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Rotary Club of Mission Viejo, Club 842 in District 5320, was Chartered September 13, 1974.*

Club Leadership/Board Members: Ken Dever, President; Paul Bucknum, President-Elect; Joe Lavoie, Vice President (IPP); Dave Williams, Secretary; Bill Kersten, Treasurer; Barbara Kogerman, Club Administration Chair; Jim Colitz, Membership Chair; Mike Getto, Public Relations Chair; Bob McQueen, Service Chair; Rich Frieder, Co-Director, Int'l Service; Pushpa Chandwani, Co-Director, Int'l Service; Dennis O'Connor, Director, Community Service; Gary Brenner, Director, Vocational Service; Scott Walker, Director at Large (Speakers); Chris Skorina, Director at Large (Bylaws); Dave Leckness, Director at Large (City Hall); TBD, Director, Youth Service and Eric Johnson, Director, Club Service.

Club Meetings: Wednesdays, 7:10 A.M. to 8:30 A.M., Mission Viejo Country Club, 26200 Country Club Dr., Mission Viejo, CA 92691

RI and District Officers: Ron D. Burton, RI President; Rae Shirer, District 5320 Governor.

CLUB SERVICE

Paul Harris Fellows

Report by PP Jim Hansen • Photo by PP Bill Kersten



Mike Getto, Barbara Kogerman, Gary Brenner, and Verl Nash all received recognition for their donations to The Rotary Foundation (TRF). Members earn recognition for each \$1000 donated individually or in conjunction with club points. The four Rotarians pictured above have all reached the next level and were pinned - received their appropriate Paul Harris pin - by club secretary PDG Dave Williams.

Congratulations, and thank you, to Mike, Barbara, Gary, and Verl!

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www.Rotary5320.org

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YOUTH SERVICE (NEW GENERATIONS)

Academic World Quest

Photo by PP Bill Kersten • Report by PP Jim Hansen

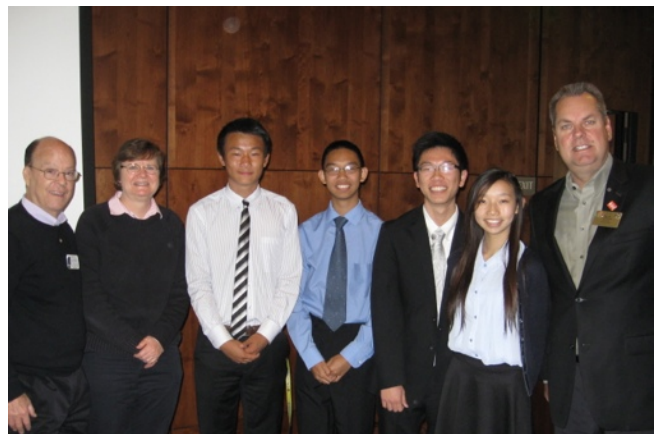
During the March 19, 2014 meeting of the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo, four students from Irvine High School demonstrated activities of the Academic World Quest competition.

The club held a mock competition, using questions from past World Quest Competitions. The program was coordinated by Rotarians Bill Craycraft and Dave Leckness. The two teams for the competition were: 1) the four students from Irvine H.S. and 2) the members of the RCMV. The students won by one point after six rounds and an exciting tie-breaker final.

The Rotary Club of Mission Viejo is providing \$5,000 to fund the students' trip to the competition on the East coast. The club applied for, and received, a grant from Southern California Edison making the support possible. By the way, PP Bill Craycraft was instrumental in acquiring the grant.

The four seniors, will be representing their high school and the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo during World Quest competitions to be held in the

near future. Pictured with students in the photo to the right are Jason, Ryan, Kevin, and Anna. In the photo with them are PP Bill Craycraft, Mrs. Cora Peck, (the students' teacher), and PP Dave Leckness.



For more details, please feel free to visit: www.missionviejorotary.org.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

April 1, 2014

Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak; courage is also what it takes to sit down and listen.

[Winston Churchill](#)



CLUB SERVICE***Kevin Murray, D.D.S.***

Dr. Kevin Murray, son of Rotarian Rick Murray, was guest speaker at the March 26, 2014 meeting of the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo. Dr. Murray shared details of his recent humanitarian trip to Swaziland. He was part of a medical team from Loma Linda University. The team was composed of ten medical professionals intent on improving health in the community in which they visited.

Dr. Murray shared some staggering statistics; e.g., 1) the communities of Swaziland are critically affected by HIV and AIDS; 2) current life expectancy is 50 years; 3) 50% of the children are HIV positive; etc.

The presentation was very interesting and informative. Members look forward to hearing updates as Dr. Murray moves forward in his own dental practice and leads/joins other humanitarian trips abroad.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE*****Blind Children's Learning Center***

The Rotary Club of Mission Viejo donated \$250 to the Blind Children's Learning Center. Avid Angels fan Jack Wallace, club coordinator for the project, accepted the check from President Ken Dever for the organization and will deliver it personally.

