



# The Spoke & Wheel

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**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

# LIGA International (Flying Doctors of Mercy)

*Report by Jim Hansen • Photos by Bill Kersten*



*Photo: Jacki Hanson, (left), at the 2010 District Conference.*

The guest speaker on November 23 MV Rotary's Jacki Hanson. Jacki spoke to the topic, "LIGA - Flying Doctors of Mercy." Jacki has been going to Mexico with LIGA for nearly 30 years. As a retired RN, she is now coordinates three clinics that are manned by doctors, nurses,

and other medical staff each month. The teams now have medical facilities that allow numerous surgical procedures addressing sight, hearing, and most other medical issues.

Jacki told the audience that on her November trip the team had the typical four ophthalmologists, five podiatrists, and numerous general surgeons.

Jacki has been a part of the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo for several years. In addition to her missions to Mexico, her family, and her Rotary participation, she is also an author of numerous books.

Jacki is an excellent Rotarian and sets the bar high for those following her example.

### Upcoming Events

\*December Project\*

"Door of Faith"

(International Service)

### Upcoming Club Events...

Rotary Club Web site:

[www.missionviejorotary.org](http://www.missionviejorotary.org)

**Saturday, Dec. 4 - Door of Faith Visit.**

**Tuesday, Dec. 7 - Regular Meeting.**

**Thursday, Dec. 9 - Board Meeting**

**Tuesday, Dec. 14 - Regular Meeting.**

**Thursday, Jan. 13 - Board Meeting - (new location)**

### Upcoming District Events...

District 5320 Web site:

[www.rotary5320.org](http://www.rotary5320.org)

**Tuesday, Dec. 14 - Presidents' Meeting.**

**Tuesday, Jan. 11 - Presidents' Meeting.**



**CLUB SERVICE**

***The U. S. Economy***

*Report by Jim Hansen • Photo by Bill Kersten*

The guest speaker on Tuesday, November 16 was David Dickey. Mr. Dickey has been an Orange County-based real estate economist for 30+ years. The title of his presentation was "The Future of the US Economy." The general contents included:

- What shape is our economy in now?
- How did we get here?
- Where are we headed?
- What can we do to as individuals to help?

David’s message, and opinion, had good news and bad. He predicts a certain recovery; but he



*Photo: David Dickey*

believes the economy will remain weaker than the past decade. He feels a growth of government generated economy - from once 25% to the now 45% of the total economy - will hinder economic growth in the next two generations.

His talk was enjoyed by all.

**CLUB SERVICE - SPECIAL REPORT**

***5 AH HA! MOMENTS IN ROTARY***

*By David C. Williams (PDG)*

**(The following is part two 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:**

**2. International Appeal**

The existence of a Rotary club outside of the US came as a surprise to Rotarians in this country. A Chicago Rotarian returned from Winnipeg, Canada in November of 1910 to report that there was a 30-member club in that city. It had been established by a local businessman without the approval of Rotarians to the south. Likewise, the Rotary Club of Dublin, Ireland was organized in March of 1911 without the knowledge of Rotarians elsewhere. The National Association of Rotary Clubs became the International Association of Rotary Clubs in 1912, with the admission of the Winnipeg Club to Rotary. Once Rotarians became accustomed to Rotary clubs in other lands, emissaries went out to spread the word. By the start of World War I, “the war to end all wars,” there were 7 clubs in Canada, 4 in England, 3 in Scotland, and 2 in Ireland. Cuba became in first non- English-speaking country in Rotary in 1915 during the war. After the war, Rotary quickly spread to continental Europe, Asia and South America in 1918; to Australia in 1920; and to Africa in 1921. In 1921, Rotary added to its mission statement:

- (1) peace among nations, (2) understanding among peoples, and (3) the elimination of hunger, suffering and disease.

**CLUB SERVICE**

***MV Rotary Holiday Party***

*Photos by Bill Kersten • Reporter Jim Hansen*

Don't miss this year's **Holiday Party** at Peppino's on Lake Mission Viejo. The Board of Directors encourages you to sign-up and bring a spouse, guest or friend to this festive holiday event.

**We will meet on Tuesday, December 21, 2010 at the heated patio of Peppino's Restaurant in Mission Viejo at 6:00 p.m.** We will be treated to a wonderful Italian buffet with Lasagna, Pasta with Marinara Sauce, Chicken Marsala, Garden Salad with side dressings, bread, and drink choice of coffee, soda or iced tea. Wine and beer will be available at the cash bar. Please plan to attend!

Stay tuned...



***FOUNDATION MICKEY - WATCH FOR HIM!***

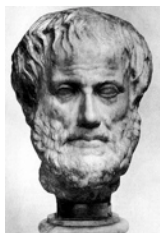


Remember, if you end up with "Foundation

Mickey," you are encouraged to make a

donation to the Rotary Foundation before sharing Mickey with the next member. To donate, simply tell Bill Kersten, Treasurer, and he will bill you.

