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RI President Dong-Kurn Lee

PASS IT ON

District 5520 Governor Tom Lindsay

NOVEMBER HAS COME AND GONE

By District Governor Tom Lindsay

Compliments of the season, November has come and gone. I am just about finished with my club visits. Seven visits to go in December. Linda and I appreciate the hospitality that we have received throughout the district. I am often asked, "Which club is the best?" So far I have visited 61 best clubs. Each Rotary club has a unique approach to Rotary "Service Above Self". Sharing the spirit of Rotary with the many Rotarians in our district have been the highlight of the past five months. The impact that our district Rotary Clubs have on their individual communities and the Rotary world is incalculable.

This month we had an excellent presentation on the Rotary Foundation. It was a nuts and bolts review of the RI Foundation's programs and procedures. Sometimes the details of the how and what of grants need to be reviewed and clarified. Also of importance was the need for reports on the grants (especially simplified grants) Grant funding in the district are dependent on each clubs timely reporting. Your patience was appreciated for the audio issues that we had at times during the e-foundation presentation. Technology is great but at times it can offer us some challenges.

The cruise packets have been distributed to the clubs and I hope to each member. This is our vehicle to raise money for the RI Foundation's annual fund. This has been successful in increasing our foundation contribution significantly over the past two years. Your participation in buying or selling the tickets is appreciated. Also, we earn our free cruises as a result of individuals signing up for the cruise in October of 2009. Linda and I will on the cruise and we hope to see you as well.

The 4-Way Test essay contest information was released this month and some confusion and concerns were expressed by our members. We hope we have addressed the concerns and that we have great participation in the contest

Membership concerns are consistently expressed to me throughout the district. While there are no surefire answers to membership growth and development, I encourage each club to have frequent discussions with each other, clubs and use district resources to develop an ongoing membership plan. Several members are attending the Presidential Membership Conference in Phoenix on January 9th and 10th, 2009. I hope that some new ideas can be shared with our clubs. If you are interested in attending, check out the RI website for more information

Speaking of speaking to other clubs in the district, I would encourage club to club communication about ideas, projects and needs. A phone call or e-mail might avoid reinventing the wheel. No pun intended. In fact, if you have something that you wish to share, send an e-mail and maybe I can include it in the monthly newsletter.

Continuing, speaking of speaking, if you need a club program on a Rotary topic let me know and I know that we can find someone in the district be a guest speaker.
We are entering a special time of the year and many clubs concentrate on helping those less fortunate in their communities. These projects are most appreciated by those served and in today's economy perhaps even more needed.

PETS training is just around the corner (March 5, 6, 7, 2009). Dick Jones is busy planning an instructive and interactive training for the incoming presidents for 2000-1010. PETS is required training for all president-elects. This is always a great venue to communicate with other clubs and the district leadership.

Dick and Lorraine will be attending RI International Assembly in January to complete the final training for District Governor for 2009-2010. In addition to the training, the incoming RI president's theme, message and goals will be presented at this meeting.

In May the district convention will be held on May 7-10, 2009. This is your convention. The convention's purpose to celebrate our district club's and Rotarian's past year in Rotary. We are planning some interactive sessions, great entertainment, and lots of activity for your enjoyment. Our convention committee will be soon sending out a flyer about the conventions and some more details. This is a big undertaking each year and your support is needed and appreciated.

Throughout this Rotary year we also don't' want to forget Polio Plus Partners. Your generous contributions to this program will aid in matching the challenge grant from the Bill Gates Jr. foundation. The funds donated will help move Rotary toward the final eradication of Polio. This has been a long process but Rotary will succeed.

In closing, Linda and I hope that each of you have a great December. It is time for spiritual contemplation, family, review, and time of hope for all of us.

I appreciate the privilege that you have given me to serve as your district governor. Each of you made my year special.

Pass Rotary on,

Tom Lindsay,
RI, District 5520,
District Governor 2008-2009

ADMINISTRATION

Activities associated with the effective operation of District & Clubs.

DECEMBER: FAMILY OF ROTARY MONTH

CELEBRATE FAMILY MONTH

By Cory Dryden, Rotary Club of Chama president

December is when we consider The Family of Rotary.

Friendship was the foundation, the rock on which Rotary service was built. The Family of Rotary is a group that looks to care for Rotarians, their families, and members of the community we serve, thereby strengthening clubs and instilling a sense of integrity, and unselfishness in the next generation. By boosting membership and participation in Rotary clubs, the success of the "Family of Rotary" concept will help to ensure Rotary's continued presence as a vital instrument of service in the century ahead.

Supporting Family of Rotary is of critical importance because it:

- Builds lifelong friendships
- Enhances our personal families' relationships
- Builds world understanding and peace
- Improves international solidarity and tolerance
- Contributes to membership growth
- Contributes to diversity of age, gender, race, ethnicity, culture, religion, and profession
- Improves Rotary's public image
- Strengthens clubs and the commitment to service

Remember Rotary Shares Because... It's more that just lunch.

MEMBERSHIP

Implementation of a comprehensive plan for the recruitment and retention of members.

