



## ROTARY CLUB OF WEST EL PASO

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### Newsletter - Week of October 31, 2011

**This Week:** On Monday *October 31* (Halloween) our speaker is Chris Medina who will be talking about paranormal activity throughout El Paso. He is part of a group that records and tracks paranormal activity at certain spots in town that are haunted.

- *November 7* - the speaker will be Sophia Larkin of Community Scholars.

- *November 14* - the speaker will be Dione Harvin of El Paso Public Libraries.

### November Birthdays & Club Anniversaries

Birthdays : November 5 - Joanne Latimer

November 7 - Carina Munoz

November 12 - Nicholas Chapa

November 24 - Bob Peterson

Anniversaries: Mike Schmid - 16 Years

LuAnn Wieland - 13 Years

Gail Gale - 4 Years

Valerie Maros - 1 Year

### Looking Forward to This

1. World Interact Week - November 1-7 "During World Interact Week, Interactors and Rotary club members worldwide commemorate the charter of the first Interact club in 1962. To mark this occasion, Interact clubs are encouraged to participate in joint projects with their sponsor clubs."
2. Youth Exchange Interviews for Outbound Students will be taking place this week - Contact Lorraine for more details.
3. Carey & Donna Beamesderfer - Rotary Club mission trip to El Salvador - November 7-21.
4. Veterans Day is Friday, November 11 - The Veterans Day National Ceremony is held each year on November 11th at Arlington National Cemetery . The ceremony commences precisely at 11:00 a.m. with a wreath laying at the Tomb of the Unknowns and continues inside the Memorial Amphitheater with a parade of colors by veterans' organizations and remarks from dignitaries. The ceremony is intended to honor and thank all who served in the United States Armed Forces. We all need to thank our veterans for their sacrifice. Our 1st President - George Washington once said: "The willingness with which our young people are likely to serve in any war, no matter how justified, shall be directly proportional as to how they perceive the veterans of earlier wars were treated and appreciated by their Nation."
5. Rotary Foundation E-Training - Saturday - November 12 - 9:00am - 11:30am (Stay tuned for more details)
6. Rotary Clubs of El Paso's 2nd Annual Celebrating Families Western Picnic at the Horseshoe Farm and Ranch at 9650 Farrell - on Saturday, November 19, 2011 - 11 am to 2 pm. - Come dressed in your favorite Cowboy or Cowgirl outfit! There will be pony rides, farm animals, best-dressed Cowboy and Cowgirl contests, music, food and lots of fun!
7. Thanksgiving - Thursday, November 24 - We all have a lot to be thankful for!
8. Holiday (Christmas) Party - Wednesday - December 14th - Details to follow at a later date.

**What Else is Going On?** District Governor Bobby Wallace visited our club last week. He attended our Board meeting then gave an inspiring, passionate speech to our club members at the regular meeting. He challenged us to grow the membership; meet the Foundation goals and participate in both the Rotary Club Blood Drive and the District Governors weight loss program.



**Rotary Minute:** Learn more about the District Governors' Challenge Blood Drive at: <http://rotary5520.org/2011-2012/Governors%27%20Challenge%20Blood%20Drives.pdf> and the "Lose a Ton" Weight Loss Challenge at: <http://rotary5520.org/govchallenge/govchallenge.html>



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