

WEEKLY PROGRAMS

2/18 - Club Speech Contest
 2/25 - Open
 3/4 - Area Speech Contest
 3/11 - Ross Boling - PETS (President-Elect Training) Report

WHITE ELEPHANT

Feb 18- Gary Poertner Feb 25- John Raisin
 March 4- Aaron Sako March 11- Douglas Tipping
 March 18- Scott alker March 25- Jack Wallace

COMING EVENTS

April 12 [Saturday] District Assembly Chapman University 8am-12noon

* **Mayor's Prayer Breakfast, Thursday May 1, 2003 at MV Country Club 7:30 AM.**

* **May 1-4 District Conference**

Flamingo Resort, Laughlin, NV

* **Improv Comedy Hour Fundraiser May 18, 2003**

* **June 1-4 International Convention Brisbane, Australia**

AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Now accepting applications...Call Norm Miller at 949-458-9733

General Eligibility: Applicants must have completed at least two years of University or College course work. All applicants must be citizens of a country in which there is a Rotary Club. Initial application must be made through a local Rotary Club in the applicants legal or permanent residence, or place of full-time study.

Note: The following persons are **ineligible** for any Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarships: A Rotarian, an Honorary Rotarian; an employee of a club, district or other Rotary entity or of a Rotary International; a spouse, lineal descendant (child or grandchild), a spouse of a lineal descendant, or an ancestor (parent or grandparent) of any living person in the foregoing categories.

What Does the Scholarship Cover?: Funding is provided to cover round-trip transportation, one month of intensive language training (if assigned by the Foundation), required fees for a normal course load, reasonable room and board, and some educational supplies. Rewards will cover up to \$25,000. This Scholarship is for one regular academic year (usually nine months) of full time study.

What Is Expected: During the study period, scholars are expected to be outstanding ambassadors of goodwill to the people of the host country through appearances before Rotary Clubs and other civic organizations. Contact Norm Miller at 949-458-9733 for more information including application forms.

FISHING LURE COLLECTOR TELLS ALL

Our Club Secretary Calvin Droege (who is also a Past President of Huntigton Beach Sunrise RC) gave us a glimpse in to the very unusual workings of Fishing Lure Collecting which has been a hobby of Cal's for years. In fact his collection fills up one whole room in his home. It also surprised many of us that this is a very active hobby and mint condition lures are worth thousands of dollars (up to \$30,000 for one lure in its original box.) A very interesting program and if you have a hobby you would like to share with us, see Scott Walker, our Program Chairman and he may be able to schedule you for a program.

SON OF PAST PRESIDENT ROBERT BLOHM ACCEPTS TASK AS DIRECTOR FOR REGIONAL AFFAIRS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE'S OFFICE OF COUNTERTERRORISM

Robert reports that his son Bob Blohm, having spent the last seven years abroad at our embassies in Nicaragua and Panama as Acting Deputy Chief and then in Charge, has been moved to Washington DC in to our counterterrorism program. Bob has visited our club several times while visiting his father here in Mission Viejo. Rotarian Bob Senior is very proud of his son's accomplishments and rightly so.

BROKEN SPOKES: *Two vultures board an airplane, each carrying two dead raccoons. The stewardess looks at them and says, "I'm sorry gentlemen, only one carrion allowed per passenger."*

Rotarians Make a Difference...Polio Plus a Hands on Experience is the next adventure of **Dr Pushpa Chandwani** who has volunteered to be part of a road trip to Caborca, Mexico joining members of the Santa Ana North club to help in our RI Polio Plus Program. Pushpa will be leaving Friday February 21, 2003 and returning Sunday February 23rd. Pushpa is an active member of our International Service Committee.

MODEL UNITED NATIONS

The Teacher/leader and two students of the Model United Nations of Saddleback College gave a presentation at Tuesday mornings (Feb 11th) meeting emphasizing the importance this program is in contributing to clearer thinking in later life (open mindedness). They told of the countless hours (as much as 100 hours) in researching the cultural and political differences of which ever country they have been asked to represent in the program. They and over 20 other classmates will be representing Malaysia in the upcoming April trip to New York in a national competition between the Model United Nations of various universities and colleges. They will be staying at the United Nations in New York from April 13th through April 20th and they needed funding. Our club has asked our board members to consider a donation to help this very worthwhile program as well as continue the same in the future.

FINANCIAL REPORT AS OF FEB 4, 2003

Buckhalter-Wiggins Memorial Funds	\$35,033.
Charity Accounts	10,358
Operating Account	7,348
Accounts Receivable	4,329
Total	\$57,068
Payables	
PHF and Polio Plus Funds payable to Rotary International	\$2459

FEBRUARY CLUB BOARD MEETING SUMMARY**PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Bob McQueen/Bill Kersten)**

o Goods Bank: McQueen reported that we continue to add donor stores to the program. Nels Henry to assist with pick ups for the Bank.
 o McQueen reported that Debbie McGilligen, Area Rep will attend Club meeting on February 18 to promote the District Conference and Rotary License Plates.

CLUB SERVICE: (Ross Boling)

o Night at the Improv - McQueen reported that the Improv would not confirm the April 6th date. After discussion it was agreed to move the event to May 18, 2003. Doug Tipping and Victoria Avery to Co-Chair this event

VOCATIONAL SERVICE: (Steve Mugg)

o RYLA-Mugg reported that he has six candidates for RYLA. He will interview candidates and chose 2 or 3 to attend event on April 25, 2003. Cost is \$250 per student
 o Speech Contest-McQueen reported that Tim Strauch will chair the Speech Contest. Students to speak at Feb 18 meeting. MV Rotary is also sponsoring area competition. Date for area competitors is March 4th
 o Interact- McQueen attended meeting last Friday. The Club is planning a project. Officer elections for next year will be completed in March

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE (Rich Frieder):

o Ambassadorial Scholarship: McQueen reported that Gary Poertner can post notices of the Scholarships at Saddleback College and Irvine Valley College. McQueen requested funds to print posters promoting the scholarships. Posters to be undated in order to allow club to use them in successive years. It was MSC to fund up to \$100 for Posters.

COMMUNITY SERVICE (Verl Nash)

o Prayer Breakfast-McQueen reported that Ross Boling and Jim Leach will chair this event which is set for May 1, 2003

SPECIAL EVENTS/COMMITMENTS: MEMBERSHIP: (Jack Wallace)

o Wallace reported that he has one application for membership:
 Mary Jane Goodrick, Exec Director Saddleback YMCA, sponsor: Tim Strauch
 MSC approved application
 o LEAVES/DROPS: Dick Paradzick resigned effective 12/31/02o
NEW BUSINESS: o McQueen reported Victoria Avery is helping with bus transportation to the District Conference.