THE MIRACLE OF THE LOST PINT

By Benjamin Larzelere, Rotary Club of Santa Fe Centro

I'm very proud of my Paul Harris Pin and try to wear it frequently. One can imagine my dismay and consternation when I learned that I lost it about a month ago. For the past four weeks I have searched everywhere, including the floor of the car, the pockets of my bicycling jacket, and even in the Recycling Bin at home!

Last Thursday afternoon I was cleaning my office, sorting through the various piles of books, papers, and miscellany when off in the far north corner of my office, behind a lamp, on the carpet was a shiny object. Yes, the Lost Pin Itself!

Greatly relieved, I picked it up planning to put a dollar in the Good News Basket in gratitude at the next meeting ... And, since I also found a dollar and 10 cents in lost coins on the carpet nearby, that goes into the Basket as well .

IN VINO VERITAS !

Wine 101 & Fellowship from the Rotary Club of West El Paso

The presenter on Monday was Vic Poulos of Zin Valle Winery in the upper valley. It was a great presentation. Vic told us the history of wine making in west Texas and New Mexico, and presented an overview of types of wines available from his vineyard.

In addition, this was a day to "Bring a Friend to Rotary". The members did and we had a packed house and great fellowship!

FINANCIAL CRISIS AND CREATIVITY

By Judit Alvernaz-Nagy, Rotary Club of Albuquerque del Norte

We live in a tough time right now. I don't need to repeat all the crises we read and hear about and experience on our own. We have to cut on many things, in both our private life and our business. The Wall Street Journal reports about the changes in spending of Americans in 2008. For example, 61% eat out less often, 49% try to make cleaning products last longer, 45% go to spa/hair salons less often, and 43% buy fewer convenience foods/eat more from scratch. And we try to work harder than before.

On the other hand, tough times can evoke our creativity; as it is said, necessity is the mother of invention. We can get and develop new ideas and solutions that we wouldn't have if we had abundance. However, creative ideas often don't come just when we sit down and let our head smoke about a solution, especially not when we are stressed out. Studies show that people who overwork and don't take vacation or some time off not only develop serious health risks but tend to be less creative, less productive, and less effective. Good ideas that lead to solutions, better company results, and business growth very often pop up when we are away from work, in our downtime; in the tub, while gardening, hiking, reading, talking to people who are not in our business, or just when we have a nap.

Here is a famous example. Archimedes, the Greek mathematician who lived in the 3rd Century B.C., had a difficult task to solve. King Hiero ordered a golden crown and gave the goldsmith the exact amount of gold needed. The goldsmith delivered a crown of the required weight, but the King suspected that part of the gold was replaced by cheaper silver and asked Archimedes to prove it. He had to prove that King Hiero's goldsmith deceived the King by mixing silver into a gold crown the King ordered. While still thinking about the problem, the mathematician was getting into a bathtub full of water. He observed that water was overflowing the tub when he got in. He calculated that the amount of water spilling over the tub weighed the same like his body. This gave him the idea for the solution of the problem with the crown. Archimedes was so excited about his discovery that he jumped out of the tub and ran through the streets shouting "Eureka! Eureka!" ("I've found it!").

Studies show the psychological benefits of vacation start accruing after seven days. It takes most people two or three days just to start relaxing. So, how about a spa at home, which costs definitely less than in a salon, to find creative solutions for your problems or issues? And you can run to our next Rotary meeting shouting "Eureka! Eureka!" - Thank you, Judit!

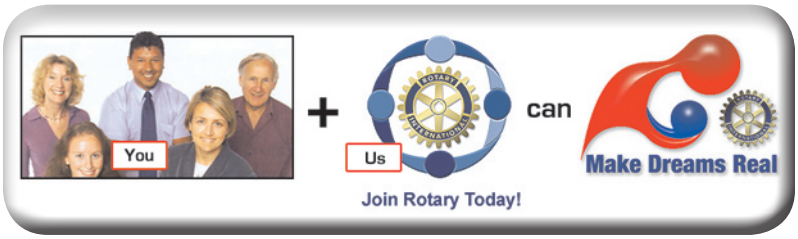
PUBLIC RELATIONS

Providing the Public with information about Rotary and Promoting District and Club's Service projects and activities.

MARKETING ROTARY IN A TOUGH ECONOMY

By Candie Sweetser, District 5520 PR and Media Chair

The daily news is overwhelming: these are difficult economic times. When money is tight, everyone looks for a place to cut. The obvious "low-hanging fruit" is the monthly expenditure that doesn't offer an immediate return on investment. It is our job to make certain our members and potential members don't view their Rotary commitment as an easy place to cut.



- Court your members. It has been shown repeatedly that it takes more effort to recruit new members than to retain current ones. Let your members know how valued and important they are. Involve them. Help them to understand Rotary's strengths – locally, nationally and internationally. Emphasize the importance of fellowship and community relations. Make Rotary the financial commitment that returns far more than the monthly investment.

- Be visible in your community. Many experts worry about charitable giving in tough times. The economic downturn may be affecting your club's budget as well. But tighter purse-strings can provide opportunities to focus Rotary's outreach on projects with meaningful results. See if your members are ready to roll up their sleeves and take on something that will make a real difference for the less fortunate in your hometown. And don't forget to let your community know what you are doing: the visibility and added public relations spin will only strengthen your club.

