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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

NEW GENERATIONS

Reading books for Del Lago and Cordillera Elementary Schools

Report by Jim Hansen • Photos by Bill Kersten/Bob McQueen



Photo: Bill Kersten, (above), and Bob McQueen, (right), delivered nearly \$1,000 in reading books to two elementary schools in Saddleback Valley Unified School District. Bob is pictured with the principal of Cordillera E.S.

The Rotary Club of Mission Viejo completed delivery of reading books to two elementary schools in the Saddleback Valley Unified School District. The two schools that received the books are Cordillera and Del Lago Elementary Schools in Mission Viejo.

Each year the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo purchases new reading books their Reading by 9

program. The books are donated to the Saddleback Valley Unified School District, but are distributed by Rotarians directly to the schools selected by the school district.

This project has been an annual event for the Rotary Club of MV and the book orders are often doubled, as this year, through Rotary Matching Grants.

Bob McQueen, Bill Kersten, and Dave Williams have been instrumental in completing the applications, contacts, and delivery of the elementary reading books for the past few year.



Events Calendar

March Projects

- Dist. Assembly*
- Speech Contest*
- Singing Contest*
- Fiesta Fundraiser*

Upcoming Club Events...

- Rotary Club Web site:*
www.missionviejorotary.org
- Tuesday, Mar. 1 - Regular Meeting - Speech Contest*
- Saturday, Mar. 5 - District Assembly.*
- Saturday, Mar. 26 - Club Fiesta Fundraiser*

Upcoming District Events...

- District 5320 Web site:*
www.rotary5320.org
- Saturday, Mar. 5 - District Assembly.*
- April 29 - May 1 - District Conference.*



CLUB SERVICE

La Paz Int. School - A Nation School to Watch

Report by Jim Hansen • Photo by Bill Kersten

Ms. Jean Carroll, principal of La Paz Intermediate School was guest speaker on Tuesday, February 15, 2011. Ms. Carroll proudly shared current accolades held by La Paz Intermediate, including an Academic Performance Index, (API), of 891, California Distinguished School Award, Schools to Watch Award, and more.

In addition to the awards, the audience learned of the school’s many excellent programs, student culture, special events, and fundraising programs. To emphasize her point, Ms. Carroll was joined by several students and parents who shared Ms. Carroll’s pride and enthusiasm for the school.

Here are a couple of footnotes: 1) La Paz Intermediate School helps the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo during the pancake breakfast for Esperanza Special Education School by providing live music; and 2) Rotarian **PP Bob McQueen** was the principal of La Paz Intermediate School for years before working in the district office and eventually retiring.

The presentation was enjoyed by all.

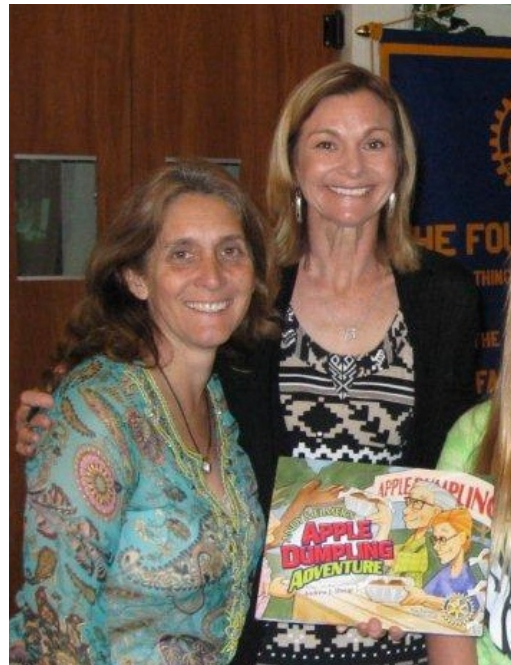


Photo above: Parent and Principal Jean Carroll from La Paz Intermediate School in Mission Viejo.

CLUB SERVICE - SPECIAL REPORT

Future Vision Plan of the Rotary Foundation

*By David C. Williams (PDG)
(Part three of a seven part article)*



DISTRICT GRANTS IN THE FUTURE VISION PLAN

Over the last 3 years, our club has participated in District Simplified Grants (DSGs) from The Rotary Foundation. In our case, the funds have gone towards local projects (e.g., books and computer programs for the schools, chairs for Vocational Visions). These have been small grants (\$2,000 or less), administered by our Rotary District. DSGs can also be used internationally, but most clubs use them in their own communities.

In the future, DSGs will be phased out, and District Grants will replace both DSGs and the traditional Matching Grant for which our club has applied with partners overseas. Such grants need not fall under the 6 Areas of Focus, as long as the projects contribute to the mission of The Rotary Foundation. The District will handle the approval of the grants and monitoring of the projects. It is expected that the projects can be completed within a Rotary Year.

Our club will also be able to apply for Global Grants, but these projects must be long-term, with sustainable outcomes, and within the Areas of Focus.

In the next article, we will examine the source of funding for both District and Global Grants.

