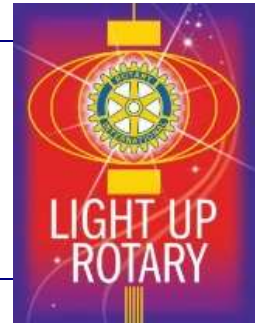

Loretta Butts
District Governor 2014-2015
Rotary International District 5240
Ventura, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, Kern Counties
Southern California, USA



Dear 2014-2015 Rotary Club Presidents and Club Leaders:

“Light Up Rotary” is more than our theme. It is how we make a difference — every day, in every club, and every country we serve." You can engage, guide, motivate, and recognize your Club and members with our 2014-2015 Awards programs.

Remember, the **Awards are for your Club, the District, and Rotary International** to recognize achievements by **your members**.

2014-2015 Awards are based on the Five Avenues of Service and these Principles of Effective Clubs:

- ✓ Sustain and increase your membership base
- ✓ Implement projects that address the needs of our global communities.
- ✓ Support The Rotary Foundation, both through program participation and financial contributions
- ✓ Develop leaders from within the Club, and encourage service to Rotary beyond the Club level

Awards Criteria are designed to be objective, measurable, and scaled by Club size, as follows: Club size: 1-35 members = small; 36-70 members = medium; 71+ members = large.

The Awards give your Club leaders a “game plan” for being a more effective Club all year long. Making regular progress on the Awards criteria will help **build pride in your Club** and public awareness of Rotary service in your community; **if you consistently track, announce, and publicize what you do.**

Believe me, Rotary Club Leaders, when I encourage you to...

- Participate in the Awards process! Don’t listen to the negative reasons you sometimes hear.
- Appoint an Awards Chair or Committee for your Club. Have them work with the previous chair and review your Club’s previous awards submission forms.
- Have your Awards Committee complete the forms as the year progresses. Some Clubs post completed awards criteria on their website, describing their accomplishments as they go.
- Submit your District Awards forms between April 16, 2014 and May 16, 2014. Other Club, RI, and Rotary Foundation Awards have different forms and earlier dates that we will give you separately.

Send your District 5240 Awards forms in Word format to 5240awards@gmail.com.

Send photos in **jpeg format**. Forms and photos will be accepted **April 16, 2014 to May 15, 2015**.

RI Presidential Citation Goals submit the certification form to 5240awards@gmail.com by **March 31, 2015**.

(Please complete club contact information)

Club: Ojai Rotary__ Club Size: ☐ 1-35/Small ☐ 36-70/Medium ☒ 71+/Large

Club President: Bret Bradigan Email: _bretbradigan@gmail.com Phone: 805-_____

Awards Chair: Suzanne Scar Email: sscar@centralcoastis.com Phone: 805-896-1303 _____

District 5240 Awards & Recognition Program - Club Service 2014-2015

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District 5240 Club Service Recognition (Club size: 1-35 = small, 36-70 = medium, 71+ = large)

Complete at least 6 (large Club) – 5 (medium) – 4 (small) of the following:

Number Completed: 13

- 1** **Early Due Date!** Complete RI President C.K. Huang's "Presidential Citation" goals/actions and submit certification form to 5240awards@gmail.com by **March 31, 2015**. [Presidential Citation Link](#)

Date Completed, March 31, 2015

- 2** Have a Club Assembly early in the Rotary year to discuss how to achieve your Club, RI, and District goals.

Explain if completed: July 11, 2014 AND February 27, 2015

- 3** Have your Committees for Member Retention/Recruitment prepare written action plans to achieve a net increase in members.

Using/following the full "Ignite!" plan qualifies. [Rotary Ignite District Link](#)

Explain if completed Membership created "Family Membership" initiative described in the Continuing Resolutions with hopes it would attract younger members. We have inducted two "Family" members March, 2015. Photo attached.



- 4** Issue a Weekly Club Bulletin in any form –or- set up/maintain a Facebook page.

Explain if completed: Weekly on-line newsletter published on Clubrunner website. We also have a Facebook page and a Facebook page for our annual fund raiser, The Taste of Ojai

- 5** Link your Club Website to www.rotarydistrict5240.org; set up database integration with RI. (counts as 2)

Explain if completed: Club website is linked to District 5240 and RI

- 6** Tracking of volunteer hours through Rotary Club Central

Explain if completed: We do this internally through the Secretary

- 7** Family of Rotary: Hold three fellowship events for Club, family, former members besides regular meeting.

