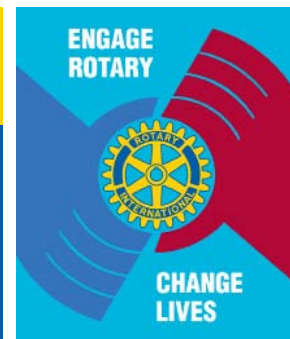


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Jack McClenahan: District 5240 Governor, 2013-14

Today we are honored with the annual visit of our District Governor, Jack McClenahan. He will speak to us of his plans for the upcoming Rotary year.

Jack has visited us in the past in many capacities and his current club is just up the road at Ojai West. You may remember Jack's wife Jane, who served as our 2007-08 District Governor.



He first joined the Rotary Club of Santa Paula in 1978 and has been a member of the Rotary Clubs of Ojai and Moraga.

Before Jack and Jane and family moved to Southern California, he was a high school teacher and coach in Berkeley for 12 years. After leaving the classroom, Jack worked in educational fund development for 32 years, mainly at his Alma Mater Saint Mary's College in Moraga. He is now retired.

He was Rotary Club of Ojai Club Secretary for five years and Rotarian of the Year in 1987-88. He was the club's voting delegate to international conventions in Munich 1987 and Philadelphia 1988. With Jane, he has attended twelve Rotary conventions, often serving as District promotions chair or co-chair.

After joining the Rotary Club of Ojai-West, he was fundraising chair for the club's Rotary Centennial project, Rotary Community Park. He served as Club President in 2005-06. He has been a participant and/or presenter

at ten President-Elect Retreats, eleven President-Elect Training Seminars (known as PETS), numerous District Mid-Terms, Assemblies, Membership Seminars, and Foundation Seminars.

Jack served as Chief Operating Officer for DG 2012-13 Frank Ortiz until being selected as District Governor Nominee. On the multi-district level, he was a Director of The Rotary Rose Parade Float Committee Inc from 2007 to 2013; and he was a 2012-13 Director of Southern California and Nevada PETS Inc.

Jack and Jane are Rotary Foundation Major Donors, Benefactors, and multiple Paul Harris Fellows, as well as donors to the Rotary Club of Ojai-West Foundation. Married since 1966, they have three daughters and eight grandchildren.

Bringing Home the Honors

The recent District Governor Demotion Gala celebrated the past year under Frank Ortiz. It is also the occasion that clubs are recognized for their achievements. The Rotary Club of Ventura under Past President Indy Batra garnered the following awards: a Club Builder Award to Indy Batra; a Rotary Foundation Service Award to Larry Emrich; an RI Presidential Citations to Indy Batra and a Governor's Gold Club of Distinction to the Rotary Club of Ventura.



Recap of July 10, 2013 Meeting

Officially the first meeting of the new Rotary year, we welcomed our new President Irene Henry to the dais. In that spirit, Curtis Cormane led off with a Mother Theresa prayer about leadership. The National Anthem was sung by a visiting student and RoseAnn Hill.

Lynda Girtsman, who is coordinating the printing of the club directories, would like to know if you desire one. If so, please let her know.

Larry Emrich announced details of the upcoming offsite meetings due to the Ventura County Fair. The meeting of July 31 will be at Community Memorial Hospital. The August 7 meeting will start at the Channel Islands Yacht Club and then over to the nearby Ventura County Maritime Museum. Please make sure you fill in the sign up sheet.

Steve Warriner conducted fining about a small, dangerous Pacific atoll he spent time on. Mario de la Piedra, in his Rotary Moment, spoke of his ongoing involvement in our club's international project in Nicaragua.

Newly-installed International Service chair Christina Rust introduced Mark Kirwin to give a brief update on the Nicaragua project. Together with other organizations, the medical clinic in Playa Gigante is rapidly progressing. Our club's contribution has included the well equipment, a two-tank septic system and windows and doors. Mark, Christina and Ed McCombs have made several trips to personally direct purchasing and installation efforts.

Program

President Irene announced some of the initiatives she would like the Club to pursue during her presidential year. Among those, she would like to keep the past president groups going, but would like each group to commit to bringing in a new member.

She then introduced her new board, all sporting black fedoras and sunglasses. Each Avenue of Service chairs spoke briefly on some of their goals for the year.

I'm sure we all wish President Irene and her board all the best as they lead our Rotary Club to bigger and better things.!

Today's Program *District 5240 Governor Jack McClehan*

Introductions:	Hutch Hutchinson
Rotary Moment:	Ron Bamieh
Fining:	Ellyn Dembowski

Future Programs

July 24 Rotary Youth Exchange
July 31 Community Memorial Hospital (Offsite visit)
Aug 07 Ventura County Maritime Museum (Offsite visit)



Club President Irene Henry conducted her first meeting by outlining her agenda and introducing her board.



Mark Kirwin gave an update on a recent trip to Nicaragua and our club project, the Playa Gigante medical clinic.



Curtis Cormane reads an invocation penned by Mother Theresa.



Steve Warriner and Ron Calkins discuss the year's upcoming Community Service projects.



Club Service will be ably handled by Mario de la Piedra and Roz Warner.



Vocational Service will be handled by the new board tandem of Mary Saputo and Jeff King.



Courtney Lindberg is the new New Generations director with Dale Jaedtke assisting.



Never too early to think about next year! President-elect Rob van Nieuwburg speaks.

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The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

**will match 2 for 1 every dollar
 Rotary International commits
 up to \$35 million
 to polio eradication
 through 2018.**

**Donate \$5, it becomes \$15.
 Donate \$100, it becomes \$300.**

Take action and help end polio now.

At Rotary's 104th International Convention in Lisbon, Rotary and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation announced that they will extend their partnership during the critical endgame phase of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative. The Gates Foundation will match 2 for 1 every dollar Rotary commits up to US\$35 million to polio eradication through 2018.

gave Rotary a \$100 million challenge grant for polio eradication, increasing it to \$355 million in 2009. Rotary agreed to raise \$200 million in matching funds by June 2012. When the organization achieved its fundraising goal six months ahead of schedule, the Gates Foundation granted Rotary an additional \$50 million.

Rotary and the Gates Foundation have partnered on polio eradication since 2007, when the Gates Foundation

To date, Rotary clubs worldwide have contributed US\$1.2 billion to the polio eradication effort.

Upcoming Events

July 31 Offsite Meeting

Noon
 Community Memorial Hospital
 147 N. Brent St., Ventura
 8th Floor Auditorium

August 7 Offsite Meeting

Noon
 Channel Islands Yacht Club
 4100 Harbor Blvd., Oxnard
then
 Ventura County Maritime Museum
 3900 Bluefin Cir., Oxnard

July Birthdays

Kathy Wertheim, Jul 01
 Barbara Asbell, Jul 10
 Ron Calkins, Jul 11
 Rob van Nieuwburg, Jul 13
 Jim Newton, Jul 14
 Roger Case, Jul 20
 Bob Donaldson, Jul 22
 Michael Scar, Jul 23
 Dave Bianco, Jul 25
 Lucas Johnston, Jul 25

July Anniversaries

RoseAnn and David Hill, Jul 02
 David and Rebekah Wellik, Jul 18
 Michael and Annie Anderson, Jul 24
 Sandra and Jordan Laby, Jul 24
 John and Cherie Brant, Cherie, Jul 26
 Norm and Joan Blacher, Jul 27

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