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Rotary District 5220 "Friday Facts"

## ROTARY DISTRICT 5220 FRIDAY FACTS Celebrate Rotary

### *Sonora Sunrise Earns Presidential Citation*

Congratulations to Sonora Sunrise for becoming the second club in District 5220 to qualify for the Presidential Award. The deadline for qualifying for this award is April 15. Will your club be the next one to qualify?

### *Top Clubs in Foundation Giving Announced*

The Rotary Foundation has announced the top clubs from District 5220 for giving to the Annual Fund through February 28, 2005. The top clubs ranked by per capita giving are: Galt \$239.58, Modesto Sunrise \$182.22, and Modesto East \$146.15. The top clubs ranked by total giving are: Modesto Sunrise \$18,040, Stockton \$16,960, and Modesto \$14,335.

### *West Coast Walk for Polio*

To help eradicate polio from the face of the Earth, Nathan Auerbach, a member of the Rotary Club of Coto De Caza/Rancho Santa Margarita, will walk some 2,200 miles from Tijuana, Mexico to Vancouver, British Columbia. In 100 walking days, he will join up with 100 different Rotary Clubs, in order to raise \$1 Million to meet Rotary's goal of eradicating polio in this centennial year. You can find out more about the walk and how you can support him at [www.westcoastwalk.com](http://www.westcoastwalk.com)

### *A Scholarship Challenge*

A member of North Stockton Rotary has challenged the membership to develop a major Scholarship Fund for their Club. Pete Hodgson has offered \$50,000 if it is matched by the membership. At this time, \$84,200 has been contributed to the Fund. The drive will continue until June 30, 2005. Pete's comment, "I am a very firm believer in education, we need to help the young people". Thank you Pete.

### *R.Y.L.A. Camp Royal 2005 - What is Leadership?*

A leader is someone who takes the initiative. He is one that others can look upon for guidance, advice, motivation, and inspiration. A good leader keeps

his goals in sight and stays committed and strong through all adversity. A leader can adapt to different situations in order to teach, fix problems, communicate accordingly, and make good, moral, and ethical decisions under pressure. A good leader is optimistic, no matter how serious or emotional something may be and keeps his cool so others don't feel pressured. A leader sacrifices personal wants and needs without expecting something in return.

A leader brings the best out of people. A leader is a team player who includes everyone's opinions. A leader wouldn't ask someone to do something he wouldn't do himself. A leader doesn't micromanage; he trusts in the people he's leading to complete their task.

176 Young Men and Women just completed a program that is arguably one of the best investments we as Rotarians in District 5220 make on an annual basis. All Juniors heading towards their Senior Year with bright futures and unequalled idealism, they sacrificed Friday, a holiday weekend and countless other opportunities to make our world a better place.

Camp Royal or RYLA's mission is to enhance the leadership skills of previously identified high school leaders. Rotary conducts Camp Royal as a reward for outstanding youth by recognizing them as leaders and offering them enhancements to further their leadership ability in order to build a better school, community, and country. Rotary attempts to expand existing leadership skills through the use of an intensive training camp. The purpose of the camp is to provide exposure to leadership role models, motivational and educational speakers and group training projects. The objective is to show the students that through leadership they can accomplish more than they ever imagined they could.

The first paragraph of this article is a direct quote defining Leadership with a consensus Cabin group (10 students) definition at the completion of our program. All these leaders were selected on a basis of leadership, personal values, intelligence and integrity.

District 5220 Rotarians, you have made a wise investment in our future leaders. - John Reusche, RYLA Camp Royal Oversight Committee Chairman

### *Welcome New Rotarians*

Please welcome the newest Rotarians in District 5220:

Cameron Wheeler - Stockton (Peter Wolfe)

Dennis King - Manteca Morning (John Wallinger)

Ismael Tovar - Turlock Sunrise (Rowena Ballard)

*David Gallagher*  
District Governor