



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

Overview of Rotary, Part II

Report by Jim Hansen • Photo by PP Bill Kersten



PDG Dave Williams

PDG Dave Williams lead a discussion, Part II, sharing facts about Rotary. Dave's enthusiasm for Rotary and his vast knowledge of the organization, came out during his outstanding presentation.

Dave discussed Polio Plus, the Four-way Test, Avenues

of Service, the Rotary Foundation, Advantages of Membership, and much more.

With his PowerPoint presentation and calm style, his presentation provided another opportunity for members to become more knowledgeable of the intricacies of Rotary International and club functions.

Be sure to go to the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo's Website, www.missionviejorotary.org, (built by **George Cooper**), and review recent bulletins in which Dave's ABCs of Rotary appear. You will learn even more.

Dave has held nearly every leadership position available in Rotary. He is the current secretary for the Mission Viejo club and coordinates many projects.

Thank you Dave!

Upcoming Events

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Rotary Club Web site:
www.missionviejorotary.org

Thursday, Oct. 7 - Board Meeting.

Tuesday, Oct. 12 -

Presidents' Meeting.

Tuesday, Nov. 9 - Rotary Foundation Training.

Tuesday, Nov. 9 -

Presidents' Meeting.

Upcoming District Events...

District 5320 Web site:
www.rotary5320.org

Tuesday, Oct. 12 -

Presidents' Meeting.

Tuesday, Nov. 9 - Rotary Foundation Training.

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Presidents' Meeting.



CLUB SERVICE

Say it with Humor - Karen Robertson

Report by Jim Hansen • Photo by Jim Hansen



Karen Robertson was the guest speaker at the September 14 meeting of the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo. Her website says, “All the kids said she was the class clown . . . except she was supposed to be the teacher.”

Karen shared her experiences as a classroom teacher, clown, go-kart racer, mother, and wife of a firefighting cowboy. As a cancer survivor, daughter of a survivor, and grandmother of a survivor, she conveyed an inspiring message of hope, health, and happiness. Karen motivates people to think big, set goals, make plans and live large. The audience laughed as they learned.

Her own struggle to overcome was highlighted in her presentation.

Karen is an active member in the Christian Comedy Association, the Association of Applied and Therapeutic Humor, and certified by the International Coach Federation.

Feel free to visit her website at: www.SayItWithHumor.com.

“No matter your situation, there is hope for a healthier, happier, heartier life.” - Karen Robertson

CLUB SERVICE - SPECIAL REPORT

ABCs of Rotary *Written by David C. Williams, PDG*

(Dave Williams is PDG from District 5240. He is now an active member in the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo and District 5320.)

This article is part of a 26-part report highlighting key aspects of Rotary.

“Y” - Youth Exchange



Youth Exchange promotes the exchange of high school age young people across international borders. (I am a Rotarian today because of my experience with a Rotary family as an exchange student to Norway in 1960-61). The exchange may be for an entire academic year or simply for a few months. Unlike Ambassadorial Scholars or GSE Team Members, the sons and daughters of Rotarians may be youth exchange students. The natural parents pay for the transportation to the host country, insurance and incidents expenses. Host families provide board and room and surrogate parenting during the stay. Often the student will stay with more than one family over the course of the academic year. In this part often world a multi-district Committee, previously called SCANEX (Southern California, Arizona and Nevada Exchange), now known as YES (Youth Exchange Service), handles the administrative details of the exchange for its members Districts. Anyone interested in the program may apply through their local Rotary Club.

Next issue: “Z” - Zones

SPECIAL REPORT

Rotarian Dagmar Richter Wins Dance Contests!

Special Report Photo from Mission Viejo Rotarian Dagmar Richter

Rotary Club of Mission Viejo member Dagmar Richter, whose hobby is competitive dancing, was entered in 15 dance competitions in September. Well, at the September 5th competitions she placed first in all 14 single dances, and she placed first in a 4-dance scholarship! That is 15 first place awards!

Dagmar has been active for many years with the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo. She seldom misses a Rotary event and she also has served on the Board of Directors. Congratulations Dagmar. Thank you for sharing.



Rotary of Mission Viejo donated \$500 to help in the fight against Aids in Africa

Details in an upcoming issue of The Spoke & Wheel...



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

October 1, 2010

“Every job is a self-portrait of the person who did it.” - Unknown



CLUB SERVICE

New Media Strategies - Dr. C.K. Lin

Report by Jim Hansen

Dr. C.K. Lin presented New Media Strategies to members and guests at the September 28, 2010 meeting of the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo.

Dr. Lin’s presentation was innovative and intriguing. He gave club members usable ideas to help build membership, advertise the Mission Viejo Rotary, and expand the club’s outreach.

