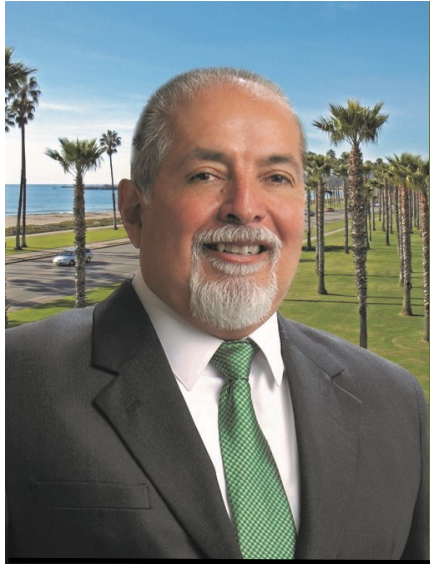




MAY '22 NEWSLETTER



SANTA BARBARA/ PUERTO VALLARTA SISTER CITY COMMITTEE



SEBASTIAN ALDANA, PRESIDENT

Happy May SB/PV Members,

I hope your Easter Sunday was an enjoyable day with friends and family. Our next General dinner Meeting will be at Mulligan's on May 4, 2022. Everyone seems to be enjoying this location. It will be a Cinco de Mayo theme. If all goes well, we will receive a presentation from Augie Johnson, owner of Augie's Tequila and Thomas Fire Survivor. Hopefully we can wet our beak with some of Augie's Reposado and Anejo. Please RSVP timely, it's in everybody's best interest including the restaurants. Stop by early to enjoy their happy hour prior to our meeting.

We will be receiving a visitation from our Puerto Vallarta amigos, June 28 - July 5. Be on a look out for the visitation agenda. It should be very

enjoyable. Also, if you would like to host some of our guests, please reach out to Marti Garcia with any questions.

Our membership keeps growing, nice to know people are liking our functions and the projects we are supporting along with our future visit to Puerto Vallarta in November.

Our Vice President Mike Hernandez will be returning in about a week after a six month stay in Puerto Vallarta. It will be great to catch up with him and hear about all that he did while being there. We talked every 10 days or so, he assisted a lot on some of our projects, spent time with the Puerto Vallarta Sister City group and helped Jorge Zambrano with his community projects, not to mention enjoying a margarita or two at Andales. Hasta luego.

May 4th Membership Meeting

Mulligan's Café

5:30 Registration

Cinco de Mayo Celebration

Homemade Chile Rellenos

Chicken Fajitas

Beans, Spanish Rice

Garden Salad with cranberries, pecans, cheese

Chips and Salsa

Members \$35.00 per person

Guests \$40.00

Happy hour until 6 p.m.

Wine bottle corking fee \$15.00

Limit of 65 guests - RSVP required

Ladylache@hotmail.com

Voice message at 805-965-1573

No text message

COMMUNITY SUMMIT IN SAN DIEGO & TIJUANA

Sister Cities International is excited to announce the U.S. - Mexico Mayors' Community Summit taking place in San Diego, CA and Tijuana, BC from September 28, 2022 to October 1, 2022. Any members attending?

SANTA BARBARA/PUERTO VALLARTA SISTER CITY TENTATIVE VISITATION – CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF FRIENDSHIP NOVEMBER 29 – DECEMBER 8, 2022

- 11/29/22 Arrive in Puerto Vallarta (either via American Airline or Alaska Airline)
Welcome dinner (to be determined)
- 11/30/22 Welcome breakfast (to be determined)
Visit new Puerto Vallarta Museum of Art
- 12/01/22 Rotary Club of Puerto Vallarta Sur – Marriott Marina (\$16/cost)
Re-signing of Rotary Sister Clubs (Santa Barbara – Puerto Vallarta)
VISIT:
 - Rehabilitation Clinic
 - Volcanes Sewing School, Music classes
 - PV Kid's w/cancer
- 12/02/22 VISIT:
 - Boca de Tomatlan
 - Yelapa – light lunch
- 12/03/22 Sister City Club events
Re-signing of friendship between Santa Barbara and Puerto Vallarta
- 12/04/22 Canopy Day – breakfast & activities (zip-lining, hiking, tequila tasting)
Playa los Arcos Hotel – beachfront dinner
- 12/05/22 Visit Puerto Vallarta Botánica Gardens – lunch
- 12/06/22 Inauguration of 50th Anniversary mosaic bench
- 12/07/22 Goodbye Event
- 12/08/22 Good-Bye breakfast (to be determined)
Leave for Airport & home

Note: This is a **tentative** schedule, our friends from Puerto Vallarta will expand activities. Nothing is in stone, please be flexible, even when in Mexico. A pre-meeting will be held prior to departure. Please stay tuned for up-dates.

MAY SB/PV MEETING

A note about our April membership meeting. The history our association with our local Children's Creative Project and I Madonnari art collaboration with Puerto Vallarta was impressive. The program presented by members Kathy Koury, Ann Hefferman and friends from the Children's Creative Project was very well received. It was wonderful to see so many of our members come out for this meeting.