Explain if completed Had joint party with Ojai West on July 27, 2014 and 3 5th Friday socials in August, Jan and May. Held a Bocci Ball tournament in May.

Linda Burr, who is the president of Rotary West, dropped in to promote the joint social between our two

clubs, held on July 27 from 1 to 4pm. Sakura will cater the event and beer and wine will be served. The address for the social is 4006 W. PCH in Faria Beach. Sounds fun! 20 people from our club have signed up and 27 people from Rotary West have signed up.



8	Club President promotes District Conference Club attendance and personally registers for Monterey District Conference, October 3-5, 2014. (If PE and PEN attend as well, will count as 2 requirements). Explain if completed: Club President attended and encouraged others to attend at multiple meetings.
9	At least 2 Club members who are not officers register for Monterey District Conference Oct. 3-5,2014 Explain if completed: Mike Weaver attended
10	Committee Chairs/Members attend Seminars on Matching Grants and Rotary Foundation. Explain if completed: Kay Bliss, Larry Beckett, Suzanne Scar and Bill Gilbreth watched webinar
11	President, President Elect and PEN attend 2015 Midterm Seminars. Explain if completed: Bret Bradigan, Suzanne Scar and Bil Gilbreth attended
12	Club President Elect and PEN attend PRLS and/or Master PRLS. Explain if completed:
13	Schedule program with your Regional Membership Advisor or similar speaker on Membership. Explain if completed Suzanne Scar attended both Membership meetings held in Santa Barbara. Sept. 20, 2014 and April 18, 2015
14	Develop or review the Club's written Strategic Plan with the District Visioning Strategic Planning Team. (Contact Wade Nomura at wadedg1112@verizon.net) Explain if completed: Reviewed with incoming Board at Retreat.
15	Established OTHER Club Service activities unique to your Club Explain if completed: Our club has an annual fundraiser called the Taste of Ojai. This draws approximately 400 people. About 2/3 of the profits are used to support our Club's international projects, 1/3 plus money from the Club's Ed Foundation is used for Community Service Grants to local schools and charities. This year's Taste of Ojai made a net profit of about \$25,500. Our Club has an education and charities foundation that gives about \$60,000 in scholarships to local students each year. This money comes from an endowment that is now worth more than \$2,000,000. Each spring a committee of Rotarians reviews applications for need-based scholarships which are awarded at a special awards ceremony at our local high school. For many students this scholarship is the difference between attending



and not attending college.

16 Attach at least one photo unique to Club Service in your Club submittal (5 maximum)

Completed:



Mike Weaver gave a report on the most recent Rotary Ethics and Leadership Conference for young men and women of Ojai Valley. Mike described the goal of the conference as helping Ojai Valley High School Students to develop insight into how ethical standards evolve from different traditions and how these standards apply to actual daily situations.



Great Moments in History: March 29, 1920 was the birthday of our very own Lerie Bjornstedt. The entire club joined in singing “Happy Birthday”; several Rotarians told

stories of how Lerie had changed the Club for the better; and many Rotarians rushed to donate funds in her honor. Over \$2600 were raised from the members for the Ojai Rotary Educational

District 5240 Awards & Recognition Program – Community Service 2014-2015

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District 5240 Community Service Recognition (Club size: 1-35 = small, 36-70 = medium, 71+ = large)

Complete at least 6 (large Club) – 5 (medium) – 4 (small) of the following: **Number Completed: 8**

