



Rotary International District 5220

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DG Ray M. Caparros 2017-2018

November 8, 2017

Dear Rotarians,



Wow! The November 18, 2017 **Foundation Dinner** had a significant number of attendees for this Rotary Year. To everyone thank you! Thank you! Rotary Zone 25 Public Image Coordinator/ PDG District 5190 Vicki Puliz's inspirational message and the attendance of our Rotary Year 2016-2017 Romania and District 5220 VTT team became the highlights of our evening event.

My appreciation to **Ceres, Lodi and Salida Rotary Clubs** who initially made the top three in Foundation Giving for this Rotary year. For most of the clubs, you still have plenty of time to work on it. Let's see who will get the honor at our 2018 District Conference. Your District Governor will be waiting for you.

Special mention to **Ceres, Lodi, Stockton, Escalon Sunrise, Salida, Tracy Sunrise and Oakdale Sunrise** who sponsored the Governor's tables for our Foundation Celebration. Premium and Port wines provided by **Lodi Rotary** and the extra amenities from Governor Ray climaxed the fun evening for these energetic clubs.

To District 5220, Chair Jane Winning and her committee, and to all our Rotary friends who made the success of our Foundation Celebration, **my great appreciation for your valued support in Making A Difference locally and internationally.**

Thanksgiving menu of turkey, cranberry, pumpkin pies, and other goodies will be abundant on our tables across the country this holiday. At this time, please remember the less fortunate as we celebrate this holiday season. My question to you is, "Will you be Making A Difference" on this holiday? **Have a safe and blessed THANKSGIVING to everyone!**

The **Cultural Exchange-Philippines slated for February 19 to March 1, 2018 flight booking is still open to November 26, 2017.** Please email Lyn Abad as soon as possible at pacificairleisure@yahoo.com . Kindly have your credit information and your current Passport available. For questions please send email to rayrotary2017@gmail.com

Thank you to all Rotarians who are **hosting the Vocational Training Team from Romania.** Your hospitality will certainly provide them remarkable and lasting association when they go back to their homeland. What a unique opportunity for the Romanian team to experience the generosity of District 5220.

District Area 2 (North Stockton, Stockton, Stockton Pacific and Stockton Sunrise) made a remarkable Thanksgiving Fellowship on November 21, 2017 at the First Baptist Church, Stockton, spearheaded by Assistant Governor Ray Call. Past RI President Rick King, a renowned speaker, made another headline as their motivational speaker. These clubs are really fired up in Making A Difference and I thank you for your invitation. My son Liam and myself had a fun day meeting Rotary friends.

January 5, 2018 is our exciting District Rotary Night-Hockey games and Fellowship at the Stockton Arena. Proceeds from this event will be credited to your club supporting our Polio Fund Campaign. Information is available on our website www.rotary5220.org or call Assistant Governor Ray Call [209-986-3291](tel:209-986-3291) for more information.

Register for dinner with RI President Ian Riseley and his wife Juliet on January 3, 2017 at the Double Tree Hotel San Jose, California. Learn more about supporting survivors of the worst fires in California history and helping purchase and plant trees. The Major Dinner Reception will be at 5:00 pm and Dinner at 6:00 pm. For dinner reservation kindly email PDG Ellen Hancock at mehancock@rocketmail.com and for hotel reservation call 1-800-222-TREE and ask Far West President's Rate.

UPCOMING DISTRICT EVENTS

January 3, 2018-----Presidential Dinner Double Tree Hotel San Jose
January 5, 2018-----Rotary Night Hockey Games Stockton Arena, Stockton
February 3, 2018-----Mid-Year Assembly- Mary Ann Sanders Elem. School, Modesto
February 19-March 1, 2018---- Cultural Exchange Philippines
April 20-22, 2018-----District Conference- Tenaya Lodge

QUOTE FOR THE DAY:

As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words. But to live by them.

John F. Kennedy

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