- Use technology. Communication can be expensive, but e.mails and text messaging can easily replace more traditional communication tools in a pinch. That way, money can be saved for other efforts – and you have an added benefit of being seen by younger professionals as a progressive organization.

The simple fact is our economy is at a low point. The good news is the U.S. economy has always been cyclical. Rotary can easily survive the economic downturn if we refocus our efforts on what makes us a strong organization to begin with: our members and our communities – locally and globally.

FELLOW ROTARIANS-SEND ME YOUR ANNOUNCEMENT!

By Gary Risley, Club President, Rotary Club of San Juan

I would like to encourage our club members to take advantage of our PowerPoint and our newsletter to make announcements.

The announcements do NOT have to be Rotary related. There is no fine for non-Rotary announcements in the newsletter or on the PowerPoint. The announcement can run for up to one month. It may run longer based upon exceptional circumstances. Publishing in the newsletter makes sure it gets to all the club members, not just those who happen to make the meetings. Announcements from the floor are allowed the week before and the week of an event. Short reports about the success of the event are allowed the week or so after the event. Please keep the announcements between 30 seconds to one minute.

On occasion, one of our larger club events that requires significant pre-planning will be allowed floor announcements either for a longer period of time or a longer time to speak. One goal this year is to maximize the networking time each of us has at meetings and to encourage people to come even up to 20 minutes after noon. The meeting start time has been moved back to accomplish that goal. Another goal is to leave the speaker his full allotted time - between 25 and 30 minutes.

Most of us are involved in other civic organizations besides Rotary, and it is a good thing to promote those other programs. Please take advantage of these enhanced opportunities to promote those programs along with our Rotary events.

Editor's note: For information on how to quickly set up a PowerPoint presentation for your club's meeting, contact the District Newsletter staff at 5520newsletter@rotary5520.org

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

Plans to support The Rotary Foundation through both financial contributions and program participation.

THE FUTURE IS NOW

Rotary Foundation District Grants will retain much of the flexibility of the current District Simplified Grants Program.

At their October meeting, The Rotary Foundation Trustees took significant steps to refine the Future Vision Plan before the pilot application period begins in January. Reflecting the plan's goal of simplification and flexibility, their decisions establish specific policies that fill in the broad outline of the plan.

In the area of Rotary Foundation Global Grants, the Trustees set initial policies designed to help clubs and districts work within the six areas of focus. For example, the Trustees agreed that there will be no age requirements for vocational training team members and that teams may be made up of three or more members, with no maximum. In addition, qualified past and current district governors and governors-elect may serve as team leaders.

Policies for selecting global grant scholars will also be flexible. Scholarships can be awarded for one to four years of graduate-level study. Applicants must demonstrate either unconditional or conditional acceptance to their chosen university. The Rotary Foundation will vet each scholarship proposal before a formal application is submitted to determine whether it fits within an area of focus. This process, which will be used for all club- and district-developed global grant applications, is designed to increase the acceptance rate of grant applications.

To further simplify the grant-making process, the Foundation will accept all club- and district-developed global grant applications throughout the year. Under this system, for example, a scholarship application showing proof of admission could be submitted months, not years, before the term of study begins. The Foundation will assess each application based on its support of the areas of focus. Additional assessments may be required depending on the award amount or complexity of the project. Only club- and district-developed global grants over US$100,000 will require approval by the Trustees.

Rotary Foundation District Grants will retain much of the flexibility of the current District Simplified Grants Program. Districts may receive one district grant per Rotary year. Districts will be encouraged to submit applications during the planning year for immediate payment at the start of the program year; however, applications may be submitted during either year. Within 12 months of receiving the grant, districts must submit a final report to the Foundation listing the distribution of the funds. As part of the qualification process, districts must also report the use of all district grant funds to their clubs.
The application period for the pilot will begin immediately after the 2009 International Assembly in January and continue through 15 May. Selected districts will be notified and announced to the Rotary world in June.

MESSAGE FROM RI PRESIDENT DONG KURN LEE

Dear fellow Rotarians,

As a father of four and grandfather of five, I have been fortunate to have spent many years in the company of children. When raising our own children, my wife, Young, and I worked hard to give them what all children need most: a loving, safe, and stable home. Our children were our first priority, and we made sure that they always had nutritious food, appropriate clothing, quality medical care, and a good education. We knew very well how fortunate we were to be able to do this. We were grateful that we never had to say to our children, "I'm sorry, but there's nothing to eat tonight," or "I'm sorry, but we can't pay your school fees."

When I was a child, Korea was a poor country, and there were many children who went to bed hungry at night and had no school to go to in the morning. As a Rotarian, I know only too well that there are still far too many children in the world without the absolute essentials: food, clothing, shelter, medical care, and education. And as a Rotarian who is also a father, I consider all of the world's children to be my responsibility.
When I see my own grandchildren – happy, healthy, and enrolled in good schools – I cannot help but think of the millions of children who do not have so many advantages. I think of the children who have too little to eat and only dirty water to drink. I think of the children who are sick with diseases that could have been prevented and those who will have nowhere safe to sleep tonight. And I think of the children, millions of them every year, who won't live to see their fifth birthday.
December is Family Month. It is a time to focus on our families, to involve them in our Rotary service, and to challenge ourselves to do even more for those in need. Because there are so many families and so many children waiting for our help, we, as Rotarians, cannot look away. We cannot and will not rest until all children, everywhere, have the chance for a long and healthy life. We will not rest until we Make Dreams Real for every child in every home where there is hunger, sickness, and want. As Rotarians, we can do no less.

