

ROTARY CLUB OF SIMI SUNRISE
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Subject: Club History

Sponsoring Club or Clubs

The Rotary Club of Simi Valley initiated the work and idea to charter a breakfast club in Simi Valley. Since they shared a territory with the Rotary Club of Rancho Simi (NOTE: Club no longer in existence), the two clubs jointly sponsored the formation of The Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise.

Charter Date and Roster of Charter Members

The Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise was chartered on June 27, 1986 with 30 members. It was incorporated in California on November 16, 1988.

# SAL FASULO	JIM COOKSEY	ERNIE POTVIN
# IVAN DELMAN	#* JIM LOWRY	DEAN YOSHIWARA
#* PAUL MILLER	STEPHEN DAVIS	PHIL JONES
#* RON COONS	MICHAEL CORNING	STEVE SMITH
# BILL HUGHES	LEON MAH	# TERRY PATRICK
# ROBERT PURDUM	JOHN McNAMARA	GENE LAPP
BILL CABRANES	GARY HARRIS	FRED TABOR
WALT LOSSNER	#* DAVID McCORMICK	# WALTER HANSON
# FRANK WHITE	# JOHN BLAZEJ	# R. SCHWALBENBERG
# HOWARD POMPEL	STEPHEN HILL	#* SIDNEY LIBERMAN

* = Currently an active member of The Club.

= A Paul Harris Fellow.

Officers of the Club:

See Appendix "A" at the back of this history report.

Paul Harris Fellows:

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RYLA Scholars:

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High School Scholarship Recipients:

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KEY ACTIVITIES OR EVENTS:

1985-1987 Sal Fasulo, President

Under the direction of Charter President Sal Fasulo, the Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise spent the first year in an organizational mode, planning and coordinating its direction and activities to maximize its efforts in all Avenues of Service. Its first meeting was held at Howard Johnson's Restaurant in Simi Valley.

In May, 1986, The Club had its first mystery night where the Rotarians and Rotary Anns got together for a Club Service Project.

The Club received word from Rotary International and District Governor Nilo Fanucchi that the Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise had been officially chartered on June 27, 1986.

September 13, 1986, the members of District 524 were invited to attend The Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise's Charter Night at the Posada Royale Quality Inn in Simi Valley. In attendance was Past District Gov. Fanucchi and the 1986-87 District Governor, Frank B. Geddes.

In October, 1986, a Community Service project to help gather food stuffs for the shelves of Care and Share, a community food bank providing for the needy, was sponsored by The Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise as part of the Halloween Trick-or-Treat activities for our community youth.

Saturday, June 20, 1987, Charter President Sal Fasulo was demoted and his wife Mary was recognized for her efforts in bringing The Club together. Ivan Delman, DC, was installed as Club President and his lovely wife Joan as the Leader of the Rotary Anns.

1987-1988 Ivan Delman, DC, President

The quick wit and always positive attitude of President Ivan led the Sunrisers through a great year of accomplishment. Working with District Governor Raymond "Ray" Wirth, The Club pushed through the critical third year of its existence, by out performing the expectations of its active and boisterous membership.

August 29, 1987 was the first Rotary Ann

luncheon where the ladies had a chance to meet and discuss plans for a fun filled year as part of The Club team.

In September 1987, The Club took on its first series of major fund raisers by sponsoring a full RODEO, along with a TRUCK AND TRACTOR PULL, followed in one week by an officially sanctioned CHILI COOK-OFF. The events put The Club on the map and raised sufficient funds to support several local charity organizations and send moneys to meet The Club's commitment towards Polio Plus.

Once again The Club conducted a mystery night, chaired by one of its newest members Doug Wieben. A 90 minute bus trip took us through space and into the Medieval Times where an evening of fun and laughter was had by all.

Not a Club to follow time proven procedures, but one that trudges ahead into new and uncharted areas, The Club held a 'members swap meet' during November 1987 at the local community Swap Meet. Sponsored by the Rotary Anns, the event was more successful than anyone ever dreamed: surely an annual event that citizens everywhere will be looking forward to participating in again.

Rotarian and president-elect Paul Miller, a.k.a. Chief of Police, allowed himself to be the subject of a "roast" by local dignitaries, politicians and fellow Rotarians. The April 9, 1988 event was well attended and produced laughs galore and \$2,000.00 for Polio Plus. It was another example of creative fund raising and Service Above Self.

On May 1, 1988, The Club held it's first NEW ENGLAND CLAM BAKE at the local Historical Park. Everyone who participated in this labor and material intensive activity enjoyed themselves and were looking forward to an even bigger and better event next year. The funds raised were designated to The Club's Polio Plus commitment.

As a way of educating the citizens of Simi Valley and spreading the word about Rotary, The Club created the idea of an information booth at the Chamber of Commerce's Trade Fair on May 21/22, 1988. The event was coordinated with the other two

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local Rotary Clubs. A brochure outlining the uniqueness of The Clubs was produced and handed out by members of the Rotary Clubs of Simi Valley, Rancho Simi and Simi Sunrise to nearly 1500 prospective members and interested attendees.

On June 25, 1988, President Ivan was demoted and his wife Joan was presented a Paul Harris Fellow. She was recognized for her many activities involving the Rotary Anns, the Christmas party and many photographs of events throughout the year which made The Club activities memorable.

1988-1989 Paul Miller, President

This Rotary Year, under the leadership of R.I. President Royce Abbey and his theme *Put Life Into Rotary-Your Life*, The Club's membership was ready to try and meet the needs of Simi Valley and the rest of the world.

During the year of President Paul Miller, The Club continued to grow in numbers (40 as of June 30, 1989), spirit and enthusiasm. Our Club's Polio Plus commitment was met as well as two additional Paul Harris fellows as uncommitted money to the Foundation, one of District Governor Jim Barton's goals. The growth and maturity of The Club was proven when two of the main fund raisers, the Chili Cook Off and the Clam Bake proved to be less successful than previous years. Rather than become dejected and discouraged, The Club analyzed the options and took aggressive steps to improve the events and produce a better product for the citizens of Simi Valley.

Rotarian Greg Stratton, a.k.a. Mayor of Simi Valley, graciously allowed himself to be the subject of a Roast by his friends(?). The money collected was designated to Polio Plus.

RYLA has taken a very special spot in The Club's history. Members have enjoyed the benefit of participating by meeting candidates, hearing them make presentations to The Club and representing our Club to the rest of District 524.

The Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise is published in The Rotarian magazine. President Paul submitted photographs of our award winning Simi Valley Days Parade Float and fellow Rotarians throughout the world saw what a few dedicated people can do when

driven by a dream. Rotarian Len Carter was recognized for his unselfish dedication to this worthwhile project.

On September 15, 1988, The Club inducted its first women Rotarians, Judy Mikels (Fine Art Dealer) and Bonnie Carpenter (Library). Both women are community leaders and recognized experts in their fields. All totaled, The Club brought on 12 new members during the year while only losing two.

"The Club has flags" could be heard throughout the meeting hall when Past President Sal Fasulo presented the long awaited mini-flag. A bright yellow sun, grasping the Rotary wheel while looking joyfully towards the Simi Sunrise logo, reflects the spirit of its club. A great moment in history!!!

Giving is not just money, it's more. The three local Rotary Clubs combined their efforts to produce 66 pints of blood for the United Blood Services during December. Those 66 pints were processed into various products that helped over 125 people. That's "Service above Self".

Sharing Rotary through a Valentine Dance brought all three clubs together with spouses at the Ramada Inn. Fun was had by all.

The Great Mystery Night of 1989 was again chaired by Doug Wieben who coordinated an outstanding evening of dinner and entertainment at Sleuth's Restaurant in Sherman Oaks. A poor participant was murdered, yes murdered in front of our very eyes. The evening was spent reviewing clues, interviewing witnesses and potential suspects. In the end however, the crime was solved by none other than our own Club President, Chief Paul Miller, plus Ed Horton and two other un-named crime fighters. Great evening and outstanding opportunity to be with friends and fellow Rotarians.

Through dedication and hard work, The Club managed to contribute to Rotary Foundation \$7,000: \$5,000 to our Polio Plus commitment and \$2,000 unrestricted funds. In addition, \$500 went to the Boys & Girls Club of Simi Valley; \$800 to Rainbow House; \$150 to Simi High School Jazz Band; \$200 to the Air Force R.O.T.C.; \$700 to high school scholarships; \$100 to the Adopt-A-Bike program;

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\$250 to the Simi Valley Police Explorer Post; \$200 to the Simi Valley High School Drama Department; \$450 to R.Y.L.A.; \$300 to youth soccer programs. As you can see, a small Club, with limited funds, touched a lot of people through some very worthwhile programs.

The demotion of President Paul on June 24, 1989 continued a tradition of recognizing the spouse as a valuable team member. Dorothea Miller was presented a Paul Harris Fellow by Paul in appreciation of her support during his year as president.

1989-1990 Dick Schwalbenberg, President

Dick Schwalbenberg was given the Presidential gavel and another year of aggressive service began. Following R.I. President Hugh Archer's Theme, *Enjoy Rotary!*, President Dick and his wife Sharlene organized and actively participated in an August 20th family picnic at a local public park. It was a great time to meet spouses of fellow Rotarians and for the kids of all ages to enjoy food and games with mom and dad. District Governor for Dick's year was George C. Palmer from Bakersfield.

The annual Chamber of Commerce sponsored Simi Valley Days in mid September found our Club coordinating the Parade Float and of course the winning of the Mayor's Trophy. September is The Club's most active month, incorporating a Chili Cook Off at the beginning of the two week community event and ending with the food concessions at the Rodeo, Horse Show and well attended Truck and Tractor Pull.

Usually administrative items are not historical, however, The Club took a giant step in avoiding possible conflict in charitable contributions by forming an Allocations Committee. A policy and procedure was promulgated outlining how requests and allocations will be handled by the Board.

At the October 1989 Board of Directors meeting, The Club directed the treasurer to send its final contribution to Rotary International's Polio Plus Project. The \$5,000 check completed our \$15,000 commitment and put The Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise in an elite group of clubs world wide that met their three year obligation. A proud moment for everyone.

Pancakes and all that should accompany them, were served on October 7th during a community service project to benefit the senior citizen's center. The event was well attended by both Club members and hungry ticket buyers. A \$1,000 check was presented to the seniors.

Sharlene Schwalbenberg hosted a Rotary Ann tea at her house for spouses and female Rotarians on November 16, 1989.

The Christmas spirit was plentiful on Sunday, December 3, 1989 when The Club ventured on its annual Christmas party. A Dinner Theater engagement in Ventura provided us with a good time and good fellowship while we watched the amateur theater presentation of Scrooge.

"Blood, we want your Blood," was how Len Carter presented the three Rotary Club's annual blood drive. In the middle of a bad flu season, we were able to collect 56 pints of blood for the Tri-Valley Blood Bank. After processing, over 150 units of blood products were made for emergencies and routine medical care.

"Let the good times roll" could be heard throughout the Strathearn Historical Park when our Club hosted the first annual BAYOU SIMI CAJUN/CREOLE FESTIVAL on Saturday, April 21, 1990. Chaired by Bobby Weisman, it was an event that brought surprises to many. The four bands allowed event goers to dance from noon to eight p.m. and the food and beverage booths kept people content when not on the dance floor. The guests came from as far away as northern California and food included bar-b-que alligator tail, sausages and prawns cooked in the style of true Cajun Cuisine. When it was all over, nearly \$4,000 was raised and given to local youth charities. It appears The Club found the needed replacement for the Clam Bake.

In June, President Elect Jim Lowry attended the 1990 Rotary International Convention in Portland, Oregon, becoming the first President Elect to attend a R.I. Convention.

It was time again to demote the President, so on Saturday, June 30th, President Dick Schwalbenberg was cast aside in a spoof of the great Monopoly game. Dick was dressed in top hat

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and tails and through a series of drawing Chance and Community Chest cards, relived his year as the President. The Club went to the far corners of the country to give Dick an appropriate demotion gift. To show its appreciation for his year long dedication to Rotary, the individual members chipped in and flew Dick's mother to California from Main. To say he was a little surprised would not qualify for the Four-Way-Test.

1990-1991 Jim Lowry, President

Jim Lowry assumed the reins as president and continued the service philosophy of The Club. Working with District Governor Sam Greene, under the direction of R.I. President Paulo V.C. Costa, the direction of The Club was clearly set towards a better understanding of Rotary. The R.I. Theme, *Honor Rotary with Faith and Enthusiasm*, emphasized Jim's goal of getting the membership involved in all aspects of the Avenues of Service. To serve and to have fun, those were Jim's goals.

The Club held several social events this year including a family picnic in the park, a progressive dinner party during the Christmas season and a Mystery Night to, where else, a Murder Mystery Dinner Theater. We also chaired the February 9th Valentines Dinner Dance where all three Clubs in Simi Valley joined for good fellowship and good times. Our many fund raising events proved to be real bonding events with member's families too.

