USBC Events

General Meeting and Socials Gatherings

Join us at our next General Meeting at the Rosarito Beach Hotel on Saturday December 4th, where Alejandro Vargas, Director of the Municipal Transparency Office, accompanied by Gaby Rincon of FRAO who will translate.

Our Holiday Dinner will be held at Los Amigos on Saturday December 18th

– Join Santa and Friends –
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United Society of Baja California (USBC)  
General Meetings: 1st Saturday of the month, 10am,  
Rosarito Beach Hotel, Rosarito, B.C.  
Board meets Wednesday prior to the 1st Saturday, 10am, at La Maroma.  
USBC is a social charity group serving as the hub for social, charitable and special interest groups  
in the Rosarito area.

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TREASURER’S REPORT

BY MILO GOEHRING

Financial Report (November 2021)
Total Income $ 1,442.00
Total Expenses $ 1,153.00
Year-to-date Income $ 576.00

Membership Report (November 2021)
New Members 4
Renewals For The Month 7
Lifetime 10
Total Active Members 135
Hello members,
I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving feast and holiday. We have so much to be thankful for in our lives and this wonderful community. We had a delightful annual Thanksgiving social with great appetizers provided, as usual, by our past president, Judy. Thank you to Norma and her Los Amigos crew for the scrumptious lunch and exemplary service.

Remember: Our general meeting is held at Rosarito Beach Hotel (RBH) on the first Saturday of each month unless it is a holiday, in which case, it will be held on the following Saturday. Ordering breakfast at 9:30am, before the start of the meeting, ensures that you will receive a meal that is hot and delectable. Our speaker chairperson, Danielle, has a great lineup of speakers so come and learn and enjoy meeting new people. Your continued support is vital to our community.

I can’t believe it is already December. The year seemed to fly by. USBC is back and we are looking forward to an even better 2022. Look for some changes and great things happening. Be sure to check our USBC website (www.unitedsocietyofbaja.org) or Facebook regularly for new information and the latest scheduled activities.

Your USBC board still needs energetic and committed volunteers to continue the hard work of keeping our community and social programs viable and sustainable during the coming years. Please think about contributing your expertise and experience to serve our community with USBC. Your participation ensures the energy needed to make our continued good life in Rosarito a permanent reality. You are our lifeblood to continue this good work so volunteer for your community now.

USBC will continue to follow all safety protocols for COVID for our events and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Please continue to be safe and aware. As always, Linda’s and my prayers are with you all.

God bless,
Wayne Denniston, President
USBC Cruises -- Holland America Cruise (March 2022)

As part of the USBC Fundraising Events, there are two 7-day cruises to choose from, both in March 2022. Please contact Larry Norman, our vacation and cruise coach, at larrynormanctc@gmail.com (619) 930-9677, for more information and to book your cruise.

Holland America – Ms Koningsdam

Two 7-Day Cruises
Mexico – March 13th to March 20th
Coastal – March 20th to March 27th

March 13th 2022 – Mexico, Round Trip
San Diego to Puerto Vallarta, Mazatlán and Cabo San Lucas

Balcony Cabin $1,389 + $115 port tax
($1,504 per person)

Inside Cabin $979 + $115 port tax
($1,094 per person)

March 20th 2022 – Pacific Coastal
Catalina, Santa Barbara, San Francisco (overnight) and Ensenada

Balcony Cabin $1,334 + $205 port tax
($1,539 per person)

Inside Cabin $1,074 + $205 port tax
($1,219 per person)
Community Events – Rosarito Theatre Group Performances

ROSARITO THEATRE GUILD PRESENTS

A Criminal Christmas Caper

DINNER & A MURDER...

DECEMBER 7
SEATING/DRINKS @2:00
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THE WHY OF A GRANT

As the History Project moves on, albeit very slowly, it has occurred to me that seeking a grant on behalf of USBC would be a distinct possibility.