Dong Kurn (D.K.) Lee
President, Rotary International

SERVICE PROJECTS IN THE DISTRICT

Educational, humanitarian, and vocational projects that address the needs of its communities.

HISTORY IN THE MAKING

From the Rotary Club of Las Cruces Rio Grande

Joe Schopen was guest speaker at NMSU Rotaract meeting October 8th – he spoke to the lively group about Rotary Global History Fellowship. At the conclusion Joe presented a $200 check from Rio Grande Rotary for their general fund. President Mariel Gastelum was VERY excited and thankful on the club's behalf to RGR for their support.

ROTARY TEAM CHALLENGE

From the Rotary Club of Chama

This year, we are issuing the "Rotary Team Challenge". We are inviting other Rotary clubs to come ski the CCSC to try to win the Rotary Team Perpetual Trophy. Team members will ski the 5K loop as individuals (that means no pressure, just get from start to finish in one piece). Individual times will be added together and divided by the number of team members to make one "team time". Fastest team time wins the challenge. Saturday Dec.17th. . For more information contact Bud Harris at harris4598@windstream.net

BLUE STAR MOTHERS

From the Rotary Club of San Juan

Imagine being away from your family and friends for Christmas. Imagine putting your life on the line to protect the ones you love. Our troops who are serving around the world, especially in Iraq and Afghanistan, are doing that on a daily basis."

Now is YOUR chance to make a difference in the lives of those who selflessly serve their country. From October 6th to November 11th we will be collecting items to include in gift care packages for our troops this Christmas and we can't do it without your help.

To get involved, see our complete list of care package items we are collecting. Then drop off the items at Vertical Radio Studios at 2103 West Main in Farmington. We are also making a CD of encouragement and prayers for each care package sent to the troops.

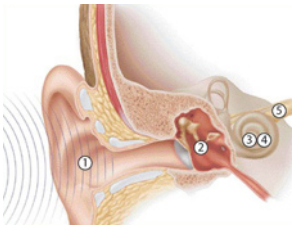
Please call and leave a message of support for our troops at (505) 324-5225. Get involved and partner with Vertical Radio and Blue Star Mothers to Remember Our Veterans and Support Our Troops!" (www.verticalradio.org)

ANJIK GHOSH CALLING

From the Rotary Club of Socorro

Anjik is a seventh-grader at Cottonwood Charter School who became interested in children with hearing loss and on how the ear functions; so he did a project for last spring's Science Fair. The title of his project is "Noise Induced Hearing Loss" and it took high honors at the fair.

First, ANJIK described how the outer, middle ear, and inner ear function. He mentioned that the ear is one of the most acute organs of the body.



Then he went on to say that one in every twelve Americans have some type of hearing loss.

Exposure to loud noise is probably the primary cause of hearing loss. Evidence suggests that loud rock music along with increased use of portable radios with earphones may be responsible for hearing loss.

To study this further, ANJIK constructed a model of the cochlea with membranes from different materials. He had this model with him and demonstrated its operation. He had a signal generator hooked up to a speaker using these different membrane materials. His "refined model" was made with a tubular aluminum frame and transparent membranes at the ends. Inside he had made a replica of the cochlea composed of Bicarbonate, chloride, potassium, and sodium. He had with him a copy of the eight tests performed and the procedures followed for each test. In some cases, noticeable vibration was found to indicate the effect of hearing loss. On the bases of these tests of the eight different fluids, he concluded that the fluid in the cochlea is the best media for the propagation of sound.

SERVICE PROJECTS INTERNATIONAL

Educational, humanitarian, and vocational projects that address the needs of communities around the world.

PEOPLE IN NEEDS

From the Rotary News

ShelterBox has issued an urgent appeal for funds to help provide aid to tens of thousands of displaced people in four countries following a succession of humanitarian crises.

Response teams from ShelterBox reacted quickly to distribute emergency aid to victims of the 29 October earthquake in Pakistan. And worsening humanitarian situations in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Honduras, and Swaziland have stretched operations to the limit, ShelterBox representatives say. "This is a life-or-death situation. Families who have lost their homes are in desperate need of shelter and warmth," says Sally Grint, ShelterBox communications and fundraising manager. "Donations are urgently needed to fund further deliveries of aid."

In southwestern Pakistan, a ShelterBox response team provided 1,000 containers to families left homeless after a powerful earthquake rocked impoverished regions there, killing at least 215 people and causing widespread destruction. Each container provides a tent, a stove, a water purification kit, blankets, tools, and other necessities to help a family of 10 survive for six months. Mark Pearson, response team leader on the ground in Pakistan, says winterized tents are desperately needed to shelter an estimated 15,000 displaced villagers trying to withstand frigid nighttime temperatures. "We assessed the scattered villages around Ziarat District, and almost all the mud-brick houses were destroyed," Pearson says on the ShelterBox Web site.