Fund raising was extremely active and very much membership intensive. The Rotarians of Simi Sunrise should be proud of their efforts this year. The September Chili Cookoff, where a combination flea market, Blue Grass Music Festival, car show and chili cookoff proved to be the most successful single day fund raiser in Club history. Simi Valley Days saw us once again staffing the food concession booths at the Truck/Tractor pull and rodeo. But the most energetic project of all was the Haunted House.

Presented along with the S.V. Jaycees, the event was tremendously received by the community. The weeks of hard labor in preparation for the event made the ten days of actual show worth the effort. However, the money raised and shared with the Jaycees didn't make the event a cost effective one. The Rotary year was finished off with the Second Annual Cajun-Creole Festival on April 20, 1991. Once again, a fun event, vary costly and not that

profitable.

RYLA was pursued as a major youth oriented service by The Club. We sent three students to the training session in Santa Barbara and enjoyed their stories and experiences when they reported back to us. The Club was recognized by both the Boys and Girls Club and the DARE Program of the Simi Valley Police Department as being a major contributor to their success. We were the Charter Agency for Cub Scout Pack #3617 and supported the Explorer Scouts of the SVPD. The Board voted to participate as a co-sponsor of the Boys and Girls Club Golf Tournament to be held in President Elect McCormick's year, in August 1991.

President Jim presented The Club with the ARK-III Survival Kit as a fund-raiser for the Christmas holiday period and in less than six weeks, The Club sold over 400 units, making enough money to fund part of the Rotary Foundation commitment.

The Club contributed \$5,000 (unrestricted) to the Rotary Foundation as part of its commitment to support the International programs. Our Polio Plus commitment was met during the 1989-90 year. In February, Club members welcomed Group Study Exchange (GSE) members into their homes for a weeks stay. The gentlemen from Brazil were guest of the Rotary Clubs of Simi Valley & Conejo Valley. Our International Service Committee made contact with Clubs in Mexico and sent correspondence to several European Clubs.

The Club had favorable attendance at several District and International Events. A District sponsored "New Member Seminar" was attended by four dedicated Rotarians while the District Conference in San Diego was attended by nine members and spouses. The R.I. Convention in Mexico City was attended by President Jim and President-Elect Dave McCormick as well as Vocational Service Chair Doug Wieben. All three were accompanied by their spouses.

President Jim was selected by District Governor Elect Scott Metcalf, Jr. to serve on District Staff as Group 5 Representative.

The Club received a very special recognition from the Tri-Counties Blood Services for its part in spearheading a blood drive in January. As it turned

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out, the three Club event was the only blood drive during the seven day period and resulted in over 50 pints being donated. Len Carter and Bob Purdum were recognized with plaques from the agency.

Vocational Service was not overlooked this year. Chairman Doug Wieben worked closely with the SV School district to prepare a Vocational Speaker's Bureau. A brochure and outline of how to prepare a talk to junior and senior high school students were prepared and made available to counselors at local schools. Within two weeks, The Club had received ten requests for speakers.

Club member George Kerr, an active environmentalist and local nurseryman, represented The Club well in many areas of our community. He met with former President Ronald Reagan and discussed the Freedom Tree Foundation and its goals, receiving very positive response to the program. He also spearheaded the clean-up of the Arroyo Simi, involving members and non-members alike.

Membership increased by eight members to 39 at Rotary year end with a number of qualified candidates in the wings waiting to become Rotarians. Donations to the community were specific with emphasis on the biggest bang for the buck.

The Board approved the following donations: 1) \$100 to Cub Scout Pack 3617, 2) \$500 to the Freedom Tree Foundation, 3) \$100 to the Ventura County Council - BSA, 4) \$250 to OASIS (older adult services...), 5) \$250 to Teen Challenge, 6) \$500 To The Royal High School Choral Dept., 7) \$1,500 to D.A.R.E. in the form of pins, 8) \$1,000 to Rancho Simi Park and Recreation for co-sponsorship of their Halloween Carnival, 9) \$500 to S.A.V.E. Theater for summer programs, 10) \$500 to the Wellness Community, 11) \$750 to Police Explorer Post, 12) \$250 to Police Reserve Officers Fund, 13) \$5,000 to Rotary Foundation, 14) \$1,500 to Boys and Girls Club, 15) \$675 for R.Y.L.A. Scholarships, 16) \$250 to YMCA, 17) \$1,000 to the Free Clinic and \$2,200 to the Homeless Meals Program through the Alliance Church. Nearly \$17,000 this Rotary Year was given away.

On June 22, 1991, President Jim was demoted and President Elect Dave was installed to

lead The Club for the next year. Jim presented his wife Kathy with a Paul Harris Fellow for all her help and understanding during the past 12 months. Special recognition was given to Len Carter, John Blazej, Terry Patrick, Bob Purdum and Tom Jackson for outstanding Service Above Self to The Club and the Community. It was a great year for everyone. Many people made this Rotary year a success and everyone can be proud of the work done by The Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise.

1991-1992 Dave McCormick, President

The Rotary Year of Dave McCormick started as usual, on July 1, 1991. Dave himself was ready to challenge The Club to *Look Beyond Yourself*, as Rotary International President Rajendra Saboo takes charge. The Club started the Rotary year by co-sponsoring the Second Annual Boys & Girls Club Golf Tournament on August 7th. Past President Sal Fasulo graciously returned The Club's Charter which he had been keeping in "a safe place".

Doug Wieben and his wife Eileen planned and executed a joint club visit to Laughlin, Nevada in November '91. The three day excursion was a chance to relax and for Rotarians and spouses to learn more about each other. Of course the Nevada trip was planned to provide rest and relaxation to all the hard workers at the Annual Chili Cook-off on September 14, 1991. The Cook-off was co-sponsored by the Boys & Girls Club board of directors and was semi-successful.

Attendance at weekly meetings is a measure of The Club's worth to its members. This Rotary year saw a respected 90+% attendance rate due in large part to Terry Patrick's efforts as attendance chairman. A milestone was reached on January 23rd when we reached 100% attendance, the first time since October 1990.

Vocational Service this year emphasized business tours by members during the regular Club meetings. The tours included the Sanitation Plant, Michael's Flowers, Sun Spirit Art Gallery and President Reagan Library.

Programs this year were unique, varied and most interesting. Take for example Jennifer Roe who entertained us on the harp. She did things we didn't know could be done on a harp. Our own Paul

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Miller gives a great interpretation of the Rotarian Magazine. Elaine Freeman's presentation on Ride-sharing will always be remembered as a humorous, albeit, important presentation. How about the possibility of setting up a business in one of the State Prisons to train and rehabilitate prisoners? It had possibilities, but not for our Club.

The Club's weekly bulletin, The Sunrise Express, was a challenge to some and a pleasure to others. Richard Hoyt injected some of his philosophical and psychological insights. He was colorful and stimulating.

The size of Rotary is expanding at such a pace, the International Board of Directors has modified the Districts of Rotary by adding a Zero to the end of existing District numbers. They say it's for computerization. Although not the same, The Club has a new phone number for people coming into Simi Valley to find out more about Rotary...520-4894

The Annual Rose Parade Float, "Voyages of Discovery", was a success due in a very small part to our Club's contribution. It is nice to see Rotary so beautifully represented.

The Fellowship Committee started something this year to have Club members know each other better. A once monthly dinner at one of several restaurants around town with groups of six or less with spouse or significant others. The camaraderie was wonderful. Fellowship continued with the annual Christmas Season Holiday party at the Clarion Hotel. And how about the 12 members who got together for a community service pre-Christmas clean-up of a widow's house? Good job troops. The Club donated \$100 to the Rotary Foundation in the name of George Kerr for his unselfish contribution to the project. "Hail To The Chief" could almost be heard when member Steve Millich organized the joint meeting at the Ronald Reagan Library. Don't forget the Valentine's Dance with the three clubs getting together.

Several items were addressed via The Club's Continuing Resolution to help members who fall on hard economic times. We are trying to be a kinder and gentler organization.

Cajun wouldn't be Cajun without the Simi Sunrise Rotary Club's 3rd Annual Event. This time a

two day extravaganza netted The Club \$16,000. A big thanks to Co-Chairs, Doug and Eileen Wieben.

Fund raising has become a real art, especially when members like Bill Hughes are around. The Club participated in the Rodeo on Saturday, September 21st, by cooking hot dogs, hamburgers, etc. Fun? Maybe! It wasn't always money we were after either. Terry Patrick established a can goods collection and later a money jar for the Homeless Meals Project. We can't forget Tom Jackson for his efforts at organizing the annual BLOOD DRIVE.

CPR training was organized and put on as a community service by all three Rotary Clubs in Simi Valley. The one and only Mike Mutal was Chairman and did a great job.

The Club sent President Elect Gary White and his wife, Karen, to the International Convention in Orlando, Florida for a week of fun and orientation. He wasn't alone. Nearly 28,000 Rotarians from throughout the world attended this annual event.

Donations to worthy causes are made throughout the year but usually not until after the Cajun Festival. However we never turn down a need. Such was the case when Direct Relief International needed money to send much needed drugs to Russia. We presented a check for \$75 for shipping costs, as did many other clubs in the district.

1992-1993 Gary White, President

July 1, 1992 under Rotary International President Clifford Dochterman, District Governor (5240) James "Jim" Johannsen, and Group Five Representative Jim Lowry, Gary White and his Board of Directors took the reins of the Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise. Cliff Dochterman's philosophy and theme for '92-'93 of *Real Happiness is Helping Others*, was realized by our club this year as we helped both our community and others around the world. Helping others while we worked to achieve club goals was no problem from the hard working members of the board. Treasurer Doug Wieben kept finances in order on our new club computer and the job of secretary was filled by Frank White and Jim Lowry. All positions on the board were active and the Four

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Avenues of Service were no exception.

Vocational Service, under the directorship of Kelly Gilliland, created and implemented a comprehensive Resume and Job Interview Program at Apollo High School. This project was held on consecutive weekends and was very well received by the students at Apollo. From resume instruction to actual job interviews with local employers, this program was a great success and ultimately helped ten students gain employment.

Our International Service Director, Mary Beth Wolford, also introduced a new program with great potential. The idea was to collect otherwise discarded disposable surgical instruments from a hospital (Valley Pres.), deliver them to the committee (done by Karen White), package and get them to Direct Relief International for delivery across the sea to needy recipients. Thanks to the work of this committee, several bulk pounds of instruments made their way into the hands of people that needed them.

Ron Coons, Club Service Director, made sure that all club functions ran smoothly. Ron's committee shined this year producing a District Award Winning Bulletin from B.J. Anderson and a District Attendance Award for our club averaging over 90% attendance for '92-'93. Our club also had good attendance at the District Assembly and Conference. At the conference in Santa Barbara, Jim Lowry was presented an award for his outstanding work as Group Five Representative. Membership was a big goal for Club Service this year and it showed. We brought ten new members into The Club this year while losing seven (primarily to economic hard times). The programs presented at our meetings were quite good as were the social functions, ie. cocktail party, holiday party, Valentines Dance and mystery night.

Our Director of Community Service, Bonnie Carpenter, did a wonderful job coordinating a Blood Drive, a clean up of the Boys and Girls Club facility, and the starting of a pilot project for the district. This project was called the Immunization Project and it targeted children in need of childhood vaccinations. Bonnie's committee also arranged for the two students from our local High Schools to attend RYLA camp. The drafting of a new scholarship application was finalized and used to pick three students for The Club's three five hundred dollar scholarships. The

committee made the presentations during graduation ceremonies.

Service projects were a great success in '92-'93 and so were our fund raisers. Our Sixth Annual Chili Cook-off/Car-show was well attended and through the efforts of co-chairs Frank White and Ivan Delman, our club netted over \$4,000. This year marked our club's first official involvement in the DARE Golf Tournament. Co-chairs Steve Millich, Dave McCormick and Bill Hughes all helped to produce a very successful tourney. A check for \$6,000 was donated back to the DARE program: all from the fruits of their labor. The '92-'93 Cajun Creole Festival was co-chaired by Bob Mitchell and Elaine Freeman. Their countless hours of preparation paid off in a big way as our two day Memorial Day Weekend event netted our club over \$35,000 and our annual club contributions for the year topped \$28,000. These contributions went to both local charities and international programs.

A virtual plethora of plaques and awards were a part of President Gary's demotion on June 19, 1993. Karen White was given a special award from Gary for her support of him and The Club and for organizing the spouses night-out. Demotion '93 saw us add five more Paul Harris Fellows to our club. The recipients were: Mary Beth Wolford, Elaine Freeman, Cal Youel, Bob Mitchell and William Winter. There was plenty of good times and bad jokes at demotion. President Gary's last act as President was June 24th as he was handcuffed and driven to Oxnard Marina to have lunch at "The Whales Tale" with a few members.

