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# The Rotary Club GOOD NEWS

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The Rotary Club of Menifee meets Thursdays at 12:10 p.m., Menifee Lakes Country Club, 29875 Menifee Lakes Drive, Menifee, CA 92584  
Voted BEST local non-profit by Menifee Chamber of Commerce

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Rotarians! As your current President, I would like to take this opportunity to extend a much belated WELCOME to the new year that is upon us! We have grown and accomplished MUCH in the past two years under the guidance and leadership of past Presidents Judy & Don! Our two main fundraising events, *The Mayor's Ball & Menifee Motor Madness*, have not only cemented our reputation as the premier service organization in Menifee, but also generated a significant amount of reserves to fund our local and international charitable efforts! These events, under the leadership of **Linda Denver** and **Chuck Cena**, rely on ALL of our continued hard work and support to be successful. Therefore, your involvement in both is vital! Of course, that is true for all the various projects and events we sponsor and choose to take part in and your attendance at our weekly meetings is necessary to stay abreast of what we are undertaking as a club! Please make every effort to join us all for lunch each week as we grow and share as Rotarians!

At the start of this new year, I met with the current Board of Directors to share an outline for my general goals for our club! Following is the content of that outline. Please note the 'action items,' for lack of a better description, that I included at the end of this outline. If the dialogue about our future and the goals we outlined in our "Visioning Exercise" are the spirit of our club, it is the actions we take each day and week that make up our club's "body!" This means YOUR participation is the very lifeblood of Menifee Rotary's continued growth and success.

### Primary Goals:

- Strengthen & grow charitable support of our local & the international community.
- Increase our club membership by net 5% (I was then talked into increasing this goal to 10%...which would mean a net gain of 3 or 4 members at yearend).
- Once again match our District's annual baseline goal for per capita giving to RI Foundation - \$225.
- Identify and brand one MAJOR 'Community Service Project' as Rotary Club of Menifee.

### Secondary Goals:

- Incorporate the results of our Visioning exercise into our year's planning.
- Grow the vocational service element of our club.
- Continue to focus & improve our weekly programs.
- Increase our support and involvement with district 5330 (Oduworo Village).

### Discussion topics:

- What one single suggestion or idea can you offer to make our club better or more effective? (For example, successful fundraising is fundamental to our success.) My single suggestion is that we agree as a group that ALL members either *volunteer time or donate cash in lieu of their time for EACH of our 2 major fundraising events, The Mayor's Ball & Menifee Motor Madness.*
- Please share one idea for how we can grow membership.
- Please share one suggestion for a weekly programming topic.
- Please share one FUN thing you'd like to do as a club to reinforce fellowship (i.e., go bowling, wine tasting, outdoor hike (Santa Rosa plateau?), attend a dinner-theater production, etc.).

As a quick side note, I am very excited about the pending formation of the Rotaract Club on the Mt. San Jacinto College Campus (see newsletter article). Please contact me directly if you are interested in assuming that leadership role and helping these young people enjoy the benefits of "service above self!"

I appreciate any and all comments, questions and dialogue on the above, as well as anything else you feel we should be doing or considering as a club! I look forward to serving with you this year and appreciate all you do for our community and world around us!

Yours in Rotary Service!

Dan

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**INVITE SOMEONE TO LUNCH THURSDAY TO LEARN ABOUT ROTARY!**

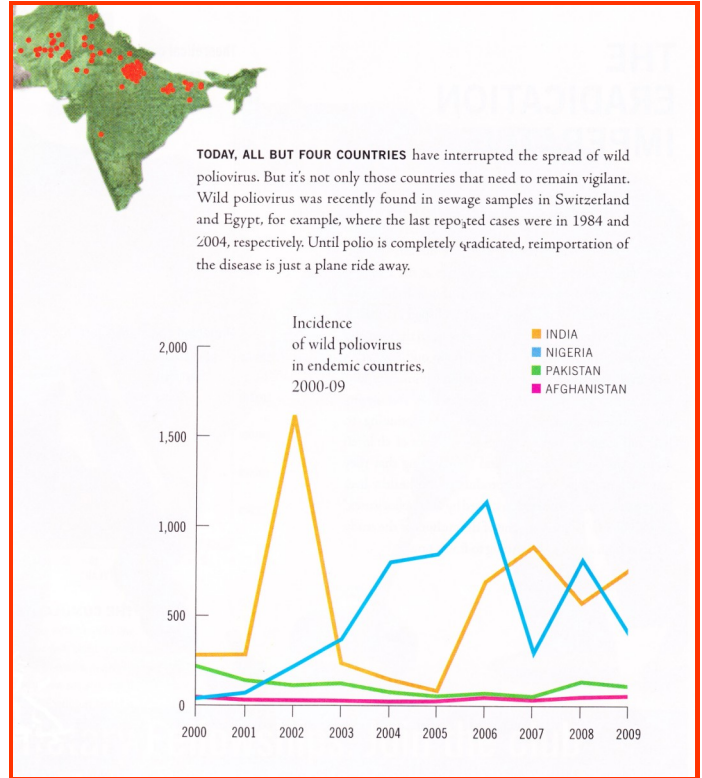
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## The Eradication Imperative

Since the start of Rotary's polio eradication campaign, Rotarians have contributed more than \$900 million toward ridding the world of the disease. Though eradicating polio is expensive, researchers at the Harvard School of Public Health have shown that stopping now would be even more so. Their study, published in 2007 in the *Lancet*, found that even a small decrease in the intensity of immunizations could cause large polio outbreaks, and a control policy relying only on routine immunizations could lead to 200,000 paralytic polio cases per year among low-income countries.

