



## ROTARY CLUB OF WEST EL PASO

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### Newsletter - Week of December 5, 2011

**This Week:** On Monday - *December 5* - Sofia Fernandez (Outbound Youth Exchange Student) will review her thoughts about Denmark

- *December 12* - General Bill Riley will give a presentation to celebrate Pearl Harbor Day
- *December 14* - Christmas Party - 5:30pm (Magic Pan Restaurant - 5034 Doniphan Dr.)
- *December 19* - Beate Burdett & Candlelighters - Our annual holiday gift basket meeting.
- *December 26* - No meeting - Christmas Holiday
- *January 2* - No meeting - New Years Holiday

### December Birthdays & Anniversaries:

#### Birthdays:

- December 7 - Kristi Albers
- December 8 - Beate Burdett
- December 8 - Joseph Caruso
- December 11 - Teresa Cavaretta
- December 21 - Duane Coleman

#### Anniversaries:

- John Walker 29 Years
- Burt Blacksher - 25 Years

### Introducing Sawyer Sikes - Our Newest Member

I was born in Rolla, Missouri the son of Craig and Debbie Sikes. After my family was briefly stationed in Stuttgart, Germany for a year we were then assigned to Fort Bliss here in El Paso and decided that the Sun City was a good place to call home. I attended Eastwood High School and after graduation went on to pursue my degree in Finance at Texas A&M University. While working on my degree I joined a men's organization, One Army, which devoted its time to service initiatives both on the campus and in the community of College Station and Bryan, Texas. It was in this time that I developed a passion for serving others in my community. After graduation in 2009, I returned to El Paso where I met my now wife, Jessica who is finishing her Bachelors in Nursing at UTEP. We are both very active in our Worship team at Del Sol Church. I am an Escrow Officer at Lone Star Title and very excited to begin my efforts with the Rotary Club of West El Paso.



David Veloz / Sawyer Sikes / Doug Borrett

**Rotary Minute:** Through Interact, Rotoract, RYLA, and Rotary Youth Exchange, our club helps the next generation learn leadership skills, develop a global perspective, and serve the needs of our local community. These four *New Generations* programs are designed to fit together seamlessly. That gives emerging young leaders who complete a Rotary Youth Exchange, return from RYLA camp, or outgrow their Interact or Rotoract club the chance to develop through other programs. By connecting them with these new opportunities, we help them stay connected to Rotary's global network of friendship, engagement, and service.



Rotary Club



Rotoract



Interact



Friendship Exchange  
"SERVICE ABOVE SELF"



RYLA



Youth Exchange