Pearson praises the logistical support provided by local Rotary clubs. "The clubs in Quetta and Karachi are invaluable in the operations here, providing flights, security, accommodations, interpreters, and local knowledge," he says. In Congo, an estimated quarter-million people are seeking refuge from fierce fighting between rebels and government forces. ShelterBox has provided 200 containers and has committed to deliver 200 more. A response team also distributed 200 containers to residents of San Pedro Sula, Honduras, after heavy rains and flooding forced 22,000 people from their homes on 22 October. And a ShelterBox team in Swaziland is distributing aid to children orphaned by AIDS in an ongoing program with the National Emergency Response Council on HIV/AIDS.

The ShelterBox program was launched in 2000 by Tom Henderson, a British Rotarian and former Royal Navy search-and-rescue diver, who is the charity's CEO.

MEET LUISA KLINKENBERG - EXCHANGE STUDENT EXTRAORDINAIRE

By Michelle Frechette. Rotary Club of Rio Rancho

Luisa Klinkenberg, who prefers to be called Lulu, arrived in New Mexico on August 6th, and she will be here until next July. All of our inbound and outbound exchange students travel for one year. She is from the city of Bonn, Germany, and her recent presentation to the club showed us how beautiful her home town is! Her mom works as a medical assistant and her dad is a teacher. Lulu has a six-year-old brother who she sometimes takes care of and they get along really well. She loves music and dance and she has performed in choirs and musicals. She also loves animals! Lulu is focused on tourism management or the hotel industry as possible future careers, and her improved fluency in Spanish, English and French are all steps in the direction of an international option for her profession.

She is great fun to take out too! Because of her diverse interests she likes to do everything! The evening when Michelle took her out to Popejoy for a surprise concert was more fabulous than we expected as the music was exactly what she wanted to hear, the group from the movie "Once." She was happy to go to whatever performance it was but was exclaiming how her Dad was going to be so jealous that she got to see that performance; they had seen the movie together in Germany!

A NOTE FROM SWEDEN

By Rachel Anne, student exchange of the Rotary Club of Rio Rancho

Last weekend we had a Rotary Youth Exchange District Meeting where we met all the students in my district who did their exchange last year and all the exchange students in my district that are doing their exchange here, this year.

There were four Swedish students. One went to Taiwan, she was raving about it the whole time. One went to Japan, he also showed his love for his exchange country. One went to Colorado, she went on and on about everything she misses from Telluride. The last went to Reno and he said he loved it, but you know guys, they aren't the most descriptive when it comes to that stuff. As for the in bounds there were two Brazilians going home in January, two Canadians who Justin and I met at language camp and two Americans, Justin and I. It was a very fun weekend we all exchanged phone numbers and promised to keep in touch.

Rotary Flash

FLY ROTARY!

From the Rotary News

The Rotary Club of Chicago has put 20,000 items from its archives into a new online collection. The online archives at http://www.rotaryone.org/ feature photos, correspondence, and other writings from VIP members like Paul Harris, Chesley Perry, and Silvester Schiele; minutes of board of directors meetings dating back to 1920; a scrapbook assembled by Perry; a collection of documents about women of Rotary from 1921 to 1995; and other important records such as bylaws and early newsletters.

Richard McKay, past club president and founding secretary treasurer of the Rotary Global History Fellowship, and his wife gave more than US$40,000 to launch the project. "Through working with the Rotary Global History Fellowship, I could see what Rotary historians around the world are doing to preserve Rotary history, and I thought that Rotary One (the Rotary Club of Chicago) should certainly promote its archives too," says McKay. Past club president David Templin headed the archives project, and consultants Jane Kenamore and Laura Lorenzana were hired to begin electronically archiving the massive collection.

The club introduced the electronic archives at its booth at the 2008 RI Convention in Los Angeles. Templin says the club plans to continue scanning documents from the collection as they're requested by members and other Rotarians worldwide. "Today is a different challenge from the last 100 years. It'll be interesting to see how the Rotarians of the next 100 years track their activities.".

4WAY TEST COMING YOUR WAY

Pen it, type it, text-message it, carve it if needed, but do not miss this opportunity to enter the kids in your community in the 2009 4Way Test essay contest before February 16, 2009.

It is a wonderful opportunity to have them practice their communication skill and reflect on their life, their environment their future in the light of Rotarian ethic. Detailed information are available on the District website at www.rotary5520.org/vocational or contact directly the 4Way test contest chair Jill McQueary at jmcq2@yahoo.com

DEAR SANTA...