"Thank you for continuing to lead and support efforts to improve the lives of children around the world every day, and for ensuring that they can run, jump, play and lead productive and healthy lives unimpaired by the devastation caused by wild polioviruses," says Kimberly Thompson, one of the authors of the study. "This is such an important thing to finish now."



In 2009, the Gates Foundation awarded an additional \$255 million to the Rotary Foundation and Rotary agreed to raise another \$100 million.

## Club Rush Day at Mt. Jacinto College

Shea Staszak, Paul David and Dan Marconi, in conjunction with and through the efforts of Bill Vincent, attended the recent "club rush" day for students at Mt. San Jacinto College on Tuesday, August 24.

Shea, Paul and David staffed an informational booth in an effort to jumpstart a Rotaract Club on campus. Information about our local Rotary Club

and the international reach of Rotary worldwide was shared with interested students. Several students signed up to learn more about Rotaract.

We are looking for a Rotarian in our group to serve as the Rotary Liaison for our Rotaract Club. If you're interested, please contact Dan at (951) 283-0932.

## Foundation Gala November 13 Renaissance Palm Springs Hotel Palm Springs

Start making plans to attend one of the most elegant events of our Rotary year! It promises to be an exceptional evening, with dining, dancing, a live and silent auction, a surprise keynote speaker and, of course, lots of Rotary fellowship and chances to meet with and celebrate all that our members have done.

Cocktails begin at 5:30 pm, with dinner at 6:30 pm. Formal attire, black tie optional.

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## Menifee Night at the Lake Elsinore Storm

By Carol "RED" Sullivan

August 6 was a warm summer evening at the Menifee Night at the Storm baseball game in Lake Elsinore. The City was invited to participate in honoring the outstanding citizens of Menifee. There were approximately 5,000 people present.

The Menifee Rotary Club selected **Vicki Carpenter** to be their recipient of the **Service Above Self Award** for outstanding service performed by a non-Rotarian in their community. Ms. Carpenter is currently the Chairperson for the Mount San Jacinto College Foundation in Menifee, Chairperson for the Menifee Valley Medical Center Foundation, Director of Inland Valleys Association of Realtors

and Past President of the Menifee Valley Chamber of Commerce. She has been active in community service for Menifee for a number of years.

While standing with **Supervisor Jeff Stone, Mayor Wallace Edgerton** and **Councilman Scott Mann** on the Third Base Line, **Carol "Red" Sullivan**, Vice President of the Menifee Rotary Club, presented the prestigious **Service Above Self Award** to Ms. Carpenter.

The Menifee Rotary Club is very proud of Ms. Carpenter, thanks her for her dedication to the City of Menifee and extends its congratulations to her.

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## Nagamangala, India Health Mission



**Past President Don Lunday** left Thursday, August 26, for Nagamangala, India. A team of 29 Rotarians from the United States, Canada, Uruguay, and Mongolia, representing CHIPS (Children's Health International Projects) are on a health mission to repair cleft palates and other facial birth defects. After traveling more than 17 hours, they arrived at 2:30 am and worked hours setting up the work facilities before resting. At the end of the day Saturday, 8/28, they had registered 230 Indian children. They are staying in a college dorm, eating Indian food, maintaining a 12-hour work day and working at a nearby hospital. There was to be a blog but, as it turns out, Don's laptop doesn't work from there. They do have access occasionally to a computer at the hospital and one of his roommates has a phone that can call the U.S. (which only a person with an Indian passport can buy) and he's lending it to others for calling home.

Don will be returning September 9, with many tales to tell and, hopefully, many pictures to share.

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## Juvenile Arthritis HOKA—Helping Out Kids with Arthritis

August 12, 2010

Guest Speaker: Stan Gonzales

Long-time Menifee area resident Stan Gonzales joined us for lunch to discuss his efforts to provide support for kids who are afflicted with juvenile arthritis and their families. Stan's own son was diagnosed with Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis at two years of age. Now 13, Stan's son recently had to undergo hip replacement surgery due to the crippling effects of this disease. This level of medical care can be devastating for families who may not have the insurance or resources to accommodate such needs, not to mention the ongoing care and medication required to treat juvenile arthritis and its symptoms.

As a result of Stan's personal experience over the last eleven years, he has worked alongside the Regional Arthritis Foundation, which has raised more than \$500,000 to fight this disease and to fund research for

treatment and support for families experiencing the effects of JRA. Stan has recently helped found a new, local organization specifically aimed at children, called **HOKA—Helping Out Kids with Arthritis**. Part of the program includes a summer camp for kids who would not otherwise be able to afford and receive the care they need to experience a healthy outdoor experience with their peers. Events to raise funds for this project include an annual golf tournament that typically includes former professional athletes who donate their time to the event. This year's tournament will be held on November 12.