It isn’t just the money, nor the countless hours of arduous research work. Neither is it an intellectual exercise just to check if I still have the knack for it. It seems I still had it as of not so long ago when I obtained a $10,000 grant for 3 consecutive years for a local orphanage. After all, grant writing is only a craft where you make a good case for yourself and your project. I sincerely think the history of USBC has merit.

I searched among the many grants out there – millions of grant money go unawarded each year - for the fastest and easiest which would fit the project. The history of USBC from 1983 to 2003 viewed through the testimonies of members still around is a topic of interest on many levels. One just has to tweak the narrative to the agenda of the funder.

I elected California Humanities – funded by the National Endowment for Humanities – for the ease of application and its upcoming deadline, and their interest in California topics. In this case: what possessed all these people to leave the Golden State to migrate just across the border to form a “colony” as evidenced in the creation of an association? It was a quick grant for $5,000. I missed the deadline on a technicality: USBC does not have a physical address and there was no way to fudge that. So, we needed to secure a fiscal sponsor. One was found and a very good one…. And that will be the subject of my next article.

-- We continue our call for volunteers for this one-of-a-kind project --
THE USBC ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED SOCIETY OF BAJA CALIFORNIA
continued from November

SNIPPETS FROM THE 1984-1984 ARCHIVES

“If you don’t join us, you’ll be doing yourself a disservice. Help yourself, get involved”

Barbara Roberts, editor, January 1984 Communicator

Some folks must have heeded her call. There were 251 members at the
time. It was reported that 105 people attended a cocktail party. They
had 2 such parties monthly in addition to the general meeting.

Let’s work on the arithmetic. 251 members out of 5,000 foreign
residents in 1983 to 125 members out of 20,000 foreign residents in
2021. Without succumbing to some editorializing, I’ll just say these folks
really enjoyed one another’s company.

With heartfelt nostalgia I read that 4 P.M. to 5 P.M. was daily monitoring of
your CB on channel 14 south of Calafia and channel 23 north.

The board and general meetings were held on a Monday night. 4 P.M.
Board Meeting 5 P.M. Happy hour 7 P.M. to 8 P.M. General Meeting
followed by dinner for those who wished. All were encouraged to do so.
This seems to be a very civilized program. It was held at El Rancho
Restaurant. I’ll find out if that same venue still exists. I have not yet dug
deep enough through the archives to see when the general meeting was
switched to Saturday morning. In light of the poor attendance at our
general meetings lately, it may be time to re-visit our general meeting
schedule.

A USBC birthday party held every year shows how much the members
valued the organization where they honored local individuals, there
seemed to be a fair amount of involvement local and not so local
Mexican citizens of note such as the Governor’s mother and father who
were granted the status of honorary members. This all sounds so sweet.

In the same issue of March 1984, there is a call for volunteers to host
visiting Shriners Band members. In fact the Communicator that month is
chock- full of activities - 17 single spaced 12pt type 9x11 pages! When
did these people ever rest?
COPPER CANYON ~ RARAMURI EXPEDITION 7 DAY TOUR

Sandy, of Sandy’s tours, is looking to arrange a trip for the USBC members in 2022. If we can get enough members, we can make it a trip of our own.

A journey through Copper Canyon is one of the most rewarding journeys you can take in Mexico. The train ride itself is remarkable, the scenery is amazing, and the whole experience will become a lifetime memory for you and those traveling with you. This guide will give you an insight into what the Copper Canyon can offer and, hopefully, entice you to take this wonderful journey one day soon.