The Club sent President Elect Doug Wieben and his wife Elleen to the Rotary International Convention in Melbourne, Australia. The Wiebens were accompanied by Cal & Kathy Youel.

1993-1994 Doug Wieben, President

President Doug took over the reigns of the Simi Sunrise Rotary Club with a gusto that would prove to be beneficial to the entire club. Under District Governor Norm Anderson's direction and following International President Robert R. Barth's theme "*Believe In What You Do and Do What You Believe In*", The Club pursued an active and competitive year. Past President Gary White was selected to be Group 5 Representative to the District

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Governor.

Membership has to be one of the memorable things Doug accomplished this year. Through the efforts of Bob Mitchell as membership development coordinator, The Club gained 18 new members while only losing two: ending the year with 56 members.

Doug will be remembered as the "omelet President" because he insisted that on Board Meeting day, the second Thursday of each month, the Hotel have an omelet bar for the members and guests. The treat was a slow process but one everyone enjoyed.

Community Service was the aggressive Avenue of Service this year. Books for the library, elementary school visitors to Club Members' businesses, Boys & Girls Club Clean-up, planting trees in memory of Anna Winter (wife of member William Winter), buying a Chipper for the Simi Valley Unified School District to save them \$50,000 a year in landfill costs, our annual blood drive AND replacing outdated Life Line units for seniors through Simi Valley Hospital, were just a few of the things for which The Club can be proud. RYLA scholarships and High School Scholarships were again part of The Club's support of youth.

For some unknown reason, our Club has become the make-up capital of the west. We've literally had guests from around the world.

The leadership of District 5240 created a program last year called PRLS (Potential Rotary Leadership Seminars). Comprised of ten one hour sessions on various aspects of running a small business, non-profit organization, or large corporation, Rotarians are encouraged to take advantage of this great opportunity. Several members of our Club attended and were awarded their PRLS pins at the District Conference held in Solvang. President Doug was one of the first in the District to receive his pin as was President-Elect George Berrow and Club member B.J. Anderson. The program is outstanding and every Rotarian is encouraged to participate.

Fundraising was a big part of The Club's fellowship and enjoyment of "Service Above Self." Starting out in August with the DARE Golf Tournament and the ever popular Chile Cook-

Off/Car Show in September, we participated for the first time in the Christmas for Kids program at Mountain Gate Plaza. Following the infamous January 17th earthquake we took part in Community Pride Day at a local park. The funds from that project went to general relief for Simi Valley residents. Behind the efforts of Dave McCormick, The Club took on a new fund-raiser called "Pars-for-Paws." The event was a golf tournament for the purpose of purchasing another K-9 dog for the Simi Valley Police Department. Of course the Fifth Annual Cajun Creole Music Festival on Memorial Day weekend was a resounding success.

International Service was big this year too. We sponsored a Matching Grant request through the Rotary Foundation to further the development of the Karaja Indian Project in Brazil. Our efforts resulted in a total of \$48,000 being raised and spent to better the life of those primitive Indians.

Club Service was also very active. We all enjoyed the annual picnic, the fellowship dinners, the festive holiday party at Christmas time, the joint club Valentine Dance and the truly memorable Mystery Night. With Doug at the helm, who would have thought we would have another Laughlin Trip?

Speaking of Mystery Night, we need to thank Mary Beth Wolford for her "hard sell" of this year's event. Who would have thought they would be kayaking in the Ventura Marina, let alone getting dunked there? Or how about Doctor "Dare Devil" Delman and his great invitation to visit the pits at the Willow Springs Raceway? Those who went will never forget the vicarious thrill of racing with the big boys.

Club members were treated to a wide variety of programs this year. Doug had worms from the Worm Concern, Raptors from the rehabilitation station, albino snakes and wild cats from the Moorpark College Wild Animal Training facility, as well as some two legged speakers that qualified as "animals."

The Rotary Foundation benefited from a new program created by Past President Jim Lowry. He proposed the "Paul Harris Contribution Program" (PHCP), where members donate \$10 a month until \$1,000 is collected. Then a drawing from those who contributed, the winner being able to designate anyone they wish to receive a Paul Harris

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Fellowship. The winner of the first drawing was Bonnie Carpenter who designated Donald E. Hunt of the Park District to receive the award.

No report would be complete without the list of awards earned by The Club this year. Herschel Berger and his Sunriseser News won best Club Bulletin award. We were voted the best club in several categories thanks to the collective efforts of everyone involved in Simi Sunrise. When one considers that every member of our club is a busy and involved person in their community, the significance of achieving an attendance rate of over 90% for the year is even more astounding. The only other report that can top that one is the amount of money given away this year. Actual cash contributions equaled nearly \$64,000. Couple that with the efforts of involving others in community and world projects, and the Simi Sunrise Rotary Club was responsible for over \$122,000 in donations. Congratulations to everyone.

As in the past, The Club sent its President Elect to the International Convention. This year in June, George Bercow and his lovely wife, Anne, went to Taipei, Taiwan for a week of education, entertainment, fellowship and enlightenment. The hospitality, George reports, was unconditionally warm and sharing. George's year is going to be based on the theme, *Be a Friend*, by R.I. President Bill Huntley.

1994-1995 George Bercow, President

This year actually started with the demotion of President Doug Wieben. While all the members and their guests came in costume, Doug and his wife Elleen arrived dressed in their finest. Joke's on you Dougeeee! A great time was had by all who attended and once again we showed the great friendship we all have for each other.

Under the leadership of District Governor, James V. "Jim" Hawkins, the club membership got behind International President Bill Huntley and his theme, "Be A Friend" to have a year of fun, frolic and fundraising.

The first issue of our club newsletter, "The Simi Sunriseser News", by editor Paul Miller, showed we were in for a great year; and things did start off

well. Our first fund-raiser for the year was our DARE Golf Tournament. We made over \$6,500, all of which was donated to the Simi Valley DARE Program. Our second fund-raiser was our annual Chile Cookoff/Car Show. With all members putting in a lot of effort, this was also a great success, netting the club in excess of \$9,400. By December 31st, because of the moneys earned by our first two fund-raisers, and money carried over from 1993-1994 Rotary Year, we were able to donate \$26,000 to various charities and groups. We were also able to donate enough money to the Simi Police Department's K-9 Program to allow them to purchase a third dog.

Club membership continued to grow during the year despite the fact that we had a few members leave us. Having started the year with a membership of 56, we ended the year with 60, for a net gain of four.

One of the goals this year was to start a Club Foundation. By year's end, we had received approval from the state and the federal governments to proceed with our objectives. The actual date of activation will be during the first quarter of the next Rotary Year.

Plans were also started to build a "Welcome to Simi Valley" sign at the eastern entrance to Simi Valley. The necessary plans have been submitted and construction should begin sometime in mid August or September, 1995.

The Club, with the help of members Kelley Gilliland and Bob Mitchell and families, hosted our first exchange student, Fernanda Martinelli from Brazil. In March, six of our members along with two spouses and five members of the Santa Barbara Sunrise Rotary Club, went to Celaya Mexico to meet with members of the Club Rotario Celaya and the Club Rotario Celaya Nat-Tha-Hi, an all women's club, to start a long term International Project between the four clubs to help the needy children of Celaya with their health needs. This hopefully will turn into a multi-club project that will benefit many, many children for years to come. To start, we donated enough money to feed 20 children, two meals a day for one year.

In April, we had our "2nd Annual Pars for Paws" golf tournament. It was a great success and

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earned over \$9,000 for the Simi Valley Police Department's K-9 Program. This was followed by our Cajun-Creole Music Festival held over the Memorial Day weekend. This is our biggest fund raiser of the year and we were able to earn in excess of \$32,000.

Another highlight of the year was the continued growth of our "Paul Harris Contribution Program." We were able to give four Paul Harris Fellowships this year through the program. We now have over 50% of our members enrolled in the program.

Because of the success of our fund raising programs we were able to donate a total of over \$60,000 to various causes.

At the District Governor's Demotion Dinner, the Simi Sunrise Rotary Club received a total of seven awards. This was a perfect ending to a very good year.

President-Elect Dick Strayer and his wife Eileen were sent to the International Convention in Nice, France. He had a chance to meet International President Herbert G. Brown of Clearwater, Florida.
1995-1996 Richard Strayer, Ph.D., President

President Dick enthusiastically took over the club during the reign of District Governor Jock MacKenzie with President Herb Brown's theme of "*Act with Integrity, Serve with Love, Work for Peace.*" The club had its most productive year. The Club garnered virtually all the awards in the District including, "Governor's Citation, Best Medium Club, Best Membership Increase, Best PRLS Completion, Best Club Attendance, Best Vocational Service, Best International Service, Best Bulletin and Best Club Service." The club also received the "Rotary International Presidential Citation" and, regardless of size, the District 5240 "Best over-all Club." President Dick was awarded "The Rotary Foundation District Service Award" and was named District "Rotarian of the Year."

Community Service. Dennis Barbee led our club with a busy schedule of more than 20 community service projects. Some of the projects include Rotary Gives Thanks days with three yard cleanings; Senior activities including Meals, Holiday visits, lifeline, payment of utility bills, etc. Youth activities

included mentally retarded, boys and girl scouts, RYLA camp, Explorer and cub scouts. Toys for disadvantaged children were distributed. Camp Rotary was initiated in conjunction with the noontime club. One of the more active years in community service.

International Service. This avenue was rather new to the club and was very active under the leadership of Cynthia Wells. Simi Sunrise took the lead in raising over \$50,000 from 29 Rotary clubs and obtained another \$50,000 matching grant from Rotary Foundation and in conjunction with Direct Relief International was able to provide about \$500,000 medical equipment and supplies for the Celaya Clinic in Mexico. Other projects were supported such as the River Ambulance for Indians on the Araguaia River in Brazil. Simi Sunrise contributed to every R.I. endorsed world wide disaster. An exchange student from Brazil was hosted by the club and stayed in the homes of Kelley Gilliland and Bob Mitchell.

Vocational Service. Steve Smith continued some of our usual vocational projects and initiated two new ones. A vocational service award was created to honor a non-Rotarian who operates by the principles of Rotary. A Vocational scholarship was also created.

Club Service. Cynthia Wells created a new speaker gift of a cup with the Simi Sunrise logo and the R.I. 1995-1996 Rotary theme. Cynthia also set up a rotating speaker program that was very effective. Monthly fellowship events were scheduled.

Membership. Twenty-eight new members joined us! A mentor program was initiated to help assimilate so many new members.

Hats, Hats, Hats. This year will be noted as the "Hat" year. Pres. Dick, "The Hat Man," wore a different hat each week to match the theme of the program or season. Achievement hats or "Hats Off" awards were given to recognize accomplishments of members.

Hall of Fame. A Hall of Fame perpetual trophy was created to recognize long service to Rotary and to Simi Sunrise. The first recipient was Jim Lowry.

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Welcome to Simi Valley. After some three years, this sign project, led by Jim Lowry, was completed on the 118 Freeway by the placement of the sign. This was a joint project with the Simi Valley "noontime" Rotary Club.

Rotary Foundation. Simi Sunrise and its members contributed over \$20,000 to the Rotary Foundation, the largest ever for our club. Our club giving was the second largest in the district with \$340.59 per capita. Funds were generated through monthly contributions, sustaining members, matching grants, Polio Plus giving and general giving.

Fund Raisers. This year was the most successful fund raisers with the traditional events and a couple of new ones. The Cajun-Creole netting about \$56,500, Chili Cookoff/Car Show about \$14,000, Pars for Paws golf tournament about \$11,000 and the DARE tournament were the traditional events. Two new events were initiated--the Street Festival and the resurrection of the Flag project, "American Pride Day," from the late Rancho Simi Rotary club. Several minor fund raisers also occurred.

Donations. About \$100,000 was donated to various organizations and activities. Most of the donations were made during two award programs with press coverage. Additionally, many in-kind donations were made.

Simi Sunrise Foundation. The Simi Sunrise Rotary Charitable Foundation was created and initiated. A Michael Clark Memorial Fund was established to aid public servants in need. A Simi Sunrise Fellow similar to a Paul Harris Fellow was established. This tax exempt adjunct has received donations and should be very active in the future.

Other Half. The "Other Half" was created by Eileen Strayer and co-chaired by Susan Kunz. This spousal group held many fellowship functions, children's parties such as cultural holiday party, pumpkin Patch Picnic, Spring Break party. A weekly coffee hour at Java Island was a success. The Other Half hosted an excellent reception for the District Governor with food, drink, music and gifts.

District. Simi Sunrise members were very active at the District level. Doug Wieben was elected the District Governor for 1997-1998, the first ever from

Group 5 in the District. Bob Mitchell served as District Membership Chair. Jim Lowry handled the District awards. In addition to the award winning editor of the Simi Sunrises News, Paul Miller was also the editor of the District Newsletter.