Rotary Club of Albuquerque del Norte Terry Boulanger's Tech list for 2009

Hardware:
- External Hard Drives: Brands- Western Digital/ Segate
- Document Imaging: Kodak i40 Scanner
- Video teleconferencing: Polycom / Tandberg/ Cisco

Computer Utilities:
- Belarc Advisor. Complete analysis of what's on your computer – Free software. http://belarc.com/free_download.html
- File & Registry Management: CC Cleaner - Free http://www.ccleaner.com/download
- Registry Protection. Protect registry changes and fix broken registry links. Free http://www.fix-pc-errors.com/new.htm

Security Software:
- Norton 360. For Vista Users: www.Norton360online.com
- McAfee Total Protection. Good general product: www.mcafee.com
- Avast. When all else fails, try: www.download.com/Avast-Home-Edition/3000-2239_4-10019223.html

Firewalls:
- Zone Alarm. Great free firewall: www.zonealarm.com

Spyware:
- Ad Aware. Spyware cleaner. Free. http://lavasoft.com
- Spybot. Search and Destroy. Free: www.safer-networking.org/en/download/

Junk Remover:
- PC Decrapifier. Gets rid of all of that junk software loaded on your new PC when you by it. Free. www.snapfiles.com/get/pcdecrap.html

Browsers:
- Internet Explorer. Get Rid of it!
- Firefox. Best out there right now. Free. www.mozilla.com

Office Suites. *Free & compatible with Microsoft office*
- Open Office. PC based product. www.openoffice.org/
- ZOHO. A web based office suite. www.zoho.com/

What did he say:
- Acronym Finder: http:// www.acronymfinder.com/ and www.netlingo.com

Fun Stuff
- Audio Editor: www.audacity.com
- Photo Editing program: www.gimp.com

NEWSLETTER EDITORS' CORNER

Editors 'New Year resolution:
- More Rotary news, better news!
- More club visibility, more readers.
- Promote Rotary clubs good work locally and in the District.

And have fun doing it...

ATTENDANCE

CLUBS	MBs	OCT.	RANK
Alamogordo	105	85.30%	8
Albuquerque	252	62.09%	35
Albuquerque Del Norte	98	75.80%	23
Albuquerque del Sol	61	58.00%	43
Albuquerque Rio Grande	28	69.00%	28
Alpine	26	58.00%	42
Angel Fire	33	65.40%	33
Anthony	32	56.00%	46
Artesia	34	59.56%	39
Belen	9	59.00%	40
Carlsbad	79	79.50%	15
Carrizozo	16	68.75%	29
Chama Valley	32	57.00%	45
Clayton	24	66.00%	32
Clovis	62	58.06%	48
Clovis High Plains	16	55.00%	42
Deming	63	69.00%	27
East El Paso	23	45.00%	59
El Paso	233	50.08%	52
El Paso Sunrise	28	78.46%	17
El Paso Vista Hills			
Elephant Butte	25	48.00%	57
Espanola	20	82.00%	10
Estancia	13	84.00%	9
Eunice	21	70.00%	26
Farmington			
Farmington - Tres Rio			
Fort Stockton			
Fort Sumner	6	93.33%	2
Franklin Mountains, El Paso	20	49.00%	55
Gallup	44	51.10%	51
Grants	22	46.00%	58
Hobbs	119	40.80%	60
Las Cruces	102	66.60%	30
Las Cruces Mesilla Valley	40	72.80%	24
Las Cruces Rio Grande	75	81.85%	11
Las Vegas	40	61.25%	36
Los Alamos	35	57.40%	44
Los Lunas	23	72.00%	25
Lovington			
Marfa	13	52.00%	50
Melrose			
Moriarty	21	55.00%	47
Mountainair	11	49.00%	54
Northeast El Paso			
Portales	44	95.45%	1
Raton	16	48.40%	56
Rio Rancho	51	66.50%	31
Rio Rancho Sunrise	32	79.52%	14
Roswell	124	86.70%	7
Roswell Pecos Valley	54	80.60%	12
Roswell Sunrise	18	88.00%	6
Ruidoso	56	77.29%	20
San Juan County East	106	49.03%	53
Santa Fe	95	79.65%	13
Santa Fe Centro	23	88.00%	5
Santa Fe del Sur	44	61.20%	37
Santa Rosa	14	92.00%	3
Silver City	45	52.70%	49
Socorro	44	75.90%	22
Taos-Milagro	28	78.60%	16
Texico-Farwell	28	78.00%	18
Truth or Consequences	28	63.40%	34
Tucumcari			
Tularosa	19	89.47%	4
Van Horn	13	77.00%	21
West El Paso	51	60.90%	38
White Sands	60	77.67%	19

