



## **BARRY KALAR**

**2009 – 2010**

**Rotary Club of West  
Sacramento**



Barry Kalar served as 15<sup>th</sup> District Governor for District 5180. He began his Rotary career by joining the Rotary Club of Willits (District 5130) in 1985. His classification was “Law Enforcement Administration”. Barry’s sponsor was the City manager, Cliff Swanson. He transferred his membership to the Rotary Club of Moraga (District 5160) in 1993 and in 2006 changed his classification to “Higher Education” when he moved his membership to the Rotary Club of West Sacramento. John Kinney from Scotland was the Rotary International President that year and his International Theme was “The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands.” Barry chose “Be the One” for his District theme. Barry’s goals for his year were to fund a District Rotaplast mission, build membership and have fun.

Barry’s most memorable element of his year was his club visits and their events. One of his most memorable club visits was with the Rotary Club of Sacramento Breakfast. The club hosted a dinner for the Club Board of Directors with the “Bee” theme throughout. Barry had as one of his goals, an International project involving a District Rotaplast mission. He achieved his goal with such a service project to Nagamangala, India.

Barry’s District Conference took place in the “Mouse House” (Disneyland, California) on April 23 & 24, 2010. His most memorable aspect of his conference was to have William Webster, former Director of the FBI/CIA, as the Keynote speaker. The outstanding club for his year was the Rotary Club of Roseville. Barry had a Group Study Exchange (GSE) with District 4281 in Columbia. Both outgoing and incoming GSE teams attended his conference.

Barry stated he became a “True Rotarian” in 1987. It was triggered with his first visit to a Rotary International Convention. Barry is a Major Donor, a Benefactor, and a member of the Bequest Society for the Rotary Foundation. He has made all his children (4) and grandchildren (6) Paul Harris Fellows.

Barry’s advice to a future District Governor is *“Give 100% and have fun”*.