Thank you for all you do through Rotary!



***QUOTE OF THE WEEK - DECEMBER 1, 2010***

***"What lies in our power to do, it lies in our power not to do."***  
***- Aristotle, Greek philosopher (384-322 BC)***

**CLUB SERVICE**

***Welcome New Member Carol Todd!***

*Photo by Bill Kersten • Report by Jim Hansen*

New Rotarian Carol Todd was welcomed to the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo on Tuesday, November 23, 2010. Carols began visiting the club a few weeks ago. She lives, and is active, in the City of Mission Viejo and she will be sharing a Craft Talk soon so we will be able to become better acquainted.

Director of Membership Jack Wallace and Carol’s sponsor, Norm Syler, provided the induction during the November meeting, (photo).

Welcome Carol!



**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

***MV Rotary Delivers 16 Thanksgiving Dinners***

Bill Kersten and Carol, along with Bob McQueen, purchased, boxed, and delivered the supplies



for 16 Thanksgiving dinners to be the MV Rotary’s local social service office. Arrangements were made months ago and 16 local needy families will receive the

packages. This is an ongoing project of the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo.

**Thank you for all you do!**



**INTERNATIONAL SERVICE**

***Invite Italian Exchange Student Marco for dinner***

Carl and Kim Moeller are Marco’s host parents. If you are planning an event that a high schooler may enjoy, call Carl and Kim and arrange to take Marco along. Of course, you can simply invite him to your home for dinner. We want him to continue to have excellent experiences in America. The Moeller’s contact information is: (Carl) carlm@odusa; business phone: (949) 752-6600; (Kim) kkmoeeller@cox.net; and home: (949) 709-4785.

***MINUTES TO THE MEETING OF THE BOARD***  
***ROTARY CLUB OF MISSION VIEJO***  
***November 18, 2010***

In attendance: Jim Hansen, President; Bill Kersten, Treasurer; Bob McQueen, Service Chair; Jack Wallace, Membership Chair; Norm Syler, Public Relations Chair; Dennis O'Connor, Director, Community Service; Bob Brown, Director, New Generations; Gary Poertner, Club Administration Chair; George Cooper, Club Training Officer; Tom Ross, Director, Vocational Service.

Board Members Absent: Dave Williams, Secretary; Dave Leckness, President-Elect; Pushpa Chandwani, Director, International Service; Scott Walker, Immediate Past President (IPP); Victoria Avery, Rotary Foundation Chair; Rich Frieder, Director at Large.

President Jim called the meeting to order at 7:10 a.m. The Board met in the Conference Room of Edwards-Jones Financial Advisors in Mission Viejo.

1. Minutes Approved: The Board approved the revised Minutes of the October meeting without further revision.
2. President Jim recognized Chairman Gary who presented a new organization chart for the Board that Gary and Jim had previously discussed. The organization meets the requested format from District 5320 and will be tied to an alternative Financial/Budget format. The Board discussed and approved a motion to implement the plan. Gary suggested that interested Board members join him and President Jim to develop and organizational chart that could be distributed to club members. The sub-committee plans to meet after the regular club meeting on November 30.
3. In IPP Scott's absence, President Jim shared Scott's research on the Christmas Party location, menu and pricing. 1) Bella Colina Golf Club's menu and pricing was discussed. Arroyo Trabuco Golf Club's menu and pricing was discussed. Bob Brown suggested Peppino's on the Lake and menu and pricing was discussed. The Board favored the least expensive and more informal Peppino's and Bob Brown offered to finalize the details. A discussion followed regarding the dates of Sunday, December 19 and Tuesday, December 21. The Board selected Tuesday, December 21. Tuesday's meeting scheduled for that day will be DARK.
4. Membership: Chairman Jack stated we have had several visitors recently. Some found us on the Website, (set up by George Cooper), and others on Facebook, (set up by Dennis O'Connor). Jack suggested we keep up both and continue to extend welcome to visitors. Jack reported that one new member, Carol Todd, was approved by the Board via e-mail as permitted in the Club's By-Laws. She will be inducted at an upcoming meeting. Jack suggested we discuss membership at each Board meeting. The Board discussed conducting a Membership Drive in the January-February 2011 time frame - with incentives and competitions. The Board agreed. The Spring Fiesta fundraiser at Café Maiz may be an event of interest to new members so members will be invited to bring prospective members as guests.
5. Public Relations: Chairman Norm said that Vocational Visions has received the chairs ordered for the clubhouse under our District Simplified Grant (DSG). The club has paid the full amount and will submit a Final Report to obtain our DSG funds from the District. He announced that he hears frequently from Caroline Moeller, our Exchange Student to Spain, and reports that she is adapting well to her host country and was recently site-seeing in (continued on page 5)

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Madrid. Our club sponsored "Halloween Night" on October 30th at Vocational Visions. Several club members attended and it was very successful.