The District Conference was substantially manned by about fifteen Simi Sunrise members. B.J. Anderson was the chair, Jim Lowry was the master of ceremonies, Michelle Foster was in charge of the children's program and Craig Foster co-chaired the golf tournament. Dick Strayer was Chair of the District EXPO that was by far the largest ever and won praise from the President's representative, Ray Kneeggs. The Simi Sunrise exhibit received "The Best Exhibit Award" as voted by Past District Governors.

The District 5240 Rotary Charitable Foundation was the idea of Doug Wieben. Dick Strayer incorporated the Foundation and obtained all the needed tax exemptions and other approvals.

District 5240 had its *first ever* booth at an International Conference that was held in Calgary, Canada. Dick Strayer designed, constructed and manned the exhibit that was named INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION. The booth distributed brochures and displayed pictures of 25 projects by 58 clubs in District 5240 in cooperation with 27 International District. Herbert G. Brown, RI President presented the District with an award for outstanding "Humanitarian Service" exhibit.

District Governor Jock MacKenzie awarded Bob Mitchell, B.J. Anderson, Jim Lowry, Paul Miller and Dick Strayer partial or total Paul Harris Awards for their contributions to the District.

Simi Sunrise earned the reputation as the "Super Club" of the district. The club is to be congratulated on being a top notch club and we are extremely pleased to be a part of **Simi Sunrise**.

1996-1997 Richard F. Kunz, JD, President

The tenth year of the Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise was met with some firsts, as well as some return successes. For the first time in Simi Valley, a police officer, Officer Michael Clarke had fallen in the line of duty. In a show of solidarity with the police

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and community, the Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise and the Simi Sunrise Charitable Foundation cosponsored a memorial dedication and unveiling of a plaque honoring the fallen officer. In attendance were many Rotarians, government officials, and the family of Michael Clarke. It was a somber but proud moment for our club.

In another proud moment, the club celebrated its tenth anniversary of its charter night by hosting a party that was attended by past district governors, past presidents, and many seasoned and newer members. The games, entertainment and fun made it a special night and we were all proud to be Simi Sunrisers.

In shifting gears, the club geared up for its first ever Country Western Music Festival which, in a bold move, displaced the annual Chili Cookoff and Car Show. The festival was a success and, although its inaugural run met with limited fundraising success, it went off without a hitch and garnered club support to make it our newest fund-raiser.

When winter hit, the winds were blowing 96 mph for our annual holiday party held at the new Boys and Girls Club facility in Simi Valley. Carolers sang in the dark and food was served by candlelight due to a power outage. It was an intimate, albeit eventful evening.

As the end of the year came into sight, the club worked hard to fulfill its goals, eventually winning for the club many District 5240 awards including the coveted "Red Brick Award" given by D.G. Darrell Johnson.

Several projects gained strength and momentum throughout the year. Camp Rotary, an environmental youth camp planned for the site of Corriganville, gained a head of steam as several members began to work feverishly on getting the camp built. The project to build a medical/dental clinic in Celaya, Mexico, received its 3H grant from R.I. and, with the cooperation of clubs throughout the district, medical equipment was purchased and plans were in place to equip the clinic sometime in 1997 - 1998. In our local community, the club participated, in the city's Youth Employment Service advisory board, culminating in a job skills and resume writing workshop in which 800 Simi Valley students were taught how to do everything from filling out a job application to how to conduct themselves at

interviews.

The end of the year was met with our greatest success ever in our 8th Annual Cajun Creole Music Festival, raising \$74,000. Having beaten all other years in fund raising, this year also saw the event's greatest attendance ever. We were all proud to wear Rotary blue that Memorial Day weekend, and even more so when we handed out checks at the end of the year to all of the worthy providers of services in our city and, with great pride, to our own new charitable foundation, the Simi Sunrise Charitable Foundation.

Hats Off, Simi Sunrise!
1997-1998 B.J. Anderson, President

Simi Sunrise board members demonstrated what a super club we have by their attendance at the District Assembly, April 25-26, as they prepared for the new Rotary year. A total of 16 club members and spouses were in attendance.

President BJ and husband, Ken attended the Rotary International Convention in Glasgow, Scotland.

Under District Governor Doug Wieben's leadership and following the International President, Glen W. Kinross' theme, "Show Rotary Cares," the club set a challenging set of objectives for the year with primary focus on having fun while increasing membership, providing service, and fundraising. President B.J. instituted a club theme, "Breakfast for Champions," a vehicle to recognize outstanding service on a weekly basis.

Club Service, Kjell Seeger, Director

The club ran smoothly all year under Kjell's direction. A Club Assembly was held in July; the Simi Sunriser club bulletin (Paul Miller and Barbara Braid, editors) kept club members informed of activities; social events such as the "Concert Under the Stars;" the holiday party at Ed Chapin's home; the Spring Break party for Rotary kids; and Mystery Night were enjoyed by Rotarians and families in fun and fellowship. The Simi Sunrise team (Sid Liberman, Steve Millich, Ed Chapin) participated in The Rotary Club of Ventura South's Trivia Challenge, finishing second on the overall competition. New club members were assigned to their first "service"

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task, working at the attendance table at weekly meetings. Club members and spouses officially welcomed District Governor Doug and First Lady Elleen at a festive dinner at Bauducco's Italian Restaurant in Moorpark.

Community Service, Ed Chapin, Director

The club made many contributions to the local community under Ed's leadership beginning with two food drives for Care & Share, the beginning of construction at Camp Rotary, a blood drive, a service project to buy children's books for the Simi Valley Library plus a donation of \$1,200 to buy subscriptions to kids' magazines. Club member, Randy Adams, brought forth an opportunity for a new community service project and club members responded with enthusiasm - a Thanksgiving Eve dinner at the Senior Center for seniors and the homeless. This effort was chaired by Barbara Braid and in partnership with the Police Reserves we cooked and served over 300 dinners. Club members also generously provided holiday gifts for kids at the Boys & Girls Club, and financed achievement awards at Santa Susana High School. A new Rotary service sign was installed at Madera & L. A. Avenue. Michelle Foster chaired a project to provide kids coats and shoes, plus medical supplies for the Kids in Bosnia. The club financed four high school students to attend RYLA camp. And \$6,000 was given to graduating seniors in scholarships for college.

Vocational Service, Mike Francis, Director

Mike involved the club in several vocational activities - the YES project at Simi High School, where Rotarians provided job interviewing skills to students; club members enjoyed a vocational site visit at The Aspen Center, where health screenings were provided free of charge. An essay contest on the "Four Way Test" was held at a local elementary school.

International Service, Cynthia Wells, Director

Cynthia spearheaded the delivery of medical equipment and supplies to the clinic in Celaya, Mexico. Matching funds for Camp Rotary were secured from the Celaya Rotary Club as well as their District. The club donated \$1,000 toward a matching grant for Dr. Otto Austel's work with the Karaja

Indians in Brazil. Club members hosted the Group Study Exchange Team from the Philippines and welcomed them in Simi Sunrise style at a reception. Contributions totaling \$17,000 were made to the Rotary Foundation.

PRLS and Master PRLS

Many Simi Sunrisers took advantage of the Potential Rotary Leadership Seminars (PRLS) and went on to Master PRLS to enhance their public speaking skills.

District Involvement

These three members were recognized by the District Governor for "Service Above Self" with a Paul Harris Fellow:

Steve Smith, District Conference Chairman
Paul Miller, District Bulletin Editor
Bob Mitchell, Ass't to District Governor

These two gentlemen were awarded a plaque for outstanding service to the district:

Dick Strayer, Lt. Governor
George Bercow, District Registrar

District Conference

Simi Sunrise offered tremendous support for The District 5240 Conference and Chairman, Steve Smith. The club supported Steve's efforts in true Champion style with 37 club members and spouses participating. Cynthia Wells assembled a terrific Rotary Expo display, Michelle Foster served on the Conference committee, others served as Sergeant-at-arms.

Fundraisers

The second annual Country Music Festival, chaired by Kelley Gilliland and Marshall Shrago netted \$24,000. Well over 100 club members, spouses and family members volunteered and worked the event.

Pars for Paws, chaired by Dave McCormick, with an able assist from daughter, Jessica, netted \$12,000 to support the Police K-9 program.

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The Cajun/Creole Music Festival, chaired by Gerry Clodfelter, John Shannahan, Michelle Foster, was not only the most successful Simi Sunrise fundraiser, but gained recognition in District 5240 as the most lucrative fundraiser in our district of 62 clubs. Over 11,000 attended this two-day event, netting the club \$88,000!

The total result of the club's fundraising efforts - \$120,000! These funds were then distributed to a wide variety of local projects, scholarships, and Paul Harris Fellows.

Awards

Along with outstanding club service and accomplishment come awards. The club qualified for the President's Citation, the Governor's Citation in addition to the following District Awards:

Best International Service

Cynthia Wells

Best Community Service

Ed Chapin

Best Club Service

Kjell Seeger

The Rotary Foundation Service Award

Jim Lowry

Best Literacy Project

Simi Sunrise

Best Large Club

Simi Sunrise

Super Club Award

Simi Sunrise

The Outstanding Club in the District

Simi Sunrise

The Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise began the Rotary year with 71 members and thanks to the efforts of Sid Liberman, Membership Chair, closed out the year with 78 members, a net gain of 9.1%.

1997/98 was a very good year at Simi Sunrise. Breakfast for Champions indeed.

1998-1999 Sid Liberman, President

Sid Liberman became president on July 1, 1998 under the direction of District Governor Chungsam Doh and R.I President James L. Lacy. The International theme was "Follow Your Rotary

Dream" and the District's theme was "Serve in Harmony."

The missing bell became a trial and tribulation for President Sid, who went so far as to complain to the Simi Valley Chief-of-Police, Randy Adams, that an all points bulletin should be issued to help secure the Club's bell. It took over 2 months before the disappearing bell made its magical reappearance.

There were other missing items as well. Bananas! Yes, bananas. A presidential tirade was heard in the kitchen and, by Jove, the next week bananas appeared. President Sid also complained about the lack of choices in the breakfast menu. There were no kippers and eggs, no blintzes, no bagels, cream cheese and lox. And yet, the Club gave President Sid a tremendous, on stage, breakfast of bagels, cream cheese and lox. What a treat!

Big news story number one: The initial phase of Camp Rotary was completed. This was a joint effort between the Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise, the Rotary Club of Simi, the City of Simi Valley, the Simi Valley Park & Recreation Department, and Rotary International. It is a rustic setting in Simi Valley that now can be used as an educational and camping facility. Indeed, the District Assembly met there and held a cook-out there and it was the sight of our Spring Break, complete with games for the kiddies and a BBQ.

By mid-September, the Cajun-Creole committee came into action, with Louis Kruglov chairing the event. Barbara Liberman's cookies and coffee attracted many to the meetings. The Committee asked for a large raise in the budget especially for entertainment. It was approved overwhelmingly.

In October, we met with Sally Aaron, our Ambassadorial Scholar. Kathy and Jim Lowry's hospitality was greatly appreciated as we learned about life in Namibia. Barbara Liberman headed up our second annual Thanksgiving Eve dinner at the Senior Citizens' Center. It turned out to be a glorious event. Approximately 450 seniors and homeless people were fed a complete Thanksgiving Dinner. Entertainment was provided by students from the Santa Susana High School. Guest servers included:

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Mayor Bill Davis, Councilman Glen Becerra, State Senator Cathie Wright, Superintendent of Schools Joyce Mahdesian and County Supervisor Judy Mikels.

Big news story number two. We finally are going to get a real club roster. It will be complete even unto pictures. Many thanks have to be given to Rich Lawrence and Steve Smith for seeing this overdue task to completion. It had taken almost two years to complete.

On November 11th, District Governor Chungsam Doh and his wife Suni were our guests at a reception in their honor. Immediate Past-President B.J. Anderson took care of all the arrangements. In December we had our annual holiday social with Dana Neuman as chairperson. The calendar year ended with membership up a bit and attendance averaging 80%. And then came 1999.

Club Service (Director John Shannahan) had the responsibility of putting together the Club Bulletin, which was taken over by a new member, Rodney Skidmore in January. Everyone took note of the remarkable improvement almost immediately. A mystery night was planned as well as a Spring Break party. Community Service (Director Carl Hoppe) started a new project under the chair of Michelle Foster. The Club participated in a library project to help families with special needs children. Vocational Service (Director Marshall Shrago) continued on the YES program, helping high school students with mock employment interviews and résumé preparation. International Service (Director Tal Ross) started a Village Banking project in the Philippines and further aided our projects in Celaya, Mexico with Mano Amiga. Carl Hoppe was named the alternate leader for the Group Study Exchange program that went to Korea.

Pars 4 Paws, once again headed by Dave McCormick was a huge success bringing in more than \$15,000 for the Simi Valley Police Canine Division. And then came big news item number three: The 1999 Cajun-Creole Music Festival. This turned out to be the biggest fundraiser to date in our Club's history. Literally, hundreds upon hundreds of man-hours were spent to put on this incredible event. Our Club netted over \$120,000. At the last meeting of Sid's year, we gave away about \$60,000 to local charities and organizations. The remainder will be

given during the 1999 November and December holiday season.