We learned that 96% of people 18 to 35 years old are on social networks and that people between the ages of 55 and 64 represent the fastest growing group to enter the world of social networking. He shared numerous uses of technology that could help a business, a Rotary Club, or simply an individual.

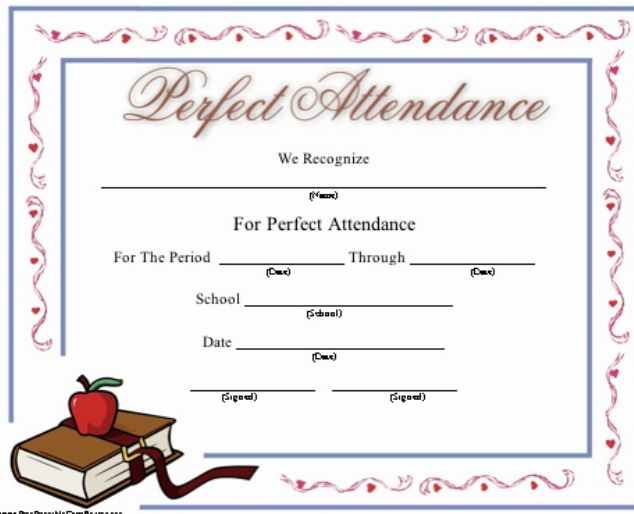
His presentation was well received.



CLUB SERVICE

Who had Perfect Attendance for September?

Report submitted by PDG Dave Williams



The following Rotary Club of Mission Viejo members achieved perfect attendance for September, 2010:

- Dr. Pushpa Chandwani
- Bill Greenfield, Sr.
- Sarah Hagarty
- Jim Hansen
- Jacki Hanson
- PDG Jack Jones
- PP Bill Kersten
- PP Bob McQueen
- PP Steve Mugg
- Verl Nash
- PP Dennis O’Connor
- Tom Ross
- PP Norm Syler
- PP Scott Walker
- Jack Wallace
- PDG Dave Williams

DRAFT MINUTES TO THE MEETING OF THE BOARD
ROTARY CLUB OF MISSION VIEJO

September 9, 2010

In attendance:

Jim Hansen, President Dave Williams, Secretary Bill Kersten, Treasurer Scott Walker, Immediate Past President (IPP) Gary Poertner, Club Administration Chair Bob McQueen, Service Chair Victoria Avery, Rotary Foundation Chair Norm Syler, Public Relations Chair George Cooper, Club Training Officer Dennis O'Connor, Director, Community Service Bob Brown, Director, New Generations Tom Ross, Director, Vocational Service Rich Frieder, Director at Large

Board Members Absent: Dave Lechness, President-Elect; Jack Wallace, Membership Chair; Pushpa Chandwani, Director, International Service

President Jim called the meeting to order at 7:12 am. The Board met in the Conference Room of Edwards Jones Office in Mission Viejo.

1. Minutes Approved: The Board approved the revised Minutes of the August meeting without further revision.

2. Administration:

Chairman Gary indicated that he and President Jim had been working on an organization chart for the Board. It will present an updated way of looking at our leadership, in accordance with RI's Club Leadership Plan. He will also be preparing an alternative Financial/Budget presentation proposal for the club.

3. Training: Training Officer George talked about using Secretary Dave's Overview of Rotary for orientation of new club members. He stated that he could not print a hard copy. Dave said that he would send him one in PDF. A copy has been posted on the club's website.

4. Immediate Past President:

IPP Scott suggested that members consider making contributions to The Rotary Foundation by credit card on the RI website. They may make a pledge and have monthly amounts charged against their card. This permits the Rotarian to take advantage of dollar or mileage awards from the credit card companies. Treasurer Bill stated that he would delete amounts pledged in this manner from monthly billings upon notification by the member. Secretary Dave stated that we could still "match" qualifying donations for Paul Harris Fellow credit.

5. Membership:

The Board voted unanimously to recommend changes to Article 6 of the club's Bylaws. These would reduce the admission fee from \$75 to \$50 and change the name to "initiation fee." The Board also voted to give itself discretion to waive or amend the fee in the future. Secretary Dave said that he would send the proposals to all members on September 9, 2010, for a vote of the membership at our meeting on September 21, 2010.

6. Public Relations:

Chairman Norm said that Vocational Visions is still awaiting arrival of the chairs ordered for the clubhouse under our District Simplified Grant (DSG). The club will pay the full amount when they arrive, and then submit a Final Report to obtain our DSG funds from the District. He announced that there had been a "Going Away Party" for Caroline Moeller, our Exchange Student to Spain at the Moeller residence. The party also welcomed Marco Chenet, our Exchange Student from Italy. He will be staying with the Moellers.