1	Have a new or continuing Community Service Project involving planning and significant hands-on participation by Rotarians and family members, Rotaract and/or Interact members
	Explain if completed:
2	Send at least two students to RYLA or the Interact Symposium. (Also counts for Youth Service)
	Explain if completed:
3	Conduct a Community Service Project that benefits youth or seniors and involving Interact and Rotaract Club(s) (Also counts for Youth Service)
	Explain if completed:
4	Publicize your Community Service Projects in newspapers, local cable, or information booth at community events. Broadcast (radio or television) media coverage will count as 2 requirements.
	Explain if completed: Regular articles in the Ojai Valley News, Ventura County Star and twice this year in the Rotary Magazine. Also interviews on radio about our annual fundraiser, Taste of Ojai.
5	Sponsor/participate in a new/ongoing project to benefit families in need. (Multi-Club project counts as 2)
	Explain if completed:
6	Participate in a youth literacy program (also counts for Youth Service) or an adult literacy program.
	Explain if completed: Reading program at schools.
7	Submit a District Grant application with another Club in your group to support a local or global community project.
	Explain if completed: Niger and Ghana Projects
8	Post a photo and story of your community project at www.GetRotary.org and the D5240 Facebook page.
	Explain if completed: Taste of Ojai
9	Plan, organize and participate in a D5240 “Rotarians at Work” Day with participation by Rotarians and families, including Rotaract and Interact members.
	Explain if completed: Cemetary Clean Up April 10 2015



10 Participate with other Clubs in a joint project or event with high visibility and media coverage.

	Explain if completed: Niger and Ghana Projects
11	Have a program to present Community Service Awards to other organizations and/or individuals who are providing outstanding service to the community.
	Explain if completed: Community Grants to local non profits and Living Treasures, a program started almost 20 years ago to recognize exemplary local citizens (see pic below). 
12	Participate in a Community Food Drive Project (Multi-Club project counts as 2)
	Explain if completed:
13	Participate in a Community Clothing Drive Project (Multi-Club project counts as 2)
	Explain if completed:
14	Schedule your Regional D5240 Global Community Service Advisor to give a presentation at your Club, or another speaker on this topic.
15	Established OTHER Community Service activities unique to your Club
	Explain if completed:
16	Attach at least one photo unique to Community Service in your Club submittal (5 maximum)
	Completed:

District 5240 Awards & Recognition Program – International Service 2014-2015

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International Service Recognition (Club size: 1-35 = small, 36-70 = medium, 71+ = large)

Complete at least 6 (large Club) – 5 (medium) – 4 (small) of the following: **Number Completed: 9**

1	Participate in one new International Project. (Projects where at least one member and/or Rotaractors traveled to the site for hands-on experience will count as meeting 2 requirements).
	Explain if completed See below
2	Participate in a new or existing International Project with another Club and/or District . (Projects where at least two members traveled to the site for hands-on experience will count as meeting two requirements)
	Explain if completed: See below (Niger)
3	Submit a Global Grant application to support an International Project. Multi-Club, multi-district projects will count as meeting 2 requirements.
	Explain if completed: See below (Street Girls Ghana)
4	Participate in a Polio Eradication awareness and fundraising campaign in your community. Participating in the fundraising events around the District Conference on Friday, October 3 rd or Sunday, October 5th will count as meeting 2 requirements
	Explain if completed:
5	Present a program on the Rotary Foundation (TRF) to the entire Club and attain Rotary Foundation Annual Programs Fund giving of a minimum \$100 per capita (per capita average may include Club contribution).

Explain if completed:

6 Nominate a qualified Peace Scholarship candidate (long program or short program).

Explain if completed:

7 Post a photo and story of your International project at www.GetRotary.org and/or D5240 Facebook page.

Explain if completed: |

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RC OF OJAI SUPPORTS 3 PROJECTS IN NIGER

Posted by Terry Beckett



In February 2015, the Nomad Foundation, with funding and staffing from the **Rotary Club of Ojai**, completed a mission with three components:

1. Expanded maternal child health education for nomads in Niger
2. Training nomads in earth bag construction while building three structures
3. Economic support for at-risk youth

Read on for details about these three powerful projects and how your club can get involved with the youth of Niger.

1. **Expanded maternal child health education for nomads in Niger:** This was a

project funded with a \$15,000 District Grant submitted by Rotary Club of Ojai West with financial support from Rotary Club of Ojai, and staffed by Rotarians from the Rotary Club of Ojai.



In Niger, one in seven women have a lifetime risk of death in childbirth. Nomadic women have even less access to health care than women in other parts of Niger. Nomads are widely dispersed in the remote Sahara desert with no doctors, roads or infrastructure. Pregnant women are reluctant to leave their encampments for a distant hospital. This lack of medical attention during delivery, aggravated by poor nutrition and hydration, results in extremely high maternal and infant mortality.

