

Old Mission Rotary

Meets Every Tuesday at noon at the Best Western Seven Seas Hotel Hotel Circle South oldmissionrotary.org



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The Art Pratt Foundation of Old Mission Rotary Grant to Military Outreach Ministries



On January 17th, The Art Pratt Foundation of old Mission Rotary presented a grant of \$8,000 to Military Outreach Ministries (MOM). (L-R) Bernadette Castro, Old Mission Rotary Past President Jerry Hosenkamp, Judy Copeland, Bob Chalfa, MOM member Sandra Carder, Old Mission President Bob Self, MOM Director Barbara Chavez, and Art Pratt Foundation President Stan Vogelsang. The funds will be used for a van to help serve military families.

Thousand Smiles Foundation Stronger than Ever!

On January 17th, Bob Chalfa presented a program on the The Thousand Smiles Foundation. Old Mission Rotary has been a huge supporter of the Rotary non profit over the years and has raised and donated one third of the annual operating budget with the So You Think You've Got Talent San Diego gala. Members of Old Mission who serve on the Board of Directors of Thousand Smiles are Bob Chalfa, Stan Vogelsang (Treasurer), Mark McAnelly, Hugh Kramer and Lydia Stewart.

Thousand Smiles is a non-profit organization focused on care of children in Mexico from financially challenged families who suffer from lack of dental care and from maxillo-facial deformities such as cleft palate. What



Old Mission Rotary has five members that serve on the Board of Directors at Thousand Smiles (L-R) Mark McAnelly, Stan Vegelsang, Lydia Stewart and Bob Chalfa. Hugh Kramer is also a long time director on the board.

makes the organization unique is that it provides continuing care for patients over many years. This can be done as the organization operates a clinic complex of several buildings in Ensenada. Every other cleft palate charity concentrates on plastic surgery but cannot provide follow on treatments such as orthodontics, bone grafts, audiology and speech pathology.

In addition to cleft palate surgery, Thousand Smiles, provides free dental treatment that runs from teeth cleaning to root canals. The clinic just started making dentures. Staff members teach dental hygiene and many children receive their first tooth brush at Thousand Smiles.

Over 31 years, Thousand Smiles *1000 Smiles Continued side two*

Club Host



Seasoned Rotarian Marv Love served as our club host on January 17th.

Mary Love served as our club host on January 17th. In a previous, Who Am I program, we learned that Marv had 12 separate assignments during his career as a Sheriff. At our meeting on the 17th he chose to review his long experience in Rotary. His first contact with Rotary was as a young airman stationed at Lincoln Air Force Base in Nebraska. Mary was determined to organize an Air Force softball team to compete in the local league. It was Rotarians that stepped up to the plate to fund uniforms and equipment!

Marv first joined the Temecula Breakfast Club and then the bigger Murrietta lunch club that represented the business community. After a transfer to Hawaii, Marv joined the Kona club. Upon his return stateside, he joined El Cajon Rotary and eventually transferred to Old Mission. Marv and Diane live in the Bay Park neighborhood. Marv left us with a remarkable quote: "Each day you do community service you are voting again,"

1000 Smiles Continued...

has treated 1700 patients. The quarterly weekend clinics typically treat 140 dental patients and perform seven surgeries. There is a clinic every quarter and volunteer staff members include orthopedic surgeons, dentists, nurses and dental technicians. Speech therapists and audiologists. Young volunteer medical students from UCLA and UC San Diego. Bob estimated that because of the volunteer staff, the cost of a surgery is \$250 and the more complex dental procedures is \$120.

The future of Thousand Smiles is brilliant! The clinic is building two operating theaters and remodeling the dental clinic.

All you need is a passport to participate! The next clinic runs from Friday, February 3- Saturday, February 4th. Individuals can sign up online at thousandsmiles.org for transportation and inexpensive hotel accommodations. A visit to the Thousand Smiles Clinic is truly a life changing experience.

Rotary Program • Tuesday, January 24h-What's New at the Mission Valley YMCA- Rick Wilson

Rotary Calendar • Tuesday, January 24th from 4pm -6pm- **Wounded Warrior Dinner** at the Liberty Center at the San Diego Naval Medical Center.

- Friday, February 10- Sunday, February 12- **President Elect Training Seminar (PETS)** at the Marriott LAX
- Tuesday February 21st Art Pratt Foundation Board of Directors Meeting after our Rotary Meeting
- Tuesday February 14th Old Mission Rotary Board of Directors Meeting after our Rotary Meeting
- Saturday, February 27th- **Rotary Pathways to Peace Forum** at the Joan B. Kroc School for Peace Studies at USD
- Saturday, April 8th- Sunday, April 9th- **Rotary Model United Nations** at the Joan B. Kroc School for Peace Studies at USD and Saturday night banquet at the Crowne Plaza Hotel



Matt Risi represented Old Mission Rotary at the Confrerie des Chevaliers du Tastevin de Bourgogne réunion at Torrey Pines Rotary on January 18th. Max Gurney (Far Left) sponsored Matt into the group that meets at the 12th century Clos du Vougeot in Beaune France.