



The Spoke & Wheel

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Rotary Club of Mission Viejo was Chartered September 13, 1974.

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

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: Kalyan Banerjee, RI President; Greg Owen, District 5320 Governor

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Caroline returns from Spain

• Report by Jim Hansen • Photo by Bill Kersten

On July 5, 2011, Caroline, the Rotary exchange student sponsored by the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo, attended a Rotary meeting as guest speaker. Caroline presented highlights of her year in Spain as a Rotary Youth Exchange Student.

Caroline first thanked Mission Viejo Rotary club members for their sponsorship support. Then, she proceeded to share experiences, understandings, and the building of relationships she developed over the past year.

Caroline visited many cities in Spain, became fluent in reading, writing, and speaking a couple of dialects of Spanish, and built life-long friendships.

It was exciting to hear of her experiences and to relive experiences during her presentation.



Editor's Note:

The Rotary Club of Mission Viejo thanks Caroline, her parents, and Rotary District 5320 for the support provided in making this exchange a reality. Rotary 2010-2011 really did "Build Communities and Bridge Continents."

Events Calendar

August Project/s

Rotary @ Angels Game

Upcoming Club Events...

Rotary Club Web site:

www.missionviejorotary.org

Saturday, August 20 - Angels/Polio Plus Baseball Game.

Upcoming District Events...

District 5320 Web site:

www.rotary5320.org

Saturday, August 20 - Angels/Polio Plus Baseball Game.



INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

LIGA - Flying Doctors of Mercy

Report by Verl D. Nash • Photo by Bill Kersten

On July 19, 2011 Dr. Richard Wilner, a cardiologist, gave a talk about how LIGA, the organization that **Jacki Hanson** is involved with, is now helping where they can with Children's' Heart problems in Mexico. Before Dr. Wilner was a part of the program, little or nothing was done with children who through no fault of their own had heart problems from birth. Some children are born with holes in the interior walls of the heart that allows blood to pass from the atrium to the ventricle without going to the lungs for oxygen. The unoxygenated blood then flows to the body of the child and they are truly "blue babies." Of course, this happens in the United States; but, with our modern facilities and the medical technology we have, many of these children are treated very early and a complete recovery is made.

Dr. Aguilera, in Mexico, has been able to make great progress with the research done and his connection with Rotary Clubs in Mexico. An EKG machine and an Echogram machine have been

purchased with donated funds and the help of several Rotary Clubs. When a patient is found with the condition, he/she is reported to Dr. Aguilera and if at all possible a heart operation is done in a Mexican hospital. Between Dr. Wilner and Dr. Aguilera many of these patients receive the help they need at a greatly reduced price. Dr. Wilner stated that they have found 110 case in the last 15 years. Some have been brought to the US for the operation.

It was great to hear how Rotary is involved in the program in Mexico and exciting to hear how Dr. Wilner and our own Jackie Hanson are involved.

"I guess it is never to late to provide 'Service Above Self.'" - *Verl D. Nash*



INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Marco returns safely to Italy

Report by Norm Syler • Photo by Bill Kersten

Marco Chenet, Mission Viejo Rotary's Youth Exchange Student from Italy, returned home last month. It was enlightening getting to know Marco this past year. He is a wonderful young man and will make an excellent Rotarian.

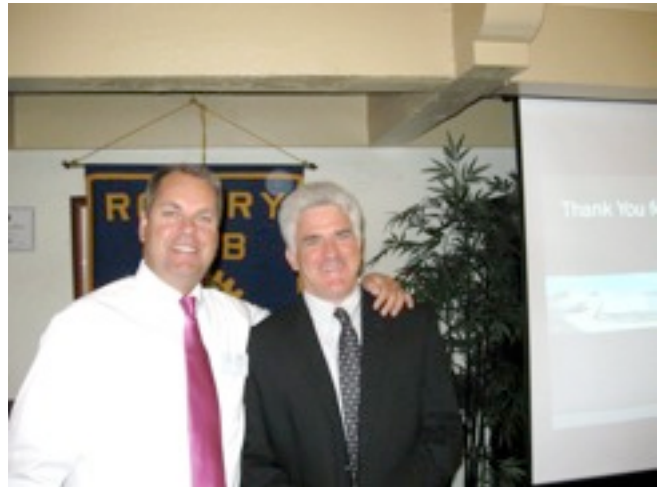
Marco enjoyed a send-off party at the home of Rotarian **Ken Dever** before catching a flight for Italy. He is returning to his senior year of high school in his home town near Venice. His experiences

in the U.S.A. will certainly help him throughout his education and career. He plans to attend college after high school and expects to enter the field of architecture in the future.

