## **The Tattler**

## Rotary Club of La Mesa

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Meeting Date: 6/7/17 Wednesday's @ Noon, La Mesa Community Center, 4975 Memorial Drive, La Mesa CA 91942



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## International Grants – Club 33

## Sean Jones – Executive Director

## About the Rwandan Orphans Project

The Rwandan Orphans Project provides support to more than 250 vulnerable children and young people.

Our goals are to:

meet the basic needs of vulnerable children and young people in Rwanda (food, shelter, clothing, education, healthcare)

create a safe, nurturing environment where they can thrive (through schooling, extra-curricular activities, counselling, learning life-skills)

trace families and reunite them, where possible, and encourage our children to be active citizens

see our children grow to be healthy, happy adults who are self-supporting and free from the cycle of poverty

The ROP is a residential home for children who were previously homeless, or living in bad conditions. We offer full care and support to these children while we try to trace their families. We also support an additional 50 children to live within their families, by paying for tuition, school supplies and transportation costs, and sometimes other help, depending on the individual need. The ROP also provides free schooling to an additional 120 boys and girls from poor families in our local community

## Our Approach

At the ROP we believe that every child has potential, regardless of their past. We provide their basic needs of food, shelter and security and give them an environment where they can laugh, play, make friends and most important of all, attend school. Upon arrival at the center, each young boy receives a new set of clothes, shoes and a medical checkup. Soon after he feels comfortable in his new home, we conduct an assessment interview to find out all we can about him - where he is from, if he has any living relatives, any health problems and how much schooling, if any, he has completed. This ensures that we can place him in the appropriate level in our school and that we can get him started on any medical treatment that may be required.

#### Lunch Time Service **Opportunities**

#### June 7, 2017

Greeter	Dale Bailey
Songs	Parker Cox
Pledge	Mary Ellington
Thought	Jim Kline
Raffle	Alek Mikolajczak
Fines	Ray Aguilar, Jr.
4-Way	Jay Thompson

#### June 14, 2017

Greeter	Sam Bauchmann
Songs	Jack Dargitz
Pledge	Mike Fellows
Thought	Mike Fellows
Raffle	Robert Aguilar
Fines	Larry Scott
4-Way	Bonnie Welch

#### June 21, 2017

Greeter	Robert Aguilar
Songs	Nathan Oestreich
Pledge	John Fistere
Thought	Scott Elam
Raffle	Tim Miller
Fines	Marsha Starr
4-Way	John Kalas

If you cannot perform your assigned duty, please arrange for a replacement.

# Important Dates:June 3<sup>rd</sup>La Mesa Flag Day Parade – 8:00amJune 7<sup>th</sup>International Grants – Rotary Club 33June 13<sup>th</sup>Board of Directors MeetingJune 14<sup>th</sup>Cal TransJune 21<sup>st</sup>Superintendent Glover – Grossmont Union High School DistrictJune 28<sup>th</sup>DARK for lunch!

June 28<sup>th</sup> Installation Dinner at Nan Koots Cottage

July 5<sup>th</sup> President Steven Looser Demotion

## Calling all La Mesa Rotarians! Save the Date! Wednesday June 28<sup>th</sup>!

Wednesday June 28<sup>th</sup> will be our Installation Dinner! Save The Date! We will be dark for lunch and then have the Installation Dinner at Nan Koots Cottage! We would like to see ALL members of La Mesa Rotary attend this years Installation Dinner! This is a great evening of thanking and recognizing our out-going President and Board Members and for welcoming in our new President and Board Members!

Put it on your calendar NOW! We are expecting to see you there!



## La Mesa Rotary Board Meeting

The next Board of Directors meeting will be Tuesday, June 13th at President Steven Looser's office at the corner of Jackson & Navajo. The meeting will be from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. This will be the last Board meeting for this years Board of Directors!

Incoming President Jack said he will continue having his board meetings on the second Tuesday of each month.



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#### <u>La Mesa Rotary</u> <u>2016–17</u> <u>Board of</u> <u>Directors</u>

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New Generations: Rose Hurst

Speakers Chair: Bill Ashman

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Grants Chair: John Fistere

Social Chair: Marsha Darling Dolly Juntilla



## New Member Application

We have received an application for membership from Malcolm Graham.



Here is a little about Malcolm Graham: Born and educated in South Africa

Married to Bertha for 63 years - Bertha shares my interest in Rotary .A one-time Rotary Ann!

Two boys (both have been Rotarians with Donald being the President of his Club and a District Governor's Assistant)

Three grand children and six Great grand children!

26 years in the insurance industry

40 years as a missionary administrator (COO), the last 20 years in the USA(Ex. Dir.)

Joined Rotary in 1966 and served in four major Cities in South Africa before being invited to join the Monrovia Rotary Club

Main interest in Rotary has been a concern for the poor helping with overseas education and clean water projects

Currently being an arm chair critic on golf, cricket, rugby and Lakers!

Finally I fiddle around with philately, gardening and reading.