He proposed that we actively pursue Dr. Carl Moeller (Caroline's father) for membership. He is a former Rotarian and serves as President and CEO of Open Doors, an organization supporting persecuted Christians.

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MINUTES TO THE MEETING OF THE BOARD
ROTARY CLUB OF MISSION VIEJO

September 9, 2010

7. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Bill reported that we have \$53,533 in the Buckhalter-Wiggins Memorial Fund and another \$20,344 in our Charity Passbook Savings Account. We currently have about \$26,000 in our Operating Account. These accounts are in One West Bank. All current bills have been paid although we still owe \$1,600 as our last payment for the Veterans' Memorial at Saddleback College. Chairman Gary will see if he can find a contact to receive the check at one of our meetings. He stated the IPP Scott would need to sign our tax returns for 2009-10 (due by November 15th). The Board approved a \$50 gift certification for Elaine McCarthy in Don Lewellen's office for preparing our returns. Treasurer Bill said that he would arrange for the gift. He announced that he would be on vacation for the next 3-4 weeks. Bob McQueen will fill in. He will look into the possibility of prorating the billing of the RI and District dues over the course of the Rotary Year. The billing for these would then be equal monthly amounts. He said that we took in \$34 for Polio Eradication at our Beer Booth on July 31st.

8. Service:

Chairman Bob stated that the school calendar had been complicated due to "furlough days." He believes that the "Walk Against Drugs" will be on October 23rd, rather than October 16th. The Board approved the purchase of 2 outdoor hot dog cookers for the event @ \$59.95 each. He suggested that Rotarians attend a meeting on September 16th from 4-6 pm to welcome the Clint Harwick, new Superintendent of Schools for the Saddleback Valley Unified School District (SVUSD). It will take place at SVUSD headquarters, 25631 Peter Hartman Way.

9. Community Service:

Director Dennis reported that meetings to plan the Esperanza School Pancake Breakfast will begin next month.

10. At Large Report:

Director Rich noted that we have not been billed \$550 for our participation in Gifts in Kind for last year and suggested that this amount could be placed back in our Operating Account. He is working on our annual event at Doors of Faith, the orphanage that we sponsor in Mexico.

11. President's Report: President Jim announced that we will need another location for our Board meetings in December and January because Director Bob will take some time off to care for his "new arrival." One possibility would be to return to the SVUSD headquarters if the new Superintendent elects to participate in Rotary. IPP Scott volunteered to schedule our meeting programs during this period. He informed us that the District is encouraging communities to proclaim a Polio Day, in support of Rotary's Polio Eradication efforts. Director Dennis will pursue the idea with President-Elect Dave. He explained that we have been approached by the National Honor Society (NHS) of Trabuco Hills High School to help meet NHS requirements for community service. We might even consider sponsoring a 2nd Interact Club at the school. He will offer our assistance. 12. Other: The next Board meeting will be on October 7th, at 7:10 am, in the Conference Room of the Edward Jones office (Bob Brown's office), 27772 Vista Del Lago, Suite B21, in Mission Viejo.

The meeting adjourned at 8:32 am.

Respectfully submitted, David C. Williams, Secretary



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*



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

WHITE ELEPHANT

- Oct. 5 - Aaron Sako
- Oct. 12 - Norm Syler
- Oct. 19 - Scott Walker
- Oct. 26 - Jack Wallace
- Nov. 2 - Dave Williams
- Nov. 9 - Victoria Avery
- Nov. 16 - Bob Brown
- Nov. 23 - Dr. Pushpa Chandwani
- Nov. 30 - George Cooper
- Dec. 7 - Bill Craycraft

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/f/31>

Bulletin Staff



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ROTARY SHARES

PP Victoria Avery, (Dan),
General Insurance

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Investments

PP Barry Brownell, (Ety),
Honorary Member

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(Nanik), Medical Doctor

PP George Cooper,
(Margaret), Adhesive Distributer

PP William Craycraft, Sales/
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Kendall Dever, (Stella),
Phone Systems

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(Susan), Optometrist

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Carol Kersten, (Bill),
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(Kathryn), Mortician

Dave Leckness, (Nancy),
Printing

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Public Accountant

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Mathur, (Pravena), Honorary
Member

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Member

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School Administrator

PP Norm Miller, (Pauline),
Honorary Member

PP Steve Mugg, (Susan),
Consultant

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PP Richard Murray, (Paula),
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PP Verl Nash, (Suzanne),
Education

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

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

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Branch Manger

Tom Ross, (Patti),
Printing Broker

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PP Norm Syler, (Luella),
Historian

Steve Tahouri, (Dorich),
Paralegal

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?*