Editor's Note:

Thank you to **Norm Syler** for coordinating Marco's activities and and to **Ken Dever** for hosting Marco for his last week in the U.S.A.



CLUB SERVICE***Water in South Orange County****Report by Verl Nash • Photo by Bill Kersten*

Mr. Daniel Ferons, Chief Engineer, Santa Margarita Water District, led a presentation on the new Upper Chiquita Reservoir. He gave a very informative talk about Water in the South Orange County area and how the development of the Upper Chiquita Reservoir, between Mission Viejo and Coto de Caza, will provide emergency water for 168,000 local families for one week in event of a regional or statewide water service disruption. This new reservoir will hopefully be finished this September and will begin to be filled thereafter.

Mr. Ferons pointed out that South County has almost no aquifer to draw from so we must save some of our imported water to help in case of emergency. This project is a joint effort between the Santa Margarita Water District, Moulton Niguel Water District, South Coast Water District, and the cities of San Juan Capistrano and San Clemente. A 90" line takes water to the Diemer Filtration plant and from there on it is carried by 66" lines. The water is not consistent enough to run a turbine for electricity but is constantly having to be pumped along the line from the Colorado River and the California Aqueduct bringing water from the River and the Bay Area and beyond. Mr. Feron's presentation was accompanied by a video program and showed where we get our water, where it is filtered, and how it is distributed.

All in all, it was a very good program that held interest for all who need water.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK - AUGUST 1, 2011

Much responsibility rests upon the shoulders of the song leader; it is not infrequently within his/her power to make or break a meeting. - Paul Harris

COMMUNITY SERVICE

M.V. Rotarians visit the Shea Center

Report and Photos by Jim Hansen

Norm Syler and Jim Hansen attended “Coffee at the Corral” at the Shea Center on Saturday, July 23. As you may know, Mission Viejo Rotary has helped sponsor Emerson, the trained Facility Dog, for the past year with a \$1,000 donation to the Shea Center.

John Caldwell, (SJC Rotary), hosted the event with numerous Rotarians in attendance - including 5320 DG Greg Owen. If you have not seen the Shea Center or Emerson, plan to attend the next “Coffee at the Corral” on Saturday, August 6 at 9:30 a.m. to see the amazing facility and the wonderful interaction between Emerson and the clients.



CLUB SERVICE

President Dave “takes over” July 26 meeting!

Anonymous Reporter

Due to several member absences, President Dave took on many hats during the July 26 meeting of the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo. First, he opened the meeting. Then, he led the flag salute. Next, he presented the announcements. Fourth, he filled in for Fine Master Victoria. Finally, he presented the program. Yes, President Dave needed to fill in for some absent members and the no-show guest speaker.

Dave rose to the occasion. We revisited birthdays and anniversaries, collected fines and

were treated to “Dave’s Etiquette Lesson!”

Dave told the audience, “*Etiquette is the rules and conventions governing correct or polite behavior in society in general or in a particular social or professional group or situation.*” He went on to share numerous points for us to follow when we are allowed out in public. I don’t remember what they were, but I know they were important.

Although usually very shy, Dave did pose for a few photos...



COMMUNITY SERVICE

M.V. Rotary sends another Shelter Box!



6/15/2011

Bill Kersten
PO Box 2234
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Donation Date: 6/1/2011

Donation Amount: \$2,000.00

Dear Bill,

On behalf of ShelterBox USA, I would like to thank you for your generous donation of \$2,000.00. Your gift was extremely thoughtful and very much appreciated.

