

# ROTARY SPOKES

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## Dr. Stanley Frochtzwajg: the New Look of Family Practice



*Photo from the Ventura County Star.*

Today the Ventura Rotary Clubs are getting together to enjoy Rotary and community fellowship. The speaker today is Stanley Frochtzwajg, M.D. who will speak on "The New Look of Family Practice- Boutique Medicine."

Dr. Frochtzwajg is the Chief Medical Officer of Community Memorial Health System, and is therefore the liaison between the Medical Staff and the Administration.

Dr. Frochtzwajg holds an undergraduate degree from the University of California, Los Angeles and graduated from the University of California, Irvine, College of Medicine. He did his residency at Ventura County Medical Center and has practiced in Ventura in Family Medicine for over 30 years.

## Julius Gius Memorial Rotary Fund Now Accepting 2014 Applications

JGMF Chairman Hutch Hutchinson announced that the application forms to receive grants are now available and the deadline for submittal is February 28. The JGMF Board will consider the requests with the following criteria:

- Mission with a strong focus on our west county, in particular west Ventura.
- Projects with benefits which would include a wide number of clients.
- Grants will have a life beyond our contribution, such as capital campaigns or endowments.
- Projects which would offer exposure of the Rotary Club of Ventura.
- Initiatives which would lend themselves to matching or challenge opportunities which would leverage our donations.

Last year's grant recipients were Women's Economic Ventures, the Westside Community Development Corporation, the Readers' Faire, the Ventura Educational Partnership, City Corps, the Rubicon Theater, the Ventura College Foundation, Ventura HS AVID, Harmony Project and the Ventura YMCA.

## Polio Fundraiser in Honor of Larry Emrich: Tickets Now Available



Everything is set for a wonderful event focused on Rotary's commitment to the final push that will eradicate polio once and for all!

The date is Saturday, March 8, 2014 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Tickets are \$75.00 per person and only 100 are available.. All proceeds go to the

PolioPlus campaign.

We will be celebrating the efforts of Larry Emrich at the club, district and international campaigns for PolioPlus. As a polio survivor himself, he has a fervent desire to see the end of the disease and has done much through personal contribution, soliciting donations and raising awareness to that effect.

Doug Halter and Randy Encinas have once again opened their beautiful hillside villa for this event, and local community celebs such as VUSD Superintendent Trudy Arriaga and Sheriff Geoff Dean will be serving dinner.

## Recap of January 22 Meeting

To begin the meeting, Dave Loe recounted the origins of the Four Way Test before reciting it for us. Clyde Reynolds led us in “It’s a Grand Old Flag.”

President Irene announced that all the places are filled for the Labyrinth wine tasting event January 30 from 5:30 -7:00 pm. She then asked for members to save the date for the polio fundraiser coming up to honor Larry Emrich. (See the article on today’s front page.) Kristin Taylor announced that coats are still coming in and she needs help: from volunteers to determine where the best collection sites were located. Ron Calkins gave an update on the Fourth of July activities. They are close to determining the feasibility of expanding the event. He also asked for members to step up to leadership roles in various tasks needed to put on a successful effort.

The balance of the meeting became a sort of ‘Mario de la Piedra Day’ with a succession of awards given to him. Dave Loe emceed the occasion, first calling up President-elect Rob vanNieuwburg who presented Mario with the absurdly prestigious Golden Weenie award. Next up was Mario’s father, Mario Sr. and his wife, Virginia. Mario Sr., longtime Rotarian in Fillmore, spoke of his son before presenting Mario Jr. with his fourth Paul Harris Fellowship. Next, District 5240 Governor Jack McClenahan presented Mario with the Julius Gius Award, our club’s highest honor for outstanding service. Mario spoke warmly of his parents, particularly of his father.

Curtis Cormane presented Mario with a watercolor based on the Color Run, a wildly successful event held in October as a result of Mario’s work to bring the event to Ventura and have the Rotary Club designated as the official charity. Curtis also did the fining which, of course, was based on Mario!

### Program

Steve Kipp introduced the speaker, Mike Powers, who has served as the CEO of the County of Ventura since 2011. He was born and raised in Ventura, where he resides with his wife Erin, and sons Charlie and Zackary

Powers oversees some 8,400 employees in 26 departments and is responsible for overseeing and supporting all major county functions and services including budget, finance, legislation, human resources, labor relations, economic

development and information technology.

He is proud to say that Ventura County has a balanced budget of \$1.8 billion which has been achieved with lower overhead, waste-cutting while still providing more essential services. The county holds a AAA bond rating.

A big concern for the County is the continuing mandated “Safety Realignment” which has seen 660 convicted persons from the County facilities released to date, with another 801 projected to be released soon. The sheriff’s department is collaborating closely with the incorporated cities to maintain communication on this and other county-wide matters.



