



Rotary International District 5220

Rotary And You
Make a Difference



**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**

DG Ray M. Caparros 2017-2018



Rotary Making A Difference is our perfect opportunity to enhance our club, our members, and ourselves as we continue providing services to our community and to the world. Does your club, and your District make a difference? Does Rotary make a difference in you?

The theme "**Making A Difference**" is the key point generated during my recent visits and being adopted by West Calaveras, Angels-Murphy and Arnold Rotary Clubs. Thank you for the warm hospitality you have provided and the great participation of our Assistant Governor Linda Specht. Keep the ball rolling and make your clubs shine! I am excited and looking forward for my next stop.

My sincere appreciation to Steve Solomon who serves on the Rotary International Staff as a Rotary Foundation Officer. Steve made a visit to give our district an update and training about the Rotary Foundation and our Foundation Giving. Thank You **PDG Susan Drake** for arranging this brief event and to all district and club foundation leaders who attended the training. Looking to fund your projects? Rotary Foundation is your ultimate solution! Are you making a contribution to the Rotary Foundation? Now is the time to make your project ideas happen. District Foundation and Annual Giving Chair Susan Drake can provide you the details of your Foundation Giving. She can be reached at [209-482-0730](tel:209-482-0730) or email susanjdrake@sbcglobal.net.

Huge success and **congratulations to all attendees to our Secretary/DaCdb workshop** held in Modesto. My sincere appreciation to our **District Trainer Terri Amerio-Bell** and her team members who created the interesting learning concept. I appreciate the attendance of so many members and also members from our two newest clubs Mountain House and San Andreas. My thoughts are certainly for our friends from Area 9 who did not make it due to the fire and for those who signed up and had unexpected emergencies.

The recent **Detwiler Fire in Mariposa County** generated so much concern from District 5220. I had an opportunity to be part of their deliberation and planning on Sunday July 23, 2017. The discussion reflected on short and long-range plans for the community. Area 9 covers Mariposa Yosemite, Oakhurst Sierra and Oakhurst Sierra Sunrise Rotary Clubs. District 5220 and Rotary friends are working together to assist fire victims in Mariposa County- our county. As your District Governor I am appealing to everyone to please send your financial support to our **District 5220 Disaster Relief Corporation**, 4510 Sun West Drive, Salida, California 95368. This Rotary Corporation is 501c3 and all your donations are tax deductible. Thank you for your kindness and support. Please call me at [209-609-3327](tel:209-609-3327) or email rayrotary2017@gmail.com for any questions.

The exciting opportunity to take your clubs from **Good to Great** is fast approaching. Now is the time to register online on the DaCdb calendar to learn a direct approach on how to be a vibrant club. August 12, 2017, the Riverbank Community Center is the training site, just right in your backyard. Do you have a vibrant club?

Passionate about Rotary, leadership expertise, and making a difference? District 5220 needs you! The position of **District Governor for 2020-2021 is open**. An Application and guidelines are now on www.rotary5220.org under resources. The deadline for submitting an application is November 30, 2017. The interview will be held on December 9, 2017. Kindly send your application to District 5220, PO Box 1208, Madera, California 93639 or for question send an email to District Administrative Secretary Diana Barden on admin@rotary5220.org .

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