



# Old Mission Rotary

Meets Every Tuesday at noon at the  
Best Western Seven Seas Hotel  
Hotel Circle South  
[oldmissionrotary.org](http://oldmissionrotary.org)

March 31, 2015



## From Chechnya with Love

Del Mar Rotary just finished hosting six men and women from the city of Grozny in the southern Russian state of Chechnya. These mid thirty year old men and women were sponsored by an exchange program called Open World. Open World was created by the US Congress to promote goodwill with emerging leaders in Eurasia. The purpose of the visit was to show the team from Chechnya the relationship between the private, public and non profit sectors in our pluralistic society. Chechnya is located in the harsh Caucus Mountains and has suffered great hardship over the centuries. We were delighted to host the group at our meeting at Old Mission Rotary on Tuesday, March 31st.



*The Open House Exchange Team from Chechnya visited Old Mission Rotary on March 31st. (L-R) Rakhman, Sergei, Khara, Ilya, Emilia and Old Mission Rotary President Matt Risi.*



*Khara (L) is the president of the new 12 member Rotary Club of Grozny and exchanged club banners with Old Mission Rotary President Matt Risi*



*The ever enthusiastic Rotary 5340 Past District Governor Marty Peters introduced Old Mission Rotary to the Open World team from Chechnya.*

## Oscar Wilde's Pub



*Bob James Jr. (L) with his brother-in-law and publican Tony Finglas.*

*Continued side two...*

## Count the Cost of Freedom



*Semper Fi Marine you've reached firendlies. Artem Luzukin with his mother Tatiana (L) and Rotarians (L-R) Hugh Kramer, Vesta and Lyall Young.*

Sadly our great friend, Wounded Warrior Artem Luzukin took his life last week. Artem immigrated to the United States from Russia with his mother and siblings. Anxious to serve his adopted country, Artem enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. He was sent to Afghanistan where he was severely wounded by an IED. He lost both legs and was sent to the San Diego Naval Medical Center for rehabilitation. It was there during our monthly Wounded Warrior dinners that members of Old Mission Rotary met both Artem and his mother Tatiana. Hugh Kramer was very close to Artem and had been in touch with him after his discharge from active duty. Artem attended several Old Mission Rotary meetings as an honored guest. Artem is now free of his suffering and in a better place.



*Dennis and Sherry Day are long time friends from Detroit of Old Mission Rotarian Jerry Hosenkamp. They are sailing around the world on their boat the SV Trillium.*

Dennis and Sherry Day were sailing around the world having fun when they arrived in Vanuatu. The oceanian island nation is located in the South Pacific Ocean and is an archipelago east of northern Australia, southeast of the Solomon Islands, and west of Fiji. Vanuatu is inhabited by Melanesian people and is mired in desperate poverty. Dennis and Sherry were so moved by the plight of these people that they created a project called Dresses for Dignity. The goal is to raise money to deliver much needed clothing to the islands. Dennis and Sherry were back in the US for the holidays when Vanuatu was devastated by a cyclone. They quickly returned to their boat in New Zealand and started working with the Rotary Club of Whangaparoa. Kiwi Rotarians helped them find a source of inexpensive clothing in New Zealand and they are now sailing to Vanuatu to deliver food and other supplies that they have gathered in New Zealand. Jerry Hosenkamp raise \$300 at Old Mission Rotary to contribute towards their efforts. To read more about this couple and their mission to Vanuatu, go online to: <http://sv-trillium.blogspot.com/>

### *Oscar Wilde's Pub Social Continued side two...*



*Bob James and Roberta enjoyed the fun and fellowship at our April 2nd club social at Oscar Wilde's Pub in Uptown.*



*Gil Kleecan (L) and Barry Williamson attended the evening out.*



*The Nuñez family stayed for hours and enjoyed hearty pub grub!*



*Jerry Hosenkamp and Jack Cottrell. Jack was thrilled to find Smithwick's Irish red ale from Kilkenny on tap at Oscar Wilde's! We enjoyed drinks and a wonderful buffet with delicious food.*

### **Rotary Calendar**

- Thursday, April 9 at 7:30am- **Old Mission Rotary Board Meeting** at the Copley Price YMCA
- Saturday April 11 - Sunday, April 12- **Model UN Seminar** from at the Joan Kroc Center at USD.
- Monday, April 13- **Gala Committee** starting at 5:30pm at the Rotary District Office
- Friday April 17- Sunday April 19- **RYLA** at Camp Idyllwild, California.
- Thursday, April 23 at 7:30am- **Art Pratt Board Meeting** at the Copley-Price YMCA
- Saturday April 25- **Rotarians at Work Day** with Rebuilding San Diego Together
- Tuesday, April 28- **Wounded Warrior Dinner** at the Naval Medical Center

### **Program Schedule**

- April 7- David Marshall with the **Balboa Park Centennial**
- April 14- DG Elect Marilyn Sanders on **Millions for Hope**