This mission built on three highly successful Rotary missions started in 2011 in partnership with The Nomad Foundation, during which Rotarian Robert Skankey MD, a retired OB/GYN in Ojai, trained 10 women in prenatal maternal care and childbirth practices. Since “Dr. Bob” trained these "matrones," there have been no mortalities in the 400+ mothers they have attended, and no loss of babies who were born alive. The matrones' training included providing medications to treat infections and postpartum hemorrhage, however they found that better prenatal nutrition, hydration, plus hygiene and sanitary practices prenatally and at birth drastically reduced the need for these imported medications. Dr. Skankey was extremely impressed with the skill and competence of the matrones he trained, and the remarkable statistics resulting from their care.

During this mission Dr. Bob expanded this life-saving training to even more geographically remote areas than were previously served by the original matrones.

Health care workers from each of the remote 10 communities were trained by four especially competent matrones, under Dr. Bob's supervision. They were taught proper prenatal care, including nutrition (use of moringa tree leaves and dried onions, both portable for use by nomads), hydration, and hygiene. The training included more effective labor and delivery techniques including complications at birth. Dr. Bob authorized a local staff member to direct the program locally and do follow up missions as she deems necessary. That staff member will evaluate if further training is warranted or necessary and provide local supervision making the program independent of visits from Americans. They were given a solar light to use at night, scrub brushes and soap, sterile blades and ties for umbilical cords, towels, dried moringa and onions, and moringa seeds. A demonstration of planting, care and drying of moringa and onions was made. The presently trained matrones are being paid by their communities providing the funds to replenish their supplies.

2. **Training nomads in earth bag construction while building three structures:** This was partially funded by Rotary Club of Ojai.



During this mission, nomads and local construction workers were trained in earth bag construction, a building technique that incorporates a sandbagging system filled with locally sourced earth and clay that is reinforced with barbed wire. Simple to teach and inexpensive to build, the philosophy behind earth bag building is that everyone deserves a sound shelter as a basic human right, and the best and most sustainable way to build is by using construction materials readily available such as the earth of the building site. The resulting construction is extremely solid, waterproof, fireproof, and heavily insulated from the elements costs less than half of any alternative method and uses no wood, a very scarce resource in Niger.

Two experienced earth bag builders from California traveled to Niger to teach a selection of candidates, some of whom will have some construction experience and others with no experience from the nomadic community. Three structures were built at Tamesna Center: dorms for girls and boys, and a residence for the teacher. This

training will provide job skills, and increase access to constructed buildings for the entire nomadic community.

Ojai Rotarian Larry Beckett participated in this project, and also assessed the feasibility of future Rotary well projects.

3. **Economic support for at-risk youth in Niger:** This is a pilot project, soon to be extended through a District Grant by the Rotary Club of Ojai.

Nomads live in an area bordering between Algeria, Libya, and Mali, three highly unstable countries with porous borders to Niger. Of great concern are the youth who may have no opportunity to continue the traditional activities that have sustained their families for centuries. They are at risk for choosing the criminal activities that are carried on in their terrain: drug trafficking, terrorism, hostage taking. Beyond their traditional livelihood of herding, which is a viable economic venture in the area, their knowledge of the land is the only skill they possess.

During this mission, Nomad Foundation representatives and Rotarians met with representatives of youth organizations from various communities to begin a pilot project where \$200 loans will be provided to young men and women ages 16-25 to purchase a small herd or create a small commercial activity. \$2,000 will be lent per community; recipients will be chosen by peers through traditional youth groups already functioning in each community, with the Nomad Foundation providing training and accountability. As the loans are repaid, the money will become available for other young people to borrow to start their own businesses too.

Rotary Club of Ojai is applying for a 2015-2016 District Grant to extend this opportunity to young people in other nomadic communities. If you or your Rotary Club want to help fund this project, please contact Kay Bliss (805-640-8331 – kblissojai@gmail.com) or Rob Clark (760-914-0147 –

clark@ci.ojai.ca.us).

