

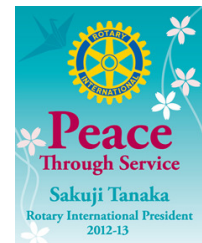


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Happy are those who dream dreams and are ready to pay the price to make them come true. Leon J. Suenes

MONDAY – OCTOBER 22 - Speaker - *Ashley- Engles-Ross from Operation Home Front*

Ashley is from Pittsburgh, Pa where she attended the University of Pittsburgh and received a BA in Social Work before joining the Army to serve as a Combat Medic and Psychiatric Technician. Her first duty station was here at Fort Bliss, which is where she met and married her husband, Command Sergeant Major James Ross. While her husband deployed, the first time, she attended the University of Texas at El Paso where she earned a Masters in Public Administration. Jim and Ashley have been married for 14 years and in that time she has had the privilege of serving our military families in a variety of ways, most recently as the Community Liaison for Operation Homefront here at Fort Bliss.

Operation Homefront is a national not for profit, 501(c) 3, organization that provides emergency and other assistance to all of our Wounded Warriors and their families, as well as our mid-grade and junior enlisted military families. We have 23 offices around the country serving 41 states, and our national office in San Antonio, TX manages cases in states that do not have a field office. We have been given a 4 star rating, the highest a charitable organization can receive for 6 years from Charity Navigator, the nation’s top independent evaluator of nonprofit organizations. Nationally, \$.94 of every dollar donated to Operation Homefront goes to programs.

We aspire to become the provider of choice for emergency financial and other assistance to the families of our service members and Wounded Warriors. It is my goal to develop widespread public support and build a collaborative team of exceptional volunteers both in the community and amongst our service members that are committed to making this goal a reality.

We are currently registering families and sponsors for our Adopt-a-Family program. This program allows families, individuals and organizations to help a military family with holiday expenses by purchasing a holiday meal and a toy for each child in the family. We have also just kicked off our holiday toy drive, which supports our Operation Jolly Holly. Operation Jolly Holly will provide 1200 children on Fort Bliss with toys for the holidays. Mazda West and Mazda East have offered to be collection points for anyone interested in donating toys. In addition the German Club on Fort Bliss, as well as the United States Sergeants Major Academy will be holding toy drives in support of [Operation Jolly Holly!](#)

District Governor - Mark Glenn gets his “boots”

Every year several of the Rotary Clubs in El Paso collect funds to buy the District Governor a pair of cowboy boots as a gift for his hard work and dedication to Rotary in the El Paso area. The boots are handmade. Each club contributes an amount of money from their budget to pay for this gift. The bulk of the funds come from the Rotary Club of El Paso (downtown club). Our club (Rotary Club of West El Paso) contributed toward this gift. The boots were presented to Mark on Thursday at the weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of El Paso, along with clown shoes as a gag gift.



“Downtown Club President – Debbie Falknor presents clown shoes and boots to DG Mark Glenn”



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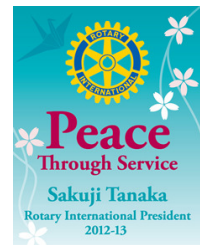


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President's Message (What Lies Beyond the Rotary Wheel?)

As I've said many times before – "I am awed by the grandeur and scope of Rotary." In addition to community, nationwide, and international service activities, Rotary has numerous fellowships that cover both vocational and recreational association. These fellowships are not agencies of, or controlled by Rotary International, however they are groups of Rotarians who share a common interest. These interests are varied and far-reaching in scope. Check-out the list below and visit their websites to learn more, or to join one.

