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Newsletter - Week of February 13, 2012

Thought: (Joining Rotary and being a member of our Club is a WIN - WIN!)

This Week: On Monday - *February 13* - Greg Allen - Chief of Police for the City of El Paso

(Note: We will also honor a local police officer for outstanding service to the community. See details below.)

- February 20 El Paso Dept of Tourism
- February 27 Advocacy Center of El Paso starring Happy Bear http://www.advocacycenterep.org/

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RCWEP to Honor Officer Miguel Acuna for Outstanding Service to the Community

"Officer Acuna has provided outstanding service for this community throughout the year with his hard work, dedication and caring for the public. He has made a huge impact on the safety and well being of the citizens of El Paso. Officer Acuna has also been nominated for Officer of the Year for the El Paso Police Department."

Quote from: Sgt. Esparza #2371 (WSRC Evening Shift)

Youth Exchange Student Rally in Santa Fe (February 4)





District 5520 Youth Exchange Students at the Santa Fe Capitol Bldg Can you find Alexander Domino in this photo? :>)

Register for "The Future of Grant Making" webinar

Learn more about improvements in the Foundation's grant model by participating in a free one-hour webinar on February 20. You'll receive an overview of why the Foundation is changing and how the new grants will work, as well as answers to questions from the field. Sign up now by clicking on the times below. Times are listed for the Chicago area:

10:00 CST - which is 9:00am El Paso time

18:00 CST - which is 5:00pm El Paso time

Fundraising Opportunity - Rafael Padilla, Joanne Latimer and Carey Beamesderfer will review Plans for the upcoming Yard/Garage Sales at this Monday's Club meeting. Stay tuned!!













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

ROAR - The International Fellowship for Rotarians of Amateur Radio - http://www.ifroar.org/



The ROAR fellowship provides a forum for the exchange of views among Rotarians who share an interest in amateur radio, either as licensed radio amateurs or as shortwave listeners. They wish to promote international understanding and fellowship.

Membership: To become a member of ROAR, you must be an active Rotarian, a Rotaractor, a former Rotarian, a licensed amateur operator, or a person with a genuine interest in shortwave radio whose spouse is a member of ROAR. Membership is \$20/Yr.



ELLOWSHIP CYCLING TO SERVE

http://www.cycling2serve.org

The International Fellowship "Cycling to Serve" is a group of Rotarians dedicated to promoting cycling as an opportunity for fellowship. The objectives of this Fellowship are to develop and promote world-wide friendship through cycling both competitive and touristic; to serve the community locally, nationally and internationally through cycling activities; to promote international understanding and peace through cycling activities. Main activities are the organization of the annual Fellowship Cycling to Serve World Championships, the organization of a 4-days touristic cycling event and the organization of local cycling events. Membership is \$30/Yr.



Doll Lovers Fellowship

BRINGING WORLD CLOSER

http://www.rotarydlf.org/new/index.htm

The Doll Lovers Fellowship (DLF) consists of Rotarians, their spouses or family members and Rotaractors who share a common interest in dolls as a symbol of international culture and friendship who are willing to pledge to correspond and cooperate with the aims and objectives of the group as a whole. All Rotarians and their partners who have a passion for bringing the world together by exchange of culture, traditions and ethnicity can become members of DLF. Rotarians who are interested in learning about different regions, cultures & traditions are also welcome to join. Membership implies a desire to send a doll to Rotary Dolls Museum which is symbolic to your region or country and a desire to participate in the "Bring a Smile" movement by donating 50 toys (of any kind) for underprivileged children. Either a Rotary Club or an individual Rotarian may join.

Visit the Rotary Doll Museum on line at: http://rotary3060dolls.org It is physically located in the city of Rajkot, State of Gujarat, India. The museum gives an overview to the culture and traditions of the world at large through a medium of dolls. They have brought the whole world under one roof, with more than 1600 ethnic and traditional dolls from over 102 countries across the globe. Each doll is showcased in a window display replicating its place of origin.













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Rotary Action Groups (continued)

Rotary Action Group for Blindness Prevention - www.rag4bp.org



Their mission is to bring together, in fellowship and service, those Rotarians who have an active interest in the prevention of blindness and the promotion of eye health and vision worldwide. Also, to provide both a platform and a forum to discuss ideas and develop appropriate cooperative programs to further their shared goals, and to promote international understanding and peace through a common purpose and efforts. This Action Group is an outgrowth of the former Avoidable Blindness Task Force, the Fellowship of Eye Care Professionals, and the Eye Care Fellowship of Rotarians. All Rotarians interested in preventing blindness and improving eye health are invited to become members of this official Rotary Action Group.

Blindness Prevention Project Ideas

To assist in planning eye care or avoidable blindness projects, their website presents the following ideas:

- Organize an eye camp or eye clinic where economically disadvantaged people can come for free eye care.
- Provide financial support to an eye camp, eye hospital or cataract surgery project either in your local community or overseas.
- Undertake a campaign to collect used eyeglasses and donate them to an organization that will distribute them
 to those in need.
- Undertake an eye donation pledge campaign in your community.
- Sponsor a seminar in your community on preventable blindness.
- Support a project that alleviates Vitamin A deficiency in children a leading cause of blindness.
- Organize a vision-screen campaign in your community or at a local school.
- Train ophthalmic nurses to perform lid surgery for trachoma and provide basic treatment and other minor operations.

- Train ophthalmic nurses to detect glaucoma and refer individuals to ophthalmologists for care.
- Focus on River blindness prevention by use of Mectizan tablets.

Rotary Minute

Rotary International's public relations philosophy states that "good publicity, favorable public relations and a positive image are desirable and essential goals for Rotary" if it is to foster understanding, appreciation and support for its Object and programs and to broaden Rotary's service to humanity. Active public relations is vital to the success of Rotary. A service project (like our July 4th - Independence Day Parade) is considered one of the finest public relations messages of Rotary. It is essential that our Rotary club make every effort to inform the public about all of our service projects and as our Rotary Club considers effective public relations, it is important to remember that when Rotarians think of Rotary, we think of our noble goals and motives. But when the world thinks of Rotary, it can only think of our actions and the service we have performed.

Don't forget to visit our Club's Photo Blog at: http://cdbdmb.blogspot.com/













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What About Make-Up Meetings - How Do I Do It? (Courtesy of our Club Secretary - Francis Reyes)

- 1. Online (meal credit, donation to website required) Go to http://www.rotaryeclubone.org/ and follow instructions, Please complete the secretary information (include her email: francis.reyesa@gmail.com) so she can receive a record of the make up, or bring a copy to our next club meeting. Online make ups can be done two weeks prior or after the day of absence.
- 2. Attending any Rotary Club of West El Paso activity and/or service project (no meal credit) By participating at any club activity or community service project, she can give you credit so you can keep your perfect attendance, but you won't be credited for your meal.
- 3. Attending a meeting at any other Rotary Club Rotary is a worldwide organization, so no matter where you are, you might find a Rotary Club close to you! If you can't make it to our club's meeting, visit another club in El Paso. (See list below.) If you are out of town, visit the Club Locator section at the Rotary International website. http://www.rotary.org/en/AboutUs/SiteTools/ClubLocator/Pages/ridefault.aspx or get the smartphone application. Remember to ask the secretary of the club that you visit for an attendance make-up slip and give it to Francis at our next club meeting.

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 ay 6:30pm at Camino Real Hotel

Pictures from our Past:



UTEP Rotaract Club Visits RCWEP Club Meeting - March 2008 Special Thanks to Gail Gale for inviting them.









