



**Club # 684 District 5240**  
**Chartered March 10, 1959**

*“It is essential to our future preservation that the youth of nations become men and women of high moral character...Every great world movement concentrates on youth as the necessary foundation for success. Let us in Rotary carry on a crusade among our youth for justice, for truth, and for liberty. I hope The Four-Way Test plan can help us do the job.”*

*- Herbert J. Taylor, RI President 1954-55*  
*Originator of The Four-Way Test*



## President's Message

September is New Generation Month. It is fitting that the planning process, to send five deserving youth from our local high schools to India, is now in full gear. This project is called the “City of Joy” Trip, named after the book about the slums of Calcutta by Dominique LaPierre. The sub-committee overseeing the implementation of this project will be chaired by new Rotarian Carl Butler and will be under the auspices of Youth Services. Many youth in our community have already heard about this trip and are very excited to have the opportunity to apply. Other members helping Carl with this project will be Steve Lerner, Rudi Van Enoo, and non-member Pat Simon.

September is also a month of many important member celebrations. Our own Aubrey Campbell celebrated his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday with his family and friends on September 18<sup>th</sup>. We will have an opportunity to wish him well, personally, on September 28<sup>th</sup> when he and his son, Tim Campbell, will join us at our regular meeting to give a ‘Craft Talk’ about Aubrey’s very interesting career in the petroleum industry. Don Oaks can now qualify for Medicare, while Rick Zander still needs to wait for four more years to receive that honor. We were, however, happy to welcome Rick and Esther back from the Philippines on his birthday at the September 21<sup>st</sup> meeting of the club.

September 28<sup>th</sup> will also be an important meeting for our club because we will have our 3<sup>rd</sup> Club Assembly to discuss some important issues. I hope that all of you will be in attendance at this meeting...your input will be very valuable to the Board and I. In addition, at this meeting we will present each of you with a Membership Questionnaire, which will then be used to determine the future course for our club. I am sure all of us working together can do a far better job than any one individual...*“It is amazing how much you can accomplish when it doesn’t matter who gets the credit.”*

YIS,  
Deepa

**Come and join us at:**

**The Royal Scandinavia Inn**  
**420 Alisal Road, Solvang, CA 43464**  
**Wednesdays 12:15 PM**

**Next Week’s Program:**

**Jimmy Weldon**  
**The Voice of “Yakky Doodle”**



**SERVICE Above Self**

**RI President**

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Stenhammar

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**International Service**

Greg Pensa

**Club Foundation Chair**

Nelson Owens

## Communication from The Katrina Relief Committee

Dear Rotarians,

I have an urgent message, appended below, from our contact person, Annette Gordon, at Ponchatoula First Baptist Church. **All shipment of goods is immediately suspended until further notice!** I have not yet spoken with Annette, but will do so tomorrow. The way I understand their problem is that they need warehouse space. They are now full, but should be able to accept goods in about 3-4 weeks.

I realize that some of you are in the middle of filling your trucks. If you have an immediate need to ship, one that can't wait, I may be able to help with a destination. However, that means we will have to double handle the goods. So please, if you can hold them, do so for now. I will get to work tomorrow on trying to find additional destinations.

I have placed a call to two Assistant Governors in 6840. Until we get communication with 6840, we are not getting to the root of our problem, which is identifying the needs of our fellow Rotarians and others in the affected area. I plan to put all my efforts in establishing contact with the AGs this next week.

While writing this email, I just had a thought. Some of you wishing to come in the area as volunteers, maybe we could connect with Annette and help to distribute what they have in the warehouses. How about if any of you wish to do that, let me know and I will try and coordinate this effort with Annette.

Any of you who have goods that need to be shipped, let me know by when you must ship and an idea of what you have to send. I will then find a temporary place for it.

I suppose that we have overwhelmed our friends at Ponchatoula. But I understand there is still work to be done. Thank you for all that you have done and continue to do.

YIR,

John

John:

We are so appreciative of all your efforts but for the time being we cannot take any more trucks. However, were you the one that mentioned you could get pillows and mattresses? If you were, we will find somewhere to store them. We have our warehouse full but if you could wait for 3 or 4 weeks we can take a bunch more stuff. We are going to send what is in our warehouse to Belle Chasse just as soon as we can get it all sorted and boxed in the right way. Some men will start on that Monday. We want the help because all is needed but our problem is the storage space. You have been so kind and we don't want to sound unappreciative. Please get back with me.

Thank you so very much.