As the top international disaster relief organization that provides shelter and lifesaving equipment, ShelterBox instantly responds to earthquake, volcano, flood, hurricane, cyclone, tsunami or conflict by delivering boxes of aid. Other aid organizations have told us that our green box stands out as a symbol of hope in a landscape of disarray. In many cases, our boxes make the difference between life and death.

Over the last several months, we've dealt with numerous disasters that have struck around the world. We are currently responding to Columbia where once again regions have been hit with severe flooding. We are also active in the United States responding to requests for aid in Arkansas after the devastating tornado ripped through the area destroying homes. ShelterBox has been working to ensure emergency shelter reaches these locations as quickly as possible, thanks in part to the generous support of people like you, who are truly making a difference.

ShelterBox has firmly established itself at the forefront of international disaster relief, providing aid to survivors of over 140 disasters in more than 70 countries, and is the largest Rotary Club project in the world.

All of this happens thanks to the generosity of financial supporters like you who help us to sustain our relief efforts. If you have any questions, contact Lou Ann Linn at llinn@shelterboxusa.org or (941) 907-6036 ext 105. Thank you again for your support!

With sincere gratitude,

Emily Sperling
President, ShelterBox USA

PS: Your unique ShelterBox ID number will be in the coming weeks. Soon, you will receive an additional letter showing this number and providing instructions on how to track your box online. Please note that the rate at which we deploy boxes is directly related to the number of disasters occurring and the scale of the response they require. Depending on the need for disaster response, it may be several months before your box(es) are reported as deployed.

This acknowledgment also serves as your donation receipt, so please keep this document for your records. No goods or services were provided in exchange for this donation. ShelterBox USA is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization registered in the State of Florida, and is a friend and affiliate of ShelterBox Trust (Cornwall, UK). ShelterBox is a global Rotary Club project supported by individuals, Rotary Clubs, and other organizations throughout the world. Thank you for your support.

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ROTARY SHARES!



Photo Above: PP George Cooper, award winning Webmaster

WEB SITE NEWS
REGULARLY UPDATED!

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

Note: For confidential club information, you must use your password.

FACEBOOK NEWS

Visit us on Facebook! MV Rotary's Facebook coordinator: PP Dennis O'Connor



SERVICE ABOVE SELF



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

WHITE ELEPHANT

Please bring a White Elephant item on your assigned date. Of course, you may donate \$20 if you prefer.

- Aug. 16 - Bill Craycraft
- Aug. 23 - Ken Dever
- Aug. 30 - Richard Frieder
- Sept. 6 - Bill Greenfield
- Sept. 13 - Ann Hagerty
- Sept. 20 - Sarah Hagerty
- Sept. 27 - Jim Hansen
- Oct. 4 - Jacki Hanson
- Oct. 11 - Michael Jagerman
- Oct. 18 - Eric Johnson
- Oct. 25 - Jack Jones

BRING A GUEST!

Make-up Clubs

Coto de Caza/Rancho Santa Margarita - Thursdays, 7:00 p.m., Coto De Caza Golf & Racquet Club.

Laguna Niguel - Tuesdays, 12 p.m. at Savannah Chop House, 32441 Golden Lantern.

Monarch Beach - Wednesdays, 7:15 a.m., Ritz Carlton Hotel Monarch Beach

Laguna Beach - Fridays, 12 p.m., Hotel Laguna, 425 S. Coast Hwy.

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
AUGUST

August Project/s:
Angels/Polio Plus Baseball Game

- Tuesday, August 2 - Regular Meeting*
- Tuesday, August 9 - Regular Meeting*
- Tuesday, August 9 - Presidents' Dinner Meeting*
- Thursday, August 11 - Board Meeting, 7:10 a.m.*
- Tuesday, August 16 - Regular Meeting*
- Saturday, August 20 - Angels/Rotary Polio Plus Baseball Game*
- Tuesday, August 23 - Regular Meeting*
- Tuesday, August 30 - Regular Meeting*

Rotary Club of Mission Viejo
SEPTEMBER

- September 6 - Regular Meeting*
- September ? (TBA) - Board Meeting*
- September 9 - Rotary Business leader of the Year Luncheon*
- September 13 - Regular Meeting*
- September 13 - Presidents' Meeting*
- September 20 - Regular Meeting*
- September 27 - Regular Meeting*