



District 5220
Rotary Pride

Mark Oliver, District Governor 2005-06

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Mark's Message

March started with the 2006 PETS,

and it was refreshing to see the enthusiasm and excitement of the District 5220 Presidents Elect, and Assistant District Governors. RI President Elect William Boyd was on hand to give an inspirational talk to his Governors Elect, Assistant Governors Elect and Presidents Elect. District Governor Elect Bob Hobbs is well along in his planning for a great Rotary year in District 5220, He and Betsy have the full support of Sandy and me.



We are finishing plans for what looks to be a wonderful District Conference at Tenaya Lodge at Yosemite on April 28-30. PRIVP Frank Collins Jr. and Celia will be the representatives of RI President Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar. We also will be honored by the presence of RI Director Jerry Hall and Tasha from Reno. Both Frank and Jerry will be a part of a panel on what is new at Rotary International. A great opportunity for Rotarians to ask questions of Rotary Senior Leadership.

I continue to get around to the Rotary Clubs of District 5220 and I am always impressed with the great projects our clubs accomplish. I was counting the number of members of the District 5220 family who have traveled internationally this Rotary year, and it numbers over 100. These trips are for a variety of international projects. They include wheelchair distribution, water, seeds, dental, vision, and project fairs. The countries visited include Ecuador, Peru, Honduras, Guatemala, Thailand, and Romania.

Another country has been opened for Rotary extension, and that country is Viet Nam. This Rotary year, the RI Board has approved the countries of China, Estonia, and Cuba for extension also.

March is the time for clubs to finalize their award binders and get their application for Presidential Citation to me for endorsement. It also is a time to check to see if the clubs goals for membership growth and foundation giving needs to be stressed in order to meet them. We have nearly 4 more months of our Rotary year and much needs to be done. Lets keep up the great momentum to lead into 2006-2007 Rotary Year.

With "Rotary Pride"

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**2006 District
Conference at
Tenaya Lodge
April 28-30
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