Total reported members: 2997 Average attendance: 67.55%

DISTRICT 5520 CLUB MAKE UP

ROTARY CLUBS IN DISTRICT 5520

Report changes to Loren Kuehne: districtadmin@rotary5520.org or 575-522-3763

NEW MEXICO CLUBS

Alamogordo. (575) 430-9636. Wed, 12:05 PM. Eagle Building. 1205 24th Street
Alamogordo-White Sands. Thurs, 12:05 PM. Pepper's Grill, 3200 N. White Sands Blvd
Albuquerque. (505) 263-8080. Mon, 12:00 PM. Hotel Albuquerque
Albuquerque Del Norte. (505) 269-4634 . Wed, 12:00 PM. Sheraton.. RC: 505-344-9162
Albuquerque Del Sol: (505) 263-0440 . Thurs, 6:45 AM. Gardunos. 8401 Balloon Museum Drive NE .
Albuquerque Rio Grande. (505) 269-3792. Tues, 12:00 PM. Los Equapales 4500 Silver SE
Angel Fire. (575) 613-6010. Thursday, 12:00 PM. Resort Hotel
Anthony. (575) 589-0376. Thurs, 12:00 PM. Dos Lagos Golf Club
Artesia. (575) 513-3351 . Tues, 12:00 PM. Artesia Country Club
Belen. (505) 864-2084 . Wed, 12:00 PM. Tierra del Sol Country Club
Carlsbad. (575) 361-6363. Wed, 12:00 PM. Stevens Inn
Carrizozo. Thurs., 12:00 PM. 4 Winds Rest
Chama. (575) 756-2554. Wed, 11:45 AM. High Country Restaurant
Clayton. (575) 207-7417. Mon, 12:10 PM. Eklund Dinning Room
Clovis. (575) 760-2995. Thurs, 12:00 PM. Clovis Civic Center-Esperanza Room
Clovis High Plains. (575) 693 8533. Tues, 12:00 PM. Leal's Restaurant, 2115 North Prince
Deming. (505) 543-5723. Thurs, 12:00 PM. Rio Holiday Inn at Exit 85
Elephant Butte. (575) 740-4582. Thurs., 12:00 PM. Hodge's Corner Restaurant - 915 Hwy 195
Espanola. (505) 929-4213. Tues, 12:00 PM. Fairview Café
Estancia. (505) 705-3831. Mon, 12:00 PM. Estancia School's Admin. Offices
Eunice. (575) 441-4357. Wed, 12:00 PM. Bakery & More
Farmington. (505) 320-7795 . Thurs, 12:05 PM. San Juan Country Club
Farmington-San Juan. (505) 320-2605. Tues, 12:00 PM. Best Western inn
Farmington - Tres Rio. (505) 486-1344 . Thurs, 7:00 a.m. Best Western Inn 700 Scott Ave
Fort Sumner. (575) 799-7752. Wed, 12:00 PM. Fraternal Order of Eagles . 802 Sharp St
Gallup. (505) 979-1447. Wed, 12:00 PM Sammy C's Rockn' Sports Pub & Grill & Coffee Bar
Grants-Milan. (505) 287-5032 . Tues, 12:00 PM. La Ventana
Hobbs. (585) 393-0374. Thurs, 12:00 PM. Hobbs Country Club
Las Cruces. (575) 650-5412 . Wed, 11:45 PM. Mesilla Valley Best Western
Las Cruces -Mesilla Valley. (505) 644-2168. Thurs, 6:45 AM Mesilla Valley Best Western
Las Cruces -Rio Grande. (575) 496-7272 . Tues, 12:00 PM. Mesilla Valley Best Western
Las Vegas. (505) 617-2165. Tues, 12 :00 PM. Hillcrest Restaurant
Los Alamos. (505) 662-5915. Thurs, 12:00 PM . UNM-LA Conference Rm
Los Lunas. (505) 866-9404. Tues, 12:00 PM. Ribs Restaurant
Lovington. (575) 369-7116. Wed, 12:00 PM. T. Harris Center
Melrose. (575) 253-4774 . Tues, 19:00 PM. Melrose High School Board Room
Moriarty. (505) 469-6682 . Mon, 18:00 PM. El Comedor Cafe
Mountainair. (505) 705-5139. Thurs, 12:00 PM. Ancient Cities Café
Portales. (575) 760-4310. Wed, 12:05 PM. ENMU Union Bldg. Pecos Room
Raton. (575) 445-1400. Monday, 12:00 PM. K-Bob's
Rio Rancho. (505) 379-6603. Tues, 12:00 PM Chamisa Hills Country Club
Rio Rancho Sunrise. (505) 899-2991. Wednesday, 7:00AM. Chamisa Hills Country Club
Roswell. (575) 626-5355 . Thurs, 12:00 PM Sally Port Inn
Roswell-Pecos Valley. (575) 914-0210. Wed, 12:00 PM Kwan Den Restaurant W. 2nd St
Roswell Sunrise. (575) 910-0110. Tues, 07:00 AM Best Western Sally Port Inn
Ruidoso. (575) 937-7629 . Tues, 12:00 PM. Cree Meadows Country Club
Santa Fe. (505) 690-3067. Thurs, 12:00 PM Hotel Radisson, The Lodge
Santa Fe Centro. (505) 660-1586. Tues, 7:00 AM. Hotel Plaza Real , 125 Washington
Santa Fe del Sur. (505) 795-6651. Wed, 11:45 AM Santa Fe Country Club
Santa Rosa. (575) 472-5666. Tues, 12:00 PM Joseph's Restaurant
Silver City. (575) 538-4936. Tues., 12:15 PM Silver City Womens Club on Silver Heights Blvd
Socorro. (575) 418-9277. Wed, 12:00 PM Good Samaritan Village, 1203 Hwy 60 West
Taos Milagro. (575) 770-7865. Wed, 07:30 AM. Quality Inn
Texico-Farwell . (806) 946-8968 . Wed, 12:00 PM. Spur Restaurant
Truth or Consequences:. (575) 496-7155. Tues, 12:10 PM. Family Life Center, 800 E. 3rd St
Tucumcari. (575) 403-1444 Thurs, 12:05 PM .Pow Wow Inn on Old Route 6
Tularosa:. (575) 430-7783 . Tues, 12:00 PM. Casa De Suenos, 32 St Francis Dr.

