

ALINA ISLAND



Rotary

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and Rita Whitaker completed the mandatory district grant training. Last year, the Rotary also received this grant and it provided round trip boat tickets and in some cases commuter books to many appreciative community members.

Local residents with a medical/surgical necessity on the mainland will be screened by the social services and business office departments at Catalina Island Medical Center for eligibility.

For more information, contact Dawn Sampson at the Medical Center at 310-510-0700.

Avalon Rotary actively contributes to the betterment of the Island community by donating to local community charities.

Avalon Rotary raises money through its fundraisers to contribute to local residents for Thanksgiving and Christmas meals, offers local Avalon High School students' scholarships, and support projects at the Catalina Island Museum, the Avalon School, the Avalon Veterinary Clinic and the Catalina Island Medical Center.

In addition, Avalon Rotary Club supports international aid to Mexico and supports Rotary International's End Polio Now campaign.

Avalon Rotary is a vibrant group of community leaders and business people united in their belief that working together, they can make the world a better place.

Avalon Rotarians meet on Wednesdays, at noon, at M Restaurant, to enjoy fellowship, extraordinary food, informative guest speakers and plan our community and international service projects. Visiting Rotarians are always welcome.

Rotary is the world's premier international humanitarian service organization with 1.2 million members in over 200 countries.

All Rotarian share a mission of advancing world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.

Catalina
Island Medical Center
100 Falls Canyon Rd.



A grant request submitted by the Avalon Rotary Club was approved for \$5,000 to assist local residents requiring travel to the mainland for medical surgical treatments/appointments. Seen here are Rita Whitaker (left), past president of Avalon Rotary and Grant Committee Chair, and Dawn Sampson (right) director of Social Services at Catalina Island Medical Center. (Courtesy photo)

Avalon Rotary gets District grant to assist community

Funds to help patients go to mainland for treatment

BY RITA ANN WHITAKER

The Rotary Club of Avalon is pleased to announce that it has

received a matching grant through Rotary District 5320 in the amount of \$5,000.

This grant was requested to assist low-income community members with the cost of boat transportation for medical or surgical services that are not available on the Island.

The Rotary Club of Avalon provides \$2,500 and that amount

is matched by Rotary District 5320, which covers Orange and Southern Los Angeles counties.

Members of the Avalon Rotary Club have generously donated to the Rotary Foundation, making them eligible for grant application.

In addition, local Rotarians Leslie Baer-Dinkel, John Friel,

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