And big news story number four. A new location: With the Board's recommendation, the Club voted to move our meeting location to the Radisson Hotel, which could more easily handle our growing membership and needs

President-Elect Craig Foster and his wife Michelle attended the International Convention in Singapore, which I am told, is not that far from Indianapolis, Indiana. President Sid, at his demotion at which he was portrayed as a book worm, gave out eight Paul Harris Fellows to: Pat Hauser, Robin Weber, Cynthia Wells, Barbara Liberman, Louis Kruglov, John Shannahan, Carl Hoppe and Tal Ross. John Shannahan was named Rotarian of the Year.

Throughout the year, our Club continued to do what we do best, serve our community. Once again we did Care N' Share, Meals on Wheels, a Blood Drive and countless other deeds that make us Rotarians. More PRLS and Master PRLS were named. Our volunteer Paul Harris drawing named additional fellows, as did our matching funds program. So, 1998-99 was a year of change and growth. We entered a new era in fundraising and matured a bit more thanks to the continuing efforts of a great group of individuals.

1999-2000 Craig Foster, President

We hit the ground running full speed on July 1, 1999. Our first meeting of the new Rotary year found us at a new meeting location (Grand Vista Hotel) being lead by the new club president, Craig Foster. Serving as District Governor was our own honorary member Dr. Otto Austel. Rotary International President Carlo Ravizza established the year's theme as "Rotary 2000: Act With Consistency, Credibility and Continuity".

Craig set the tone for the year by introducing a new club theme – the Simi Sunrise "T.E.A.M.": **Together Everyone Achieves More. Aggressive goals and new activities were planned in all four avenues of service. Jim Lowry invigorated us as our Club Service Director and Hal Reniger kept our local activities running smoothly as our Community**

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Service Director. Carl Hoppe started the year as our International Service Director, handing over the reigns to Tal Ross mid-year. Tal sparked the club into more international activities in half a year than most clubs take on in a full year. And Steve Millich guided us through a busy and exciting year of local business activities as our Vocational Service Director.

Club Service

The club welcomed 15 new Rotarians into Simi Sunrise, finishing the year with 83 members. Jim Lowry kept club operations running flawlessly throughout the year. Jim made sure that all of us, old and new, understood the fundamentals of Rotary, and experienced the best in Rotary fellowship. Spouse and family dinners and picnics let us get to know each other better. Members traveled together – a road trip to Stovepipe Wells, fishing trips to the Channel Islands. And we partied together – concerts under the stars at Brandeis-Bardin, a holiday party at Basilico.

We honored the efforts of DG Otto with a joint social evening with Otto's home club - Simi Valley Noontime, and presented a Paul Harris Fellowship in his name in recognition of his support of Polio Plus. A songless club songbook was introduced, and unanimously and loudly accepted as the official club songbook. The Sunrise Soapbox was introduced to let members have the podium each week to share any aspect of their lives. And at weekly meetings, a T.E.A.M. player was recognized for their Rotarian effort in service to others.

Community Service

Simi Sunrise started the year by presenting its first community festival just for kids – KidsFest. The event was chaired by John Shannahan and staged at Rancho Santa Susana Park where it attracted 5,000 people of all ages to enjoy a day of live music, food, animal activities and rides. Work continued at Camp Rotary upon receiving a \$5,000 Children's Opportunity Grant from the Rotary Foundation. A new amphitheater was built with the combined efforts of Simi Sunrise and Simi Valley Noontime. The club formed and sponsored a relay team in the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life. Under the direction of Hal Reniger, the club continued its ongoing efforts by again coordinating the annual Thanksgiving

Dinner at the Senior Center, holiday Meals on Wheels deliveries, holiday gifts for the members of the Senior Center and Boys & Girls Club, Care & Share food drives, blood donations, yard cleanup projects, and Pars for Paws Golf Tournament.

The club developed a new fundraising way of promoting Simi Valley in the form of belt buckles manufactured by club member Jim Stutzman.

We capped the year with another successful Cajun Creole Music Festival chaired by George Bercow. Financial risks were taken to continue to improve the event – bigger staging, bigger dance floor, more spectator shading, catered corporate sponsor tent and a bigger festival site. The festival attracted 15,000 people and earned a profit of \$85,000 for the local and international community.

International Service

It was a busy year for Tal Ross coordinating international activities. As part of a service project of District 5240, the club helped purchase a used fire truck for donation to a Rotary club in Mexico. President-elect Steve Smith and President Craig were part of the district team that drove the truck to El Paso, Texas, where they met representatives from the Mexican club that would drive the truck the rest of the way. International efforts continued with the co-sponsorship of Sanderson, a visiting Brazilian Youth Exchange student. The club continually opened its checkbook to aid in 22 different Rotary International disaster relief projects. Simi Sunrise sponsored the formation of a new club in Russia – the Rotary Club of Vlodivostak Central. Club member Sid Liberman visited the inauguration of the Russian club as part of a Rotary Foundation Discovery Grant trip.

Club member and Associate District Governor Dick Strayer went to India as part of District 5240's team participating in the Polio Plus National Immunization Day. Over 130 MILLION vaccinations were dispensed in one day. The club sent Director Tal and President Craig to Lima, Peru on another Discovery Grant trip to observe the conditions of a children's shelter needing extreme rehabilitation. The club then successfully sponsored a Rotary Foundation matching grant project to fund the rehabilitation. While in Peru, Tal and Craig also attended the 1st Annual South American Project Fair,

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resulting in the club sponsoring another successful matching grant to fund special equipment at a school for handicapped children. The club also hosted activities for visiting Group Study Exchange teams from Korea and Zimbabwe.

Vocational Service

Steve Millich saw to it that Simi Sunrise got to know our own and other local businesses and schools better with a wide variety of activities. Several club members presented weekly programs during the year – Steve Smith talked about an experience of Rotary initiative, George Kerr gave a program on animals and the environment, Mike Willis gave a health and chiropractic program, John Shannahan gave a program about Camp Rotary, George Bercow gave a program about the Cajun Festival.

The club visited a number of local businesses for its weekly meetings – Ron Coons hosted us at the Callegaus water plant, Alan Rice hosted us at the Aspen Outpatient Center, Kelley Gilliland hosted us at Del Taco, Dennis Rast hosted us at Simi Valley High School, and Janet Brekke arranged a visit to Countrywide Mortgage. The club named Patrick Benton of Countrywide Mortgage as the Simi Sunrise Business Person of the Year. The club participated in the Read Across America literacy program under Michelle Foster's direction, and many club members participated in the YES high school interview skills workshops.

Rotary Foundation

Simi Sunrise was a leader in District 5240 in giving to the Rotary Foundation. In total, 32 Paul Harris Fellowships were earned and awarded to Simi Sunrise Rotarians were during the year.

District Governor Otto placed a major emphasis on Rotary Foundation giving in support of Polio Plus Partners. Nineteen Paul Harris Fellowships were earned as a result of club and member donations to Polio Plus Partners and other designated projects. Five Paul Harris Fellowships were earned by members participating in the Simi Sunrise Rotary Charitable Foundation's monthly contribution program. And President Craig awarded eight additional Paul Harris Fellowships at his demotion.

District Involvement

Simi Sunrise continued its active involvement in District 5240 activities and leadership, including club member Dick Strayer who dedicated his Rotary year to serve as Governor Otto's Associate Governor. Our club was a district leader in members volunteering on the district staff and as trainers for PRLS and Master PRLS. We graduated 13 additional club members from PRLS and Masters PRLS during the year.

Demotion Dinner

President Craig was forced to relive his childhood at his demotion at Rancho Santa Susana Community Center. A good time was had by all as Craig and his bride, Michelle, were coerced into Raggedy Ann and Andy costumes to attend their own mock KidsFest. The tone for the evening was obvious – this was not a formal affair. Craig was wheeled into the party riding in his very own little red wagon. After much ridiculing, everyone settled down to enjoy a lavish BBQ buffet dinner.

Craig presented special recognition awards to various members of the Simi Sunrise T.E.A.M. Eight Paul Harris Fellows were presented for special recognition of the most active T.E.A.M. players – George Bercow (Cajun chair), John Shannahan (KidsFest chair), Jessica McCormick (Pars for Paws co-chair), Tim Shannon (sponsored four new members), Michelle Foster (chaired four community service and fellowship activities), Dennis Barbee (chaired four community service activities), Steve Smith (Membership chair, program speaker, District Secretary), and Jim Lowry (Club Service chair, Blood Drive chair, fellowship coordinator)

Leigh Nixon was recognized as the T.E.A.M.'s Rookie of the Year for her level of involvement during her first year in Simi Sunrise as bulletin editor.

For his unending dedication to serving Rotary in every capacity, club member Bob Mitchell was recognized by Rotary International with the 1999/2000 Four Avenues of Service Citation. Bob was also recognized as the Simi Sunrise T.E.A.M. MVP (Most Valuable Player).

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Simi Sunrise earned numerous awards from District 5240 and Rotary International, which were presented by Governor Otto.

- Rotary International Presidential Citation
- District 5240 Governors Citation
- District 5240 Super Club
- District 5240 Best Large Club in Group 4 & 5
- District 5240 Outstanding International Service Award
- District 5240 Club Service Chair Award – Jim Lowry
- District 5240 Community Service Chair Award – Hal Reniger
- District 5240 International Service Chair Award – Tal Ross
- District 5240 Vocational Service Chair Award – Steve Millich
- District 5240 Rotary Foundation Chair Award – Doug Wieben
- District 5240 Membership Chair Award – Steve Smith

A Championship Season for a T.E.A.M. of All-Stars

Continuing our club's tradition of excellence in service, the local and international community again reaped the benefits of the 1999/2000 Simi Sunrise T.E.A.M.'s dedication to helping those in need, and having a good time in the process.

2000-2001 Steven Smith, President

No report submitted as of June 30, 2004

2001-2002 Robert "Bob" Mitchell, President

No report submitted as of June 30, 2004

2002-2003 Michelle Foster, President

"Think Outside The Box"

President: Michelle Foster

District Governor: Marc Vertin

RI President: Bhichai Rattakul

Club Theme: "Think Outside the Box"

RI Theme: "Sow the Seeds of Love"

International Convention: Barcelona, Spain –

Attended by Craig and Michelle Foster

District Conference: Universal City – Attended by more than 20 Simi Sunrise Families

Board of Directors:

President Elect: Dennis Barbee

Past President: Bob Mitchell

Secretary: Leigh Nixon

Treasurer: Dennis Rast

Directors of Club Service:

Technical Support: Ken Hailpern

Operations: Paula Brannian

Directors of Community Service:

Youth Services: Patti Jenkins

Outreach: Chas Wilson

Director of Vocational Service:

Youth Services: Lora Simonsgaard

Directors of International Service:

World Community Service: Ray Cruz

RI Foundation Programs: Elaine Freeman

Directors at Large:

2001-2003: Dick Strayer

Marshall Shrago

2002-2004: Gary Stewart (2003 Cajun Chairman)

Special Events:

September 14, 2002: Charter Night of Rotary Club of Simi Sunset, chartered by Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise. Charter Night was held at Grand Vista Hotel and was attended by MANY Simi Sunrise members.

RI Award of Honor awarded to Former President Ronald Reagan. Presented to Nancy Reagan at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library by Past RI President Richard King and attended by Michelle and Craig Foster.