6. New Generations: Director Bob said that RYLA at Idyllwild will take place on May 13-15, 2011, later than usual. District Chair Jerry Kress had asked to visit our club to promote the event but was only able to visit with President Jim who shared the information with Bob. We have budgeted \$1,500 for the program this Rotary year. Bob Brown reported that Mission Viejo Interact Club has been meeting regularly under the guidance of faculty sponsor Mark Sabus and that a group of our club members will be visiting today with pizza. Bob will discuss RYLA at the Interact meeting. Director Bob has scheduled Mission Viejo High School Choir Singers at the club meeting on December 14th.

7. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Bill reported that we have approximately \$53,000 in the Buckhalter-Wiggins Memorial Fund and another \$20,000 in our Charity Passbook Savings Account. We still have about \$23,000 in our Operating Account. These accounts are in One West Bank. We have about \$2,000 in receivables. We owe \$1,600 as our last payment for the Veterans' Memorial at Saddleback College. Chairman Gary is scheduled to meet with the contact person today and will attempt to make arrangements for the contact person to receive the check at one of our meetings. Treasurer Bill will begin prorating the billing of the RI and District dues over the course of the Rotary Year beginning in January 2011 per approved Board motion. The billing for these will then be equal monthly amounts. Bill reported the Board approved purchase of 167 new Scholastic books will arrive shortly. The cost is \$337.13. Secretary Dave will work with Bill and Bob McQueen to deliver the books to SVUSD selected school.

8. Service: Chairman Bob stated that he has made arrangements for the Board to return to the Saddleback Valley Unified School District, (SVUSD), Office for Board meetings from January through June 2011. He shared an update on the last SVUSD Teacher Recognition meeting. Rotary will continue to support this for the 2011 event. He also reported that the club purchased supplies, including turkeys, for sixteen Thanksgiving dinners which will be delivered to social workers next Tuesday.

9. Community Service: Director Dennis reported that he attended a successful fundraising dinner for the Shea Center and shared ideas for our future fundraising.

10. President's Report: President Jim announced that Director Pushpa reported approval by The Rotary Foundation of our \$23,000 Matching Grant project with the Rotary Club of Punganur Central to counteract preventable blindness. Our contribution will be \$2,500. Scholastic will bill the club for the books. He explained that Jacki Hanson had asked for club support to purchase a \$4,000 piece of equipment for LIGA (the Flying Doctors). The Board tabled the request pending a possible program on the subject. He stated that he had been approached by Jim Carlin to support "Walk and Talk" at Vocational Visions. The Board declined to help sponsor this project.

11. Other: The next Board meeting will be on December 9, at 7:10 a.m., 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 8:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted for David C. Williams, Secretary by Jim Hansen



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](http://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**

- Dec. 7 - Bill Craycraft
- Dec. 14 - Kendall Dever
- Dec. 21 - DARK
- Dec. 28 - DARK
- 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 Jaegerman
- 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>

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**ROTARY SHARES**

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Robert Brown, (Joanne),  
Investments

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Honorary Member

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(Nanik), Medical Doctor

PP George Cooper,  
(Margaret), Adhesive Distributer

PP William Craycraft, Sales/  
Marketing

Kendall Dever, (Stella),  
Phone Systems

PP Dr. Richard Frieder,  
(Susan), Optometrist

Bill Greenfield Sr. (Sandra),  
International Operations

Len Gribbons, (Josie),  
Honorary Member

PP Ann Hagerty, Research  
Writer

Sarah Hagerty, (Tom), Editor/  
Publisher

James Hansen, (Cathy),  
Educator

**SERVICE ABOVE SELF**

**MEMBERS**

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Jewelry

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Aircraft Manufac. Consultant

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Computer Service

Carol Kersten, (Bill),  
Honorary Member

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(Kathryn), Mortician

Dave Leckness, (Nancy),  
Printing

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Public Accountant

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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

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Education

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(Bonnie), Real Estate

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

Dagmar Richter, Banking -  
Branch Manger

Tom Ross, (Patti),  
Printing Broker

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Optometrist

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?*



***December Calendar***

***\*December Project\****

***Door of Faith***

***Saturday, Dec. 4 - DOOR OF FAITH***

***Tuesday, Dec. 7 - Regular Meeting - Election.***

***Thursday, Dec. 9 - Board Meeting.***

***Tuesday, Dec. 14 - Regular Meeting.***

***Tuesday, Dec. 21 - NO MEETING (See Holiday Party).***

***Tuesday, Dec. 21 - Holiday Party at Peppino's in M.V.***

***Tuesday, Dec. 28 - NO MEETING - DARK for the Holidays.***

***January Calendar***

***\*January Project\****

***26th Meeting Celebration***

***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.***