8 Hands on participation in an International project site/ Club/ district or NID



Explain if completed: Niger

9 2 members (small Club); 4 members (mid-sized Club); 6 members (large Club) register for the 2015 RI Convention in Sao Paulo Brazil. 10% of members and spouses/partners register (counts as 2)

Explain if completed:

10 Two members attend D5240 STEPS Conference TBD

Explain if completed: seven club members participated Bob Skanky and Kay Bliss presented



11 Conduct a joint International Service project with your Interact or Rotaract Club (s). (Also counts for Youth Service and Rotaract Service)

Explain if completed:

12 Schedule your Regional Global Service Advisor for a program at your Club, or another speaker on this topic.

Explain if completed

13 If your club is not submitting a Global Grant proposal, participate in a Multi-Club Global Grant project

Explain if completed: Ghana Project

14 Established OTHER International Service activities unique to your Club

Explain if completed: Roatan Clinic

15

Attach at least one photo unique to International Service in your Club submittal (5 maximum)

Completed: See above



District 5240 Awards & Recognition Program - Vocational Service 2014-2015

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Vocational Service Recognition (Club size: 1-35 = small, 36-70 = medium, 71+ = large)

Complete at least 6 (large Club) – 5 (medium) – 4 (small) of the following:

Number Completed: 9

1

Participate in projects that support services for our Military Families, Active and Retired Personnel.

1 point per project – total of 2 points possible

Explain if completed:

2

Have an Employer/Employee Relations Program where Rotarians bring their Employee of the Month/Year to a Club meeting.

Explain if completed: **Employee appreciation day-Our special guests assembled and were recognized for the invaluable assistance and professionalism they give us each day. March 6, 2015**



3

Award a "Vocational Student, Apprentice, or Trainee of the Month" with family/associates invited to presentation.

Explain if completed: Physical Education Pupil of the Month with parents and teachers featured at club meeting.

4

Participate in programs that provide support for training services for community members that require new job skills

Explain if completed

5

Organize or conduct a mentor program or job-shadowing day. (Also counts for Youth Service)

Explain if completed: Career Day Program – see below

6

Organize or conduct a new High School Career Day program such as an Architectural Design Competition (Also counts for Youth Service)

Explain if completed:

7

Award college or vocational scholarships totaling more than \$1,000. (Also counts for Youth Service) (scholarships totaling \$7,500 or more will count as 2 requirements)

	Explain if completed: Club Foundation awards over 50,000 in scholarships annually to 17-20 local students for college and vocational schools.
8	Present a Vocational Service Award such as Ethics Award, Teacher of the Year, Public Service Award honoring those who serve your community. (Also counts for Community Service)
	Explain if completed: Fred Clapp Award for Ethical Community Business Leader of the Year April 2014
9	Sponsor a vocational service ethics/leadership workshop or presentation to high school students. (Also counts for Youth Service) (For information, contact Ken Weathers at kennethweathers@gmail.com)
	Explain if completed: Doing the Right Thing March 18, 2015 – see above and sponsor a Boy Scout Troop and have them present at the club what they have accomplished over the past year.
10	Conduct a Middle School, Junior High, High School or Continuation School Interview Day. (also Youth Service)
	Explain if completed: Portfolio Day May 2014 – a two day event to interview students about careers; 20-30 club members participate
11	Organize or conduct a Four Way Test essay contest with winners submitted to District contest or speech program/contest. (Also counts for Youth Service)
12	Schedule your Regional Vocational Service Advisor for a program at your Club, or another speaker on this topic.
	Explain if completed:
13	Organize or participate in a Rotary and Guests business/professional networking social.
	Explain if completed:
14	Hold a regular Club meeting at a place of business, a member's or otherwise.
	Explain if completed: Held committee meetings at local restaurants for Taste of Ojai
15	Established OTHER Vocational Service activities unique to your Club
	Explain if completed:
16	Attach at least one photo unique to Vocational Service in your Club submittal (5 maximum) Connecting with Career Day, April 22, 2014. 250 high school students and 10 Rotarians provided meaningful small-group mentoring. Second photo is the 4th of July Freedom Run – as part of Fit Kids, Fit Ojai program it is a 1k fitness fun for local children and involve 4-5 Rotary members.





District 5240 Awards & Recognition Program – Youth Service **(Interact)** 2014-2015

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Youth Service Recognition (Club size: 1-35 = small, 36-70 = medium, 71+ = large)

Complete at least 6 (large Club) – 5 (medium) – 4 (small) of the following: **Number Completed: 5**

1	Sponsor an existing or charter a new Interact Club
	Explain if completed:
2	Have at least two Club members involved with your existing or new Interact Club(s). (Completing all reporting requirements in a timely fashion counts as 1 additional requirement).
	Explain if completed: Nicole, highlighted Interact’s upcoming spaghetti dinner fundraiser which will be 4-7pm on March 29 at the Methodist church across the street from Nordhoff. The proceeds will benefit Street Girls Aid in Ghana!
	