Pars for Paws – Dave McCormick, Chair

Cajun Festival – Gary Stewart, Chair

11 PRLS/ Master PRLS Graduates – Ernie Gilbert, Chair

Began meetings to plan Centennial Project – Chas Wilson, Coordinator for all three SV Rotary Clubs. 14 New Members, 106 total

\$1000 CAPS Grant for Safe Harbor East

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Started Weekly Book Donation to SV Children's Library in honor of guest speakers

Recognition and Awards:

BJ Anderson, Four Avenues of Service Citation
Steve Smith, District 5240 PHF
Dick Strayer, Samuel L. Greene District 5240
Service Above Self Award
Simi Sunrise, District 5240 Most PRLS / Master PRLS Graduates – Large Club Category
Simi Sunrise, District 5240 Best International Service – Large Club Category
District 5240 Governor's Citation of Excellence
District 5240 Super Club Award
RI Presidential Citation
BEST OVERALL CLUB IN DISTRICT 5240 ©

Club Service

Brandeis Concert Under the Stars / Picnic – Ken Hailpern, Chair
Fellowship Dinners (2) – Paula Brannian, Chair
Club Bulletin – Patti Friedman & Bradi Dahman, Editors
Ventura Harbor Cruise / Dinner – Don Weber, Chair
Gourmet Wine Dinner – Doug Wieben, Chair
Family Picnic @ Brandeis – Randy Green, Chair
Holiday Party – Paul's Italian Villa – Pam Silverman, Chair
District Governor Reception – BJ Anderson, Chair
Pageant of the Masters – Michelle Foster, Chair
Santa Anita Day at the Races – Jerry Shaffner, Chair
Irish Jazz Festival – Jeanne Shannahan, Chair
Demotion Dinner – Bob Mitchell, Chair
Dodger Game – Jack Miller, Chair
Responsible Beer Serving Event – Herschel Berger, Chair
SSRCF Fundraising Dinner – John Shannahan, Chair

Community Service

Relay for Life – Dan Gesell, Chair
Community Clean-Up Project – Craig Foster, Chair
Blood Drives (2) – Chas Wilson, Chair
Simi Valley Days Parade – Chas Wilson, Chair
Braille Book Drive – Patti Friedman, Chair
Boys & Girls Club Cleanup Project – Dennis Barbee, Chair
Strathearn Historical Park Ghost Tour Parking – Larry Silverman, Chair
Thanksgiving Dinner – Bob Whalen, Chair

Meals on Wheels Thanksgiving Delivery – Dennis Barbee, Chair
Mervyn's Holiday Shopping Program – Kurt Fredrickson, Chair
Holiday Bike Program – Steve Smith, Chair
Toys for Tots
Senior Citizen Holiday Utility Bill Program – Paul Miller, Chair
Cell Phone Collection Program – Roger Coger, Chair
Read Across America – Daryl Kleintob, Chair
Shakespeare Festival @ Valley View Middle School – Michele Jeffers, Chair
DNA Testing Kits @ Street Fair – Patti Jenkins, Chair
Donated Plaque for Veteran's Memorial @ Rancho Tapo Community Park

Vocational Service

SVHS Interact Club – Steve Mott, Chair
RYLA – Jeanne Shannahan, Chair
CLU Matthews Leadership Conference – BJ Anderson, Chair
High School Scholarship Committee – Roger Coger, Chair
Middle School Portfolio Days – Ken Hailpern, Chair
4-Way Test Essay Contest – Lora Simonsgaard, Chair

International Service

Vladivostok, Russia: Washing Machine Project – Doug Wieben & Sid Liberman
Puna, India: Discovery Grant Trip – Ray Cruz
Celaya, Mexico: Discovery Grant Trip – Dennis Barbee, Dick Strayer, Ray Cruz
Visitors from Russia – Laura Magelnicki, Chair
Lima, Peru: Discovery Grant Trip – Craig Foster, Kurt Fredrickson, Rodney Skidmore
International Wheel Chair Project – Dick Strayer, Chair
Brazilian GSE Team Visit – Elaine Freeman / Ernie Gilbert, Co-Chairs
\$350 per capita donations to TRF
Polio Eradication Campaign – BJ Anderson, Chair

Paul Harris Fellows

TOTAL TRF GIVING = > \$37,000 (\$350 per capita)
Polio Eradication
Total Giving = \$14,108

2003-2004 Dennis Barbee, President

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EVERYTHING IS POSSIBLE

PROLOGUE

Rotary Internationals 2003-2004 President Jonathon Majiyagbe asked the Rotarians of the world to "Lend a Hand." The history of Rotary has been an unprecedented success in achieving that directive. President Majiyagbe was asking that we make an even greater effort by extolling that we "seek out even more opportunities to Lend a Hand." With the leadership of our 2003-2004 President, Dennis L. Barbee, the Rotary Club Of Simi Sunrise rose to that challenge with great vigor, imagination, and innovation.

President Barbee told the membership that "Everything Is Possible" and he put together a remarkable team of fellow leaders to assist him. That leadership along with a membership of dedicated Rotarians began a very special journey over the year that followed.

Club Service Co-Chairpersons

Chas Wilson
Steve Pietrolungo

Technical Support
Operations

The co-chairs, Chas and Steve, put together their noteworthy team and started what turned out to be a tremendous year. The accomplishments have been numerous, innovative, and just plain fun.

Paula Brannian served as the chair of our Family of Rotary committee. Paula and her team put together an extraordinary series of events that helped achieve the goals of Rotary and provide our membership with many fond memories. The following list is illustrative of their efforts.

1. A series of dinners pairing newer members with those more seasoned and those that had not yet had an opportunity to get to know each other better.
2. They facilitated a baseball game at Dodger stadium encouraging club members to attend with family and friends.
3. The club held a special Valentine meeting with an extra effort toward bringing spouses and significant others.

4. The committee held two wine tasting dinners at a beautiful French restaurant. They again encouraged members to invite non-Rotarian friends.
5. A picnic held at Brandeis-Bardin Institute was a tremendous family event.
6. The committee promoted an evening at the Simi Valley Cultural Arts Center where members and friends enjoyed the classic Music Man.
7. We held a Holiday Party festive with decorations, entertainment, and great memories.

Elaine Freeman, our President-Elect, also serves as our membership chair. She has performed admirably in this position establishing a membership recruitment plan and a mentoring program. During her watch, we have a net gain of eight new members, a retention rate of 90%, and meeting attendance of 85%. One of her goals was to increase new member participation and this endeavor has been hugely successful. Some of her other accomplishments follow:

1. The committee held formal orientation and training sessions that included the new Rotarian and members of his/her family. These sessions covered Rotary Information, Rotary International rules and responsibilities, Avenues of Service, attendance requirements and the benefit of participation to all concerned.
2. Diversity remains a priority in our club. We are proud of the great strides we have made in this endeavor but are not content. We continue to seek additional opportunities to further this worthwhile goal. Women comprise over 15% of our membership and hold many leadership positions including Past-President, President-Elect, Treasurer, and numerous other chair positions. Our membership includes other minorities and continues to pursue the goal of attracting more. We have been successful in recruiting younger people to our club and that too remains a high priority.
3. A classification committee was established and they present brief programs periodically to inform and remind members of the open classifications in our club and suggest opportunities that might be available to fill these vacancies. This program has worked well and accounted for several new members.
4. Jeff Newby is a new member in our club but has stepped up to serve as our Public Relations

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- representative. He has been successful in having several of our Community Service projects published in the local newspaper.
5. Jim Lowry serves as our club historian and Leigh Nixon keeps our scrapbook in tact and up-to-date. These are major undertakings and we are grateful to both for their service.
 6. Our web site (www.rotaryclubofsimisunrise.com) was originally setup by Mike Maravelas and he continues to maintain and improve it. Our site contains links to the District site and Rotary International's, and with the help of one of our corporate sponsors and other members of the club, our new Cajun Creole Music Festival site contains links to the charities we support and the businesses that support us.
 7. The club successfully completed a member interest survey in July 2003 that significantly helped get us off to a great start.
 8. The PRLS program is an important aspect of our club. We have had 47 members attend basic PRLS classes and 27 members attend Master PRLS classes. There were ten Basic PRLS graduates and one Master PRLS graduate during the 2003 – 2004 Rotary year.
 9. Patty Friedman published our bulletin this year and produced a beautiful tri-color document that kept the membership well informed of all club, district, and international activities. Circulation was 150 per week sent via internet and traditional mail.
 10. Our club provided several members to serve at the District level. Craig Foster served as the Group 5 representative, Patti Jenkins served as the District Interact Chair, Bob Mitchell began his service as the Foundation Chair, Rodney Skidmore served as a PRLS instructor, and Leigh Nixon served as the Community Service Chair. Kurt Fredrickson was a guest speaker at the District 5300 Peace Conference, and Dick Strayer, as usual, served just about everywhere doing just about everything.
 11. Dave Mc Cormick and his group enlisted the world-class Lost Canyon's golf course to serve as host for our tenth annual PARS FOR PAWS golf tournament. This is the premier golf tournament in Ventura County and was another huge success. The tournament raised over \$30,000 benefiting the Simi Valley Police Foundation and Simi Valley Police Department Canine Programs
 12. The Cajun Creole Music Festival, a two-day event that is our largest fundraiser, is just days away as of this writing. This will culminate a year of hard work for our chairperson Tim Shannon and his team. Everything seems to be on track for what we hope will be another record year. We are expecting 12,000 to 15,000 people for this event during which we hope to raise in excess of \$100,000.00. One aspect of this event that makes it very special is the fact that every member of our club participates at some level. Additionally, we also receive the volunteer help of their families, friends, and the other service clubs in the community.
 13. Additional Club Services Activities
 - **Club Assembly**
 - Hosted a reception for visiting DGE Chris Molam D9210
 - District Governor reception
 - Hats Off to Women Seminar event
 - GSE reception

Community Service Co-Chairpersons

**Randy Greene
Mike McCaffery**

**Youth Services
Outreach**

Co-chairs Randy and Mike assembled another great team to work in the first service of Rotary and what a stupendous year it was. The many projects undertaken were important to the community and provided a much-needed resource to those in need.

1. Our club has a long-standing tradition of providing a Thanksgiving dinner for the elderly at Simi Valley's Senior Center. It is a grand feast replete with all the trimmings. It is very rewarding to see the smiles on the many faces of those in attendance. Over 100 Rotarians, their families and friends, youth groups, and other volunteers provided the work force.
2. We also began a new program this year to help in feeding the homeless at the Samaritan Center on a bi-weekly basis. This is a two-step process wherein we first have to find a local restaurant or store to donate the food before we can cook and/or serve it.
3. We have continued our Literacy Program of donating books to the children's library and

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- enhanced it with a special twist by having our weekly guest speaker sign a book that in some way relates to the topic of the day. We donate this book to the library in the speaker's name.
4. Working with the noon RC, we purchased, assembled and gave away 100 bicycles to needy children in Simi Valley. This project utilized over forty Rotarians, their families and friends, who spent an evening putting these bikes together.
 5. We sent four students to the district's RYLA program again this year. They reported to us that they felt it was an excellent program well worth their time.
 6. We are working with the noon RC and the evening RC on our Centennial Project. Plans are well underway and we look forward to great success.
 7. Camp Rotary continues to serve our Community in providing a wilderness opportunity for scouting, schoolchildren and many other members of the community that takes advantage of the areas serenely beautiful surroundings. We assembled a team of Rotarians, that included members, families and friends of the Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise, the Rotary Club of Simi Valley, and a group boy scouts and their leaders to repair a water system and replace trees that were damaged by the fires that swept through the area.
 8. Club members and families filled the full 24 hour time-period at the "The American Cancer Societies Relay for Life" raising thousands of dollars.
 9. Our club sponsored a holiday shopping spree at a local department store for ten elementary schoolchildren chosen by the schools. The club provided \$200.00 to each child to spend on clothes and other needs. Parents and Rotarians accompanied the children.
 10. Our Club replaced a wheelchair stolen from a woman with multiple sclerosis. Her family was unable to offer any assistance thereby leaving her confined to her home.
 11. We have agreed to provide roofing plus labor for a Habitat for Humanity house scheduled for the first quarter of 2005.
 12. We again participated in the sponsorship of Simi Valley's Annual Huck Finn Fishin Derby for children age 15 or under. There were many happy faces that day.
 13. Sitka House Work – City Code Enforcement- a family of one adult and six children were locked out of their house by Code Enforcement, we cleaned up the house, yards, replaced a damaged washer and dryer and disposed of (5) 40 ton containers of rubbish over (3) weekends. The family was able to move back into the house when we were done.
 14. Our club also sponsored or provided volunteers for these additional events:
 - (3) Red Cross Blood Drives
 - Strathern Park Ghost Tour – provided parking and traffic control for the Strathern Park Historical Association
 - Care and Share - sponsored two food drives, collected canned foods and other items and delivered them to the local distribution center
 - Samaritan Center - collected toiletries for distribution at the center
 - Safe House – replaced unsafe flooring at the Battered Women & Children Safe House in Simi
 - Provided a bus to transport "Special Kids" to Conejo Valley days
 - Provided help to replace the carpeting at the Boys & Girls Club
 - Santa Susana Train Depot 100th Birthday – provided parking and security staff for the celebration.
 - We continued our sponsorship and support of the Simi Valley High School Interact Club

Vocational Service Co-Chairpersons

**Dennis Rast
Hal Reniger**

**Youth Services
Outreach**

Dennis and Hal set to work immediately and their team came up with several excellent ideas. They converted these ideas into action plans and the results speak for themselves.

1. We held four offsite meetings at the YMCA, Milgard Windows, Simi High School, and Brandeis-Bardin Institute. Tours of the facilities followed and everyone found these visits to be interesting and educational. The Simi High jazz band entertained us and Milgard Windows donated our breakfast so that we could use our meal income to donate to one of our charitable endeavors.