*District 5240 Governor Jack McClenahan and President Irene present the Gius Award to Mario de la Piedra.*



*Ventura County CEO Mike Powers gave us an update on county happenings.*





*Mario de la Piedra, Sr. talks about his son during presentation of a Paul Harris Fellowship, while emcee Dave Loe, Virginia de la Piedra and Mario de la Piedra look on.*



*Clyde Reynolds helped lead the club in a patriotic song.*



*Mario introduced his fiancée Krystal Gonzalez to the Club.*



*Ron Calkins gave an update on the Fourth of July activities.*

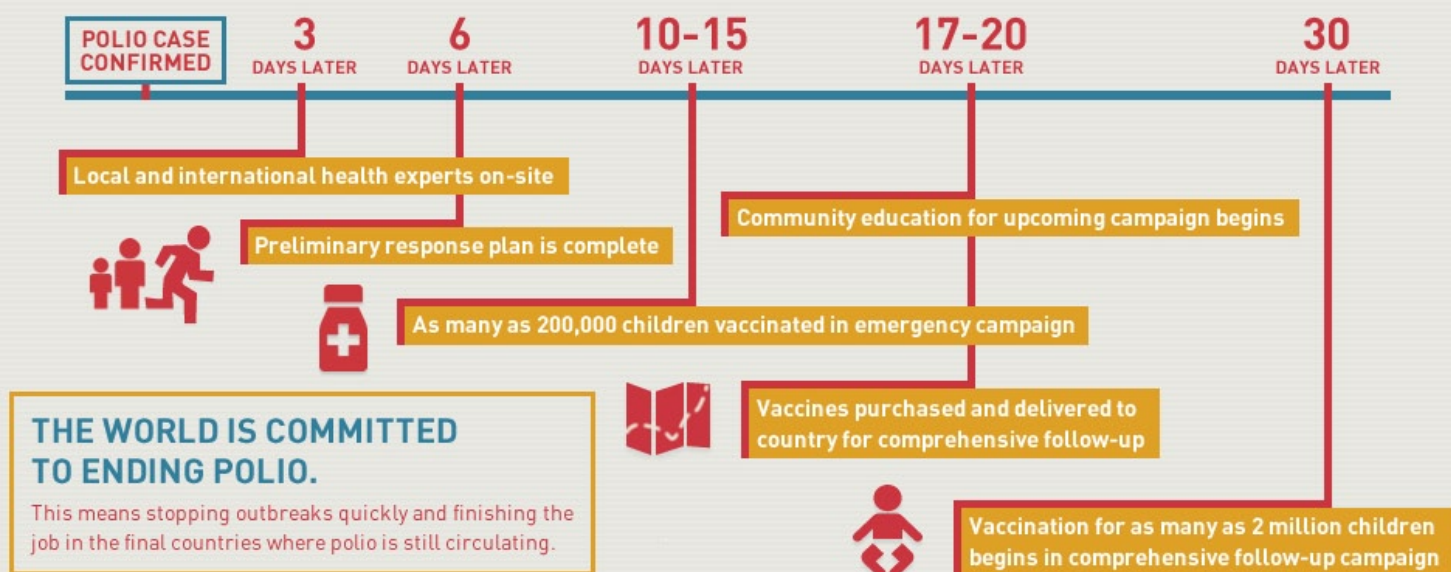


*Curtis Cormane holds up an award commemorating the 2013 Color Run which Mario organized.*



# HOW TO STOP A POLIO OUTBREAK

WHEN A POLIO OUTBREAK HAPPENS, THOUSANDS SPRING INTO ACTION



Source: Global Polio Eradication Initiative

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## NEW MEMBER PROPOSALS

The following are proposed for membership:



- **Erik Dullenkopf**, proposed with classification of "Financial Planning" (NewGen) by Sarah Abrams.
- **Amy Fanzo**, proposed with classification of "Oil Production" by Connie Young.
- **Ken Leandro**, proposed with classification of "Mobile Marketing" (NewGen) by Courtney Lindberg.
- **Melanie Markley**, proposed with classification of "County Government- Retired" by Rosa Lee Measures.
- **Mike Montoya**, proposed with classification of "Utility- Electric- Retired" by Rob van Nieuwburg.

If you have any objection to membership of any of these individuals in our club, please contact the President or Secretary in writing within seven days.

### Membership Updates:

A Leave of Absence has been extended to the following:  
Eliane DeBlauw from 2/28/2014 to 8/31/2014.

- | January Birthdays          | January Anniversaries   |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| William J. Kearney, Jan 01 | Norbert Tan, Jan 03     |
| Sally Crain, Jan 11        | Sonny Shah, Jan 08      |
| Roz Warner, Jan 12         | Chris Brashears, Jan 10 |
| John R. Brant, Jan 13      | Jim Deardorff, Jan 13   |
| Juan M. Soto, Jan 21       | Cessy Figueroa, Jan 15  |
| Tom Naylor, Jan 23         | Jorge Arman, Jan 16     |
| Ron Bamieh, Jan 24         |                         |

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