

# ROTARY DISTRICT 5190



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## Greetings from Governor Vic!



Greetings District 5190. By the time you read this, Kathie and I will have visited half the clubs. Let me say how impressed I am with all the projects that are going on so soon into the year.

It is no wonder we are rated one of the highest districts in the world.

It is official now. We are a district of 53 clubs, Winnemucca being the newest. It was my birthday for the charter night (actual Charter date June 29th, 2007), and I could not have celebrated it better than under the beautiful skies of Nevada. The club is under the direction of President Peter Metcalf. He has already organized their first project, called "Pennies for Piglets." The club is partnering with Heifer International to raise funds to purchase livestock for poverty stricken areas throughout the world. What a great way to start out. If your club is looking to partner with another club in the district, here is a chance for you to get involved and help the new Winnemucca club. It was such a treat to see so many young faces touting the Rotarian ideals.

Speaking of young faces did you know that September is New Generation Month? Look for a New Generation

article from Rebecca Gasca, a Rotaractor that just returned from another short term exchange in Brazil.

Work with your Interact Clubs, Rotaract Clubs and Youth Exchange Chairs to organize a project that focuses on career development. Recognize outstanding club projects that benefits youth. Rotary's growth, especially the recruiting of young persons, has been an ongoing goal of Rotarians since our organization was founded 102 years ago. Some recent clubs were started as after work clubs and without a meal, which appealed to the younger generation that didn't have the time either before work or couldn't get away during the middle of the day or wanted to get home to spend time with their families.

Structurally, these clubs do not differ from other Rotary Clubs, except that their membership is geared toward young persons of both sexes between 25 and 40 years of age. These types of clubs appeal to the young because they have little free time, limited financial resources, or because of Rotarian leaders are inflexible when it comes to admitting young people. Most founding members of these clubs are past Rotaractors, Rotary Foundation alumni, former participants in Rotary Programs or the children or family of Rotarians. In other words, they are persons who know about Rotary and our work, who in this way are afforded the

chance to remain in contact with us and to be part of our organization through Rotary Clubs for the New Generations. The main characteristic of these clubs is that they bring together young leaders who are capable of engaging in a more fluid intergenerational dialogue and who direct their most important service activities toward the new generations especially children and youth.

October is Vocational Service Month. It is the month that offers a unique opportunity to promote vocational service activities. Clubs should recognize successful projects, award outstanding individuals, and highlight Rotary's vocational service efforts through our website and local media. Plan on sending in an article to our news letter.

### *Assistant Governor from Area 11, Jean Sloan's Message:*

One of the main reasons I joined Rotary was to satisfy my need to feel like I was doing something for someone which may make a difference.

No matter how insignificant it might be I needed to share my good fortune, in someway, with someone, somewhere.



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Life has been good to me and I do not need, *or most importantly - want*, for anything that is of any real consequence. I count my blessing everyday that I have a loving husband and family, I am surrounded by friends, I have a wonderful employer, and GOD has been so gracious as to bless me in so many ways.

My husband and I go to bed every night without feeling hungry, without worrying where we will find the next meal for our family, where we will get medical attention for our children, or where we will be employed. What a life we have! What a blessing it is not to have to worry about basic necessities essential to our existence, and to enjoy life to its fullest!

Rotarians know that they can make a difference in the lives of individuals who have not been given the opportunities we have. That is what Rotary is about. One of the ways Rotarians share with the world communities is through donations to the Rotary Foundation. Donations to the Foundation are essential for the continued work of Rotary. And, in this day and age, our community is the world.

Foundation donations are put to work as soon as they are received, yet so many of

us delay sending in our contributions. I encourage each individual Rotarian to get online and make your gift monthly! It is made so easy for us if we just take a few minuets out of our busy lives to click on the box that says “contribute”. I also encourage all clubs to have member contributions sent in *at least quarterly*. Why do we wait until the year is almost up? Is it all about recognition? I do not think that is what Rotary is about.

My individual gift may be insignificant; in, and of itself, but with the Rotary Team we can, and do, make a difference in this world. Keep up the good work! Every dollar will impact our community in some way somehow. Just remember that the sooner we combine those dollars the sooner they help someone in need.

I hope that all my fellow Rotarians will have continued good health and a good life. I also sincerely hope we remember to contribute regularly, putting those contributions to work as fast as we can, so others can share our good fortune. After all Rotary Shares! And we are Rotarians.



