

# District Governor Frank's Weekly Letter for Club Presidents - November 4, 2012



## District Governor Visits

On Tuesday October 30, the RC of Montecito (**Murray Ray**) was our first visit this past week. This club works hard to recognize the good deeds of others in their community. I am impressed with their strategy for member development. Their work with the Mumosho Peace Market in the Congo also stands out. Wednesday morning found us close to home with the RC of Nipomo (**Mike Streater**). This club knows how to do hands on support for others. Their BBQ Team and Rotarian support are everywhere! I recently visited one their fundraisers in support of Nipomo High School Drama. Their work in Zambia has also been impressive. Thursday morning we were delighted to visit our Home Club, the RC of Santa Maria Breakfast (**Chris Hastert**). We were touched with the warm greeting from our Rotarian friends. This club is one that leads in many ways in support of their community, families and global service. Looking forward to joining their ranks again next year! That evening then put us with the RC of Los Olivos (**Penny Knowles**). On our arrival, we were warmly greeted with a serenade of "Take me out to the ball game". If something is going on in Los Olivos, this club is probably in the middle of making it work. A very hard working and fun group. We won't forget their Jazz and Olive Festival on June 8<sup>th</sup>! We finished our week of visits on Friday morning with the RC of Vandenberg Village (**Pat Grijalva**). This is a small club who understands service to their community. They work to balance their priorities between youth, community, and global service. I enjoy being part of their group! I wish them well with planning a multi-club meeting later this month.

*Thank you for another great week of Rotary!*

## Jim Bell selected as 2015-2016 District Governor

Congratulations to Jim Bell (Bakersfield Twilight) who was selected to lead our District 5240 in 2015-2016. His 'official' title for the remainder of this year is "District Governor Nominee Designate" (DGND). There is a brief BIO about Jim on our District 5240 website. You may also contact him at: [jimbelldg1516@gmail.com](mailto:jimbelldg1516@gmail.com)

## Also This Past Week

On Friday Nov 2, Scottie and I were honored by the Group 12 Rotary Clubs (Santa Maria Breakfast, Santa Maria, Santa Maria South, Nipomo) at the Santa Maria Country Club. What a great hometown feeling that night!

Saturday Nov 3, I attended our final Grants Management Workshop held in San Luis Obispo. Through the 3 District-wide workshops, 89% of our clubs were officially qualified to sign the mou for the new grants model. Congratulations to Luz-Maria and her outstanding team of Rotarians who provided a first-class training experience!

That Saturday evening, Scottie and I were guests of President Frank Culley at the RC of Santa Maria's major fundraiser held at the Santa Maria Fairpark. A very fun evening!

## This Coming Week of November 4, 2012

Scottie and I will be in Squaw Valley for the Rotary Zone 25&26 Institute. We will be joined by our Governors, past and present, and some special invited guests as well.

## 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](mailto:dgiordano@bak.rr.com).

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