

WEEKLY PROGRAMS

10/29 - Kathy Hayes, Orange Co. Child Abuse Prevention Center
 11/5 - Wally Kreutzen, CEO - Transportation Cooridor Agency
 11/12 - Bunny Lawson, Asst. Activities Director, Mt. of Olives Church -
 Adult Day Health Care

WHITE ELEPHANT

Oct 29 Jack Keegan Nov 5 Bill Kersten Nov 12 Jim Leach
 Nov 19 Dave Leckness Nov 26 Tom Lochen Dec 3 Bob McQueen

COMING EVENTS

- **Pancake Breakfast Sunday Oct 27th**
- **Foundation Dinner Nov 9th.**
 MV Garage Sale Nov 9th
- **Christmas Party December 8, 2002 at**
 Mission Viejo Country Club Social Hour 6PM Dinner 7PM
- **Visit to Door of Faith Orphanage, Mexico**
 December 14, 2002
- **Chuck-E-Cheese Holiday Lunch Party - Dec. 17th**
- **Mayor's Prayer Breakfast, Thursday May 1,**
 2003 at MV Country Club 7:30 AM.
- **May 1-4 District Conference**
 Flamingo Resort, Laughlin, NV
- **June 1-4 International Convention Brisbane, Australia**

Rotary-sponsored blood bank, clubs save lives in Bali tragedy

The normally idyllic Indonesian island of Bali is reeling from the impact of a car bomb that ripped through a nightclub on 12 October, killing more than 180 people and injuring 300, mostly foreign tourists.

Members of the 10 Rotary clubs on the island scrambled alongside other volunteers to help with rescue efforts and to console families of victims and survivors. The Bali Blood Bank, which was renovated and equipped in 1999 through a multi-district WCS project supported with contributions from a Rotary Foundation Matching Grant, became the most valuable asset in frantic efforts to save lives after the attack.

"If it was not for the blood bank that you and Rotarians in District 6290 [in Ontario, Canada, and Michigan, USA] helped to build, things could be a lot worse," wrote Freddy Subiyanto, a past District 3400 team leader, to Marilyn Fitzgerald, his counterpart from D-6290 in a 1998 GSE that resulted in the blood bank project. District 5370, Alberta, Canada, and the Rotary Club of Hiroshima East, Japan, also contributed to the effort "Please let all my very dear friends in Michigan know this! You are such wonderful people."

Rotarians worked round the clock, taking turns to help at area hospitals, especially to provide English language translation assistance to local hospital personnel and to mobilize blood donors. They also coordinated donations of funds and equipment, mainly syringes, from Rotary clubs in District 3400 and provided food for hundreds of volunteers working at health facilities and the scene of the deadly blast.

"We have been working full time to make sure there are enough supplies," says Subiyanto. "It is so sad that deaths have mounted. We probably could have done more but did not know how. We were not prepared for this kind of cruelty."

Among the victims were many foreigners who needed a supply of blood types that are rare among Balinese. Again thanks to the foresight of the Rotarian coordinators of the project, who had insisted on a commitment of resources to procure a supply of all blood types, the recent tragedy found the blood bank prepared to deal with a medical emergency involving so many injured foreigners.

Rotarians are also working to maintain a constant supply of ice to the morgues where the bodies of unidentified victims are being preserved - a necessary measure in the sweltering heat on the island.

"The Bali Rotarians have been doing what they can, but this disaster is so big that we need all the help from Rotarian friends from anywhere to buy medicine, sheets, food, ice, and other medical necessities," says Al Purwa, community chairman of the Rotary Club of Bali Kuta. Disaster relief accounts have been opened by the Rotary Club of Bali Kuta and District 3400. Those who wish to contribute towards either effort can request more details from District 3400 Governor-nominee Ritje Rihatinah by telephone/fax: 62-361-773152; or e-mail: drgritje@indosat.net.id or Al Purwa of the Rotary Club of Bali Kuta by fax 62-361-752777 or e-mail:

BROKEN SPOKES

In the supermarket was a man pushing a cart that contained a screaming, bellowing baby. The gentleman kept repeating softly, "Don't get excited, Albert; don't scream, Albert; don't yell, Albert; keep calm, Albert." A woman standing next to him said, "You certainly are to be commended for trying to soothe your son." The man looked at her and said, "Lady, I'm Albert."

DOOR OF FAITH ORPHANAGE

"Changing the world one kid at a time"



DJ & Lynette Schuetze, Administrators at the Door of Faith Orphanage in Mexico visited us on October 15th to thank our club and its members for all the support including the Rotary Goods Bank (which they pick up goods for the orphanage twice a month), our yearly Christmas visit and party and La Paz Optometric's eye examinations and free glasses.

DJ announced that "we've reached a kind of turning point. For several years now, our goal has been to grow to where we can effectively take care of one hundred children. We now have 103 kids ranging from three weeks to 18 years. We are now considering opening a second Door of Faith Orphanage to accommodate the many more who knock on our door." DJ and Lynette consider this as their family and it is reflected in their approach such as joining the children at all meals, giving each child special tasks to promote responsibility and to hand out discipline when necessary.

Individual donations can be made at Door of Faith Orphanage, PO Box 6434, Chula Vista, Ca 91909.

WALK AGAINST DRUGS



Our Rotary Club joined the City of Mission Viejo and the national celebration of Red Ribbon Week Saturday morning Oct 19th to participate in the 13th Annual Walk Against Drugs. The event aims to educate children about the dangers of drug use. Our club gave out 750 free "Red" Hot Dogs to the crowd.

MISSION VIEJO ROTARY CLUB GARAGE SALE

NOVEMBER 9, 2002

Bill and Carol Kersten's Garage

All items welcome!!

**DROP OFF ITEMS AT THE KERSTEN'S HOME
 OR FOR PICK UP CALL**

BOB MC QUEEN OR BILL KERSTEN

Esperanza School
SPECIAL OLYMPICS
PANCAKE BREAKFAST
 Sunday October 27th, 2002 • 8:00 am to 12:00
 Breakfast at the School
 25121 Pradera (at La Paz Rd.)
 Donation: \$3.00
 A Rotary Youth Service Project.
 Sponsored by Mission Viejo Rotary Club.
 Additional Donations also accepted and appreciated.

