



The Spoke & Wheel

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Chartered September 13, 1974.

Club Leadership/Board Members: Jim Hansen, President; PDG Dave Williams, Secretary; PP Bill Kersten, Treasurer; Dave Leckness, President Elect; PP Scott Walker, Immediate Past-President; PP Victoria Avery, Foundation Chairperson; Bob Brown, New Generations; Dr. Pushpa Chandwani, International Service; PP George Cooper, Club Training Officer; Tom Ross, Vocational Service; PP Dr. Richard Frieder, Director-at-Large (Special Projects); PP Robert McQueen, Club Service; PP Gary Poertner, Club Administration; PP Norm Syler, Public Relations; PP Dennis O'Connor, Community Service; and Jack Wallace, Membership Chairman.

Club Meetings: Tuesdays, 7:10 to 8:30 A.M., Casta del Sol Golf Club, 27601 Casta del Sol, Mission Viejo, CA 92692

RI and District Officers: Ray Klingensmith, RI President; Johrita Solari, District 5320 Governor

CLUB SERVICE

The MV Rotary Holiday Party had a great turn-out!

Report by Jim Hansen • Photos by Bill Kersten



Photo: Rotarian Verl Nash, the winner of the "best tie" contest.

Thank you to **Bob Brown** for making arrangements for the club's annual Holiday Party. This year's event was held at Peppino's Italian Family Restaurant in Mission Viejo. The buffet dinner was wonderful and the Rotary fellowship was exceptional.

Victoria Avery organized a Men's Holiday Tie Contest, Women's Bling Contest, and the

club's annual gift exchange. Due to limited space, (thanks to a wet patio), she revised her original plans; but all enjoyed the results.

The party had several special guests; including **DG Johrita Solari** and her husband Bruce, Italian exchange student Marco Chenet and his host family, and more. All enjoyed the Rotary fellowship and the opportunity to become even better acquainted.

As mentioned, this event was organized by club Director Bob Brown and, due to the party's success, Bob Brown has been selected to organize all of the clubs parties from now on! Just kidding, Bob.

A great time was had by all!

(Please see page 2 for additional photos).

Events Calendar

January Project

"26th Meeting

Celebration"

(Club Service)

Upcoming Club Events...

Rotary Club Web site:

www.missionviejorotary.org

Tuesday, Jan. 4 - Club Meeting.

Tuesday, Jan. 11 - Club Meeting.

Thursday, Jan. 13 - Board Meeting.

Saturday, Mar. 5 - District Assembly.

Upcoming

District Events...

District 5320 Web site:

www.rotary5320.org

Tuesday, Jan. 11 - Presidents' Meeting.

Tuesday, Feb. 15 - Presidents' Meeting.

Saturday, Mar. 5 - District Assembly.



CLUB SERVICE

Additional Holiday Party Photos...

Photos by Bill Kersten

Right photo: Jack Wallace and “best glitter” winner, Jeanne Wallace.



CLUB SERVICE - SPECIAL REPORT

5 Ah Ha! Moments in Rotary

By David C. Williams (PDG)

(The following is part four of a five-part article written by PDG Dave Williams)



Rotary was shaped by a series of pleasant surprises that not even the founders could have anticipated. Among them were:

4. PolioPlus Fundraising

In 1984 after much discussion, RI President Carlos Canesco of Mexico announced a plan to: (1) raise \$120 million to provide oral polio vaccine to the world's newborns for 5 years, and (2) marshal armies of Rotary volunteers to deliver it. The goal was to raise immunization levels to 80% of children worldwide by Rotary's centennial working with UNICEF (United Nations Children's Fund), WHO (World Health Organization), and the CDC (Center for Disease Control). Never before had Rotary (or any other non-governmental organization) embarked on such a worldwide campaign. It had never attempted to raise money in such amounts, nor had it partnered with agencies with a world-wide perspective. The fundraising campaign concluded at the Rotary International Convention in 1988. To everyone's surprise, Rotary's had raised \$219+ million, almost twice the amount expected. WHO then suggested that the goal be changed from controlling the spread of polio to complete eradication of the disease using Rotary's international network of volunteers. DW

COMMUNITY SERVICE

MV Rotary at Shea Center

Photos by Bill Kersten • Reporter Jim Hansen

On Saturday, December 18, four MV Rotarians visited the Shea Center for Therapeutic Riding. The four were: **Dennis O'Connor, Bill Kersten, Carol Todd and Jim Hansen**. The club members were invited by John Caldwell, (RC of SJC), to participate in an awards ceremony and to tour the facility. During the awards to the clients, Dennis, Carol and Jim handed out ribbons while Bill took photos.

