terry Curtin** guarantee loads of family fun!

6. Rotary Minute: **Juliane Morris** told us about Rotary scholarships. Our club awards two \$5,000 scholarships (one each to an outstanding boy and girl) every year. RI awards a Peace and Conflict Resolution graduate study scholarship on an annual basis. A friend of her parents sent Juliane a card congratulating her on becoming a Rotarian and telling her about a Rotary scholarship she received in 1957 for \$250 that paid her tuition and books for two years!

7. **President Pat** recognized three Rotary heroes, **Carol Sommer**, **PDG Dan Gensler** and **Ron Verneti**. Their combined contributions supported digging a bore hole in Africa for fresh water.

8. Inductions: **PP Tom Mitchell** inducted new Coronado Rotary members into the greatest club in the universe! **Angelique Campen**, Emergency Medicine sponsored by **President Pat**; **Lisa Lombardo**, Law sponsored by **Mary Beth Parr**, **Missy Robertson**, Mental Health sponsored by **Ron Verneti**. Welcome, new Rotarians!

9. **Stephanie Anderson** let us know that we are helping to support the Texas Firefighters Home from the proceeds of Low Tide Ride & Stride. The big check totaled \$22,000.

10. Christmas Parade! Participate in Friday's Parade by walking with the Rotary Float from 5:30 to 6:30. It's fun!

11. National Day Gifts – **Nadiia** and **Alec Bagin** were given Baklava for a past National Day and a can of Pabst Blue Ribbon beer (aka PBR) went to Vernie Welch for Repeal Day!



Stephanie Anderson and Pres Pat present a check to Texas Firefighters Homes for \$22k

## Fines and Recognitions:

**Stephanie Anderson** was fined \$25 for her yoga pose upon a pyramid of her sons.

**President Pat** fined anyone not having Rotary insignia on their shirts \$1 to go in the blue buckets for Alzheimer's research.

## Care and Concern:

ROY **Jane Simeral** told us that **Carrie Seigenthaler's** guide dog, Sullie, has cancer. She asked for our prayers.

## Program:

**Jeanmarie Bond** introduced Richard Lederer, renowned wordsmith and prolific author as well as San Diego Union Tribune language columnist, who entertained us with puns aplenty and interesting word derivations. He told us that our language is constantly evolving toward more efficient ways of saying what we mean. He defined a pun as a way of compressing a large amount of meaning into a small amount of space in an effort to be funny. And he certainly was!

Richard Lederer, verbologist, wordsmith, punster, and joker



Angelique Campen, Lisa Lombardo, & Missy Robertson were inducted by Tom Mithcell with help from Pres Pat and Ron V



## Rotarians Out and About

### The December Social at the VFW



Dec 5 **Kris Grant**  
**Tom Miller**  
**Robert Spear**

Dec 9 **Sue Ryan**

Dec 10 **Missy Robertson**



Coronado Rotary's

# WINTER HOLIDAY PARTY

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18TH**

11:00am to 1:30pm - Coronado Cays Yacht Club  
Registration Closes Dec. 10th

*Attire: Ugly Holiday Sweater*

So Much Fun! - Christmas!! - Hanukkah!! - Kwanzaa!!

- Bring an Un-Wrapped Toy to donate to the Support The Enlisted Project (STEP)
- Ornament Exchange: Bring One Take One
- Free Family and Friends Photos - WITH SANTA
- Games and Holiday Crafts for ALL AGES to enjoy
- Caroling Begins at 11am with the ROTARY CHORALE

*Let's Celebrate Together!*