Our May membership meeting will again be at Mulligan's with a Cinco de Mayo theme and, in keeping with our 50th anniversary, our presentation will provide more history of our organization.

Mulligan's has been very accommodating, however, for Covid safety and to offer everyone a great experience we MUST limit our capacity to 65 guests. If you are planning to attend please RSVP by Sunday May 1 at ladylachel@hotmail.com or leave a voice message (no text) at 805.965.1573. Please plan ahead and plan for your guests.

We are always looking for venues to accommodate our growing group. Please contact a Board member if you have any suggestions.

HOUSING NEEDED FOR OUR GUESTS FROM PUERTO VALLARTA SIGN-UP NOW TO BE A HOST FAMILY! June 28 – July 05, 2022

We're excited to announce that our friends from Puerto Vallarta will be coming to Santa Barbara for the 50th Anniversary Friendship Celebration. We're looking for families to host a couple and/or a single person (man or women). As a host, you not only get to be acquainted with our Puerto Vallarta friends but you also get into all the planned events free! This is really a great opportunity to bond with a person from Puerto Vallarta, don't miss this chance. It's been three long years since a visitation from our friends from Puerto Vallarta has taken place.

Please contact Margaret Saavedra (805) 708-0770

email: lk4maggie@gmail.com OR Marti Correa de Garcia (805) 680-2163;

email: marti@gilgarcia-aia.com if you have more questions or want to sign up for sister city gratifying opportunity.

Symphony Plays “FANDANGO PICANTE” Program Sunday, May 1, 4:00pm Thursday, May 5, 7:30 p.m. GRANADA THEATRE

PROGRAM

Arturo Marquez | Danzón No. 2

Arturo Marquez | Fandango violin concerto

Rimsky-Korsakov | Capriccio Espagnol



Violin superstar Anne Akiko Meyers returns to the Santa Barbara Symphony to ignite the stage with “*Fandango*”, a new piece written specifically for her by Mexican composer Arturo Marquez, which will be making its world premiere debut by the LA Philharmonic at the Hollywood Bowl just a few months prior to this performance. This new violin concerto showcases the fireworks of Akiko Meyers’ dynamic playing style with the rhythmic movement and Latin sound Marquez is famous for. The mastery of the orchestra is on display in Rimsky-Korsakov’s “*Capriccio Espagnol*”, weaving in Spanish folk themes and in particular showcases the dexterity of the strings who play “quasi guitarra” sounding like guitars. Olé! **(Composer, Arturo Marquez is expected to attend the performance)**

POTENTIAL NEW PROJECT IN DEVELOPMENT STAGE

In a meeting between Jorge Zambrano, Mike Hernandez and some of Jorge’s friends from New York that started at 11 am and ended at 5 pm, we talked all the points of the subject project related to soap packaging jobs for handicap persons in PV project. Jorge was very impressed and enthusiastically has ordered 10 hotel-size and 10 house-size boxes from the factory in Atotonilco for use in his hotel and residential use. His son has already contacted Carlos the owner of the company in Atotonilco for the shipment with payment on arrival. Jorge’s son is in charge of the administrative start-up for now. Jorge will begin making presentations in hotels. He will contact hotel owners that he knows and who might be interested in supporting this economic beneficial project for the handicap non-profit organization that will do the packaging of the soap for distribution to the greater hotel industry in the Bay of Banderas.

SANTA BARBARA SISTER CITIES YOUNG ARTISTS SHOWCASE ANNOUNCES 2022 AWARD WINNER



1st Place Winner Itzel Arrelano Rocha (\$250)



2nd Place Winner Chloe Copelland (\$150)



3rd Place Winner Veronique Durham (\$100)

A large crowd of Santa Barbara Sister Cities members, friends and young artists gathered at the home of Gil and Marti Garcia, long-time board members of the Santa Barbara - Puerto Vallarta Sister City Committee to participate in the reception, viewing and judging of the Sister Cities 2022 Young Artist Showcase. The Theme for the competition was Generation Rescue: Sustainable Water for All, where thirty-nine area students, ages 13-18, submitted their art with written descriptions for consideration.

Winners will participate in the international competition in Puerto Vallarta later this year as part of the 50th anniversary celebration of Santa Barbara International Sister Cities. Oscar Gutierrez, from SBTv and a member of the SB/PV Committee did a great job documenting the Young Artists Showcase and award presentation. Sponsors for the artist prizes included Pacific Premier Bank and Santa Barbara/Puerto Vallarta Sister Cities Committee.

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SBPV 50th ANNIVERSARY MOSAIC BENCH TAKING SHAPE



The Board of SBPV Sister City authorized the developed of a mosaic bench in the park near the Playa Los Arcos Hotel in recognition of the 50th anniversary of the existance of the friendship between Santa Barbara and Puerto Vallarta. Ann Hefferman originally developed a concept version and turned it over to local artist who completed the final design. Official recognition will take place during the November visit by Santa Barbara members.

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