The Center has been supported for several years by the RC of Mission Viejo. The clubs support began when Jack's granddaughter was enrolled.

Thank you, Jack, for keeping the club involved in a great program that helps so many!

MINUTES TO THE MEETING OF THE BOARD

ROTARY CLUB OF MISSION VIEJO March 13, 2014

In attendance:

Ken Dever, President
 Paul Bucknum, President-Elect Dave Williams, Secretary
 Bill Kersten, Treasurer
 Jim Colitz, Membership Chair Mike Getto, Public Relations Chair Bob McQueen, Service Chair
 Dennis O'Connor, Director, Community Service Eric Johnson, Director, Club Service
 Scott Walker, Director at Large (Speakers) Chris Skorina, Director at Large (Bylaws)
 Dave Leckness, Director at Large (City Hall)

Board Members Absent: Joe Lavoie, Vice President (IPP); Barbara Kogerman, Club Administration Chair; Teri Siplivy, Rotary Foundation Chair Designate; Pushpa Chandwani, Co-Director, Int'l Service; Rich Frieder, Co-Director, Int'l Service

Additional Attendees: Past President Bill Craycraft

President Ken called the meeting to order at 7:00 am and presided. The Board met in the Conference Room at Mission Viejo City Hall.

Minutes Approved: The Board approved the Minutes of the February regular meeting.

Secretary's Report:

Our attendance for December was 81%. Year-to-date, we are also running at 81%.

Director Dave Leckness offered to write a letter to Emily May terminating her membership for lack of attendance. The Board approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Bill presented a Financial Statement for the club of Rotary Year 2013-14 year-to-date. It showed income of \$66,428.44, expenses of \$64,227.42, and \$2,201.02 of net income. We have \$75,762 in the Endowment Fund and another \$31,502 in our Operating Account. We have \$5,913 in receivables.

In February, our breakfast meal expenses slightly exceeded our member payment for meals. We had a short month and a large number of young attendees who were comp'd.

The Board approved a \$750 deposit to reserve the Lew Webb Car Museum for our Demotion Dinner on June 18, 2014.

Director Eric reported that the total cost for 60 people will be \$2,416. Last year, we charged \$45 per attendee, and our expenses did not cover all costs at the Arroyo Trabuco Country Club. A discussion ensued about limiting expenses for recognition items. Treasurer Bill reported that Union Bank requested formal notification of signatories on the club's operating account. This is especially significant because IRS reported a mix-up on our EIN (Employer Identification Number). The Board voted to authorize William Kersten (Treasurer), Robert McQueen (Club Service Chair and Backup Treasurer), and David C. Williams (Secretary) to sign checks on behalf of the club. The Board further voted to require 2 signatures on checks exceeding \$1,000 in value. Our authorized EIN is now 23-7394267. We have typically not held meetings immediately in advance of special events, such as the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast, the Annual Fundraiser, and the Demotion Dinner, in order to encourage attendance. The amounts that Rotarians have paid in advance for the regular canceled meetings could then be applied to the event. However, the Prayer Breakfast and Annual Fundraiser this year fall on sequential weeks. The Board voted to go dark for our meetings on April 30, 2014 (for the Prayer Breakfast) and on June 18, 2014 (for the Demotion Dinner), but to hold our regular meeting on May 7, 2014 (in advance of the Fundraiser).

At the request of Director Gary, the Board approved \$200 in support of the Peace Conference, sponsored by the South Orange County Rotary Clubs on March 22, 2014.

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Club Service:

Director Eric reported that the site for the annual fundraiser on May 10, 2014, has been changed to the Mission Viejo Country Club (MVCC). The goal is Net Income of \$15,000, but Eric is hoping for \$20,000. The club has offered sponsors at the \$600 or higher level an ad on our website for a year. Rotarian Millard Roth, Dentist, has agreed to be a sponsor at \$600. Eric has already approached our sponsors from last year about doing so again.

President's Report: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

President-Elect Paul offered to meet with the new General Manager of MVCC about displaying a plaque for the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo. President Ken and Director Dave Leckness will join him.

Director Dave Leckness reviewed plans for the Mayor's Prayer breakfast at MVCC on May 1, 2014 (7:30-9:00 am). The Board approved a ticket charge of \$30. (We came up about \$900 short last year.) We expect 120-150 participants. The committee is reviewing ticket control. It is complicated because groups buy tables without indicating who will be permitted to use them. He has approached Waste Management about sponsorship (at \$1,000). Mike Maiolo, Senior Pastor of Mission Viejo Christian Church, will preside. The plan is to allow 30-second messages in various languages and denominations from other religious leaders in the community (with translations where necessary). The music will have an African influence.

Director Dave is preparing Save the Date flyers and will prepare invitations.

Jack Jones asked that speakers not be permitted to solicit money from members during their presentations. After discussion, the Board chose to have Program Chair Scott Walker inform speakers of the policy. They may, of course, make written requests to the Board and convey a website address to attendees who may wish to contribute.