Stan has encouraged us to consider supporting his efforts here locally. **HOKA** is in the process of launching a website that will be a source for more information about the organization and its efforts! The web address is **www.hoka.org** and is currently under construction.

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## 2010-2011 Leadership

President—Dan Marconi  
 President Elect—Paul David  
 Vice President—Carol “Red” Sullivan  
 Secretary—Carol “Red” Sullivan  
 Treasurer—Dawn Prather  
 Immediate Past President—Don Lunday  
 Membership—Linda Denver  
 Foundation—Tom Yuzer  
 Public Relations—Mike Castillejos  
 Sergeant at Arms—Chuck Cena  
 District Governor—Cherie Curzon  
 Assistant Governor—Barry McClellan  
 Newsletter—Jan Lunday

## September Birthdays

09/11 Bill Vincent

## September Anniversaries

09/07 Jim & Shirley Wilson  
 09/10 Ray & Bette Hicks  
 09/17 Chuck & Polly Cena  
 09/29 Carol (Red) Sullivan  
 & Michael Stout

**Rotary Four-Way Test**  
 Of the things we think, say or do ...

- Is it the **TRUTH**?
- Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



## SAVE THESE DATES

September 16	Menifee Mayor’s Ball
November 13	District Foundation Gala, Palm Springs
January 12, 2011	RI President Visit

## Membership

CALLAWAY, DR. LINDA—672-1851  
 School Superintendent  
 CARPENTER, TOM ESQ.—654-7417  
 Attorney at Law  
 CASTILLEJOS, DARCI—600-7396  
 Restaurateur  
 CASTILLEJOS, MIKE—672-1971  
 Bank Manager  
 CENA, CHUCK—679-5869  
 Investment Advisor  
 COMRAS, SAMUEL—672-3882  
 Attorney at Law  
 CROSBY, CAL “CROZ” —246-2202  
 Realtor  
 DAUGHERTY, JOE—679-3088  
 Tax and Bookkeeping  
 DAVID, PAUL—246-3530  
 Health Club Trainer/Owner  
 DENVER, JOHN—672-1731  
 Real Estate Broker  
 DENVER, LINDA—672-1731  
 Retired Educator  
 DUNAJ, LYNNEA—672-7573  
 Bank Manager  
 FELTENBERGER, DANNY—210-1085  
 Law Enforcement  
 GARRETT, URSALA—679-2610  
 Certified Public Accountant  
 GLYNN, STEVE—280-5433  
 Waste Management  
 GREENBERG, DR. JONATHAN—943-6369 X126  
 School Superintendent  
 HANDWERKER, JUDY—672-9860  
 Fiduciary  
 HARRIS, WILLIAM “SHAWN” - 246-3336  
 Asset Protection Major Retail  
 HOEHN, “KATEY” —672-1851  
 School Administrator  
 LUNDA, DON— 676-2640  
 Hospice Chaplain  
 LUTHI, DEBRA—244-5038  
 Education  
 MARCONI, DAN—301-5333  
 Real Estate Sales and Investments  
 MARTIN, DENNIS—926-4665  
 Tax Preparation  
 PRATHER, DAWN—756-4888  
 Charity Management  
 RAUSCHER, MARTIN “MARTY” - 301-5297  
 Retired Mortgage Broker  
 ROARK, ROBERT “BOB” — 800-824-6561  
 Insurance Agency Owner  
 SMOLINSKI, JOE—672-0777  
 Mortuary Management  
 STASZAK, SHEA—367-7757  
 Insurance  
 SULLIVAN, CAROL “RED” —672-1523  
 Clinical Research  
 VASQUEZ, PAMELA—768-0607  
 Security Systems  
 VINCENT, WILLIAM—333-8576  
 Education  
 WOLONS, DOROTHY—672-1991  
 Chamber of Commerce CEO  
 YUZER, TOM—679-8541  
 University Fund Raising

## Honorary Members

BAUSTIAN, CAROLYN—301-6071  
 LUSK, MORRY “MORY” - 679-0402  
 SOTERO, MARJORIE—679-8211  
 WILLIAMS, REAGAN  
 WILSON, JIM—301-5604

All area code 951 unless otherwise indicated.

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**JANUARY 12, 2011**

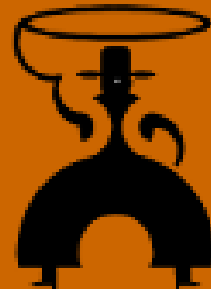
**IT'S HISTORIC! IT'S MONUMENTAL!  
IT'S A GIANT DAY IN DISTRICT 5330!  
DON'T SCHEDULE ANYTHING BUT THIS ON  
JANUARY 12, 2011**



**IT'S AN EVENING WITH**

**Rotary International President**

**Ray Klinginsmith**



**Location: Motte's Historical Museum  
HWY 74, Menifee, CA**

**Main Event                   \$ 50.00  
VIP Reception & Main Event \$100.00**