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# Rotary District 5220 "Friday Facts"

## ROTARY DISTRICT 5220 FRIDAY FACTS SEPTEMBER 29, 2006

### Quiet Rotarians

Escalon Sunrise: Jim Rehfroe  
Oakdale: Bob Brunner, Jr. and Lee Scaief

### Paul Harris Fellows

Oakdale: Tia Saletta  
Escalon Sunrise: Katie Alcorn (daughter of member Diane Alcorn)

### Paul Harris Society

Escalon Sunrise: Ray Caparros  
Dave Mantooth  
Lynda Stagno  
Oakdale: Nancy Abdallah

### New Members

Escalon: Delia Montealto (sponsors, Aloma Motte & Ray Caparros)  
Atwater: Ralph Calderon (sponsor, Fred Silveira)  
Groveland: Philip Yoon  
West Calaveras: Joe Bechelli (sponsor, Paul Funston)  
Pat Maurer (sponsor, Terry Clark)

### Visitations

**Oakdale Rotary**, under the leadership of President Nancy Abdallah, has many activities with high school students. They sponsor a high school basketball tournament, a baseball tournament, swim meet, and grad night. They also participate with Camp Royal students from Oakdale and Waterford. They contributed to the Children's Crisis House and hosted an exchange student from Sweden. The Club recently obtained a large statue of a mustang that will be in place at the high school stadium in time for their homecoming. At the meeting, their Student of the Month, Heidi Medema a great athlete and volunteer was introduced. They have also been involved in a gazebo project in Oakdale. Internationally, the Club has provided over 40 wheelchairs for Ecuador. They are

drilling 20 wells in Africa and are partnering with Escalon Sunrise in a water project in the Philippines. To support these activities, the Club raises funds with a Calf Fry and Wine Auction. Oakdale is a 100% Sustaining Paul Harris club and has had 156 Paul Harris Fellows in their history.

**Escalon Sunrise Rotary**, under the leadership of President Ray Caparros, is a “small but mighty” club. This is Ray’s 2<sup>nd</sup> year in this office. Escalon Sunrise received recognition as an Outstanding Club for the 2005-2006 year and is working to maintain that status. We appreciate their hosting the District Foundation and Membership Seminar this year and their participation in all District events. The new Rotary signs set up by club members enhance Escalon. With membership and retention being a major focus, Escalon Sunrise is starting a COG club. They sponsor a dynamic Interact Club at the high school and send school supplies to Mexico with the Interact Playground Project. They also send medical supplies, equipment, and books to schools in the Philippines. The Club has their first Matching Grant with the Alabat Rotary Club in the Philippines to improve the water system for the schools and hospital. They also will be involved in an expansion of the Reef Project of Atimonan Sunrise. A 100% Sustaining Paul Harris Club, each member is responsible for 12 tickets for the Foundation Dinner raffle. Remembering the #1 rule of Rotary, they have a monthly social activity and an exciting vocational tour program.

### **Coming Events**

**Escalon Sunrise Rotary Club Oktoberfest** — Saturday, September 30—2p.m.-5p.m. Held at Mary and Bob Walton’s Home at the end of Hogue Rd.

This fun annual event features food tasting, to include sausages and German potato salad and beverage tasting, to include beer. There will be a silent auction and raffle.

**Mariposa Rotary Fine Art and Wine Festival**—Sunday, October 8—11a.m.-5p.m. Held at Mariposa Historic Courthouse.

Over 500-wine and art aficionados will attend this year’s one-day fall event. The beautiful Mariposa Historic Courthouse will again be the delightful setting for the viewing of a variety of art, tasting some great wines and enjoying lunch with friends. Fifteen wineries will pour over 50 different types of wine in the wine tasting and there are over 30 Sierra Foothill Artists presenting their unique work at the festival. Specialty BBQ foods will be freshly prepared by the Rotary Club. “Foodies” will find new favorites featuring tasting of cheese, vinegars with fresh herbs and organic breads.

**Riverbank Cheese and Wine Exposition**—Saturday, October 14 & Sunday, October 15.

Riverbank Rotary Club has taken over the hosting of the “Riverbank Cheese and Wine Exposition.” While this event is in its 30<sup>th</sup> year, this is the first time that Riverbank Rotary Club has taken 100% responsibility for its operation. Therefore, because this is a huge undertaking, THEY NEED OUR HELP! All Rotarians please volunteer to assist Riverbank Rotary for either Saturday or

Sunday, or both. Betsy and I will be taking a shift on Sunday. Contact Carla Strong at (209) 549-5405 for more information.