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2. Our literary program consisted of book donations to the children's library and member participation in Dr. Seuss day.
3. Each week one of our members gives a small talk about his or her career or business.
4. During the month of October we held a club discussion on Rotary classifications.
5. We had five R.I. Rotary Volunteers this year. They are Lora Simonsgaard, Dick Strayer, Dennis Barbee, Ray Cruz, and Bob Mitchell.
6. We conduct an annual Business Person of the Year Program.
7. We participated in Portfolio Days at (3) Middle Schools in Simi. Volunteer Rotarians, teachers, and parents conducted interviews on eighth grade students for a period of ten minutes. The students were required to give the interviewer their qualifications and tell them what it is they want to do for a living.
8. Deserving high school seniors received \$9,000.00 in scholarship funds.
9. We facilitated a program at Simi Valley High School called the "4 way Test Dilemma." Challenging questions were presented to students in a classroom exercise. Their answer had to incorporate the 4-way test.
10. Rotary Garden – This is a multi-year project covering 2003 to 2005. This project is focused at developing career interest in Horticulture and Agriculture in the youth of Simi Valley. Students will plant, maintain and harvest a producing garden. The Junior Master Gardener Program through the University of California Co-Operative Extension Program is assisting us. We have also obtained the use of a piece of property for this project and obtained the cooperation of the City of Simi Valley. We have obtained sponsors for fencing, irrigation system, seeds and other supplies and are working with several youth groups on obtaining their involvement and cooperation. The planting is scheduled for late fall.
11. We awarded Vocational scholarship to the Simi Valley Adult Education School.
12. We participated in and sponsored the CLU Mathews Leadership Conference

International Service Co-Chairpersons

**World Community Service
R.I. Foundation Programs**

**Ray Cruz
Lora Simonsgaard**

Rotary International Foundation Programs

Centennial Project – A joint project with the Rotary Club of Simi Valley and the Rotary Club of Simi Sunset is to refurbish and add lighting and American flags to the "Welcome to Simi Valley" sign at the East entrance to our city.

New Project – We held a charity music concert featuring members of the band "Chicago." A pre-concert wine tasting was included. The purpose was to raise funds for the District Wheelchair project. This event raised \$10,000 plus an additional \$5,000 contribution from the Rotary Club of Simi Valley.

New Project – We held a concert performance of the Music Man to kick off the 2005 Centennial Project. This joint project with the Rotary Club of Simi Valley and the Rotary Club of Simi Sunset kicked off the 2005 Centennial Project raising \$750.

New Project – We held a raffle drawing for a free one-week cruise as a Centennial Project fundraiser with the Rotary Club of Simi Valley and the Rotary Club of Simi Sunset. This raffle raised in excess of \$15,000.

Lora Simonsgaard, Director Rotary Foundation Programs, attended the Poverty Conference in San Diego.

Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise members Dick Strayer and Cesar Zambrano attended the Project Conference in Ecuador.

Polio Plus – Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise members Peter Cicciari and Kjell Seeger competed in a weight loss contest and asked Club members to make pledges to support their efforts. This program delivered \$5,013.25 to Polio Plus.

Sponsorship of Rotary Youth Exchange, sponsoring Maria Lucia Juliano, 17 year old, student from Argentina.

Comments: see Super Club International Service Projects narrative
2003-2004 GOVERNOR'S CITATION AND SUPER CLUB AWARDS CERTIFICATION FORM

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Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise

I, Club President, Dennis L. Barbee, certify that the above named Rotary Club has completed the necessary activities below to qualify for the indicated 2003-2004 District Awards.

Governor's Citation (List the 8 qualifying activities)

1. We completed Rotary International Presidential requirement and submitted certification on time.
2. Our year began with a membership of 106. We added 19 and lost 11 for a net gain of 8 new members for percentage gain of 7.5%. We ended the year at 114 members.
3. Club attendance is 85%.
4. PRLS attendance equaled 10.3 % of membership. We had ten PRLS and one Master PRLS graduates.
5. The Rotary Foundation giving equaled an average of \$351.00 per member.
6. Dick Strayer and Louis Kruglov became our two new Major Donors for the year.
7. We established a new Club web site at www.cajun2004 to promote our major fundraiser the Cajun Creole Music Festival.
8. New Community Service Project – Samaritan Center Project – Feeding The Homeless, we provide, prepare, and serve food twice a month to the homeless.

Governor's Super Club (List the 8 qualifying activities)

1. We completed RI Presidential requirement and submitted certification on time.
2. Our club meeting attendance is 85%. Our year began with a membership of 106. We added 19 and lost 11 for a net gain of 8 or 7.5%. We ended the year at 114 members.
Our retention rate is 90%.
3. The Rotary Foundation giving equaled an average of \$351.00 per member.
4. Dick Strayer and Louis Kruglov became our two new Major Donors for the year.
5. Yes, we publish a weekly bulletin
6. Four examples of Community Service Projects:
 - Three Blood Drives,
 - Relay for Life Team and Major Sponsor,
 - Care & Share Food Drive,

- Samaritan Center Project (Feeding The Homeless)
7. Four examples of International Service Projects:
 - Hosted Romanian GSE Team,
 - Established a Sister Club relationship with Korean RC of Masan in D3750,
 - Established a sister Club relationship with African RC of Luanshya D9210,
 - Seven Club members are registered by TRF as Rotary volunteers,
 - Club member, Jim Lewis, participated in NID-India, discovery trip to Chile,
 - MG approved in April for medical supplies for (12) Postas (Free Clinics),
 - Sponsored Youth Exchange student Maria Juliano Lucia Juliano
 8. PRLS attendance equaled 10.3 % of membership. We had ten PRLS and one Master PRLS graduates.

2003-2004 AVENUES OF SERVICE AWARDS

CERTIFICATION FORM

Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise

I, Club President, Dennis L. Barbee, certify that the above named Rotary Club has completed the necessary activities below to qualify for the indicated 2003-2004 District Awards.

Club Service Award (List the 6 qualifying activities)

1. An awards committee was set up and Chaired by John Shannahan
2. Membership is at 85%
3. The Club held eight major fellowship events for family members and friends Club members published a weekly bulletin.
4. Established a new Club web site at www.cajun2004 to promote our annual Cajun Creole Music festival

President, President-Elect (Elaine Freeman) and President Elect Nominee (Marshall Shrago) attended the Mid-Term Seminars.

Community Service Award (List the 4 qualifying activities)

1. The club sent four students to RYLA.

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2. Community Service projects have been publicized in newspapers, community events programs and local media (radio, cable and TV).
3. We served our annual Thanksgiving Dinner with well over 40% of our Club members and families, Interact Club members, and youth groups participating in acquiring food, preparing, and serving over 350 dinners to seniors and homeless.
4. Literacy Programs – A children’s book is donated weekly to the Simi Library to honor our guest speaker and to support the Library’s Children’s Book Week, the Author’s-in-Residence Program, and Family Night.

International Service Award (List the 4 qualifying activities)

1. We hosted the Romanian GSE Team.
2. Established a Sister Club relationship with the Rotary Clubs of Masan in D3750 in Korea and African Rotary Club of Luanshya in D9210.
3. New-Discovery trip to Chile. MG approved in April for medical supplies for twelve Postas (Free Clinics).
4. The Rotary Foundation giving is \$351 per member.

Vocational Service Award (List the 4 qualifying activities)

1. Held three official Club meetings on site the places of business of members, Simi High School, YMCA, Brandeis-Bardin Institute, and held one Club meeting at Milgard Windows.
2. Sponsored high school and vocational scholarship programs at four Simi Valley schools and the Adult Education School.
3. We sponsored a Business Person of the Year Award Program.

We held a Portfolio day at the high school. Volunteer Rotarians, teachers, and parents conducted interviews on eighth grade students for a period of ten minutes. The students were required to give the interviewer their qualifications and tell them what it is they want to do for a living.

Family of Rotary

We put together a group of projects, activities, and fellowship events that were directed at “reaching out” or “extending” the reach of Rotary to friends, relatives, and people around the world.

- We have over 30 International projects building water holes, providing malaria nettings, medical supplies and equipment, wheelchairs, and fellowship. Club members, relatives, family and friends working together by donating their time and treasures to projects and activities that resulted in funding for these great projects.
- We hosted the Romanian GSE Team, with club members and their families providing shelter, transportation, and fun.
- Held a series of dinners pairing newer members and their spouses with those more seasoned and also those that had not yet had an opportunity to get to know each other better.
- Participated in attending a baseball game at Dodger stadium as a fellowship event, encouraging club members to attend with family and friends.
- Held a special Valentine meeting inviting spouses and significant others, resulting in well over thirty special guests attending.
- Held two wine tasting dinners at a beautiful French restaurant owned by a Rotarian. Encouraged members to invite their families, friends and non-Rotarians resulting in a full house each time.
- A picnic that held at Brandeis-Bardin Institute was a tremendous family event.
- Two different evening concerts were held at the Simi Valley Cultural Arts Center with relatives, children, and friends. They were both well attended with everyone enjoying a classic “Music Man” concert and the concert featuring the music of the band “Chicago.”
- Annual Thanksgiving Dinner –well over 40% of our Club members and families, our Interact Club members and their family and friends, and youth groups with their parents and friends participated in acquiring food, preparing and serving over 350 dinners to seniors and homeless.
- Hosted DGE Chris Molam D9210 with members and their family providing a special reception with Chris as the guest of honor, provided shelter, transportation and fun over a week’s period.

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- Held a Holiday Party, well attended by members and their families with festive decorations, entertainment, and great memories.
- Dozens of other Family of Rotary, hands on, make happen, and meaningful service projects (see Community Service and Club Service reports)

Youth Services

Our Youth Services focused on programs that had wide reach that included a series of well-planned projects and activities that provided learning and educational experiences, fellowship, fun and meaningful service projects. A list of these projects follows:

- Sponsorship/participation in the Interact Club at Simi Valley High School.
- Camp Rotary Clean-Up Project-joint project with Noontime RC and Boys Scouts of America. The Simi fires destroy the irrigation system on a grove of 25+ trees. Teams of young men and their families, under our leadership, repaired and replaced the damaged lines.
- Mervyns's Holiday Shopping Spree-10 elementary school children, chosen by the school, were given \$200 for clothes and needed items. Parents and Club members accompanied the kids and their parents, helping the kids find the sizes and colors.
- Bicycle Give Away-100 bicycles were donated from the Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise and the Rotary Club of Simi Sunset to several local charities and churches. Young people from our Interact Club, along with over 40 Rotarians, family and friends spent an evening assembling the bikes. The Interact boys and girls worked in two person teams building and testing bikes through out the evening.
- Portfolio Day – Rotarians, teachers and parents interview eighth grade students for ten minutes. The students are required to provide the interviewer with their qualifications and tell them what it is they want to do for a living. The students learn to communicate and respond very well to this unique experience.
- Huck Finn Fishing Derby Sponsorship – Children ages 15 and under are invited to come fish. Catfish and trout are stocked at the Rancho Simi Community Park Lagoon. This is a fun afternoon for all.

- Conejo Valley Days- sponsorship for children with special needs from Garden Grove Elementary school to attend a day set aside for children with special needs. These special needs children would have missed this fun experience.
- Four students were sent to RYLA

Sponsored high school and vocational scholarship programs at four of Simi Valley's schools. The student had to meet basic academic requirements but the student also had to be very activity in community with a strong focus on participation, service and giving back to the community.

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We are a young but very active and aggressive Club. Fortunately The Club was chartered with several active and previously active Rotarians who gave leadership, strength and stability to its members. All who join or visit The Club feel the excitement and electricity flowing through its members. The Club's purpose and direction are clear. Membership is a key goal everyone is keenly aware of and actively trying to increase. With any luck and with a mountain of hard work, The Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise will go into history as one of District 5240's most active and famous Clubs.

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Chamber of Commerce description of Community and the Community growth profile:

Simi Valley offers quality education, an array of shopping sites, numerous family parks, varied recreational opportunities, great climate and an extremely low crime rate. Community leaders and city government have created an environment where people and businesses can prosper.

Contentment prevails here. Business executives and homebuyers alike have discovered the benefits of un-congested freedom. Yet, with magnificent country all around, there is no isolation. Business is served with forward thinking legislation, excellent transportation services, and a broad labor pool. Residents may delight in wide-open spaces or

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partake of city glamour and excitement only minutes away. Best of all, reasonable land, home and building costs open the door for ease of relocation.

