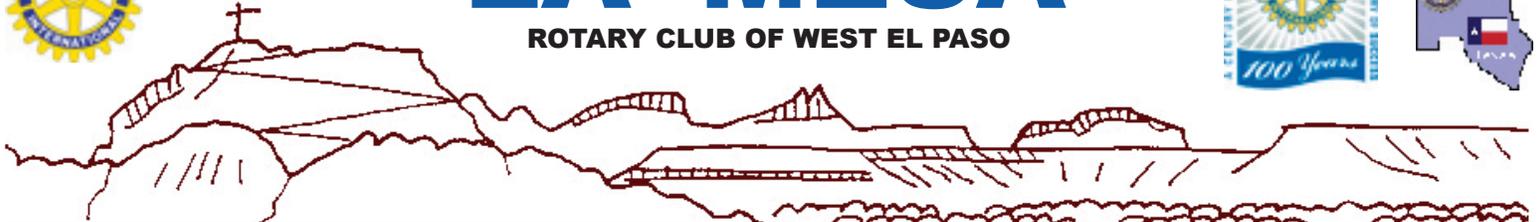




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## ROTARY NEWS

### Feast for Futures

**R**otarians and friends are invited to a "Feast for the Futures" dinner at the home of Teresa Cavaretta, 729 Twin Hills Drive, to help raise money for the IOS Futures Golf Classic. Cost is \$50 per person and includes antipasto, primi piatti, secundo piatti, contorni, dolce and selected wines. Teresa will prepare the meal personally, so it promises to be good. Call Teresa at 584-7332 for reservations. Hurry, because the dinner is limited to 12 people.

### Polio campaign targets 100 million kids

**T**he first round of a synchronized polio immunization campaign across 22 African countries targeted 100 million children. Launched Feb. 25, the effort came on the heels of reports that a child contracted polio in Ethiopia, the country's first case in four years.

In the past year, the continent saw a fierce resurgence of polio, endangering global eradication efforts. The 2005 series of joint National Immunization Days are aimed at halting the spread of the disease. With polio now in its low-transmission season, the next few months are critical to stopping the virus. The Democratic Republic of the Congo, Eritrea, and Ethiopia joined the synchronized NIDs for the first time. Côte d'Ivoire rejoined the effort since civil unrest halted antipolio activities last November, causing months

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## THE VIEW IS GOOD FROM HERE

By Rick LoBello, President - Rotary Club of West El Paso

**W**ith less than three months to go in this Rotary year, I must say that as your president I have learned more about our club over the past year than I think I could ever have learned just sitting there at lunch. Over the next few months I want to take this opportunity to reflect on what I have observed and learned in hopes that I can contribute to the growth and development of our club.

Most of what I see is very, very positive. We have a club made up of movers and shakers in the community. The golf tournament and the parade are two perfect examples of how we can pull together our talents and resources and make something good happen. For those who have been in the club at least as long as I have, I am not saying much new. I guess I am writing this more for the benefit of new members.

When I look at how smoothly things are going for our golf tournament, the number one thing that comes to my mind is this: If we can successfully sponsor something as big as the IOS Futures Golf Classic with a club of only 60 members, imagine what else we can do if we raise the bar and come up with an even greater vision for our future.

At the moment, the movers and shakers with our golf tournament are focused on making our only fundrais-

er a big success. They and we all know that it takes money to support RYLA, Paul Harris awards and the resulting matching grants, literacy programs, Christmas baskets and everything else we do.

We have some great movers and shakers who like golf and know how to make money. We also have some movers and shakers who like parades and support youth leadership.

What else can we do? Are there movers and shakers who think about all the problems our neighbors face in Juarez? Are there movers and shakers who have dreams for our country and the world's future, but are keeping those dreams to themselves outside of Rotary?

I say follow your Rotary dream. We need to dream big dreams for our club and for Rotary. Rotary truly is a mover and shaker kind of organization. Let's keep moving.