NEW BUSINESS

PDG Jack Jones is arranging a group excursion to the meeting of the Rotary Club of Los Angeles (LA 5) on March 21, 2014 (noon to 1:30 pm). The group will travel by train and Metro and hear a presentation by Brad Pitt's father.

President Ken encouraged all Rotarians to fill out a Survey Form, passed out at our last meeting by PDG Jack Jones.

President Ken suggested a spring social event of some type involving spouses and partners. April presents the fewest conflicts. He offered to hold it at his home (possibly on April 26, 2014). We might consider another Flash Mob at a local restaurant or another Fireside meeting. President-Elect Paul and Director Dave Leckness volunteered to meet and provide a plan. President-Elect Paul reported that Friends of the Arts might donate \$5,000 towards a Symphony on the Green on July 26, 2014. He said that he would keep the Board posted.

Membership Report:

Chair Jim attended the District Assembly on March 1, 2014, along with President-Elect Paul, and Bulletin Editor Jim Hansen. One of the messages he brought home was that 45% of new members leave Rotary within 2 years. This will require Rotary clubs to give added emphasis to retention.

Jack Jones has been doing exit interviews and will continue to follow up on absenteeism.

Youth Service:

President Ken reported that we have not found a replacement Youth Service Director. Director Dennis offered to continue responding to Youth Service concerns until a new Director can be appointed.

We still have not lined up students whom we are sponsoring to RYLA (April 25-27, 2014 at Idyllwild). Director Dennis will contact last year's Youth Service Director Bob Brown for guidance.

Other: The next Board meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2014.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 am. Respectfully submitted,

David C. Williams, Secretary Rotary Club of Mission Viejo

ROTARY SHARES!



Photo Above: PP Dennis O'Connor, Webmaster and Facebook Coordinator

WEBSITE NEWS

Be sure to visit the Rotary Club of Mission Viejo Website at:
www.missionviejorotary.org
and

FACEBOOK NEWS

Like us on Facebook!

RC OF POONA, INDIA

To view the *Poona Service Wheel*, our sister club's weekly bulletin, go to: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/RCPoona/>



SERVICE ABOVE SELF



Photo Above: The "White Elephant" photo was taken by Director Jack Wallace during his trip to Hawaii in 2008.

WHITE ELEPHANT

Please plan to bring a White Elephant item on your assigned date. (You may make a \$20 donation in lieu an item).

REVISED February 18, 2014

Apr. 2 - Verl Nash
Apr. 9 - O'Connor
Apr. 16 - Gary Poertner
Apr. 23 - Tom Ross
Apr. 30 - Millard Roth
May 7 - Chris Skorina
May 14 - Carol Todd
May 21 - Bud Tysinger
May 28 - Scott Walker
June 4 - Jack Wallace

BRING A GUEST!

Make-up Clubs

Coto de Caza/Rancho Santa Margarita - 1st Thursday of the month at 7 A.M. and 3rd Thursday of the month at 7 P.M. at the Tijeras Creek Golf Club.

Laguna Niguel - Tuesdays at 12:00 noon at Savannah Chop House, 32441 Golden Lantern, Laguna Niguel

Monarch Beach - 7 A.M. Wednesdays at the Laguna Cliffs Marriott Resort in Dana Point.

San Clemente - 12 noon Thursdays at the San Clemente Inn, 2600 Avenida del Presidente.

On-line make-up: <http://www.rotaryclubone.org/programs.htm>

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THE ROTARY FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

- 1. Is it the truth?*
- 2. Is it fair to all concerned?*
- 3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?*
- 4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?*

***ROTARY CLUB OF MISSION VIEJO
APRIL 2014***

APR. 2	-	REGULAR MEETING - 7:10 A.M., Mission Viejo Country Club
APR. 9	-	REGULAR MEETING - 7:10 A.M., Mission Viejo Country Club
APR. 10	-	BOARD MEETING, 7 A.M. (M. V. City Hall)
APR. 16	-	REGULAR MEETING - 7:10 A.M., Mission Viejo Country Club
APR. 23	-	REGULAR MEETING - 7:10 A.M., Mission Viejo Country Club
APR. 30	-	REGULAR MEETING - 7:10 A.M., Mission Viejo Country Club

***ROTARY CLUB OF MISSION VIEJO
MAY 2014***

MAY 1	-	MAYOR'S PRAYER BREAKFAST
MAY 2-4	-	DISTRICT CONFERENCE
MAY 7	-	REGULAR MEETING - 7:10 A.M., Mission Viejo Country Club
MAY 10	-	RCMV ANNUAL FUNDRAISER - Mission Viejo County Club
MAY 14	-	REGULAR MEETING - 7:10 A.M., Mission Viejo Country Club
MAY 18	-	PANCAKE BREAKFAST - Esperanza Spec. Educ. School Fundraiser
MAY 21	-	REGULAR MEETING - 7:10 A.M., Mission Viejo Country Club
MAY 28	-	REGULAR MEETING - 7:10 A.M., Mission Viejo Country Club