

April 16, 2018

Dear Rotarians,



Beautiful scenery of Yosemite, great entertainment, fantastic foods, amusing fellowship, motivational speakers and special acknowledgement of your great Rotary accomplishments will be waiting for you at Tenaya Lodge. District Conference Chair, Andreas Witt, together with his hardworking team, will be ready to welcome everyone for this superb conference celebration to be held on April 20-22, 2018. My salute to everyone who until this time is still putting together the

fine details of 2017-2018 District Conference.

The Friday schedule starts honoring our District 5220 Past Governors and to encourage them to share their inspirational guidance to our incoming District Governor Judy Lovett. It is really amazing how the PDGs' support provided a big impact in my year as a District Governor. My salute to all of you.

For conference attendees please remember to wear your favorite Rotary shirt at the Friday night event and get ready to rock. Additionally, be prepared for the surprise program that we are putting together for your sparkling enjoyment. I am positive that the vicinities of Yosemite Valley, the amenities of Tenaya Lodge coupled by the well prepared conference programs will commensurate your attendance at this event.

Visit the Art Show Exhibit featuring the multi-medium talent of our District Rotarians. There will also be several exciting club project displays organized by our District Governor Nominee James Pierce. My appreciation to everyone who tirelessly shared their time and effort for the success of this conference.

Our Saturday event will provide you the opportunity to showcase the colorful costumes representing the pride of your club projects in the other countries. I will not be surprised to see the cameras or cell phones continuously flashing in every corner of our ballroom for this evening. Do you have something prepared for this evening? Get ready District 5220......

Let's welcome our RI President's Representative Dean Dickinson of District 6250 as our keynote speaker for the conference together with Rotary International Director-Elect Raffy Garcia of the Philippines. Additional distinguished and motivational speakers who will highlight our events are Marilyn Ann Fitzgerald of Michigan, Wyn Spiller of Grass Valley, PDG District 5190, and Beth Pratt-Bergstrom, Executive Director of California National Wildlife Federation.

Enjoy the message of our District Speech Contest winner, Aaron Hall and the soloist performance of 12-year-old prodigy Isabella Paragas. These two young and talented performers will captivate your attention.

Club awards are finally in! District Governor Ray, Awards Chair Waqar Rizvi and Assistant Chair Harshad Bhimani will be thrilled to honor those clubs that excelled for RY 2017-2018. Will your club be the one? For those who judged the awards many thanks for your great participation.

TENAYA LODGE, FISH CAMP, CALIFORNIA HERE WE COME!

Signups for District Governor Elect Judy Lovett's Leadership training are now available on the DaCdb Calendar. Training will be held on May 19th at Madera South High School in Madera. A great variety of breakout sessions will offer valuable Rotary information for everyone. For assistance please call Diana Barden at 559-674-7138 or emailadmin@rotary5220.org

Quote this day: YOUR MIND IS A POWERFUL THING. WHEN YOU FILL IT WITH

POSITIVE THOUGHTS YOUR LIFE WILL START TO CHANGE.

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