

**WEEKLY PROGRAMS**

1/14 Thom Lochen - Craft Talk  
 1/21 - Wendy Morris, Surfriider Foundation - Respect The Beach

**WHITE ELEPHANT**

Jan 14 Richard Murray Jan 21 Verl Nash  
 Jan 28 Dennis O'Connor

**COMING EVENTS**

- 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



**RTN P P FRED BUCKHALTER**  
 ROTARY CLUB OF MISSION VIEJO

Dear Fred,  
 The old adage, "Old Soldiers never die, they just fade away ..... From 1917 when you were born in Ann Arbor Michigan to May 8, 2001, you truly lived your life to the fullest.  
 You were al....., 2ys one of the proudest soldier that I have ever met; you were proud that you fought in the 11 World War under the ablest Force Commander General Patton's 3rd Army in France & Germany; you continued to serve with the Veterans Memorial to the last, you were proud of the family that raised you and the family that you raised with Jean; you were an example Rotarian who never ceased to contribute to the Mission Viejo Rotary, to your Rotary District and to Rotary International ever; even though Mission Viejo was your home, Michigan some-how always took centre stage; You were a unique blend of the vintage and the new, and above all, you were always a very proud American.  
 Your Rotary Club has rightly honored you by unanimous consent to rename Doc Wiggins Memorial Fund to be now called Fred Buckhalter and Doc Wiggins Memorial Fund since this contributing fund was so close to your heart always. Guys like you Fred are so much a part of the institution that you represent that it is difficult to visualize the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo without your booming voice and hilarity. This void is difficult to be filled.  
 People like you, my friend are missed by the Community that you lived in; by the Institutions that you have @perved in; by your friends who have had the privilege of knowing you and Jean., and a Society that needs dedicated citizens like you. Your support in development of Friendship between Poona and Mission Viejo Rotary can never be forgotten.  
 Farewell my friend and God bless you. And to you Jean our fondest love. As Ever

Pravena & Krishna

**ROSE BOWL PARADE ROTARY FLOAT**

Both my wife Janet and daughter Meredith had a great time decorating the float.

The first thing that struck me was the sincere time involvement of Rotarians from around the country, not just our 2 Southern CA districts in making the float happen. I met several PDG's from around the country and Canada who have been coming down for a two week working vacation every year to help with all areas of work and planning involved in the float.

Also, I didn't know that we had PDG's handing out 4 way tests and other Rotary info to interested parties viewing the last minute construction of the float (we worked New Years eve, so we put the finishing touches on the float). I would estimate at least 3 thousand people walked by our float during our 5 hour shift.

What I really want to impart to the Club is that this is a great, but hard to get (you definitely have to sign up early in Sept when the list comes out.....fills up all two weeks worth of shifts in about 2 weeks...there was a 100+ person waiting list of Rotarians who wanted to decorate...mostly people coming in for the Rose Bowl game week) activity to involve your kids or Grandkids.....not being a native Californian, I had no real appreciation of how involved a production the Rose Parade really is. And we can give the kids school service hours for participating with us.

Oh, and Raoul ( the parrot guy) did design our float. Charisma productions actually built the float. Our three bucks a head contribution was well spent, in my opinion, for the exposure to the billion people around the world who watch on TV....and more importantly, the thousands walking by seeing Rotary at work in the community!

*By President-Elect 2003-2004 Ross Boling*



Thank you to Bob Brdiges for submitting his photo of the float (center) and for the Boling family for the other photos.

Dear Krishna:

On Monday December 23, 2002, Co-President Bill Kersten accompanied George Cooper to Jean Buckhalter's home and presented the very fine, heartwarming tribute given to fellow soldier Fred Buckhalter. Present also were Fred and Jean's two sons...Fred Jr and Rick Buckhalter. Fred Jr is from Northern California and Rick is from Michigan and both were visiting their mother during the Christmas Season. Jean and the boys appreciated it very much.

Happy New Year to all Rotarians of Pune and a special thanks to you and Pravena for your thoughtfulness.

*Rotary Club of Mission Viejo*

**PROPOSED NEW MEMBERS**

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**BROKEN SPOKES:** A mild mannered man is tired of his wife always bossing him around, so he decided to go to a psychiatrist. The doctor told him he had to develop self esteem. The doctor gave him a booklet on assertiveness training. He read it on the way home. When he walked thru the door, his wife came to greet him. He told her, "From now on I'm the man of this house and my word is law! When I come home from work, I want my dinner on the table. Now get upstairs and lay some clothes out on the bed because I'm going out with the boys tonight. Then draw my bath water, woman. When I get out of the tub, guess who is going to dress me and comb my hair?" Very quietly she replied, "The undertaker."