

# Friday Facts - Rotary District 5220

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**Friday, July 18<sup>th</sup>**

I hope that everyone is enjoying their summer. Jim and I have hit the road running and visited four clubs this week. Many thanks to Modesto Gateway, Patterson, Gustine and Newman Rotary Clubs for their hospitality. It is absolutely overwhelming to learn about all the activities of the clubs in our District. Rotarians do good work! **Hats off to Gustine Rotary Club who presented a \$5000 check for The Rotary Foundation.** What a fantastic accomplishment for a club of 15 members.....and it's only the third week of the new Rotary year! Gustine Rotary President Gina Ross challenges the clubs in District 5220 to beat them in per capita giving to The Rotary Foundation. Anyone want to take them on?

## **District 5220 welcomes a new member:**

Marc Malone

Oakdale Rotary

Sponsored by Wendell Chun

Welcome to Rotary, Marc!

**Cabinet Meeting, Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup>:** If you are a District Officer, Committee Chair, Assistant Governor or interested Rotarian, be sure to attend the upcoming Cabinet at the Modesto Police Department (600 10<sup>th</sup> Street in Modesto) **NEW FORMAT this time.** You will only need to give a report if you have been notified in advance. Not everyone will give a report at each meeting. There will also be several group discussion items. **New time too...**9:00am for continental breakfast, 9:30am meeting starts!

**Group Study Exchange:** Just a reminder that our GSE District Chair Teri Amerio-Bell is looking forward to receiving your club sponsored applicants for the April-May 2009 exchange with Brazil's District 4490. We are hoping Club's will sponsor both a team member as well as a team leader. You can find the application on the District website. Deadline is July 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Here's a question for all Clubs:** Can you use an extra \$1000 to support one of your projects? I'm sure the answer is yes and District 5220 has a deal for you! Go to the District's website and under the Community Service tab you will find the application for a District Simplified Grant (DSG). This \$1000 from the District must be matched by \$1000 from your club. What a boost this would be to your project! Application deadline is September 1, 2008.

Be sure to note that there are three changes to the DSG program this year.

1. Preference will be given to Clubs with projects supporting YOUTH in keeping with RI President Lee's emphasis on youth and reducing child mortality.
2. DSG matching funds will be awarded after the project has been completed and the final report and receipts have been submitted.
3. DSG projects must be completed by May 1, 2009.

**Good News for Ceres Rotary and Modesto Sunrise Rotary!** The projects they submitted to the World Community Service Committee for Matching Grants have been approved at the District level and will be forwarded to The Rotary Foundation for consideration and final approval. Ceres Rotary's project is starting a wheelchair manufacturing business in Guatemala. Supplying school desks in Honduras is the project of Modesto Sunrise Rotary. Best of luck to you in this competitive grant process.

**2009 District Conference Update:** 60+ Rotarians pre-registered at the District Conference last April in Sparks for the 2009 District Conference next May in Monterey. Conference Registrar Gary Hauer will be applying the registration fees to the credit cards this month. If you pre-registered last April, expect an email confirmation from Gary. If you do not receive one within the next 10 days, email him at [GSHauer@comcast.net](mailto:GSHauer@comcast.net). Did you miss the chance to register early? Register online at [www.rotary5220.org](http://www.rotary5220.org) now!

**Important Notice About RYLA:** The last RYLA training is scheduled for August 23 at the Escalon District Office from 8:30 am to 10:00 am. **Listed below** are the clubs that have not yet attended the Training. Please send one of your club members to this session. REMEMBER this is a mandatory meeting if you wish to participate in RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards formerly known as Camp Royal). The Foundation Seminar is also running from 8:30 to 1:00 at the Escalon High School and you can join us for lunch, along with exciting and informational sessions. Please Contact Sherri Reusche [jsreusche@comcast.net](mailto:jsreusche@comcast.net) or 209-786-1984.

Chowchilla, Dos Palos, Galt, Galt Sunrise, Groveland, Lathrop Sunrise, Lodi Sunrise, Los Banos, Manteca, Manteca Morning, Mariposa/Yosemite, North Merced, Oakhurst Sierra Sunrise, Ripon, Turlock, West Calaveras

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