CLUB SERVICE

Michael Bray of Mission Viejo

Photo by Bill Kersten • Report by Jim Hansen

Michael Bray moved to Mission Viejo in 1975. He worked in the financial industry; but always loved photography. After retiring in 2008, he has taken up photography full time. His presentation on Tuesday, February 22, highlighted his photography from two trips to Africa. The photos were absolutely amazing and the presentation was spectacular.

Mr. Bray told the audience that Africa is his favorite place to take photos. He especially enjoys Southern Africa and loves to photograph individual animals as opposed to herds. He plans a third visit to Africa and it would be exciting to have him return for another presentation.

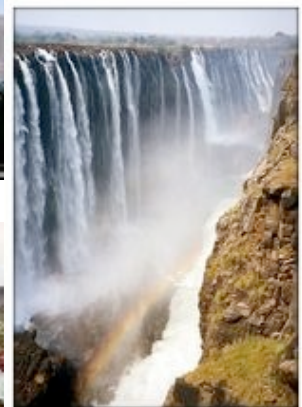


Photo top right: Michael Bray

QUOTE OF THE WEEK MARCH 1, 2011

“A man should never be ashamed to own he has been in the wrong, which is but saying he is wiser today than he was yesterday.”

- Alexander Pope, British poet (1688-1744)





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

(Bring a White Elephant item on your date, or plan to donate \$20)

- March 1 - Bill Kersten
- March 8 - Joe Lavoie
- March 15 - Dave Leckness
- March 22 - Don Lewellen
- March 29 - Bob McQueen
- April 5 - Jim Hansen
- April 12 - Ellis Brust
- April 19 - Bob McQueen
- April 26 - Verl Nash
- May 3 - Dennis O'Connor
- May 10 - Gary Poertner
- May 17 - Dagmar Richter

INVOCATION

(To sign up, contact Jim Hansen at: jhansen4@cox.net)

- March 1 - Ellis Brust
- March 8 - Bob McQueen
- March 15 - Verl Nash
- March 22 - Steve Mugg
- March 29 - Dennis O'Connor
- April 5 - Jim Hansen
- April 12 - Ellis Brust
- April 19 - Bob McQueen
- April 26 - Verl Nash
- May 3 - Steve Mugg
- May 10 - Dennis O'Connor
- May 17 - Jim Hansen

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>

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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?*



Rotary Club of Mission Viejo

March 2011

March Project/s:

- 1. Speech Competition - Youth Service**
- 2. District Assembly**
- 3. Singing Contest - Youth Service**
- 4. Fiesta Fundraiser - Club Service**

March 1	-	Regular Meeting: Speech Contest
March 5	-	DISTRICT ASSEMBLY
March 8	-	Regular Meeting
March 8	-	Presidents' Meeting
March 10	-	BOARD MEETING
March 15	-	Regular Meeting: Young Singer Competition
March 22	-	Regular Meeting
March 26	-	CLUB FIESTA FUNDRAISER
March 29	-	Regular Meeting

Rotary Club of Mission Viejo

April 2011

April Projects:

- 1. Esperanza Pancake Breakfast - Community Service**
- 2. Speech & Singing Finals - New Generations**
- 3. District Conference - Club Service**

April 5	-	Regular Meeting
April 10	-	Esperanza Pancake Breakfast
April 12	-	Regular Meeting
April 12	-	PRESIDENTS' MEETING
April 14	-	BOARD MEETING
April 16-17	-	SINGING AND SPEECH FINALS
April 19	-	Regular Meeting
April 26	-	Regular Meeting
April 29-May1	-	District Conference
April 30	-	Rotarians at Work Day

Rotary Club of Mission Viejo
MAY 2011

May Project/s:

- 1. *RYLA - New Generations*
- 2. *RI Convention - Club Service*

<i>May 3</i>	-	<i>Regular Meeting</i>
<i>May 10</i>	-	<i>Regular Meeting</i>
<i>May 12</i>	-	<i>BOARD MEETING</i>
<i>May 13-15</i>	-	<i>RYLA</i>
<i>May 14</i>	-	<i>District Membership Seminar</i>
<i>May 17</i>	-	<i>Regular Meeting</i>
<i>MAY 22-25</i>	-	<i>RI CONVENTION</i>
<i>May 24</i>	-	<i>Regular Meeting</i>
<i>May 31</i>	-	<i>Regular Meeting</i>

Rotary Club of Mission Viejo
JUNE

June Project/s:

- 1. *Demotion Dinner - Club Service*

<i>June 7</i>	-	<i>Regular Meeting</i>
<i>June 9</i>	-	<i>BOARD MEETING</i>
<i>June 14</i>	-	<i>Regular Meeting</i>
<i>June 14</i>	-	<i>Governor's Transition Party (tentative)</i>
<i>June 21</i>	-	<i>Regular Meeting</i>
<i>June 28</i>	-	<i>NO MEETING</i>
<i>June 28</i>	-	<i>DEMOTION DINNER</i>