*Rebecca Gasca of Reno just returned from Brazil where she was District 5190’s Rotaract Representative at a Young Adult Exchange. The San Bernadino native and recent graduate of UNR has returned to Reno and her new career.*

By the end of my first week in Sao Jose do Rio Preto, I knew that my short term exchange wasn’t going to be a “typical” Brazilian rendezvous...there were no plans to visit any white sandy beaches, no Carnival parades, and no Amazonian forays. And at the end of my six weeks, I wouldn’t have had it any other way. Without a doubt, my exchange in Rio Preto (a city of about 400 thousand in the interior of Sao Paulo state) offered me more than what any tourist could have hoped for. Typical of all Rotary exchanges, I attended Rotary meetings and functions, such as the induction ceremony for new officers. And in the true spirit of “Rotary Shares,” I was able to share my Rotaract experiences and learn from others while participating in

# Club Attendance Report: July 2007

Bob Hartsfield ~ PDG Secretary      NR = No Report

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1	Chester	48	0	0	64			4	Nevada City	56			NR	84.00	
1	Susanville	72	0	0	74			4	Nevada City 49er	84	0	0	83	75.00	
1	Susanville Sunrise	45	0	0	64	200.00		4	Nevada Co. South	34			NR	325.00	
1	Westwood	12	3	3	75			4	Penn Valley	38	0	0	78		
2	Greenville	14	0	0	55			5	Auburn	118	1	0	84		1,500.00
2	Loyalton	30	1	1	90			5	Auburn Daybreak	20	1	0	100	70.00	
2	Portola	35	0	0	89			5	Auburn Gold	53	0	0	78	800.00	
2	Quincy	43			NR			6	Cameron Park	60	0	2	65		
3	Incline Village	35	1	1	92			6	Georgetown	38	0	0	57		
3	Tahoe City	58	0	0	51			6	Placerville	70	0	0	65	1,000.00	
3	Tahoe Incline	55	0	0	75			6	Pollock Pines	20			NR		
3	Truckee	87	0	1	86	300.00	201.86	7	Amador Up Co	30	1	0	69	200.00	
3	Truckee Sunrise	26	0	10	55	995.00		7	Ione	24	0	0	72		
4	Grass Valley	78	0	1	85			7	Jackson	66	0	0	65		

the Rotaract District 4480 Conference and attending Rotaract meetings.

Originally dubbed the “New Generations Exchange,” the Young Adult Exchange that I participated in is Rotary’s newest exchange program that is fashioned for 18-25 year old students or young professionals. The program allows for individual or group exchanges and lasts anywhere from 3-6 weeks, or more depending on the circumstances, with an overarching emphasis on vocational studies or experiences. In my case, the vocational component was met by visiting different businesses and industries in order to observe their operations, as well as learning about the legal aspects of Brazilian business and society.

At the end of my six weeks, I may have never gotten a tan (it is winter during July in Brazil after all), but I certainly left equipped with new knowledge and abilities (like understanding a good amount of Portuguese) that has already helped me in my professional life. And it almost goes without saying that I returned with the warmth of wonderful new friendships and reassurance that Rotary will continue its quest in securing its future by supporting new generations with programs like this one.

*George Summerhill is a member of the Rotary Club of Sparks. He has been a Rotarian for 29 years and has attended 16 Rotary International Conventions and will be sharing with us about those experiences over the year:*

The 1986 Rotary International Convention was held June 1-4 in Las Vegas, Nevada with 18,426 registrants in attendance. RI President Edward Cadman’s theme was “YOU ARE THE KEY.” Rotary’s membership topped 1,000,000 in February, 1986 and the one millionth member, Jean-Paul Moroval of Thionville, France attended the convention and was recognized.

This convention was a local, in-state adventure for me and several Reno-Sparks Rotarians who attended. My remembrance of the convention held at the Thomas Mack Center was that I tripped and fell in the crowd after the closing ceremony and tore my rotator cuff. The trip home was a painful one for me.

The 1987 RI Convention was held June 6-10 in Munich, West Germany with 26,909 members in attendance. RI President M.A.T. Caparas’ theme for the year was “ROTARY BRINGS HOPE.”

There are two outstanding memories I

have from this RI Convention. The first is the venue – it was held at the site of the Summer Olympics where terrorists attacked and killed several Israel Olympic team members. I could feel the tension when we walked past the dormitory where the attack took place.

A second memory I have of this convention is the sites and sounds of Bavaria. It has become one of my favored places in the world. Three Sparks Rotarians flew into Frankfort the week before the convention and rented a car to tour Heidelberg, Freiburg, the Black Forest and several towns along the way to Munich. We stayed in a little village south of Munich and after checking into the hotel at the town square we were enjoying a bit of Germany’s fine pilsner beer on the hotel’s patio when we saw and heard an Umph Pah band march into the town square with a Bride and Groom, a wedding party and guests following them into the square. A wedding took place right before our eyes and the reception was held at our hotel.

