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**Rotary Pride**

*Mark Oliver, District Governor 2005-06*



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### Mark's Message

We kicked off "Foundation Month" with Rotary District 5220's celebration of our involvement with and support of The Rotary Foundation at the Foundation Dinner. Foundation Trustee Carolyn Jones was our special guest speaker. With the raffle and silent auction, we raised over \$160,000 in donations to The Rotary Foundation.

District 5220 clubs can be proud of their involvement with the Foundation with domestic simplified grant projects and international projects going on around the world. Even the international projects have an impact on our own communities by helping to make better international citizens of our members. Group Study Exchange and Ambassadorial Scholars are two of The Rotary Foundation programs, which involve local community members.

Twenty-one of our clubs jointly are sending a container of wheelchairs to Honduras in January. About 20 Rotarians and guests are going down to participate and attend the project fair in San Pedro Sula, Honduras, this project is being headed by PDG Bob Bitter and the Madera Sunrise Rotary Club.

Mike Keckler and the Modesto Rotary Club are currently delivering medicines to the people of Ethiopia, with a Rotary Foundation matching grant; and the club is working on putting a 3H grant together for a larger project in the same country.

Groveland Rotary has projects going in Guatemala, and Bob Hatmaker has lead teams to work in that country. The club was awarded a simplified grant this Rotary year for work on a water project. In addition, John Brunk has been working in Mexico with the help of a Lions Club in Oakdale. John has been doing work in Mexico for over 20 years.

Sonora Sunrise Rotary's Milt and Rosie Camp are leading a group to Peru in February to inspect the water projects the club has completed and to search for new ones. Milt and Rosie have traveled to Central and South America numerous times and I can attest to that as I have run in to them in El Salvador, Panama, Belize, and Honduras. Past President Stan Nelsen was our GSE team leader to New Zealand 3 years ago.

North Stockton Rotary, and Mel Hansen still have the Seeds of Hope project going in over 30 countries. The project was started with a Rotary Foundation matching grant and the club has kept it going. Mel is a retired seed man and came up with the idea to try and help poor countries by providing seeds to diversify their food crops.

Modesto Sunrise Rotary continues their great International service projects in Kenya, Romania, Honduras, and Thailand. PDGs Nick Mascitelli and David Gallagher along with many volunteers in this club do wonderful work.

Manteca Rotary continues to do work in Honduras, President Jeff Liotard, PP Fred Stellhorn, and PP Ricardo Cuevas are planning a dental/eyeglass mission in January. The Rotary Foundation extended the normal time for the club's 3H grant for another 18 months.

Yours, with "Rotary Pride"

*Mark Oliver, Governor, District 5220*



**NOVEMBER 2005**

**FOUNDATION  
MONTH**

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