



THE SPOKE & WHEEL

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 Meeting Times: 7:05 a.m. to 8:30 a.m

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SADDLEBACK COLLEGE PRESIDENT SPEAKS TO ROTARY

*Report by Jim Hansen
 Photo by Bill Kersten*

The Rotary Club of Mission Viejo welcomed Dr. Tod Burnett, President of Saddleback College, as a guest speaker. Dr. Burnett touched on a wide range of topics during his presentation. He even noted that Saddleback is celebrating its 40-year anniversary this year. He briefly shared how the college began as a



small local community college and has grown to offer more than 300 programs to approximately 27,000 students per year.

Dr. Burnett also spent some of his time highlighting the State budget and telling how it affects Saddleback Community College.

Dr. Burnett thanked the Rotary Club for their years of moral and financial support to the college and he happily accepted two checks from the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo. The first check is to be used for the Saddleback College Veteran's Memorial. The

check was in the amount of \$1,700 and is the first of three payments for which the Rotary Club has made a commitment. The second check, for \$600, is to be used to support the Model United Nations program at Saddleback College.

In closing, Dr. Burnett invited all Club members to the Veteran's Memorial dedication on April 30, 2009.

To find our more about Saddleback College, go to: www.saddleback.edu.

February is Rotary "World Understanding" Month

Upcoming District Events...

www.rotary5320.org

March 14-15 - District Singing Contest

Mar. 26-29 - District Conference

April 4 - District Assembly

April 17 - Rotary Business

Person of the Year Luncheon

April 25 - Rotarians at Work Day

Upcoming Club Events...

www.missionviejorotary.org

Feb. 17 - Rotarian Rae Shirer, "Laws affecting small businesses"

Feb. 24 - Don Staggs, "Paranormal investigating"

Mar. 3 Auction item review for May 17 Gala

Sunday, April 26 - Esperanza Special Education School Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser.

Sunday, May 17 - MV Rotary Wine and Music Gala

COMMUNITY SERVICE/CLUB NEWS

Saddleback College Veteran’s Memorial and Model United Nations program receive support from the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo



*Top Photo: Rotary Pres. Poertner and SCC Pres. Burnett
Bottom Photo: Pres. Burnett, SCC*

Dr. Tod Burnett, President of Saddleback College, was presented a check for \$1,700, (the first of three installments), to go towards the Saddleback Community College Veteran’s Memorial. In addition, the Club also donated \$600 to be used in the Model United Nations program. Dr. Burnett, pictured with

Rotary President Gary Poertner to left, invited all Club members to the Veteran’s Memorial dedication on April 30, 2009.

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[Photos by Bill Kersten]

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CLUB NEWS

John “Jack” McEwan

Report Submitted by Jack Wallace

File photo by Bill Kersten (taken at 2008 Pancake Breakfast)

Jack McEwan has missed a few meetings the past several weeks and Club members have missed him. He is currently unable to attend meetings due to illness; but he can hardly wait for his health to improve so he can get back to enjoying the fellowship of the Rotary meetings of which he has been an important part for many years. We all look forward to Jack’s return!



CLUB NEWS

GINA Missing Persons Foundation

Grammy nominated singer-song writer, Jannel Rap spoke to the Mission Viejo Rotary on Tuesday, February 10, 2009. Ms. Rap’s topic was, “What can you do to help bring a missing person home?” Ms. Rap’s sister, Regina - “Gina” - Bos has been missing since October 17, 2000. That incident changed Ms. Rap’s life. Jannel Rap founded GINA Missing Persons Foundation, a non-profit entity focusing on finding missing persons of all ages, races and genders.

Ms. Rap opened her talk with a song and kept the audience’s attention with her story, sincerity, talent and charm. In her long career, Ms. Rap has sung all over the country, including at the White House and hosted, “America, Lost and Found.” Her band, and other bands she has recruited, perform GINA concerts and The Squeaky Wheel® Tour. They dedicate performances to missing persons.

Ms. Rap ended her presentation with a song titled, “The Moon is Broken.”

Jannel Rap delivered a wonderful presentation for an excellent cause.

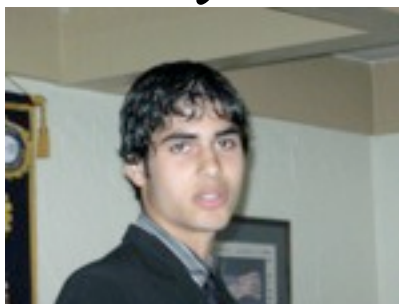
Read more at: www.411Gina.org or www.clementineband.com.



Photo of Jannel Rap by Bill Kersten

CLUB/DISTRICT NEWS

Rotary Area Speech Competition



Aliso Niguel H.S. student, Rod S., will be representing

the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo at the upcoming Rotary Area Speech Contest. The Area Contest will be held at the Savannah Chop House in Laguna Niguel and will be hosted by the Rotary Club of Laguna Niguel.

If you are interested in watching the contest and support-

ing Rod, the lunch meeting/competition will be held on Tuesday, March 10th at 12 noon at the Savannah Chop House in Laguna Niguel - the corner of Golden Lantern and Camino del Avion. Lunch is \$20 payable to the Rotary Club of Laguna Niguel.

[Left Photo taken by Bill Kersten]

WHITE ELEPHANT

- Feb. 17 - Dave Leckness**
- Feb. 24 - Don Lewellen**
- March 3 - Tom MacKinnon**
- March 10 - Bob McQueen**
- March 17 - Steve Mugg**
- March 24 - Rick Murray**
- March 31 - Verl Nash**



Make-up Area Clubs

Coto de Caza/RSM -
Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m., Coto de Caza
Golf and Racket 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 Savannah Chop House, 32441
Golden Lantern

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

On-line make-ups

<http://www.recswusa.org/info/f/31>

SPECIAL NOTE

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www.missionviejorotary.org

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SERVICE ABOVE SELF

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?