Attending Rotary conventions provides one an opportunity to visit the countries and places which one may not otherwise experience.

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7	Plymoth Foothills	33	0	0	83			10	Fernley	32	0	1	37						
8	Reno	201	0	5	61	100.00		10	Smith Valley	17	0	0	55						
8	Reno Centennial	31	0	1	62			10	Tonopah	20	0	0	55	100.00					
8	Reno Central	72	0	2	84	600.00		10	Winnemucca	19	0	1	61						
8	Reno South	78	0	0	72			10	Yerington	38	0	0	72						
8	Reno Sunrise	51	0	0	67	1,018.50		11	Elko	96			NR						
8	Sparks	102	0	0	84			11	Elko Desert Sunrise	30	0	0	53	50.00					
8	Sparks Centennial	35	2	0	93	4,878.00		11	Ely	33	0	0	70						
9	Carson City	99	2	3	55	100.00		12	Alturas	21	0	0	89	66.67					
9	Carson City Sunset	21	0	1	71			12	Alturas Sunrise	23	0	0	88						
9	Minden	40	3	0	78	1,100.00		<b>DISTRICT</b>						<b>264.87</b>	<b>264.87</b>				
9	South Lake Tahoe	45			NR														
9	Tahoe Douglas	66	1	0	43	900.00								<b>2633</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>13,727.04</b>	<b>1,801.86</b>	<b>15,528.90</b>
10	Fallon	63	0	5	50	500.00	100.00												

**Upcoming Events**

*Please make note of the events listed below and make the time to attend or help in an event sponsored by another club in the District. It would be an enjoyable time for the entire family or a Rotarian and partner.*

**Auburn Rotary Club** will hold it's 25th Annual Community Barbecue at the Gold Country Fairgrounds on Friday, September 21. This is their biggest fundraiser of the year and funds their contributions to the Auburn Little League, the Auburn Symphony, the Salvation Army and many other projects including \$15,000 in scholarships. Call Linda Maeding at 530-637-5408 for more information.

The **Rotary Club of Truckee** hosts the Annual Cadillac Ball, a formal and festive tradition known throughout the region

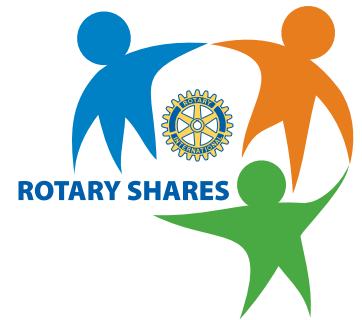
as North Tahoe/Truckee's premiere gala event, the Rotary Club of Truckee's main annual fundraiser. This year's ball is set for Saturday, November 10th at the Resort at Squaw Creek. Cost is \$85 per person and gets you into the fun filled evening which has an elegant theme, silent auction, gourmet dining, a variety of musical offerings, and dancing into the evening. The Grand Raffle Prize will be \$10,000 and tickets are \$100 each. All proceeds go towards Rotary projects. For more information on sponsorship contact Joe Bono at (530) 550-1520

**Club Accomplishments**

*(Please send information about all club accomplishments, news and events a full month prior to the event so your club can be mentioned and recognized as it should. Send all to the bulletin editor at [tahoepaula@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tahoepaula@sbcglobal.net))*

**Tahoe Incline Rotary Club** announces the successful arrival and distribution of a container of medical and surgical supplies and equipment at Mulago Hospital at Makerere University in Kampala, Uganda. The shipment was supported by funds from Tahoe **Incline Rotary Club** with additional funds coming from Rotary District 5190 and The Rotary Foundation. The value of the container is estimated at 250,000.....Congratulations to a successful fair booth for the **Nevada City Rotary** where they sold 2200 Pulled Pork and 990 BBQ Beef sandwiches, 300 Sides of Slaw, 1850 sodas, 400 waters, 162 Gatorades..... the **Susanville Sunrise Rotary** fed spaghetti and salad to 375 participants in their city's Relay for Life, while raising over \$1200 for the cancer walk....

**Tahoe Douglas Rotary** also had a team walking during the South Lake Tahoe Relay for Life, collecting many donations and raffled off a helicopter tour of Lake Tahoe...the **Rotary Club of Portola** filled 100 backpacks for needy school children in the area. Each backpack was filled with binders, pencils, notebooks, paper and more goodies...



**Picture of the Month**



*New addition to District 5190 - Winnemucca. Welcome!*

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