

Club # 684 District 5240
Chartered March 10, 1959

Come and join us on Wednesdays 12:15 PM at
The Royal Scandinavia Inn at 420 Alisal Road in Solvang

“It’s true that you can be anything you
want, but it is far easier when your
ambition is complemented
by the ambition of others.”

~ Kurt Vonnegut, writer



President’s Message

Week end Retreat in Cambria: Your Board of Directors and Committee Chairs spent Saturday, October 28th and Sunday, October 29 at the Fog Catcher Inn in Cambria, working on ways to improve our Club. There were many thought provoking ideas generated, some of which we will implement soon.

We will be presenting the idea for a new fund raiser in the near future, as well as a new financial tool for our Foundation. We will present both of these to the Club, for Members approval.

I would like to thank the following for devoting their weekend to Santa Ynez Valley Rotary:

President Elect, John Rasmussen and Cam; Treasurer, Bob Hinrichs; Secretary, Lewis Karpf; Immediate Past President, Deepa; International Chair, Greg Pensa and Jackie; Community Service Chair, Paul Matthies and Suzi; Director and Public Relations Chair, Mary Jo McNamara; Director and Program Chair, Dick Smullen and Jo Ann; Membership Chair, Rudi Van Enoo and Elise; Membership Committee, Karen and George Johnson; Foundation Director, Warren Blomseth and Dee; and my wife, Nancy.

This was the 3rd and largest Retreat, in the last four years. We had 13 Rotarians and 7 others, for a total of 20.

All of these Rotarians not only give of their time, but also pay their own way. There is no cost to the Club. They truly "Lead The Way."

Don't forget to order your Poinsettias and remind your friends to order too. There is an order blank attached to this Cogwheel.

More people are volunteering to sell tickets with the car at its various locations. Please keep up the good work and if you haven't done a stint with the car, how about volunteering. It's fun!!!

Ken Johnson and his entire Committee continue to work very hard, and they are doing a fantastic job, but they need everyone's help.

Yours in Rotary Service,
David Wyatt



RI President
William (Bill) B. Boyd

District Governor
Richard Abbott

Asst. Governor
Les Esposito

Group 9 Rep
Daniel Redmond

Club President
David Wyatt

Incoming President
John Rasmussen

Past President
Deepa Willingham

Secretary
Louis Karpf

Treasurer
Bob Hinrichs

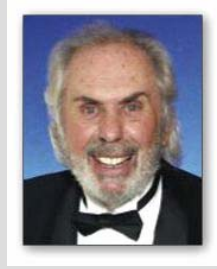
Club Service
Verva Enoch

Community Service
Paul Matthies

**Vocational/Youth
Service**
Jeff Little

International Service
Greg Pensa

2006-2007 District Governor Rich Abbott



Rich was born in Denver, Colorado and raised on a cattle/horse ranch in Central California. He was educated at Antelope Valley High School and University California Davis, majoring in Business Economics. Rich served in the U.S. Army and gained an Honorable Discharge. Rich retired from Abbott & Associates, Business Management Consulting Firm in 2002 and has three adult children, Karen, Richard & Cortney living in Ventura County.

Rich has been a member of four Rotary clubs in District 5240, serving in all Avenues of Service, Past President of Rotary Club of Goleta & Goleta Noontime. Presently, Rich is a member of Rotary Club of Montecito with the classification of Communication / Marketing and 18+ years of perfect attendance.

Some of Rich's achievements in Rotary include:

- Multiple Paul Harris Fellow (One awarded by R.C. of Goleta Noontime)
- Charter Member # 10 Paul Harris Society of District 5240
- The Rotary Foundation Benefactor
- The Rotary Foundation Bequest Society
- Group 8 Representative 2003-04
- District PRLS & Master PRLS Graduate
- District Club Service Director 2004-05
- District Conference Committee (Santa Barbara) 2000
- District Conference Polio + Y2K Walk-A-Thon Chair 1999 (Netted \$1,000.00)
- Facilitated Sessions at District Assembly, Mid Term Seminars, Foundation Seminars, and Membership Seminars from 2001-04
- Attended/participated in District Assembly/Conference from 1995 to present.
- District Honorary Distinguished Rotarian 1999-00
- District Outstanding Service Award 2001-02
- Instructor-District Assembly 2004-05
- District Grants Committee 2004-05

Rich is honored and privileged to have the opportunity to serve as your District Governor 2006-07. Some of his "passions" will be to continue some of the exciting projects, especially with emphasis on:

- Youth Services, Interact, Youthact, Rotaract, GSE, Youth Exchange, etc.
- The Rotary Foundation, Every Rotarian Every Year.
- Membership, Retention/Recruitment - likes to "lead by example" retaining/initiating 3-4 new members each year.

Rich looks forward to meeting and becoming acquainted with every member in our fantastic District.

(This bio was taken from the Rotary International website.)

**PICTURES OF THE
2006 CAR RAFFLE PRIZE**



Future Programs & Events

November 8	Kate Firestone, Direct Relief
November 15	Los Olivos Rotary, Katrina Relief Program
November 22	Jim Boles, UCSB "The Landslide That Caused A Fire"
November 29	Poinsettias Deliveries at the Meadows
December 1	5 th Wednesday's "Petite Dinners" Potluck
December 6	John Stahl "Lompoc Wind Farm"
December 13	Dark
December 15	Club Christmas Party
December 20	Children's Christmas Party
December 27	Car Raffle Drawing

Other Upcoming Events

November 11
Master PRLS 5
At Santa Maria Inn

November 17-19
Poverty Conference
in Camarillo

December 2
Basic PRLS: Ventura Co.

December 9
Master PRLS 1: Ventura Co.

Essay Contest Announcement

District 5240 has established the Third Annual Essay Contest for Rotarians. The basic policy is to fulfill the purpose of the District Newsletter by providing a forum for the free exchange of ideas relative to Rotary policies, programs and activities. The following procedures pertain:

1. 1,000 words or less.
2. E-mailed and in Microsoft Word format only; pertinent pictures are encouraged.
3. Any Rotary topic, as long as treatment of the subject is concise.
4. The winner will be recognized by the awarding of a Paul Harris Fellowship.
5. All submitted manuscripts may be used in any way the District Newsletter Editor and District Website Editor desire.
6. Submissions should be accompanied by an identification of the author, to include at least name and club. Additional biographical information would be desirable, but not required.
7. Members of clubs in District 5240 only.
8. Deadline for submitted manuscripts is January 15.
9. Send to Jock MacKenzie, rbm717@adelphia.net.

The best advice is to write the way you talk. Organize your thoughts. Cut out excess words. Short is better than long.

November Anniversaries

November 27	Allen & Virginia Cooper (43 years)
November 30	Rick & Esther Zander (38 years)

November Birthdays

November 6	Verva Enoch
November 8	Rudi Van Enoo
November 13	Miki Holden
November 15	Roger Nielsen
November 17	Wanda McPherson