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| Amateur Radio | www.ifroar.org | Plate Collecting | mcrotts@crottsandsaunders.com |
| Antique Automobiles | www.achafr.eu | Literacy Providers | www.literacyproviders.org |
| Authors and Writers | www.authorsandwritersRIF.org | Magicians | rotarianmagician.org |
| Bird Watching | www.ifbr.org | Magna Graecia | www.fellowshipmagnagraecia.org |
| Bridge | www.ifbpr.org | Marathon Running | www.rotarianrun.org |
| Canoeing | sites.google.com/site/canoeingrotarians | Motorcycling | www.ifmr.org |
| Caravanning | www.rotarianscaravanning.org.uk | Music | www.ifrm.org |
| Carnival, Parades & Festivals | www.ifcpf.org | Old and Rare Books | www.rotaryoldbooks.org |
| Chess | www3.sympatico.ca/brian.clark | Photographers | www.photofellowship.org |
| Computer Users | www.icufr.org | Police and Law Enforcement | www.polepfr.org |
| Convention Goers | www.conventiongoers.org | Pre-Columbian Civilizations | jaime.jimenez.castro@gmail.com |
| Cricket | www.rotarycricket.org | Quilters and Fiber Artists | www.rotariansquilt.org |
| Curling | www.curlingrotarians.com | Railroads | www.ifrr.info |
| Cycling | www.cycling2serve.org | Recreational Vehicles | www.rvfweb.org |
| Doctors | www.rotariandoctors.org | Rotary Global History | www.rotaryhistoryfellowship.org |
| Doll Lovers | www.rotarydlf.org | Rotary Heritage and History | www.rotaryhistoryfellowship.org/fellowship |
| Editors and Publishers | www.ifrep.org | Rotary on Stamps | www.rotaryonstamps.org |
| Environment | www.envirorotarians.org | Scouting | www.ifsr-net.org |
| Esperanto | www.radesperanto.org | Scuba Diving | www.ifrsd.org |
| Fine Arts and Antiques | espanol.groups.yahoo.com/group/ | Shooting Sports | www.rotaryclayshoot.com |
| Fishing | www.fishrotary.org | Singles | www.rsinternational.org |
| Flying | www.iffr.org | Skiing | www.isfrski.org |
| Go | www.gpfr.jp | Social Networks | www.rosnf.net |
| Golf | www.igfr-international.com | Tennis | www.itfr.org |
| Gourmets | www.rotariangourmet.com | Total Quality Management | www.rotarytqm.it |
| Home Exchange | www.rotarianhomeexchange.com | Travel Agents | www.rotarytravelfellowship.org |
| Horseback Riding | franz.gillieron@highspeed.ch | Travel and Hosting | www.ithf.org |
| Internet | www.roti.org | Wellness and Fitness | kappenberger@gmail.com |
| Italian Culture | www.icwrf.org | Wine | www.rotarywine.net |
| Jazz | www.rotaryjazz.com | Yachting | www.iyfr.net |
| Latin Culture | www.rotarioslatinos.org | | |
| Lawyers | rotarianlawyersfellowship.org | | |

I belong to several of these groups and they serve to heighten both my passion and commitment to Rotary. One of these is the RVF (Recreational Vehicle Fellowship - www.rvfweb.org) which is a group of Rotarians who have a love for camping and rallies in various scenic locations in North America. In early October I went RVing with the group to Gold Point, NV and had a fantastic 4 days with them four-wheeling in the desert, exploring old mining camps, and "living it up" in the glory days of the old wild west; complete with a saloon and gallows; and I even got to visit a castle being built by an enterprising entrepreneur - Randy Johnson - on top of an abandon gold mine which is 9 miles from the nearest paved road. Check-out my recent adventure at:

<http://cdbtravel.blogspot.com/2012/10/gold-point-nevada.html>



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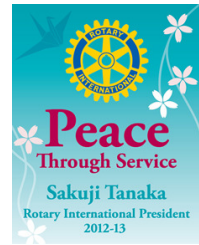
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The Camino Real Rotary Club of El Paso is sponsoring Archery Classes. Join them:



Archery Classes

Learn how to shoot with experts .

Archers of El Paso and Camino Real Rotary Club benefiting the Project



When : Sundays starting on October 28th , select one hour from 9 am to 1 pm

Where : Archers of El Paso Range located at Martin Luther King at Stan Roberts

Bows and arrows will be available.

Age limit : from 7 years old.