3	Participate in a youth literacy program. (Also counts for Community Service)
	Explain if completed: Reading program in schools
4	Send at least two students to RYLA or Interact Symposium.
	Explain if completed:
5	Organize or conduct a Four Way Test essay contest with winners submitted to District contest or speech program/contest. (Also counts for Vocational Service)
	Explain if completed:
6	Organize or conduct a mentor program or job shadowing day. (Also counts for Vocational Service)
	Explain if completed: Career Day
7	Organize or conduct a High School Career Day program such as Architectural Design Competition or Ethics

	<p>Program. (Also counts for Vocational Service)</p> <p>Explain if completed: Doing the Right Thing Program led by Mike Weaver March 18, 2015</p>
	
8	<p>Award college or vocational scholarships totaling more than \$1,000. (Also counts for Vocational Service) (scholarships totaling \$7,500 or more will count as 2 requirements)</p> <p>Explain if completed: Youth Workshop of the Ojai Playwrights Conference, August 10, 2014. Two students were able to attend because of the Rotary Club of Ojai's generosity in funding their tuition for the week-long workshop. See pic below</p>
	
9	<p>Start, continue, or participate in a Dictionary Project. See www.rotaryojaiwest.org. Click "Dictionaries" for How-To.</p> <p>Explain if completed:</p>
10	<p>Conduct a joint Community Service Project that benefits youth and involves Interact Club(s). (Also counts</p>

	for Community Service)
	<p>Explain if completed: Bill Rosen, the principal of Matilija junior high school, thanked us for our contribution that helped purchase fitness equipment for the students. He showed pictures of the equipment and presented Maggie Cerminaro with a letter of thanks. Maggie was instrumental in getting the contribution and has led the Fit Kids Fit Ojai program for ten years. Bill also brought a certificate of appreciation for Bret and Community Memorial Hospital, represented by Haady. Together, our club and the hospital provided the \$8000 to purchase the equipment.</p> 
11	Schedule your Regional Youth Service Advisor for a program at your Club, or another speaker on this topic
	Explain if completed:
12	Host a Rotary Youth Exchange student or sponsor an outbound exchange student.
	Explain if completed:
13	Participate with and sponsor youth on an international humanitarian trip related to poverty eradication.
	Explain if completed:
14	Established OTHER Youth Services activities unique to your Club
	<p>Explain if completed: Marc Whitman introduced our PEP Student of the Month, Matilija 8th Grader, Josh Groot. His passion is soccer. He hopes to go to UCSB and be on their soccer team. His coach, Mr. Brent Muth, described Josh as, "Always a leader, role model, who leads by example." Congratulations, Josh!</p> 



Mike Weaver gave a report on the most recent Rotary Ethics and Leadership Conference for young men and women of Ojai Valley. Mike described the goal of the conference as helping Ojai Valley High School Students to develop insight into how ethical standards evolve from different traditions and how these standards apply to actual daily situations.

Fred Fauvre introduced Mason Garnsey as our PEP (Physical Education Program) Student of the Month. Mason is the Mira Monte PE student of the year. His parents Jennifer and Brandon joined him



15 Attach at least one photo unique to Youth Service in your Club submittal (5 maximum)

Completed:

Dr. Fred Fauvre shared the impact that our Education Foundation has on our community. The Rotary Academic Scholarship is a \$3,000 scholarship going to a student that

has good grades, financial need, and “some evidence of heart or drive”. Dr. Fauvre gave a couple of examples of how this scholarship impacted local students in our community.



Balloon March for local children at Wednesday band concerts staged by our sister club, Ojai Rotary West.

