

FROM THE CLUBS

NEWMAN AREA STUDENTS GIVE OVER \$5000

The students and staff of Von Renner Elementary School in Newman presented a check for \$5071.05 for District 5220 Tsunami Relief to Governor David Gallagher. Von Renner School is a K-5 school of 600 students. Students had been studying natural disasters, and returned to school in January concerned about the Tsunami tragedy. Fifth graders in Mary Beth Roe's class decided they wanted to send help. As a result, the entire school's staff, students, and parents held a Saturday morning rummage sale with donations from the community and raised \$450.00. The students also raised over \$4,000 in a school-wide spellathon. Students were given 50 words to learn and took a written spelling test. Sponsors donated money for each word that was spelled correctly. Some students even went door to door asking for donations. Jeri Hamera, the Von Renner principal, feels that "this is the most significant catastrophic event our young students have ever experienced. They took a pro-active role – they decided to do something – and they will always remember what they did to help." When they heard of how the District 5220 relief money will go right to District 3330 (Thailand) for direct local assistance, the school decided that was where they wanted their money to go. Thank you to the fantastic students and staff of Von Renner School. You should be so proud of what you have done!



Presenting a check to District Governor Dave Gallagher (middle) are Principal Jeri Hamera, and fifth grade teacher Mary Beth Roe and some of her students.



Madera Sunrise Rotarians Phil Janzen, Club President John Bliss, and PDG Gordon Kennedy post Rotary's 4-Way Test signs along Highway 145 just north of Avenue 12 in the style of the old "Burma Shave" slogans of the fifties.



Jon Goudreau wore a chicken suit for his Rotary Read In session at August Elementary School in Stockton. No, he didn't refer to himself as "Chicken Little," nor did he "chicken out" as a reader. The other two club members in the photo are Chuck Krietz and Fifi Aoun, Incidentally, Jon is looking for a large plastic egg to go with the \$138 outfit!