



Lend a Hand

Date: January 30, 2004  
To: Assistant Governors, District Leadership Team, Presidents, Secretaries, ICO's  
District Committee Chairs, PDGs, District Rotarians  
From: Nick Mascitelli, District Governor  
Subject: Weekly District Update



Rotary District 5220 "Friday Facts"

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### Important Dates

February 7, District Cabinet Meeting - Salida  
February 13, RI President - Jonathan Majiyagbe dinner – San Jose  
April 16 – 18 District Conference – Sparks, Nevada

### Early Registration Discount

Register now for the 2004 District Conference at John Ascuaga's Nugget. January 31, 2004 is the last day to pay \$165 for the registration and meal package. After January 31 and prior to March 12, 2004 the price is \$180 and after that it will be \$195. Win with Rotary and register early for the super discounted price.

### Mid Year Assembly

The Mid Year Assembly was a huge success with over 200 District Rotarians in attendance. Attendees heard Alan Bull, Rotary International Peace Scholar talk about the Peace and Conflict Resolution program, himself and his plans for the future. District Presidents met to focus on goals and objectives for the balance of the Rotary year and our Presidents Elect began preparation for next year and their attendance at PETS. Special presentations were made on Project Hope, Rotaplast, the RI Convention in Osaka, the Leadership Academy, the Rotary Foundation, the 2004 District Conference and a special presentation by our GSE team that traveled to New Zealand. In addition to the presentations there were breakout sessions on the Family of Rotary, Club Fundraisers, Camp Royal, Job Shadowing, Student exchange, Centennial Programs and How to Promote Rotary.

Thanks to Janine McClanahan of the Modesto Rotary Club for the splendid job as Event Chair, all of the presenters and helpers that made the Assembly a success.

### Paul Harris

Last week I asked if you knew that it was Rotary Commemoration Week and if you did to please send me your ideas as to why. Only one Rotarian in the District sent a reply and it was the correct one. Jim Woodward, Stockton Rotary Club Secretary advises us that on January 27, 1947 our founder Paul Harris passed away.

Paul Harris 1868 – 1947 Founder, Rotary International - Inspired by the simple idea of combining fellowship and service, Paul Harris pioneered the service club movement with the founding of Rotary International. Rotary fulfilled his dream of a worldwide organization of business and professional people serving their communities and promoting international understanding. Rotary continues to expand global horizons through its educational programs and offers hope through its humanitarian efforts and public health campaigns. The Rotary motto is "Service Above Self"

### Lend a Hand to Madera Interact

Can you spare 2 hours or less? Would you like to get involved with the Interactors and help them with their project? Madera Interact has started their 21<sup>st</sup> year of refurbishing playground equipment. Twenty-six interact members showed up at the Bitter ranch Saturday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> for the first day of work. Do you have a Saturday or Sunday free? The kids need someone to set-up and serve them lunch so that they don't waste anytime from building the playgrounds! Sign up for just one meal. It takes from about 11:30 – 1:10pm. You can be paired with someone or do it solo. Either way they just need food.

This is what they need you to do. Plan a quick and simple meal for 40 to 50 people that could be cooked using a BBQ. Then shop for the ingredients, Interact will reimburse you. Not Steak,☺ but hot dogs, chili dogs, hamburgers. Be creative! Cold cut sandwiches have been served. Chips, cookies, juice are all good. Interact has a supply of paper plates, cups, napkins and soft drinks. They just need you to buy and cook a meal.

If you could spare a Saturday or Sunday please call Interact Parent Sheri Micharls at 559-674-0542. All Clubs in the District are invited to Lend A Hand.

Nick Mascitelli  
District Governor