District 5240 Awards & Recognition Program – Rotaract Awareness 2014-2015

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Rotaract Recognition (Club size: 1-35 = small, 36-70 = medium, 71+ = large)

Complete at least 6 (large Club) –5 (medium) – 4 (small) of the following:

Number Completed:

1	Sponsor an existing or charter a new Rotaract Club.	
	Explain if completed:	
2	Encourage Rotaract Club participation in sponsoring club projects.	
	Explain if completed:	
3	Encourage Rotaract participation in Presidents’ monthly meetings.	
	Explain if completed:	
4	Involve Rotaract in planning and executing of Club fundraisers and new projects.	
	Explain if completed:	
5	Rotaract President conducts one Club meeting.	
	Explain if completed:	
6	Include Rotaract board participation at Club board meetings.	
	Explain if completed:	
7	Assist Rotaract Club with presenting a young professionals networking event.	
	Explain if completed:	
8	Encourage Rotaract in participating in “Rotaract Outstanding Project Awards Form” . Due February 1, 2015 Nomination Form Link	
	Explain if completed:	
9	Conduct a joint Community Service Project that benefits youth and involves Rotaract Club(s). (Also counts for Community Service)	
	Explain if completed:	
10	With your sponsored Rotaract Club, assist Interactors going away to college to locate a Rotaract Club.	
	Explain if completed:	
11	Nominate a qualified Ambassadorial Scholarship candidate. (Also counts for International Service)	
	Explain if completed:	
12	Attach at least one photo unique to Rotaract Awareness in your Club submittal (5 maximum)	
	Completed:	

District 5240 Awards & Recognition Program – “Light Up Rotary” Awards 2014-2015

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Governor’s “Light Up Rotary” Clubs of Distinction: BRONZE CLUB, SILVER CLUB, GOLD CLUB

Recipients of the Governor’s Clubs of Distinction will be recognized at the District Awards and Recognition Event scheduled for June 27, 2015. Recipients of the GOLD CLUB will be eligible for the Best Club in District 5240 for each Club size category.



BRONZE CLUB

MANDATORY: 1. You must have completed the RI Presidential Citation Goals and submitted the certification form to [5240awards@gmail.com](#) by March 31, 2015.

MANDATORY: 2. Complete 3 of the 5 Avenues of Service certification forms above. (*Attach*)

PLUS: MUST COMPLETE AT LEAST FIVE (5) of the following:

Number Completed:

1	Membership Net Increase of +1 (members as of July 1, 2014 through May 15, 2015)	
	Explain if completed:	
2	Membership Retention Rate of 90% (members as of July 1, 2014 through May 15, 2015)	
	Explain if completed:	
3	Participate at some level in the RI “Ignite!” Membership initiative.	
	Explain if completed:	
4	Participate in at least 1 Public Relations activity through electronic, broadcast or print media.	
	Explain if completed:	
5	Club per capita contribution of at least \$100 to the TRF Annual Programs Fund.	
	Explain if completed:	
6	Club per capita contribution of at least \$25 to the TRF Polio Plus Fund.	
	Explain if completed:	
7	Participate in at least one District Simplified Grant or Matching Grant.	
	Explain if completed:	
8	Monterey District Conference, October 3-5, 2014 Attendance 5% of Club (incl. family, guests, Interact).	
	Explain if completed:	
9	Participation level of 3% members at the 2015 District Assembly.	
	Explain if completed:	
10	Participation level of at least 1 member at the 2015 District Midterm Seminar.	
	Explain if completed:	
11	Participation level of 2 members at the 2014 District Membership and Foundation Seminars.	
	Explain if completed:	
12	Total of at least 1 NEW Basic or Master PRLS graduate	
	Explain if completed:	
13	Total of at least 1 NEW Benefactor or Bequest Society member	
	Explain if completed:	
14	Total of at least 1 NEW Paul Harris Fellow	
	Explain if completed:	
15	Total of at least 1 NEW Paul Harris Society member	
	Explain if completed:	

District 5240 Awards & Recognition Program – “Light Up Rotary” Awards 2013-2014

Recognition awards for Club actions/goals achieved from July 1, 2014 to May 15, 2015. Some criteria count in more than one category. The “Explain” box will expand as you briefly describe what you did. [Send your District 5240 Awards forms in Word format to 5240awards@gmail.com.](#)
Send photos in .jpeg format. Forms and photos will be accepted April 16, 2015 to May 15, 2015.

