

# District Governor Frank's Weekly Letter for Club Presidents - January 6, 2013



## *This Past Week*

Scottie and I joined many proud Rotarians as we witnessed the Rotary Rose Float at the Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena on New Years Day! We had great seats right at the start of the parade. We were joined by Mike Weaver and Susan (Ojai), Roxanne Nomura (Carpinteria Morning), Jim Lorman and Cruz (DG5320), RI Director Ken Boyd and Susan, and many more. PDG Wade and Walt Stephens were in trenches transporting Rotarians all over the place. We witnessed our good Rotarian friend Jim Lewis (Moorpark) who represented our District as a rider on the float. The 30 degree weather had no bearing on this truly outstanding day!



## *Hurricane Sandy Relief*

Attached is the link to the Staten Island Rotary Relief fund that will receive the checks sent in to the District from many of you for relief purposes. Any future contributions can be made directly to this fund: <http://statenislандrotaryrelief.com/>. Thanks for your thoughts, prayers, and efforts of assistance for this cause.

## *Mid-Year Seminars are Here!*

The Mid-Year Seminars are designed for the Club President, President-elect, and President-elect Nominee to get together and discuss multi-year planning with leadership around the District. These are valuable sessions and are well worth the 3-hour morning session. This past Saturday was the first seminar, held in Bakersfield and was quite a success. The next one is Saturday January 12 in Santa Maria, and the last one is Saturday February 2 in Oxnard. The registration form is available on the District website. Hope to see you all there.

## *January is a Busy Month*

Make it a weekend! You will find information about these fantastic events on our District Website: [www.rotarydistrict5240.org](http://www.rotarydistrict5240.org)

January 25<sup>th</sup>: Foundation Gala (Holiday Inn Goleta)  
January 26<sup>th</sup>: District STEPS Conference (UCSB)

## *Charter Night Celebration!*

Scottie and I joined the newest member of our District 5240 family, the Rotary Club of The Five Cities (eco), with their charter celebration this past Friday in Pismo Beach. Congratulations to Charter President Anita Shower and the 30 charter club members. The evening included members, presidents, and past presidents from several area Rotary clubs, including PDG's Brenda, Arnie, Deepa, and Wade. Our new DGND Jim Bell was also in attendance. Brenda and Deepa recognized their newest member, Matt Guerrero, with a Paul Harris Fellow! Good luck to this new club. Keep your excitement moving forward!



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