

# District Governor Frank's Weekly Letter for Club Presidents - July 22, 2012



## District Governor Visits

Scottie and I experienced a wonderful week visiting several great Rotary Clubs. We started the week on Monday with the RC of San Luis Obispo. President **DEB LINDEN** and club made us feel very welcome with table decorations full of fire trucks and helmets! We learned about their springtime 'Spaghetti Western', and we congratulated them on submitting the first matching grant of the Rotary year! On Tuesday, we were treated by the RC of Ojai West. We learned about the Ojai Wine Festival, and their many community projects from president **ROB LONG**. We had a day long tour hosted by Club members Jack and Jane McClenahan, and were treated to the Community Concert in the park; where I led many happy kids with the 'March of the Balloons'. Next was an evening social event hosted by the RC's of Ventura and Ventura-East at the beautiful Ventura County Museum. The very pleasant experience made us feel quite welcome. Wednesday was devoted to the RC of Ventura, where president **INDY BATRA** and members provided us a thorough review of their club. I was very impressed with the approach that their club has taken in bringing new generations members into the club and requested that they share this program with others. We finished this week's visits on Thursday with the RC of Ventura-East and their great view from the Poinsettia Pavilion. President **JORDAN ELLER** spoke of their commitment to supporting youth and their work in Central America. A fun club with a rich history!

## Also This Past Week

On Monday evening, Scottie and I also attended a fundraiser sponsored by the Rotary Clubs of Camarillo (Mitch Crespi) and Camarillo Breakfast (Mike Morgan) at the Spanish Hills Country Club in support of CASA Pacifica. Rotarian Al Lowe and Petra led a great event that included a golf tournament, dinner, and of course, a live auction!

The District Membership/PR Seminar led by Bruce Beaudoin, John Weiss, and Michael Boyer; and the Foundation Seminar led by Dan Giordano and DGE Jack McClenahan, was held on Saturday at Carney's Business Center in Bakersfield for 18 attendees. Thanks to EAG Dan Giordano for logistics, and to Rotarian Bob Parker who provided the venue. PDG Wade Nomura was also in attendance.

On this Sunday in Simi Valley, the official charter of the Rotary eClub of One World was presented to president **Dick Strayer** and several of the new club members. PDG's Doug Wieben and Wade Nomura were on hand as well as DGE Jack McClenahan. Many thanks to sponsor club, RC of Simi Sunrise and president **Ernie Gilbert** for their assistance. Please log in and check them out for your meeting make ups. Also, if you have club programs that can be delivered on line, please contact the eClub's program chair Carolyn Gilbert if you are interested in sharing.

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## This Coming Week

District Governor visits will find Scottie and I with the RC's of San Luis Obispo Daybreak (Annie Shanks), Santa Maria (Frank Culley), Arroyo Grande (Tom Apakarian), Morro Bay ECO (Taylor Newton), and Los Osos (Keith Hanan).

The District Charitable Foundation will be meeting this Friday afternoon in Santa Barbara; and don't forget Basic PRLS on Saturday in Santa Maria.

[www.prls.org](http://www.prls.org).

District Seminars will be held on Saturday July 28 in Camarillo, and Saturday August 4<sup>th</sup> in Goleta for your Club's membership, public relations, and foundation volunteers. *(note: If the registration module on our website is not functioning; simply email the event chair – your Region EAG).*

✓ How about participating with our Group Study Exchange Program? Contact Chair Bill Pucciarelli [pucciarelli49@gmail.com](mailto:pucciarelli49@gmail.com). Don't wait!

✓ Information regarding the Annual Business Meeting is posted at [www.rotarydistrict5240.org](http://www.rotarydistrict5240.org)

**Listen up!** If you have interest in learning more about the Public Relations Grant program; please contact PR Chair Michael Boyer [mboyer@elementslocal.com](mailto:mboyer@elementslocal.com). Don't wait!