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### Rotary Websites

**Rotary Club of West El Paso:**  
[www.rotarywestelpaso.org](http://www.rotarywestelpaso.org)

**The IOS Futures Golf Classic:**  
[www.elpasofutures.org](http://www.elpasofutures.org)

**Rotary District 5520:**  
[www.rotary5520.org](http://www.rotary5520.org)

**Rotary International:**  
[www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

**eClubOne:**  
<http://www.rotaryclubone.org>

## **View...** *continued from front*

The other day I summarized some of the things we have been doing for a report I sent to Rotary International. You can read through it below. In the weeks that follow I plan to share my vision for the future of Rotary and more. Stay tuned.

Recent Avenue of Service Activities and Accomplishments

### **Vocational Service**

1. We include profiles of members in our club newsletter.
2. We send 2-3 members at a time to the El Paso Rotary Leadership Institute.
3. We invite speakers to our club who offer vocational topics that benefit members.
4. We help members develop leadership skills by asking them to lead various committees that benefit major projects like our parade and golf tournament.

### **Community Service**

1. Fourth of July Parade.
2. RYLA.
3. El Paso Rotary Centennial event at Keystone.
4. Christmas baskets for the needy

during the holiday season.

5. Character Counts program at Loretto Academy.
6. We help to judge school science fairs.
7. We invite school musical groups to perform at special events like our Christmas party.
8. We honor the Soldier of the Year, Fireman of the Year, and Policeman of the Year.

### **International Service**

1. Foreign exchange student.
2. We have a matching grant project with Juarez Club Industrial to support a computer-learning center at the El Paso Zoo.
3. We are working on plans for another matching grant project with Juarez Club Industrial to help with a school library project in Juarez.
4. We are working on a second sister club relationship and matching grant project with the Torreon Rotary Club.

### **Club Service**

1. Club newsletter.
2. Board members follow up with those who are not keeping up with attendance.
3. We offer 5-7 sessions of training for new members.

4. We offer a website for both our club and our Futures Golf Tournament.
5. We have an annual Christmas party.
6. We put together a DVD presentation about the International Convention in Osaka.
7. We put together a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the history of our club.

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of concern after the country was reinfected in a regional outbreak originating in Nigeria.

Polio campaign targets 100 million kids

Close to 80 million children in India received the oral polio vaccine in an immunization drive on Feb. 27. The Subnational Immunization Day focused on the states of Bihar and Uttar Pradesh and the union territory of Delhi, as well as parts of Gujarat, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Uttaranchal, and West Bengal states. "We cannot afford to slip now," said Deepak Kapur, National PolioPlus Committee chair for India, in an interview with the Chinese news agency Xinhua. "How soon we succeed in eradicating polio depends on these, hopefully, the last, crucial rounds."

#### **OFFICERS**

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Sergeant at Arms	<b>Joe Daubach</b>
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#### **MEETINGS**

Monday: Holiday Inn - Sunland Park, **12 PM**

#### **EL PASO MAKEUPS**

Tuesday: **East El Paso, 12 PM**

Airport Hilton

Wednesday: **Sunrise, 7 AM**

Sunland Park Holiday Inn

**Vista Hills, 12 PM**

Vista Hills Country Club

Thursday: **El Paso, 12 PM**

1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Fellowship Hall

**Anthony, 12 PM**

Dos Lagos Golf Club

**Franklin Mountains, 5:45 PM**

Sunrise Center Furr's Cafeteria

Friday: **Northeast, 12 PM**

Sunrise Center Furr's Cafeteria

#### **JUAREZ MAKEUPS**

Tuesday: **Juarez Sur, 2:30 PM**

Campestre Juarez

Wednesday: **Cd. Juarez, 1:30 PM**

Campestre Juarez

**Juarez Chamizal, 2:00 PM**

Rest. Barrigas Monumental

**Juarez Americas, 3:00 PM**

Campestre Juarez

**Juarez Frontera, 7:30 PM**

Rest. Viva Mexico

Thursday: **Juarez Paso del Norte, 2:00 PM**

Campestre Juarez

**Juarez Empresarial, 2:30 PM**

Rest. Barrigas Mon.

Friday: **Juarez Industrial, 2:00 PM**

Campestre Juarez

**Juarez Ejecutivo, 2:00 PM**

Mision de Los Lagos

**Juarez Norte, 8:30 PM**

Casino Juarez

**Juarez Oriente, 9:00 PM**

Hotel Holiday Inn