Annette Gordon

**Dated: September 18, 2005**

**A successful Team  
beats with one heart**

### Katrina Relief



**Please see  
PP Rich Saferite  
Or  
Dick Smullen  
Help  
Members of the  
Rotary Club  
of  
Bakersfield East  
Project Mobile Home**

### Shelter from the storm



**“God of heaven and earth, God  
who carries our lives and the  
lives of our whole community in  
your hands, be with us in the  
peril of this day and night.”**

**- Rev. Thomas L. Weitzel**

## Know Your Board

### International Service Chair

#### Greg Pensa



I was born Gregerio Ambrogio Pensa in Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital on Feb. 3, 1951. In my early years, I lived on a property off of HWY 101 in Buellton, known affectionately now as the George Jones "Pork Palace" after which I moved to 5-acre home on Ballard Canyon, and attended Jonata Elementary School. I did the usual things growing up in the SY Valley:

- ✍✍ I was a Boy Scout and was working on Eagle ranking.
- ✍✍ I was an altar boy at the Old Mission Santa Ines.
- ✍✍ I played baseball & basketball at SYV High School.

In 1971, I graduated from Allan Hancock Community College with an AA degree in Business Management. From there I went onto San Diego State University where I graduated in 1974 with a BA in Telecommunications. In 1976, I became a business partner with my father and went on to own and operate four service stations in Buellton (Shell, Texaco & Mobil) and sometimes I operated as many as three stations at one time.

Finally, in 1994, I met and married my wife, Jackie, and together we have four children: Allison, Dante, Cara, & Kaela.

Over the years, I have been involved in numerous things in our community. I was President of the Buellton Business Association and Solvang School Board, as well as a founding member and President of Valley Haven. In addition, I have been a board member of the Valley Foundation and a founding member and Treasurer of the IDC Foundation (Rick Zander).

**However, my passion is anything that deals with sports!** I have been "Bronco League" coach, director, & All-Star coach, high school J.V. baseball coach. And for the past 16 years, I have been the "**Voice**" of the SYV High School girl's basketball games and for the last 23 years the "Voice" for Friday night Varsity Football. I also broadcast baseball & volleyball playoffs. For myself, I enjoy playing softball, basketball, and riding and training for the Solvang Century bike ride.

As for Rotary, I've done just about everything you can do in Rotary. I've been the Bulletin editor for 2 years (even had to publish every week!), the Community Service & International Chair, and Treasurer of club Foundation. In addition, I've been a linguica cooker, Santa Helper on tours of the Valley, helped clean Hwy 246 between Buellton and Solvang and have had major roles with the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks Show and Equestrian Colossus Breakfast benefit for Hospital. Finally, I was also our club's President for 1987-1988. **I must say that joining Rotary was one of the greatest days of my life!**

#### Special programs To include Our families

**November 30 – At the Lutheran Home**  
**December 14 – Cartoonist Rubin leigh**  
**Please save those dates**

#### Club Christmas Party

**December 16, 2005**

**Please see  
PP Ken Mills for details**

## Future Programs & Events

- October 5 - Jimmy Weldon  
The Voice of "Yakky Doodle"
- October 12 - Kris Kersten  
The Art of Dentistry
- October 19 - PP Len Dalberg  
UN and Rotary - Partners in Service
- October 26 - Allan Pacela  
Trip to China

## District Conference\*\*

October 28 – 30  
Rancho Mirage



Let's enjoy fun & fellowship  
Together!

\*\* Please see President Deepa  
for reservation form

## Rotarian of the Week

**Rick Zander**

Member since May 1, 1982

President Deepa honored Rick Zander by naming him the Rotarian-of-the-Week. Rick was born in Washington DC and grew up in Virginia and Maryland. He went to SBCC, Cal Poly and UC Davis. He received his doctorate in Veterinary Medicine in 1977 where upon he acquired the Ballard Animal Hospital in the Santa Ynez Valley. He joined our Rotary club in 1982, was the club President 1990-91, the host of YES and GSE teams for our club and received multiple PHF awards. Soon after joining Rotary, Rick discovered that international service was his passion. Since then his services has benefited the Totonac Indians in Mexico, small formers and a small clinic in Costa Rica, the Ministry of Veterinary Services in Uzbekistan and of course, the Philippines. In 2000, he and his wife decided to sell his veterinary practice and move to the Philippines to continue his work in that country, where he is involved with all kinds of humanitarian projects like irrigation, farming, building housing, just to name a few.

**Rick, you make us proud and welcome back!**

## Reminder - Len Dalberg's Celebration

Just a reminder, that all Rotarians are invited to Len's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday party at the Parish Hall of Bethania Lutheran Church, on Atterdag and Laurel in Solvang. The date is October 8, 2005. Gathering Time is at 5:00pm with dinner at 5:30pm.

Both Len & Annabelle will celebrate 50 years of ministry as well, he as a pastor, and she as a church musician. They also celebrate 55 years of marriage.

Call 688-4687 to reserve a place at the table. No gifts please.

**"To love one's country is a splendid thing.  
But why should it stop at the border?"**

**Pablo Casals**