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Appendix "A" CLUB OFFICERS

The Charter Officers included (1985-1987): President: Sal Fasulo Secretary: Howard Pompel Treasurer: Steve Davis	Subsequent Year's Officers (1995-1996) President: Dick Strayer Secretary: Melinda Karch Treasurer: Craig Foster
Subsequent Year's Officers (1987-1988): President: Ivan Delman, DC Secretary: Howard Pompel (7-1-87/ 2-29-88) Secretary: Jim Lowry (3-1-88/6-30-88) Treasurer: Dick Schwalbenberg	Subsequent Year's Officers (1996-1997) President: Rick Kunz Secretary: Craig Foster Treasurer: Cal Youel
Subsequent Year's Officers (1988-1989): President: Paul Miller Secretary: Jim Lowry Treasurer: Dick Schwalbenberg	Subsequent Year's Officers (1997-1998) President: B.J. (Betty Jean) Anderson Secretary: Michelle Foster Treasurer: Jim Lowry
Subsequent Year's Officers (1989-1990): President: Dick Schwalbenberg Secretary: Thomas Jackson Treasurer: John Blazej	Subsequent Year's Officers (1998-1999) President: Sid Liberman Secretary: Steve Smith Treasurer: Harvey Mahler
Subsequent Year's Officers (1990-1991) President: Jim Lowry Secretary: Gary White Treasurer: Jim Clement	Subsequent Year's Officer (1999-2000) President: Craig Foster Secretary: Dennis Barbee Treasurer: Ed Chapin
Subsequent Year's Officers (1991-1992) President: David McCormick Secretary: Bonnie Carpenter Treasurer: Sid Liberman	Subsequent Year's Officers (2000-2001) President: Steve Smith Secretary: Steve Millich Treasurer: Tim Shannon
Subsequent Year's Officers (1992-1993) President: Gary White Secretary: Frank White/Jim Lowry Treasurer: Doug Wieben	Subsequent Year's Officers (2001-2002) President: Bob Mitchell Secretary: Elaine Freeman Treasurer: Tom Padmos
Subsequent Year's Officers (1993-1994) President: Doug Wieben Secretary: B.J. (Betty Jean) Anderson Treasurer: George Bercow	Subsequent Year's Officers (2002-2003) President: Michelle Foster Secretary: Leigh Nixon Treasurer: Dennis Rast
Subsequent Year's Officers (1994-1995) President: George Bercow Secretary: Dick Strayer Treasurer: Jim Lowry	Subsequent Year's Officers (2003-2004) President: Dennis Barbee Secretary: Marshall Shrago Treasurer: Daryl Kleintob

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Subsequent Year's Officers (2004-2005)

President: Elaine Freeman

Secretary: Daryl Kleintob

Treasurer: Gary Stewart

Subsequent Year's Officers (2005-2006)

President: Marshall Shrago

Secretary: Lora Simonsgaard

Treasurer: Maggie Kestly

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Appendix "B" PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Charter Members (1986):

Sal Fasulo
Ivan Delman
Jim Lowry

Note: These men were prior PHF's.

1986-1987 (President Fasulo)

Walt Hanson (Transferred to Rotary Club of Studio City) (Credited to The Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise)

Ivan Delman

1987-1988 (President Fasulo)

John Blazej
Len Carter
Joan Delman (in honor by Ivan Delman)
Thomas Jackson
David McCormick
Paul Miller
Terry Patrick
Howard Pompel
Dick Schwalbenberg

1988-1989 (President Miller)

Dorothea Miller (in honor by Paul Miller)
George Chase
Sidney Liberman
Bill Hughes
Robert Purdum
Jay Paxton (in honor by The Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise)
Gregory Stratton

1989-1990 (President Schwalbenberg)

Burt vonBieberstein (in honor by The Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise)
Bonnie Carpenter
Ron Coons
Judy Mikels
Frank White
Gary White
Kelley Gilliland

1990-1991 (President Lowry)

Kathy Lowry (in honor by Jim Lowry)
Doug Wieben
Bruce Corwin for Metropolitan Theaters (in honor by The Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise)
Mike Barnes
Cherie Jackson (in honor by The Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise)
Jim Clement

1991-1992 (President McCormick)

Sonny Sanders
George Kerr
George Bercow
B.J. Anderson
Elleen Wieben (in honor by The Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise)

Rotary Foundation giving percentage to date is 10,000+%.

1992-1993 (President White)

Elaine Freeman
Bob Mitchell
William Winter
Mary Beth Wolford
Cal Youel

1993-1994 (President Wieben)

Dick Strayer
Ed Chapin
Mike Gerardo
Bill Hughes
Herschel Berger
Gary White

1994-1995 (President Bercow)

Donald E. Hunt (in honor by Bonnie Carpenter) (PHCP)
Melinda Karch (PHCP)
Bill Schlieter (PHCP)
Patricia Dilanni (in honor by Craig Foster) (PHCP)
Jim Agronick
Paul Erickson

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Craig Foster
Rick Kunz
Jim Lowry
Dave McCormick
Connie Miller (in honor by Paul Miller)
Eileen Strayer

1995-1996 (President Strayer)

Dick Strayer (PHCP)
Ken Anderson (in honor by B.J. Anderson)
Steven N. Angel
Dennis Barbee
Anne Bercow (in honor by George Bercow)
Wendy A. Campanella
Cynthia Leech-Chapin (in honor by Ed Chapin)
Ed Chapin
Gerald G. Clodfelter
Heather L. Foster (in honor by Michelle Foster)
Michelle Foster
Gloria J. Petrillo-Hoppe (in honor by Carl Hoppe)
(PHCP)
Susan Rae Klimusko (in honor by Dick Strayer)
L. Paul Miller
Robert C. Mitchell
Janie C. E. Noppe (PHCP)
Dominick S. Savo (PHCP)
Richard Shaw
Stephen Smith
Eileen Strayer (in honor by Dick Strayer)
Richard C. Strayer (in honor by Dick Strayer)
Cynthia Wells
Kathleen M. Youel (in honor by Cal Youel)
Cesar Zambrano (PHCP)

1996-1997 (President Kunz)

Dennis Barbee
Louis Kruglov (PHCP)
Harvey Mahler
Mike Maravelas
Beverly McCormick
L. Paul Miller
Lori B. Mitchell (in honor by Bob Mitchell)
(PHCP)
John Shannahan
Marshall Shrago (PHCP)
Stephen D. Smith
Gary White
Douglas Wieben

1997-1998 (President Anderson)

Carl Lowry (in honor by Jim Lowry) (PHCP)

Kurt N. Fredrickson (in honor by Maggie Kestly)
Mark A. Lowry (in honor by Jim Lowry)
Kathlyn M. Smith (in honor by Steve Smith)
Douglas J. Wieben (in honor by Eileen Wieben)
Barbara Braid
Dennis L. Barbee
R. Kelley Gilliland
Sherry Keowen (in honor by B. J. Anderson)
(PHCP)
Patti Kalayji (in honor by Paul Kalayji)
Kjell H. Seeger (in honor by Mike Maravelas)
Michael J. Francis
Mark P. Bruce (in honor by Linda P. Bruce)

1998-1999 (President Liberman)

Pat Hauser
Robin Weber
Cynthia Wells
Barbara Liberman
Louis Kruglov
John Shannahan
Carl Hoppe
Tal Ross
Steven Anderson (in honor by B.J. Anderson)
Kelley Gilliland
Lori Mitchell (in honor by Bob Mitchell)
Timothy Shannon
Samuel Winter (in honor by William Winter)
(PHCP)
Sonia Winter (in honor by William Winter)
(PHCP)

1999/2000 (President Craig Foster)

George Adams (in honor by Randy Adams)
Mohammad Asghar
Dennis Barbee
Farangis Barghi (in honor by Ed Chapin)
George Bercow
Mark Bercow (in honor by George Bercow)
David Boeshaar (in honor by Doug Wieben)
Linda Bruce
Michelle Foster
Kim Gilliland (in honor by Kelley Gilliland)
Norman Grannis (in honor by Cynthia Wells)
Buzz Guilbault
David Hart
Gregg Hartman
George Kerr
Patty Kerr (in honor by George Kerr)
Maggie Kestly
Paula Kimbrell (in honor by Stephen Millich)

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John Latham
Jim Lowry
Leo Mahler (in honor by Harvey Mahler)
Jessica McCormick
Bob Mitchell
Steve Nissman
Kjell Seeger
John Shannahan
Tim Shannon
Steve Smith (Two PHF's)
Dick Strayer (Two PHF's)
Sandi Stutzman (in honor by Jim Stutzman)

2000-2001 (President Steve Smith)

2001-2002 (President Bob Mitchell)

2002-2003 (President Michelle Foster)

\$1000 Donors:

BJ Anderson naming Steve Anderson as PHF
Louis Kruglov naming Lou Carmona as PHF
Peter Ciccari naming his son as PHF
Linda Bruce naming her mother-in-law as PHF

50/50 Matching Fund Donors:

Gary Stewart naming Sandra Stewart as PHF
Ron Dransfeldt naming himself as PHF
Margaret M. Kestly naming Amanda Solum as PHF
Dennis Barbee naming Phyllis Barbee as PHF
Michael Mutal naming wife Julie Binenfeld as PHF

Ken Hailpern naming himself as PHF

(additional \$4100 from various \$50 and \$100 donors)

PHF Contribution Program Winners

Don Weber
Marshall Shrago
Paula Brannian

Presidential Year-End PHF

Dennis Barbee (PHF + 6)
Kenneth Hailpern (PHF + 3)
Leigh Nixon (PHF + 1)
Steve Pietrolungo (New PHF)
H. Dennis Rast (New PHF)
Jeane Shannahan (PHF + 1)
Stephen D. Smith (PHF + 8)
Gary J. Stewart (PHF + 4)

(Additional 12 PHF contributions throughout the year unnamed)

New SSRCF Fellows

Jeane Shannahan
John Shannahan
Wendy Campanella
Mark Vertin
Ken Hailpern

(PHCP) = Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise's quarterly Paul Harris Contribution Program

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Appendix "C" ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS (R.Y.L.A.)

1990-1991

Apollo High School: Ms. Kelly Calhoun
1887 Crater Street, Simi Valley, CA
93063 - 805-522-6195

Royal High School: Ms. Karina Lounsberry
552 Longbranch Road, Simi Valley, CA
93063 - 805-526-3385

Simi High School: Ms. Jennifer Dunbar
5500 Salinas Court, Simi Valley, CA
93063 - 805-527-7525

1991-1992

Apollo High School: Ms. Heather Hoxie
(Patton)
671 Sandy Street, Simi Valley, CA
93065 - 805-581-6431

Royal High School: Ms. Christy Barker
655 Weaver Street, Simi Valley, CA
93065 - 805-522-1773

Simi High School: Ms. Ginny Allegra
4739 Open Circle, Simi Valley, CA
93063 - 805-527-4956

1992-1993

Royal High School: Mr. Nitin Nayar
1142 Tivoli Ln. #168, Simi Valley, CA
93065 - 805-583-3001

Simi High School: Mr. Joseph N. Granish
2135 N. Madina Av., Simi Valley, CA
93063 - 805-522-2758

1993-1994

Royal High School: Ms. Aimee Dickerson
1107 Rambling Road, Simi Valley, CA
93065 - 805-583-1289

Simi High School: Ms. Heather Weidaman
6119 Goshen Street, Simi Valley, CA
93063 - 805-579-0737

1994-1995

Simi High School: Mr. Joey Reid
2117 Bromfield, Simi Valley, CA 93065 -
805-583-8049

1996-1997

Royal High School: Emily Millard
David Radka

Simi High School: Nicole Thiesen
Jarrod Hahn

1997-1998

Royal High School: Adam Lev

Santa Susana High School: Hannah Kweon

Simi High School: Jessica Self

1998-1999

Royal High School: Annie Piatt
3785 Citronella, Simi Valley, CA 93063

Santa Susana High School: Jodi Eaton
1714 Moreno Dr., Simi Valley, CA 93063

Simi High School: Sandra Silva
3106 Waco Ave., Simi Valley, CA 93063

2002-2003

RYLA Participants
Rebecca
Joselyn

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Appendix "D" High School Scholarship Recipients

1994-1995 Rotary Year

<u>Simi Valley High School</u> Amy Whipple (\$1000/\$500)	<u>Royal High School</u> Kristen Gozwa \$1500 Shelly Hime \$500
<u>Royal High School</u> Aimee Dickerson (\$1000/\$500) 1107 Rambling Rd., Simi Valley 93065	<u>Santa Susanna High School</u> Leah Mirop \$1500 Danielle Buckingham \$500
<u>Apollo High School</u> Vincent Alvidres (\$500) 843 Ashland Av., Simi Valley 93065 Erin Roberts (\$500) 1544 Patricia Av. #419, Simi Valley 93065 Kelley Williams (\$500) 490 Grinnel Ct., Simi Valley 93065	<u>Apollo High School</u> Jeneth Alvarado \$500 Ashlee Grissom \$500 Paige Ortiz \$500 Megan Rosenfeld \$500

2001-2002 Rotary Year

<u>Apollo High School</u> Ariele Dye \$500.00 Cassie Poulos \$500.00 Nidina Hernandez \$500.00	
<u>Royal High School</u> Cynthia Galbreath \$1,500.00 Natalie Murvin \$ 750.00	
<u>Simi Valley High School</u> Darlene M. Galiop \$1,500.00 Erica Chui \$ 750.00	
<u>Santa Susanna High School</u> Nicole Terry \$1,500.00	
<u>Special Vocational Scholarship</u> <u>Simi Valley High School</u> Kevin Joseph Bardi \$1,000.00	

2002-2003 Rotary Year

<u>Simi Valley High School</u> Kelly Liu \$1500 Claire Isidro \$500 Casey Van Dyck \$1000 (Vocational)	
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