Train Ride. Much of this magnificent canyon is solely accessible by the Copper Canyon Railway. This feature alone earns the trip through the canyon a reputation as the world’s most scenic train ride. Because it covers a distance of over 400 miles, the trip takes 16 hours one way. This railroad line was built in 1870 and runs from Kansas to Texas. Then, it continues across the border to Chihuahua and Los Mochis. Finally, the line reaches Topolobambo, one of the largest natural harbors in North America. Ninety-one years later the railroad became complete, as the tracks were joined at Temoris Station on the southwestern edge of the canyon. This is considered one of the greatest engineering feats of the 20th century. Today’s route through the Copper Canyon takes passengers from sea level to over 8,000 feet in elevation. It traverses through 86 tunnels, and across 39 bridges. The longest tunnel on the course measures nearly 6,000 feet, while the highest bridge towers 340 feet over the Chinipas River. Join us aboard the CHEPE Express traveling in 1st class and exclusive access to the all-new Terrace car.

More details at:  https://sandystours.com/copper-canyon

Sandy’s Travels – (646) 113.5769
sandyrosanegra@gmail.com
Community: Maggi’s Christmas Dinner!

Christmas is a day to spend with friends & family, not alone! For those members who are alone, or with only their life partner, consider dinner at Maggi’s home. This is the 31st year for dinner at Maggi’s, after a 2-year hiatus. Friends will start gathering about 2:30pm and dinner will be served about 5pm.

This year she will be serving a spiral ham with baked yams; her guests will bring the rest. Dessert is already covered!

If you wish to join in the festivities, call or email Maggi, 619-997-0824 or bajamagpie2@yahoo.com before Wednesday, December 22nd so she knows what you will be bringing and how many to expect.

Please bring a donation of dog food or money for vet bills for Red Barn Rescue and a donation of $5 to help cover the cost of the tent.
Our USBC Holiday Party is on Saturday, December 18th at Los Amigos!

It is a holiday theme. Dress in your best or worst ('ugly' sweaters are a favorite). Bring a wrapped Holiday Themed gift ($15 - $20). Santa will be making an appearance, and there will be other special things along with the celebration. The Los Amigos standard menu will be available, but dessert will be provided!

Come celebrate the Holidays with friends. This is a good way to meet new folks too!
**Calendar of Events**

**USBC General Meeting**  
1st Saturday of the month at 10am.  
Rosarito Beach Hotel, Rosarito

**USBC Monthly Social**  
3rd Saturday of the month at 1pm.  
Los Amigos, Rosarito

**USBC Restaurant Tour**  
4th Monday of the month at 5pm.  
Different restaurant each month.

**FRAO (#201) Free Spanish Class.**  
ZOOM Web Attendance 11am – 1pm Mondays (Beginner) & Fridays (Intermediate)

Bookmark our events page for continuous details: [www.unitedsocietyofbaja.org/events](http://www.unitedsocietyofbaja.org/events)

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Christmas White Elephant 1pm at Los Roca’s | Mutt Day  
Special Education Day |     | USBC General Meeting |
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| **5** | **6** | **7** |     |     |     |     |
| Bathub Party Day  
Repeat Day | St. Nicholas Day  
Microwave Oven Day |     |     |     |     |     |
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| Brownie Day  
Pretend to be a Time Traveler Day | Pastry Day |     |     | Human Rights Day  
Salesperson Day |     |     |
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| **11** | **12** | **13** |     |     |     |     |
| APP Day  
Noodle Ring Day | Ding-A-Ling Day  
Gingerbread House Day | National Guard Birthday  
Coco Day |     |     |     |     |
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| **14** | **15** | **16** |     |     |     |     |
| Kathy Hutzler Birthday  
Monkey Day | Linda Frye Birthday  
Bill of Rights Day  
Cupcake Day | Chocolate Covered Anything Day |     |     | Underdog Day  
Wright Brothers Day |     |
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| **17** | **18** | **19** |     |     |     |     |
| USBC Holiday Dinner |     | Hard Candy Day  
Oatmeal Muffin Day |     |     |     |     |
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| **20** | **21** | **22** |     |     |     |     |
| Mudd Day  
Sangria Day | Winter Begins  
Homeless Persons Remembrance Day | Crystal Hill Birthday  
Date Nut Bread Day |     |     |     |     |
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| **23** | **24** | **25** |     |     |     |     |
| Re-Gifting Day  
Roots Day | Christmas Eve  
Eggnog Day | Christmas Day |     |     |     |     |
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| **26** | **27** | **28** |     |     |     |     |
| Boxing Day  
Thank-you Note Day  
Candy Cane Day | Fruitcake Day | Pledge of Allegiance Day  
Chocolate Candy Day |     |     |     |     |
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| **29** | **30** | **31** |     |     |     |     |
| Pepper Pot Day  
Tick Tock Day | Bacon Day  
Bicarbonate of Soda Day | Chuck Smith Birthday  
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New Year’s Eve |     |     |     |     |
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USBC Community – November Events