The tour was very informative and the four Rotarians even met Emerson, (the center's trained facility dog), and his trainer, Trish. As you know, MV Rotary has donated \$1000 to the Shea Center to co-sponsor Emerson.

This was a very worthwhile Saturday morning!



MVHS CHAMBER CHOIR SINGS FOR THEIR SUPPER!



Mission Viejo High School Chamber Choir members, Taylor, Abby, Sarah, Elise, Christy, Yeagan, Dallan, and Patrick livened the RC of Mission Viejo by presenting a program of holiday songs and an informative question and answer session. The seniors at MVHS have been involved in singing for two

years or more. All praised their director, Mr. John Elg, at MVHS.

The Rotary Club was pleased to donate \$100 to the music program at MVHS and the club hopes to encourage students' participation in the upcoming Rotary Singing Contest.

This was a joyful program!



QUOTE OF THE WEEK - JANUARY 1, 2011

“The road that is built in hope is more pleasant to the traveler than the road built in despair, even though they both lead to the same destination.”

–Marion Zimmer Bradley, writer (1930-1999)

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Saddleback College Model U.N.

Report by Jim Hansen • Photo by Bill Kersten

The Rotary Club of Mission Viejo donated \$300 to the Saddleback College Model U.N. The Model U.N. students participate in numerous competitions that hone skills for future ambassadors, attorneys, senators, and maybe even a future president.

PP Gary Poertner presented the check for the Rotary Club to Mr. Hagerty, advisor to the college’s Model U.N. program.

The MV Rotary Club is looking forward to a presentation by the students in a upcoming meeting.

Club president Jim Hansen said, “It is a pleasure to support such an excellent program.”



Photo: PP Gary Poertner (right) presents a check to Mr. Hagerty, advisor to Saddleback College Model U.N.

CLUB SERVICE

Do you have an article for the bulletin?



Have you visited another club?

Have you had a significant event in you life - birth, wedding, anniversary, promotion, exciting vacation, etc.?

We, the bulletin staff, want to know and we want to publish an article to help share the experience.

A part of Rotary, and a part of the District 5320 bulletin competition each year, is the presentation of personal Rotarian achievements, events and successes.

Please help the bulletin staff keep the bulletin interesting by submitting your personal articles for publication.

Send draft articles to:
jhansen4@cox.net.





Photo Above: **PP George Cooper**, award winning Webmaster

WEB SITE NEWS
RECENTLY UPDATED!

Be sure to visit the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo Website at: www.missionviejorotary.org

For Club information, you may use the following passwords:
User = *rotarian*
Password = *mvr*

FACEBOOK NEWS

Visit us on Facebook!

MV Rotary's Facebook coordinator: **PP Dennis O'Connor**



Photo Above: The "White Elephant" photo was taken by **Director Jack Wallace** during his trip to Hawaii in 2008.

WHITE ELEPHANT

- Jan. 4 - Richard Frieder
- Jan. 11 - Bill Greenfield
- Jan. 18 - Ann Hagerty
- Jan. 25 - Sarah Hagerty
- Feb. 1 - Jim Hansen
- Feb. 8 - Jacki Hanson
- Feb. 15 - Michael Jagerman
- Feb. 22 - Jack Jones
- March 1 - Bill Kersten
- March 8 - Joe Lavoie

Make-up Clubs

- Coto de Caza - Thursdays, 7:00 p.m., Coto de Caza Golf and Racket Club
- Monarch Beach - 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 Clemente Inn, 2600 Ave. del Presidente

On-line make-ups: <http://www.recswusa.org/info/i/31>

Bulletin Staff



Photographer: PP Bill Kersten



Reporter: Verl Nash



Editor: Jim Hansen

ROTARY SHARES

PP Victoria Avery, (Dan),
General Insurance

Robert Brown, (Joanne),
Investments

Ellis Brust, Clergyman

PP Barry Brownell, (Ety),
Honorary Member

Dr. Pushpa Chandwani,
(Nanik), Medical Doctor

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(Margaret), Adhesive Distributer

