



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

CLUB SERVICE

DG Greg Owen

- Report by Verl Nash
- Photo by Bill Kersten



On August 2, 2011, the RC of Mission Viejo welcomed District Governor Greg Owen as speaker. It wasn't the usual Pep Talk about Rotary.

Governor Greg pointed out some of the things that R to R (Rotary to Rotary) has done. The best example was how a Rotarian had called another Rotarian to see if he could store some hospital beds while the paperwork began on how to get these beds transferred to Hospitals in Mexico. The beds were stored for eight (8) years while the paperwork was completed - the beds finally transferred.

He talked about how close to our goal of eliminating polio we are and how just few more projects like the Eradicate Polio chili cook-off at the Angels game on August 20 can make the difference.

His company had contributed \$5000 to take the message around Southern California on their trucks and with Matching Funds the amount became \$16,000. The message started on August 2 as the trucks headed out with the

message of Rotary helping people around the world.

His goal for our district is to grow 10% this year and it appears that Mission Viejo is well on the way as visitors continue to attend. The Governor also pointed out how important it is to get young people involved in Rotary. "We have to push for youth as older Rotarians tend to drop their membership when they reach a certain age and these people have to be replaced," he stated. We have to keep pushing for membership.

A rather startling fact was brought out that 33% of the Foundation Funds come from Paul Harris sustaining members. Our club is solidly behind the Paul Harris Fund and each year we get more sustaining members. We missed achieving Sustaining Member Club by one member.

A great meeting and capped off with the speech by our new District Governor Greg Owen.

Events Calendar

August Projects

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.



Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

CLUB SERVICE***Laura's House***

Report by Verl Nash • Photo by Bill Kersten



The Mission Viejo Rotary Club was given a real insight into Laura's House on August 8th, 2011. Margaret Bayston, the CEO/Executive Director gave the program of the only state-approved comprehensive domestic violence agency in south Orange County. It has been in operation since 1994. Margaret got her degree at Leeds University in England and worked with several law firms in the areas of criminal and family law. She has been influenced by the growing social needs of the community and Laura's House has been committed to constantly appraising the programs and services provided.

Laura's House provides a safe place for the women and children and some men who need to be counseled and educated so they can regain trust. They are in contact with schools and hospitals looking for cases of abuse that they might be able to help or send on to further treatment. They have six licensed therapists and offer counseling for the whole family. She did not give out the location of Laura's House as they are currently building a new facility somewhere in the Ladera Ranch area which will increase their spaces to about 75 at any given time. They are constantly trying to provide innovative and lasting solutions to ending the cycle of domestic violence. A question and answer period followed Margaret's talk.

There is always room for volunteers to work at their store in Lake Forest and if interested, people should call 949-361-3775.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK - AUGUST 15, 2011

*Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths,
but only what is helpful for building others up according to their
needs, that it may benefit those who listen.*

- Ephesians 4:29

COMMUNITY SERVICE

DG Greg Owen Visits MVR Board meeting!

Photos by Bill Kersten

District 5320 Governor Greg Owen visited the Mission Viejo Rotary Board on August 1, 2011. The special Board meeting was held at the home of President Dave Leckness. A light dinner was served and Mission Viejo Board members shared their goals with the new governor.

President Dave reported this to be a very productive meeting!



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

Mission Viejo Symphony on the Green

Photos by Bill Kersten

The Rotary Club of Mission Viejo sponsored the Wine and Beer Garden at the Annual Mission Viejo Symphony on the Green. Members served beer and wine and enjoyed the festive community event sponsored by the City of Mission Viejo.

Members enjoyed meeting fellow Mission Viejo residents and all profits go towards the community, vocational, international, and youth services projects of the Mission Viejo Rotary Club.



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-up:

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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 8 - 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*