

District News

[Gustine and Modesto Sunrise lead in Foundation Giving](#)

The Rotary Foundation just released the new figures for giving to the Annual Fund of the Foundation through April 30. The top three clubs in per capita giving are: Gustine \$364.12, Modesto Sunrise \$249.44, and Galt \$243.13. The top three clubs in total annual giving are: Modesto Sunrise \$24,695, Stockton \$16,960, and Modesto \$16,670.

[Two New District Awards](#)

The Commitment to Service Award will recognize Rotarians who have been members of their club for 25 years or more, with a record of unwavering support for the club and the ideals of Rotary. The first person to be honored with this very prestigious award is Ron Dameron from the Rotary Club of Galt. Next, congratulations go to Don Escallier of Los Banos Rotary, Newby Herrick of Ceres Rotary, King McPherson of Angels-Murphys Rotary, and Gary Pence of Oakhurst Sierra Rotary. Congratulations to all!

The Rotary Centennial Service Award for Professional Excellence recognizes non-Rotarians for exceptional professional achievement consistent with the ideals of Rotary. It is intended to recognize exceptional community representatives, who may not have been exposed to the work and values of Rotary, yet their dignified ideals are similar to Rotary. President Estess hopes this recognition program will help identify worthwhile candidates for membership and also will help emphasize the service of Rotarians in the community. The award winners are Bennie Gatto, sponsored by Lathrop Sunrise Rotary, Melanee Wyatt sponsored by Modesto Rotary, Joe Harrington, sponsored by Lodi Sunrise, Victor and Sarkis Sahatdjian, sponsored by Madera Rotary and Troy West, sponsored by Oakhurst Sierra. **Congratulations to these outstanding citizens.**

[Dick Wyatt selected as 2007-2008 District Governor](#)

Congratulations to Dick Wyatt who has been selected as the District Governor for District 5220 for the 2007-2008 Rotary year. Dick is a member and Past-President of the Rotary Club of Madera. He has been a very active Rotarian at the club and District level. On behalf of all the Rotarians in our District I would like to welcome Dick and his wife Marty to the Leadership Team of District 5220. *-District Governor Dave Gallagher*



[The Leadership Academy](#)

Knowledge is the key to leadership. The Leadership Academy, in 10 easy lessons, will lead you through the history, the organization and structure of RI, the Four Avenues of Service, The Rotary Foundation and the District's policies and procedures. \$65 covers the cost of the workbook, study materials and other incidental costs; ask your club about paying the registration fee. Please contact Jerry Kahl at jerlink@attitude.com for more details.