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Newsletter - Week of January 16, 2012

Thought: (If your dreams don't scare you, perhaps they're not big enough.)

This Week: On Monday – *January 16* – Men's Health Issues - Marcello Perez, Community Health Educator and Laura Herrera, Family Nurse Practitioner at University Medical Center.

- *January 23* – “Get to know your City” – Sean McGlynn, City of El Paso, Director of Museums and Cultural Affairs

- *January 30* – “Get to know your City” – Joyce Wilson, City of El Paso, City Manager

- *February 6* - "Get to know your City" - Mayra De La Canal - City of El Paso - Dept. of Economic Development

Board Members - Please plan on attending the GEAR meeting scheduled for Saturday, January 21 from 9:00 a.m. – noon at United Blood Services (424 S. Mesa Hills). As you know, this is an opportunity for you to introduce yourselves to our new Rotary Members. You will also have the opportunity to explain your role and responsibilities as an Officer or Director. A light breakfast will be provided. Plan on speaking for 10-15 minutes.

Polio Eradication Efforts: (News courtesy of the RI Weekly Update)

Rotary club members worldwide are cautiously celebrating a major milestone in the global effort to eradicate polio. India, until recently an epicenter of the wild poliovirus, has gone one year without recording a new case of the crippling, sometimes fatal, disease.



Rotarians and state government leaders in Jaipur, Rajasthan, India, vaccinate children against polio during a National Immunization Day in 2011. (Photo courtesy of the India PolioPlus Committee) India’s last reported case was a two-year-old girl in West Bengal State on 13 January 2011. The country recorded 42 cases in 2010, and 741 in 2009. A chief factor in India’s success has been the widespread use of the bivalent oral polio vaccine, which is effective against both remaining types of the poliovirus. Another has been rigorous monitoring, which has helped reduce the number of children missed by health workers during National Immunization Days to less than 1 percent, according to the World Health Organization (WHO).



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Rotary Fellowships (continued): This week's Fellowships are:

IFMR-NA - International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians - <http://www.ifmr.org/>



The International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians (IFMR) is a world-wide fellowship of Rotary Club members who enjoy and share the sport of motorcycling, travel and community service across boundaries and borders. Just one of the many fellowship groups created by and for Rotarians around the world. It was founded in 1992 by Rotarians in Australia, Canada, Sweden and the United States and now has members and chapters worldwide (Australia; Austria, German, Switzerland; Belgium; Central America; France; Great Britain, Ireland; India; Italy; Netherlands; New Zealand; North America; Norden; Slovenia; South Africa; South America; Turkey). The fellowship is open to all Rotarians with an interest in motorcycles, riding on/off-road, racing, collecting, restoring, motor scooters or otherwise.

The Motorcycling Fellowship is focused on having fun and fellowship, on meeting other Rotarians from around the world and on motorcycle safety. We fully support all of the tenets of Rotary, especially fellowship and tend to fulfill our community service through our local Rotary Clubs. Rides are planned by Rotarians and may be local, regional or international in scope. The Fellowship's events are open to all Rotarians, their families and guests and all makes and models ridden by Rotarians are welcome. Dues are \$20/year.

ITFR - International Tennis Fellowship of Rotarians - <http://www.itfr.org> - Membership is FREE.



Objectives

- To develop and promote worldwide friendship for Rotarians with a common interest in tennis
- To bring together Rotarians from around the world for tournaments and fellowship
- To serve the community and humanity, through tennis
- To promote international understanding and peace

Main activities

- To ensure the organization of the annual World Tennis Championship of Rotarians
- To organize regional matches and help tennis playing Rotarians to tour each others countries and share hospitality and recreation while also seeing the local sites and experiencing the different cultures
- To arrange social events and visits for Rotarians who can no longer play the game, but who still have a passion for tennis
- o create an email list where members can discuss tennis and promote general fellowship

ICUFR - The International Computer Users Fellowship of Rotarians - <http://www.icufr.org>

The International Computer Users Fellowship of Rotarians is a group of Rotarians dedicated to promoting Computers as an opportunity for fellowship and service. This fellowship has everything you want to know about computers and computer technology. Membership is FREE.



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Rotary Action Groups (continued):

Rotarian Action Group for Microcredit - <http://ragm.rotaryglobal.net/p/home.asp>



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The Rotarian Action Group for Microcredit is a group of Rotarians whose purpose is to provide global leadership to assist clubs and districts to participate in effective Microcredit programs. Their mission is to broaden and deepen Rotarians' understanding of microcredit and enable them to participate in effective microcredit programs. Annual dues are \$25.