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Marketing

Kendall Dever, (Stella),
Phone Systems

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(Susan), Optometrist

Bill Greenfield Sr. (Sandra),
International Operations

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Honorary Member

PP Ann Hagerty, Research
Writer

Sarah Hagerty, (Tom), Editor/
Publisher

James Hansen, (Cathy),
Education Consultant

SERVICE ABOVE SELF

MEMBERS

Jacquelyn Hanson,
Author

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Jewelry

PDG Jack H. Jones, (Joanie),
Aircraft Manufac. Consultant

PP Bill Kersten, (Carol),
Computer Service

Carol Kersten, (Bill),
Honorary Member

Daniel "Joe" Lavoie,
(Kathryn), Mortician

Dave Leckness, (Nancy),
Printing

PP Don Lewellen, Certified
Public Accountant

PP Col. (Ret.) Krishna
Mathur, (Pravena), Honorary
Member

John McEwan, Honorary
Member

PP Bob McQueen, (Mary Jo),
School Administrator

PP Norm Miller, (Pauline),
Honorary Member

PP Steve Mugg, (Susan),
Consultant

BRING A GUEST

PP Richard Murray, (Paula),
Attorney, General Practice

PP Verl Nash, (Suzanne),
Education

PP Dennis O'Connor,
(Bonnie), Real Estate

PP Gary Poertner, (Adair),
Comm. College Administrator

Dagmar Richter, Banking -
Branch Manger

Tom Ross, (Patti),
Printing Broker

Dr. Aaron Sako, (Mako),
Optometrist

PP Norm Syler, (Luella),
Historian

Steve Tahouri, (Dorich),
Paralegal

Carol Todd, Teacher

PP Scott Walker, (Debbie),
Certified Financial Planner

Jack Wallace, (Jeanne),
Residential Real Estate

PDG David C. Williams,
(Joann), Postal Service

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?*



Rotary Club of Mission Viejo
January 2011
January Project:
26th Meeting Celebration - Club Service

- Tuesday, Jan. 4 - Regular Meeting - 26th Mtg. Celebration*
- Tuesday, Jan. 11 - Regular Meeting*
- Tuesday, Jan. 11 - Presidents' Meeting*
- Thursday, Jan. 13 - Board Meeting*
- Tuesday, Jan. 18 - Regular Meeting*
- Tuesday, Jan. 25 - Regular Meeting*

Rotary Club of Mission Viejo
February 2011
February Project:
PETS - Club Service

- February 1 - Regular Meeting*
- February 8 - Regular Meeting*
- February 8 - PRESIDENTS' MEETING*
- February 10 - BOARD MEETING*
- February 15 - Regular Meeting*
- February 25-27 - PETS*
- February 22 - Regular Meeting*

Rotary Club of Mission Viejo

March 2011

March Projects:

Fiesta Fundraiser - Club Service

Speech Competition - Vocational Service

Singing Contest - Vocational Service

- March 1 - Regular Meeting
- March 1* - SPEECH COMP. BEGINS
- March 1* - SINGING COMP. BEGINS
- March 8 - Regular Meeting
- March 10 - BOARD MEETING
- March 12* - DISTRICT ASSEMBLY
- March 15 - Regular Meeting
- March 2 2 - Regular Meeting
- March 26* - CLUB FIESTA FUNDRAISER
- March 29* - Regular Meeting*

* Tentative

Rotary Club of Mission Viejo

April 2011

April Projects:

RYLA - Vocational Service

Esperanza Pancake Breakfast - Vocational Service

District Conference - Club Service

- April 5 - Regular Meetings
- April 10 - Esperanza Pancake Breakfast
- April 12* - NO Meeting*
- April 12 - PRESIDENTS' MEETING
- April 14 - BOARD MEETING
- April 16-17* - SINGING AND SPEECH FINALS
- April 19 - Regular Meeting
- April 22-24 - RYLA CAMP
- April 26 - Regular Meeting
- April 29-May1 - District Conference
- April 30 - Rotarians at Work Day

* Tentative