Parents need to be present with kids under 16yrs old

Cost : 20 dlls per person

For more info call **RICARDO URIAS** at **(915) 487-8199** or email at r.uri2000@yahoo.com.mx

For registrations , specify name, phone number, age , right or left handed.



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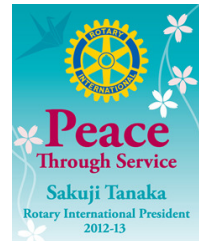
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“IMAGINE PEACE AT HOME” – The Rotary Club of West El Paso is partnering with the “downtown” Rotary Club of El Paso in a “Peace Forum,” which will also be supported by District Governor Mark Glenn. **The event is planned for March 8-9, 2013.** All of us, and several other Rotary Clubs in El Paso, are joining forces with the YWCA who puts on an “IMAGINE PEACE” event every year. We Rotarians will help bring awareness to their event and the YWCA will help bring awareness to Rotary’s. Rotarians will focus on breaking domestic violence. President-Elect – Joanne Latimer will be our club’s representative on the “downtown” club’s committee. She will keep us informed of plans as they are developed. Current thinking is that the El Paso Rotary Clubs will reach out to Child Protective Services, Ft. Bliss, Child Guidance Center, Shelter Against Family Violence, the El Paso Court System and others to help identify gaps in training and then develop break-out “tracks.” The primary focus will be to filling unmet needs in the community – not duplicate existing services. There is much to be done and your help will be needed. We will keep you updated as things progress.

SAVE-THE-DATE – Christmas Party – Friday – December 7, 2012 – Gerri Wootten’s Home

YARD SALE - April 2013 – Let’s get started. Yard Sale Chairmen - Rafael Padilla is looking for your donations. Contact him for more details. rpadilla@padillahomes.com - Cell Phone: (915) 588-7070

Thank You from “The First Tee of Greater El Paso” for an Outstanding Golf Tournament



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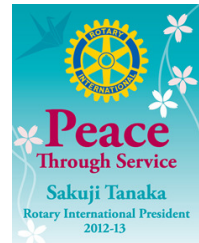


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Bi-District Conference – November 16-17, 2012 – Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport

Sign-up on line at www.rotary5520.org

\$40.00 fee includes Friday welcoming Reception and Saturday box lunch. (This is our annual opportunity to bring some great club projects and funds to support our Fellow Rotarians in Mexico.)

The Lose-A-Ton Campaign is About to Begin

Our Sgt-At-Arms (Kristi Albers) is leading our club's effort to lose weight again this year. The first weigh-in will begin shortly. We will weigh-out for 12 weeks and report our results to the District 5520 Wellness Committee on the District website. Prizes will be awarded to the top three – "Biggest Losers" in our club.

The Chile RFE Team is Coming – Can you help? We need drivers to escort incoming Chile team members to and from planned activities from Saturday, Nov. 17 to Wednesday, Nov. 21.

Let President Carey Beamesderfer know if you can help. (915-239-8730 or careydb740@elp.rr.com)

Join our club's Facebook page & chat with Club members:

Rotary Club of West El Paso <http://www.facebook.com/groups/189877994397989/>

Can't access this ??? – send a friend request to Carey Beamesderfer & I will add your name to our group.

New Member Application - Yvonne Ruiz – Farmers Insurance Agent/Owner – Proposed by Joanne Latimer
Stay tuned to next week's newsletter for her bio and picture.

Local Clubs, President's & their Meeting Times:

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

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

[Rotary Club of El Paso Franklin Mountains](#) - (Pres - Jackie Caton) Meetings Thursday at 6:00pm El Paso Community College - Transmountain Campus

[Rotary Club of East El Paso](#) - (Pres - Joe Nebhan) Meetings Tuesday at Noon at Andale Restaurant – 9201 Gateway Blvd West

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

[Rotary Club of El Paso - Vista Hills](#) - (Pres - Hugo Noriega) Meetings on Wed at Noon at Vista Hills Country Club

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

[Anthony Club](#) - Meetings Thursday at Noon at Das Lagos Country Club



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