



Rotary International District 5220

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ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE

DG Ray M. Caparros 2017-2018

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Dear Rotarians,



Putting the “WOW” in Rotary is what our RI Director John Matthews is expecting to see from District 5220 Rotarians at our February 3, 2018 Mid -Year Assembly. It will be held at Mary Ann Sanders Elementary School - Modesto. Please join us to show your Rotary enthusiasm and learn more about Rotary during our interesting breakout sessions. How to submit a “WINNING” award application, using Brand to promote your club, and other interesting topics will provide

“WOW” in Rotary clubs. Register online by logging into the DaCdb-Calendar or call Diana Barden at [559-674-7138](tel:559-674-7138) or cell [559-246-7144](tel:559-246-7144).

Remember to start working on your Presidential Citation. RI President Ian Riseley pointed out that the Rotary Citation is not only an honor, but a useful tool that helps clubs plan their service. The added citation for this Rotary year is planting trees for every Rotarian in your club. April 22, 2018(Earth Day) is the deadline to plant and to take care of the trees you’ve planted until they’re thriving on their own.

District 5220 is delighted to have four Rotarians attending the Presidential Peacebuilding Conference in Vancouver, Canada. It will be interesting to know how to understand the connections between Rotary’s six areas of focus and our commitment to building peace. Clubs will be excited to have you as their resource speakers when you come back from the conference, so please be prepared.

District Scholars for 2018-2019 generated 17 applicants from Universities and Colleges in our District. Whatever our Scholars Chair Jim Dugoni’s secret is in soliciting candidates made an amazing result. Hats off Jim for

your creativeness and brain power in keeping this Rotary program a huge success.

Speech contest for this year with a theme "MAKING A DIFFERENCE" is thriving in District 5220. Congratulations to all participants and thank you to all area Chairs and District Chair Alicia Bennett who made this event a success. Let's find out who among these talented students will wear the crown and be featured at our District Conference at Tenaya Lodge Yosemite come April 20-22, 2018.

District 5220 and District 3820 Philippines Vocational Training Team are totally engaged preparing to share their expertise related to the education, care and needed services for seniors. It will be very interesting to know more about how cultures (Filipino/Americans) differ in caring for the elderly. The areas of Lodi, Stockton, Modesto and Madera are the suggested locations where the Philippine team is considering to explore.

April 20-22 District Conference 2018 is fast approaching. Inspiring speakers, indoor and outdoor activities, colorful evening and exciting entertainers are just a few features that will be the highlights of the Conference. Take advantage of the hotel group rates that will end March 18, 2018. Log on to DaCdb and click Calendar to register or call Diana Barden at [559-674-7138](tel:559-674-7138) or email her jerrybarden@comcast.net for assistance.

Our thoughts and prayers for the passing of our dearest friend, great Rotarian leader and a Past District Governor of District 5220 Joe Cox. Services will be held on February 2, 2018. The schedule of visitation is at 8:30 AM, Rosary at 10:00 AM, Mass at 10:30 AM at St Joseph Church located at 1621 Center Ave., Los Banos, California. The burial is at Los Banos Cemetery. Our sincerest sympathy to the family members.

DISTRICT 5220 UPCOMING EVENTS

February 3, 2018- Mid Year Assembly Mary Ann Sanders Elem, School- Modesto

February 6, 2018-District Advisory Board- Modesto

February 9, 2018-Cultural Exchange Fellowship- Perko's Restaurant-Salida

February 10, 2018 -Pre Pets Modesto

February 12, 2018 Budget and Finance Committee Meeting-Modes

February 16-19, 2018- Rotary Youth Leadership Award

February 19-March 1, 2018- Cultural Exchange-Philippines

February 22, 2018- Rotary Red Inn

March 2-4, 2018- PETS and Assistant Governors Elect Training- San Jose, California

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