

THE SPOKE & WHEEL

The Official Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo, California

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 Meeting Times: 7:10 a.m. to 8:30 a.m

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

CELEBRATING THE FOURTH OF JULY

Another wonderful 4th of July gala celebrating our independence and honoring the men and women that have given, and are giving, so much for our continued freedoms.



Left: The 4th of July Booth in which the Rotary Club made traditional root beer floats and sold lemonade - big hits on a very warm day!

The Fourth of July was again celebrated by the Rotary's participation in the Mission Viejo Fourth of July Street Fair. Thanks to the coordinator PP Dennis O'Connor, "right hand men" PP Steve Mugg and PP Bill Kersten, and many volunteers, the Rotary booth was again a huge success. Steve Mugg said, "We love to participate in the Street Fair. It gives us an opportunity to support the City of Mission Viejo, build fellowship within the Club, and share our community service focus with visitors to the booth." Rotarians made, and sold, nearly 100 gallons

of lemonade and uncountable root beer floats. During the last minutes prior to the fireworks show - when we had run out of root beer - Rotarian Paul "Scoop" Dyke continued to scoop and sell ice cream right up to "lights out" for the fireworks display.

The Rotary Club of Mission Viejo is fortunate to have a club full of dedicated Rotarians. As President Nick Alpino said, "It's a great time to be a Rotarian."

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Upcoming Events and Programs

July 17 - DG to be the guest speaker at the July 17 meeting.

July 24 - Fr. Brian reports on Libano Coffee & Housing Projects

July 31 - Regular Mtg.

August 7 - Regular Mtg.

August 14 - Regular Mtg.

August 21 - PDG Mike Darnold, with guests, will discuss teen drug addiction

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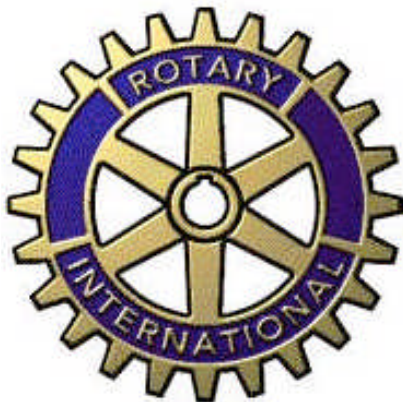
Our guest speaker at the July 10 meeting, Millicent, shared how CHOC at Mission Hospital is coordinating with the O.C. Ronald McDonald Charities Foundation to expand and improve the family support facility on the fifth floor of Mission Hospital in Mission Viejo. The fifth floor houses the pediatric ICU, pediatric cardiology unit, etc. The family support facility is designed to provide much needed support for the families of critically ill children. The facilities contain a resource library, kitchenettes, a "great room," shower rooms, laundry room, sleep rooms, and more. Through local donations of time, materials, and money, the facility provides the amenities needed to support up to twenty families.

More information may be obtained by going to the Ronald McDonald Charities Foundation website.

Below: Millicent, representing the Ronald McDonald Charities Foundation and CHOC at Mission Hospital in Mission Viejo, was our guest speaker.



NEWS FROM THE BOARD



Notes: The Improv Fund Raiser - Nick Alpino announced that Newport Mesa Rotary has accepted our invitation to be a buddy club for the Improv Fund raiser. The tentative date for the event is September 15 or 22 depending on venue availability. The Committee is considering a change of venue since dates at the Improv are limited.

New Event Suggestions - Linda Blench presented ideas of

three different events that she proposes to the Club.

- Law Enforcement Appreciation Event - An event honoring members of the MV Sheriff was suggested. One idea was an outing at MV Lake with a barbeque. Another idea was combining the Club's Holiday party.
- Fire Appreciation - Similar to the Law Enforcement but second in priority.
- Casa - This is a nationwide program which matches court supervised children. Sponsors become guardian ad litem for the children. Cost to be off-set by a Mystery Night Dinner fundraiser.
- Goods Bank and Storage - Kersten announced that the Club now pays \$474 per month for a storage unit. The goods bank is not performing well as merchandise of the quality previously enjoyed has not been donated. The garage sale has been discontinued, which was the source of payment of the storage unit. Bill

Kersten recommended to the incoming president that the expense should be considered in the upcoming budget.

WHITE ELEPHANT

- July 17 - Dr. Richard Frieder
- July 24 - Robert Germeroth
- July 31 - Bill Greenfield Sr.
- Aug. 7 - Bill Greenfield Jr.
- Aug. 14 - Jim Hansen
- Aug. 21 - Ed Heeren
- Aug. 27 - Bill Kersten
- Sept. 3 - Heidi Larkin-Reed
- Sept. 10 - Daniel Lavoie
- Sept. 17 - Jim Leach

4TH OF JULY (CONT.)



Above: A few of the Rotarians and friends present at the July 4 Rotary booth. (Photos by Bill Kersten)

(Fair, from page 1)

It was a great day with many Rotarians wearing their Fourth of July attire and spirit. The surrounding photographs, by Bulletin Photographer Bill Kersten depicts a few of the participants in their selected attire. Again, the Club thanks you

for your support and continued participation with this and other community projects!

DEMOTION DINNER - JULY 29, 2007

Mark your calendars for the upcoming Demotion Dinner to be held for illustrious Past President Jim Leach. The Dinner is planned for Sunday, July 29 at 6:00 p.m. at the Casta del Sol Golf Club.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR VISITS MISSION VIEJO

Our new District Governor, John Brainerd, will be visiting our regular club meeting on July 17, 2007. In addition, President Nick Alpino will advise us of exact details of the special meeting which is tentatively scheduled to take place at Casta Del Sol from 6 to 8 p.m. on July 16, 2007.

Make-up Area Clubs

Anaheim - Mondays, 12 p.m., Edison Field, 2000 Gene Autry Way

Coto de Caza/RSM - Tuesdays, 7:15 p.m., Dove Canyon Country Club

Dana Point - Wednesdays, 7:15 a.m., Ritz Carlton Hotel Monarch Beach

Laguna Beach - Fridays, 12 p.m., Hotel Laguna, 425 S. Coast Hwy.

Laguna Niguel - Tuesdays, 12 p.m. at the St. Regis Hotel, 1 Monarch Beach Resort, Dana Point

Lake Forest - Wednesdays, 12 p.m. at Baker's Square, 23515 El Toro Road

San Clemente - Thursdays, 12 p.m. at the San Clem. Inn, 2600 Ave. del Presidente

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THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:
 1. Is it the TRUTH
 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
 3. Will it build GOODWILL and Better FRIENDSHIPS?
 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?