Governor’s “Light Up Rotary” Clubs of Distinction: BRONZE CLUB, SILVER CLUB, GOLD CLUB

Recipients of the Governor’s Clubs of Distinction will be recognized at the District Awards and Recognition Event scheduled for June 27, 2015. Recipients of the GOLD CLUB will be eligible for the Best Club in District 5240 for each Club size category.



SILVER CLUB

MANDATORY: 1. Qualify as a Bronze Level Club, completing the form above. (*Attach*)

MANDATORY: 2. Complete 4 of the 5 Avenues of Service certifications above. (*Attach*)

PLUS: MUST COMPLETE AT LEAST FIVE (5) of the following:

Number Completed:

1	Membership Net Increase of +2 (members as of July 1, 2014 through May 15, 2015)	
	Explain if completed:	
2	Membership Retention Rate of 95% (members as of July 1, 2014 through May 15, 2015)	
	Explain if completed:	
3	Participate in at least 2 Public Relations activities through electronic, broadcast or print media.	
	Explain if completed:	
4	Club per capita contribution of at least \$125 to the TRF Annual Programs Fund.	
	Explain if completed:	
5	Club per capita contribution of at least \$35 to the TRF Polio Plus Fund.	
	Explain if completed:	
6	Monterey District Conference, October 3-5, 2014 Attendance 7% of Club (includes family, guests, Interact).	
	Explain if completed:	
7	Has an identified Club president for 2016-2017.	
	Explain if completed:	
8	Participation level of 5% members at the 2015 District Assembly.	
	Explain if completed:	
9	Participation level of 2 members at the 2015 District Midterm Seminar.	
	Explain if completed:	
10	Participation level of 3 members at the 2014 District Membership and Foundation Seminars.	
	Explain if completed:	
11	Participate in a Multi-Club Community Service Project.	
	Explain if completed:	
12	Participate in a Multi-Club International Service Project (includes multi-Club matching grant).	
	Explain if completed:	
13	Develop or Update the Club’s 3-year strategic Plan.	
	Explain if completed:	
14	Submit a Club Member Nominee for the RI Avenues of Service Citation (rotary.org>Members>Awards)	
	Explain if completed:	
15	Participate in presenting Community Service Awards (shop.rotary.org>Certificates)	
	Explain if completed:	

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GOLD CLUB

MANDATORY: 1. Qualify as a Silver Level Club, completing the form above. (*Attach*)

MANDATORY: 2. Complete 5 of the 5 Avenues of Service certifications above. (*Attach*)

MANDATORY: 3. Complete Rotaract Awareness above. (*Attach*)

MUST COMPLETE AT LEAST SIX (6) of the following:

Number Completed:

1	Membership Net Increase of +3 (members as of July 1, 2014 through May 15, 2015)	
	Explain if completed:	
2	Membership Retention Rate of 100% (members as of July 1, 2014 through May 15, 2015)	
	Explain if completed:	
3	Club per capita contribution of at least \$150 to the TRF Annual Programs Fund.	
	Explain if completed:	
4	Club per capita contribution of at least \$50 to the TRF Polio Plus Fund.	
	Explain if completed:	
5	Monterey District Conference, October 3-5, 2014 Attendance 9% of Club (includes family, guests, Interact).	
	Explain if completed:	
6	Has an identified Club president for 2017-2018	
	Explain if completed:	
7	Participation level of 7% members at the 2015 District Assembly.	
	Explain if completed:	
8	Participation level of 3 members at the 2015 District Midterm Seminar.	
	Explain if completed:	
9	Participation level of 4 members at the 2014 District Membership/PR or Foundation Seminars.	
	Explain if completed:	
10	Submit a Club Member Nominee for the RI Avenues of Service Citation RI Awards Link	
	Explain if completed:	
11	Participate in the New Member Sponsor Recognition Program RI Awards Link	
	Explain if completed:	
12	Participate in presenting Community Service Awards RI Awards Link	
	Explain if completed:	
13	Increase 10% membership in the Paul Harris Society	
	Explain if complete:	
14	Increase 5% of membership in the Paul Harris Benefactor RI Benefactor Form	
	Explain if complete:	
15	Increase 5% of membership in the recurring giving thru Rotary Direct Rotary Rotary Direct - Rotary's recurring giving program - form	
	Explain if complete:	
16	Track Community Service hours in Rotary Club Central Rotary Club Central Guide Link	
	Explain if complete:	