District Governor Frank's Weekly Letter for Club Presidents - November 11, 2012

This Past Week

Scottie and I attended the Zone 25-26 Institute held in Squaw Valley this past week. This event was preceded by DGE and DGN training for the 23 Districts in our Zone. Yes; DGE Jack and DGN Jane were fully engaged in the learning process! The Institute also provides a venue for current and past District Governors. I had the opportunity to invite special guests, which included Jim Lewis, Mike Weaver, Nick Frankle, and John Weiss. Our own PDG Brenda Cressey played a key leadership role in this event. A great experience for all of us!

Liz Werhane Selected as 2013 GSE Team Leader

I am please to announce the selection of Liz Werhane (RC of Santa Barbara Sunrise) as our District 5240 Group Study Exchange Team Leader for 2013. She will be leading a group of young professionals from throughout our District to Sri Lanka (D3220) in February of 2013. Congratulations Liz!

District Simplified Grants 2012-2013

We do not want these grants to go unused; so if your club received a grant approval for a DSG, and may not use it; we'd like to know! Please contact Grants Chair Dan Giordano if you have any questions at: dgiordano@bak.rr.com.

This Coming Week of November 11, 2012

DG visits will find Scottie and I with the RC's of Oxnard (John Kearney), Carpinteria Morning (Rick Joy), Santa Barbara North (Joe Gagnon).





Hurricane Sandy Relief Efforts

Many clubs have made contributions and/or efforts to assist those in need due to the effects of Hurricane Sandy. Many clubs have followed up on the information provided earlier and sent their contributions to selected areas of the east coast or supported the Salvation Army or American Red Cross.

Other clubs have asked me to receive their funds for distribution to east coast Rotary Districts who still need some financial assistance. If your club wishes to send funds, make your check payable to **Rotary District 5240** and mail in care of: DG Frank Ortiz, 910 Cossa Ct, Santa Maria, CA 93454. I will provide you with the contact information that your funds were sent to and insure that your club's name is included in the correspondence. We will accept contributions until **December 31, 2012**, at which time, a check will be sent in your name.

Thanks to everyone for your generosity!

Send me your Event Announcement!

I will be happy to announce your event in this newsletter. Send me date, time, location, contact.