



Rotary International District 5220

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DG Ray M. Caparros 2017-2018

March 21, 2018

Dear Rotarians,



Rotary District 5220 was well represented by the five Rotarians who attended the Rotary Peace Conference held in Vancouver, Canada. To learn more about this Peace Conference event in relation to Rotary's Six Areas of Focus, please get in touch with: Sherry and Joe Cotta of Lodi Rotary Club, Susan Madden and Bob Macaulay of Oakhurst Sierra Rotary and Jay Hislop of North Stockton Rotary. Congratulations to all of you who went the extra mile to learn this Rotary International Peace program and widen our District's knowledge in this area.

Huge success for District 5220 Cultural Exchange team headed by DG Ray in visiting District 3820 Philippines. The welcoming, camaraderie, and the cultural experience with Filipino Rotarians were unimaginable, bringing us the idea of promoting it in the District in the future or hopefully next year. I am sure that the US team is now brainstorming and preparing the arrival of the counterpart Cultural Exchange team of District 3820 which is tentatively scheduled to arrive on June 17, 2018.

District Governor Elect Judy Lovett is extremely busy preparing her 2018-2019 Rotary leadership teams. She is in constant contact with these great leaders in District 5220 who will be instrumental for her year as a District Governor and to promote the new Rotary Year theme "*BE AN INSPIRATION*". There is no doubt that these innovative and inspiring Rotarian leaders are plentiful in our District. Wishing you the best DGE Judy! For those who have the leadership ability and wish to know more about our District, please send an email to DGE Judy at judylovett5220@gmail.com .

Awards, awards, and awards have been the tasks of our hard-working Award Chair Waqar Rizvi together with the Award committee members since the March 15 deadline occurred. The unique awards providing recognition for deserving clubs and Rotarians in District 5220 will be the highlight of the upcoming District Conference of DG Ray Caparros on April 20-22, 2018 at Tenaya Lodge Yosemite. Are you or your club one of them? To register for the District Conference please contact Diana Barden at [559-674-7138](tel:559-674-7138) or send an email to admin@rotary5220.org

To promote the Rotary Brand at the District Conference, the Rotary shirt attire is highly recommended for the Friday event. Preferably, we are requesting the attendees to wear your oldest shirt. The one you have been storing in your closet. The Saturday event will be International Costumes or the costumes of the countries your club is supporting with international projects. The colorful and fun celebration is what District Conference Chair Andreas Witt is planning for you. Please be there!

A reminder that planting a Tree for every Rotarian is part of the goal that our Rotary International President Ian Riseley is promoting. Earth Day is pril 22nd. Iso, let your club shine by joining the Presidential Citation award circle of winners for this Rotary year “*Making Difference*”. This is a club honor that RI President Ian wants clubs to achieve. The deadline to submit the application to Rotary International is June 30, 2018. For assistance to accomplish the citation please do not hesitate to let the District know or email me at rayrotary2017@gmail.com .

District 5220 Leadership Cabinet Meeting is set on March 27, 2018 6:00PM at Perko’s Grill, Salida, California. For all the Committee Chairs we love to hear your reports and to know other exciting events of the District. Our door is open to all Rotarians who are interested to learn what is happening in District 5220. See you all there.

Welcome and Congratulations to our new Rotarians who are now members of our District 5220 Family. I am looking forward to meeting all of you. The newest Club, Modesto Maharlika Rotary application with 25 members has been accepted by Rotary International. It will be interesting to know the impact of this diverse group in our community, the District and Rotary International. Hat’s off to all of you!

QUOTE FOR THE DAY:

STAY POSITIVE, WORK HARD, MAKE IT HAPPEN – Anonymous

Cheers.....

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