GSE Team Opportunities: District Governor Elect Mark Glenn and District 3030 (India) Governor Sanjay Meshram have agreed to conduct the 2012-2013 exchange between our respective districts. Dates of the exchange:

- Outbound team to District 3030 in India will visit approximately November 23 - December 23, 2012.
- Outbound team leader applications due to District Chair - Yale Jones, by email or postmarked by April 28, 2012.
- Outbound team leader interviews will be held in Albuquerque on Sunday, May 20, 2012 at 9 AM, immediately following the end of the District Conference.
- Outbound team member applications to be emailed to Yale Jones or postmarked by May 21, 2012.
- Outbound team member interviews will be held in Las Cruces on Friday evening, June 8 and Saturday morning, June 9, 2012.

The dates of the inbound team from India's visit are mid April to mid May 2013. **Is our club interested in hosting?**

District 3030 lies in the state of Maharashtra in India and extends from Nasik at the western extremity to Bhandara in east, nearly 700 KM across. Major towns include Nasik, Jalgaon, Akola, Amravati, Yavatmal, Chandrapur and Nagpur. Nasik is situated at a distance of 180 KM to the northeast of the metropolitan city of Mumbai (Bombay). The district has a wide variety of tourist attractions including hill stations, forts, wild life sanctuaries, cave temples, carvings and historical monuments including world heritage sites like Ajanta and Ellora caves. The district is well developed industrially as well as agriculturally and has many sugar factories, cotton mills, orange orchards and wine yards. Currently District 3030 has 81 clubs and nearly 3200 Rotarians. Its 2010-2011 exchange was with District 5030 (Seattle, Washington) and they received rave reviews as hosts. See the Seattle team's excellent photos and blog at <http://seattlegse2010.blogspot.com/>.

Our District is interested in recruiting a team leader and team member candidates. The team leader must be a Rotarian in our District. Team members are young professionals who are not Rotarians and who are U.S. citizens between ages 25 and 40 at the time when the application is submitted to participate in our outbound team. For team leader and team member applications, go to: <http://www.rotary.org/en/ServiceAndFellowship/Fellowship/GroupStudyExchange/Pages/ridefault.aspx>. Mail the signed application forms to Yale Jones, P.O.Box 1084, Ranchos de Taos, NM 87557 or by email to yijonessf@gmail.com. Team leader applications must be postmarked or emailed by April 28, 2012. Team Member applications must be postmarked or emailed by April 20, 2012. The District 5520 GSE Committee will interview team leader candidates in Albuquerque on Sunday morning, May 20, 2012. Team member candidates will be interviewed in Las Cruces, on Friday (early evening), June 8 and Saturday morning, June 9, 2012. If our club is interested in hosting the inbound team from District 9350, we need to contact Yale Jones at (yijonessf@gmail.com). The District 5520 GSE Committee will begin working out an itinerary for our guests by late summer.



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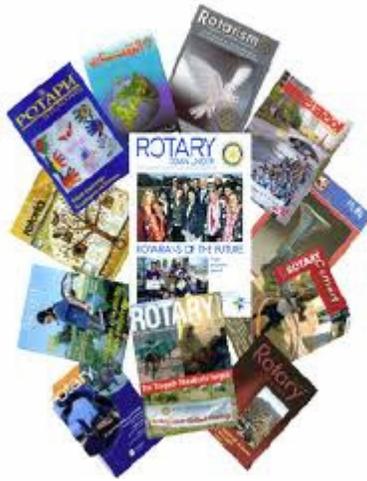
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Rotary Minute: **Do you read "The Rotarian" magazine?**

"The Rotarian" has been around since 1911 as the medium to communicate with Rotarians and to advance the program and Object of Rotary. A primary goal of the magazine is to support the annual theme and philosophy of the RI president and to disseminate information about new and special programs, major meetings and the emphasis of the several official "months" of Rotary. **The Rotarian** provides a forum in which both Rotary-related and general interest topics may be explored. The magazine serves as an excellent source of information and ideas for programs at Rotary club meetings and district conferences. Many articles promote international fellowship, goodwill and understanding. Regular readers usually have superior knowledge of the activities of Rotary and how each Rotarian may be more fully involved in the Avenues of Service around the world. In addition to **The Rotarian** there are numerous regional magazines printed in many different languages. Although each regional publication has its own unique style and content, they all provide Rotarians with up-to-date information and good reading all through the year.



Local Clubs & their Meeting Times:

[El Paso "Downtown Rotary Club"](#) - Meetings Thursday at Noon at The El Paso Community Foundation -333 North Oregon Street -1st Floor

[The Sunrise Rotary Club of El Paso](#) - Meetings Wednesday at 7:00am Holiday Inn Sunland Park

[Rotary Club of El Paso Franklin Mountains](#) - Meetings Thursday at 6:00pm El Paso Comm College - Transmountain

[Rotary Club of East El Paso](#) - Meetings Tuesday at Noon at Jaxons on Airway Blvd

[Northeast El Paso Rotary Club](#) - Meetings on Friday at Noon at Golden Corral on Transmountain Road

[Rotary Club of El Paso - Vista Hills](#) - Meetings on Wednesday at Noon at Vista Hills Country Club

[Camino Real Club](#) - Meetings Wednesday at 6:30pm at Camino Real Hotel



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