Our Monthly Social and Restaurant Tour – YUM!!!
USBC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

$20 USD - 1 Yr Membership (Per Person) *Make checks payable to USBC

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Home Phone: _______ Cell Phone: _______ E-mail: _______

Month/Day of Birthday: _______ Month/Day of Anniversary: _______

USBC is a 501c3 non-profit organization. Donations are greatly appreciated.

You can also apply or renew your membership online at:

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San Ysidro, CA 92143

Or drop off at
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AA Grupo open meetings: Sun, Mon, Thurs, 10 AM Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 6pm, 2 blocks east of Del Mar Inn. Closed Women's Wednesday 10AM & Men's Thursday 6PM. (661) 614-1678.

AL-ANON (English) Tuesday 10AM 2 blocks east of Del Mar Inn. Saturday 1PM in Primo Tapia. Call for information (661) 614-1678.

Angels 2 Angels is a bi-national mission-centric charitable organization dedicated to helping orphanages transform into centers of excellence, providing children with protected, loving, quality care. 100% of all donations go directly to help the orphanages. www.angels2angels.org. Contact: Leticia Castro de Halverson, Founder and Executive Director, (951) 205-9890, Leticia@angels2angels.org.

Baja Animal Sanctuary Provides help for abused and abandoned animals by spaying/neutering and finding homes. Contact: Sunny Benedict, bajadogs@aol.com, www.bajaanimalsanctuary.org.


Baja Dog Rescue American-run 501(c)(3) organization operated by volunteers in Baja California. We are a no-kill shelter that rescues and rehabilitates unwanted, abandoned, and neglected dogs and finds them loving homes. Contact: (619) 407-9372, (664) 636-2997, josh@bajadogrescue.org, www.bajadogrescue.org.

Baja Scholarship Foundation Provides financial support to superior Mexican students at risk of dropping out of school due to financial hardship. Contact: Judie Desson (661) 613-2359, (760) 208-2840, www.bajascholarshipfoundation.org, kenorjude@yahoo.com.

Bajavurah Meets the last Sunday of the month. A Jewish social group whose members live part or full-time in the Rosarito Beach area. www.bajavurah.com. Contact: Gordon Kane, President, (619) 980-4673, gordonmkane@gmail.com.

Club de Ninos y Ninas Rosarito Affiliated with the Boys & Girls Club of America. Provides positive programs, services and activities for school-age children. Contact: Rosy Torres, President, rosymtorres@hotmail.com, www.clubnyn.org.

Cruz Roja Voluntarios Americanos de Rosarito The group are not active at this time, but the thrift store is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. Please stop by 10am to 3pm (Thrift Store by Waldos) to drop off donations.

DIF Desarrollo Integral de la Familia Meetings in English: 2nd Tuesday, 9:00AM, Salon Maya, Rosarito Beach Hotel Contact: Linda Munoz, (661) 612-6082 or (661) 612-6077, dir.dif.rosarito@hotmail.com.