WEST TEXAS CLUBS

Alpine. (432) 364-2750 . Thurs, 11:45 AM. Big Bend Regional Medical Center, 2600 Hwy 118 North
El Paso. (915) 373-2615. Thurs, 12:00 PM. 1st Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall
El Paso East. (915) 525-5768. Mon, 12:00 PM. Westgate Inn at Gateway West and Geronimo
El Paso Franklin Mountains. (915) 490-3060. Thurs, 18:00 PM. Furs Cafeteria
El Paso Northeast. (915) 755-5168. Fri, 12:00 PM. Furr's Cafeteria
El Paso Sunrise. (915) 240-5299. Wed, 07:00 AM. Holiday Inn Sunland Park
El Paso Vista Hills. (915) 549-3482. Wed, 12:00 PM. Vista Hills Country Club
El Paso West. (915) 526-4100. Mon, 12:00 PM. Holiday Inn Sunland Park
Fort Stockton. (432) 290-2200 . Thurs, 12:00 PM. Swiss Clock Inn
Marfa. (210) 912-0711. Wed, 5:00 PM. Adobe Moon BBQ 200 S. Abbott
Van Horn. (432) 284-9661. Mon, 12:00 PM. Chuy's Restaurant

DISTRICT 5520 VIRTUAL COMMUNITY

Alamogordo: (www.rotaryclubofalamogordo.org)
Alamogordo-White Sands: (www.whitesandsrotary.org)
Albuquerque: (www.rotaryabq.org)
Albuquerque Del Norte:(www.rotarydelnorte.org)
Albuquerque Del Sol: (www.rotarydelsol.org)
Albuquerque Rio Grande: (www.rotaryriogrande.org)
Anthony: (www.rotaryclubofanthony.org)
Las Cruces - Mesilla Valley: (www.lcmvrotaryusa.org)
Las Cruces - Rio Grande: (www.riograndero tary.org)
Las Vegas (www.rotary5520.org/lasvegas)
Los Alamos (www.losalamos.org/rotary)
Portales (http://portalesrotary.yucca.net/)
Rio Rancho (www.rioranchorotary.org)
Roswell (www.roswellrotary.net)
Santa Fe (www.santaferotary.org)
Santa Fe Centro (www.rotary5520.org/santafe)
West El Paso (www.rotarywestelpaso.org)

December stone: Tanzanite crystal

DG TOM PHOTO ALBUM

NOVEMBER 2008

El Paso Sunrise

Belen

Postcard from DG Tom's cousins in the North Pole:

HAPPY HOLIDAYS 5520!

Silver City

West El Paso

El Paso Vista Hill

*On **DG Tom website photo album** this month: Albuquerque, Anthony, Belen, Carrizozo, El Paso East, El Paso North-East, El Paso Sunrise, El Paso Vista Hill, Las Cruces Rio Grande, Mountainair, Rio Rancho, Silver City, West El Paso.*

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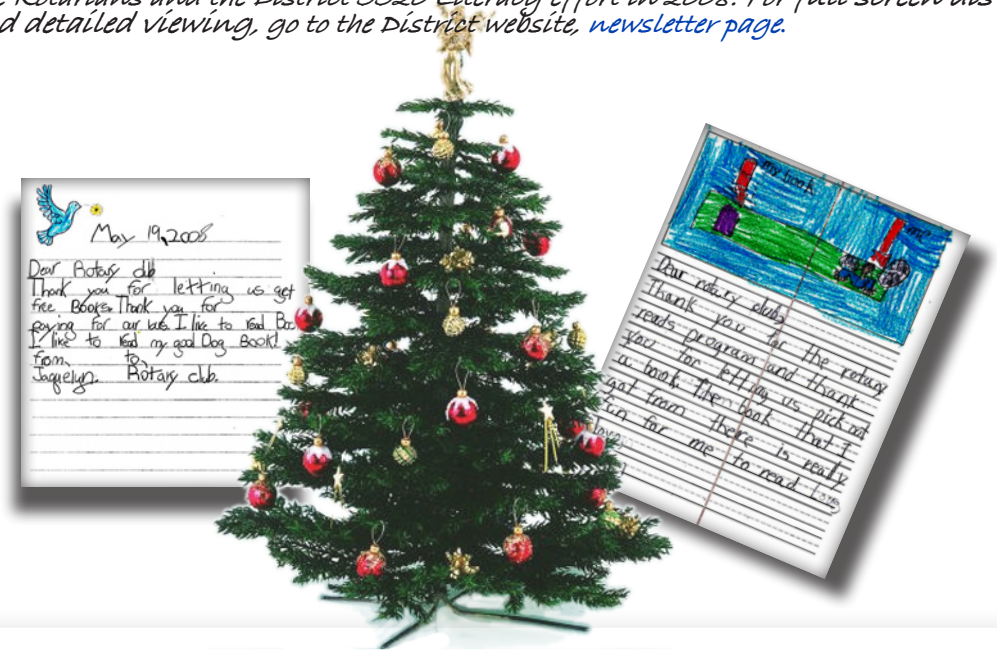

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