

The President's Corner



March is "Community Awareness Month". We, as Rotarians, need to always be aware of our surroundings and the opportunities that present themselves to better serve the community. The issue at the top of the list of many of our ranks who have left our club has been the lack of local community service projects. Even though I may disagree with that being the case, it is always good to look hard at our efforts and decide whether we need to change or further develop the projects that we now support.

This year's theme is made up of three C's: consistency, credibility, and continuity. Our Rotary International President, Carlos Ravizza, has added two additional C's: the Courage to Change. Statements like: "we have always done it this way"; "we have never done this project"; "the project is too large for a club our size", are not reasons to accept that things cannot be changed or improved. If we just keep doing the same things, the same way, year after year, we have the danger of becoming stagnant in our growth as a Rotary Club.

We, the members, are the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo. We have the obligation to become champions of our personal causes or projects. We also need to have the insight to raise awareness if something is missing from our community service projects. We can become that champion. If something can be improved or needs to be redirected, become that champion.

With the "courage to change", we can help our club to grow, be more visible in the community, support more community projects, develop hands on projects that improve the community and increase our "Community Awareness".

Don

Night at the Improv

(A joint fundraiser with the Rotary Club of Lake Forest)

Date: Sunday, March 12, 2000

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Where: Irvine Spectrum Improv

Tickets (includes Dinner): \$35.00

Valet Parking \$6.00



ROTARY FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE INCOMING DISTRICT GOVERNORS MEET

Incoming District 5230 Governor Price Shapiro met with Incoming District 3130 Governor Dr. Shivdas Bhosale. Both had just attended the week long governors training conference at the R.I. International Assembly in Anaheim. Meeting was arranged by Bob Bridges who attended along with George Cooper and Shivdas wife, Sita. The purpose of the meeting was to reinforce the Rotary Friendship Exchange Program thru the two districts and expanding it beyond the Rotary clubs of Poona, India and Mission Viejo, California.

Board Happenings

Opening Remarks: Don Wile

Rotary Grove - Some of the trees need to be replanted, we will talk to the City to see if they will replace the ill trees.

Club Service: Ed Heeren

Night at the Improv - Has been changed to March 12th. We need to sell 150 tickets as a club and Lake Forest needs to sell 100 tickets to break-even. Lake Forest is going to sell some tickets at \$45 for premium seating down in front. Otherwise, tickets are \$35 and our cost is \$21 per ticket. Drinks are not included and tax and tip need to be worked out. The board voted to make it a requirement that each member is required to sell two tickets. There will be a wrap-up meeting on February 29th at Ed Heeren's house.

PETS Conference - Ed Heeren will attend this month

Community Service Don Wile for Dick Paradzick

Adopt-a-Social Worker - Bob McQueen has been in touch with the Laguna Hills club who is participating in the program. Bob is still waiting on detail on how the program works and to see what our options are. Esperanza School - We will present a check to Dr. Gray within the next few weeks. Plaques have been ordered for the presentation and we are waiting for the engraving to be finished.

Vocational Service: Bob McQueen

RYLA - We will not be sending any students this year since the students went to a Fall Leadership symposium. We will channel the funds dedicated to this event into another program. Any High School student can apply to go, it does not have to be interact students. Singing contest - Victoria stated that we have about 2 or 3 students going.

Teacher Recognition Dinner - For Capo Valley will be at end of March. \$500 Dollars has been submitted for the teacher of the Year Award. The Saddleback Valley awards banquet will be in May. Our obligation at Saddleback Valley is to set up the teacher perpetual trophies. Interact - Meetings are the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. Bob will set up a schedule so that Rotarians from our club can attend the meetings.

International Service: Bob Bridges

Barrio Project - The board passed the motion to distribute the remaining \$800 at George Coopers discretion.

District Directory - Victoria Avery proposed a suggestion from to put a club ad in the program for the Millennium Conference. The board moved to donate \$100 for advertisement.



FIVE HUNDRED DOLLAR DONATION TO WOMEN HELPING WOMEN

was presented by President Don to member Kathy Haze, a representative for the organization which gives needy girls working clothes, shoes, jewelry and hair appointments. They only take referrals from organizations such as Saddleback



\$1400 CHECK was presented to member Jim Peterson, District Director of the Boy Scouts of America. \$900 came from our charity account and \$500 from donations of a number of our club members

COMING EVENTS

WEEKLY PROGRAMS

March 7 - Scott Baily - Break the rules, close more sales.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- March 12 Nite at the Improv-Fund Raiser
- May 04 Mayor's Prayer Breakfast
- May 4-7th District Conference Mission Inn, Riverside
- May 20th District Assembly
- June 3rd Corazon Mexico House Building Trip
- June 4-7th R.I. Convention Buenos Aires, Argentina

WHITE ELEPHANT

- Mar 7 Victoria Avery
- Mar 14 Bob Bridges
- Mar 21 Fed Buckhalter
- Mar 28 Dr Pushpa Chandwani

Welcome Mat is Out for

Robert J Duffy

Classification: Financial Advisor

Firm: Morgan Stanley, Dean Witter

Office: 24260 El Toro Road Laguna Hills

587-2505

Robert and his wife Moraima along with daughter

Marisa live at 26005 Miralinde Lake Forest

470-3858

Robert enjoys working with the YMCA and is a member of the Santiago de Compostela Church. Hobbies include golf, tennis, skiing, basketball, music and reading.

Sponsor: PP Rick Murray

Treasures Report

Bob McQueen for Bill Kersten

As of February 13, 2000 - Trial Balance

Doc Wiggins Foundation	17,826.14
Future Teachers Award	3,583.23
Citizens Business Bank (Paul Harris)	81.00
Citizens Business Bank (Operating Acct)	1,000.38
Union Bnk of CA (Charity Acct)	5,737.98
Union Bnk of CA (Charity Acct): Fund Raisers	00
Union Bnk of CA (Charity Acct): Misc.	.00
Accounts Receivable	2,587.50
Undeposited Funds	
TOTAL	30,816.23