Flying Samaritans Meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month at Villas del Mar, 10:00AM. They conduct free clinics for people of Mexico who have no other resources. Medical clinics the 2nd Saturday, and a hearing clinic the 3rd Saturday. Clinic is located at Calle Chihuahua #488, Colonia Constitución. Contact: Susan Smith, President, (858) 240-2360, (661) 100-6066, susansmithz@hotmail.com, www.flyingsamaritansrosarito.org.

FRAO The Foreign Residents Attention Office, located in Suite 201 (new location) on the first floor of City Hall, provides information and assistance to international residents. Breakfast meeting on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 10:00AM. Calafia Hotel Contact: (661) 614-9600 ext. 1080, frao@rosarito.gob.mx.

Friends of the Library Our meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month except December (10AM) at CEART. FOL promotes reading, literacy & works to improve conditions and collections of the 5 library branches. Contact: President Nancy Zvonkovic, friendsofthelibraryrb@gmail.com, www.friendsofthelibrary.com.mx.
Hearts of Baja Children's Homes Network  To coordinate the needs and resources of the 109 registered and additional non-registered group homes for the nearly 6000 children, orphaned or not, living in our own backyard. Contact: Marilyn Widd, mkwidd@hotmail.com, (442) 400-2309, (760) 936-3772, www.heartsofbaja.com.

Los Angelitos Orphanage  You are welcome to be part of this orphanage, and the blessing of your sponsorship will allow an additional child to enter into this home. info@losangelitos.org, www.losangelitos.org.

Rosarito Sister Cities Committee  Meets the 4th Thursday of the month, 10:00AM in Room 212 at City Hall. Aims to increase international trade, economic development, and exchanges of culture, educational and social services. Contact: (661) 614-9600 ext. 1080, frao@rosarito.gob.mx.

Rosarito Theatre Guild  Board of Directors meets on the 2nd Tuesday, 10:00AM. Location will be determined monthly. RTG aim is to provide live theatre entertainment to the community of Rosarito and surrounding area. Contact: Milo Goehring, President (661) 100-6653. milocary2@gmail.com, www.rosaritotheatre.org


Calvary Chapel Rosarito  Pastor Mike Vincent. Meets at Aqua Calientes #2978. Services: Sunday 9:00 & 11:00AM, Saturday 6:30PM and Wednesday 6:30PM. (661) 612-7915, calvarychapelrosarito@yahoo.com.

Hope Chapel Rosarito  Located in Baja Malibu, right next to Baja Storage at KM 23.5 along the Tijuana-Ensenada free road. Services: Sunday 11:30AM and Wednesday at 6:00PM, (664) 609-3557, www.hopechapelrosarito.org.

Hope and Faith Amish Mennonite Fellowship  In La Misión, we will be bilingual. Info: Jason Caruth (646) 155-0539, (619) 591-8009.

Latter-day Saints (Mormon)  English service Sunday 9:00AM-12:00PM, Rosarito Chapel, 20 Calle Cantil, 5 blocks west of Benito Juarez off Av. Del Mar. Info: Craig Klein (619) 581-7121, craigklein@onebox.com.

Rosarito Beach Christian Church  Km 42.6 on Tijuana-Ensenada free road. Sunday Worship Service 9:45AM, Info: (661) 614-0009, Pastor: Dr. Tom Ward, rosaritochurch@yahoo.com, www.rbccchristianchurch.com.

Rosarito Church of the Nazarene  Pastor Gary Tucker. Meets at Calle Abete & Mediterraneo, 2 blocks east of Crown Plaza Hotel. Services: Sunday 10:00AM, Wednesday 6:30PM, (619) 504-9611, jirehnazeng@gmail.com.

Mission St. Mary Magdalene Playas de Rosarito  Rev'd Fr. Mark S. Lieske, East Side @ Km 40.3 Free Road Ensenada - Tijuana Look for our Signs, Next to Artistic Furniture North of Ollie's Pizza & South of Baja Produce. mark@missionstmarymagdalene.net, US (619) 313-7511.

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