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NOT A HURRICANE...

By Jim Maxon, President - Rotary Club of West El Paso

But the energy of our Club continues to inspire me. As I reflect on this first quarter of the Rotary year as it draws to a close...it's been fun and rewarding – great weekly fellowship and programs, the start of an Interact Club at Santa Teresa H.S., a successful parade on the 4th, a farewell to Leonie, and a welcome to Maiko, our exchange students, exemplary support of RYLA, generous giving to the United Way Back to School Program, and to the Red Cross to support the victims of Hurricane Katrina, outings to Music Under the Stars and a tailgate before the UTEP game last week.

Thanks for your generosity and for supporting the needed dues and meal increases, which will put the club on a very sound financial footing for several years. I and your Board want to continue clarifying and sharing with you the financial operation of the Club, as well as the Foundation, so that each of you has a clear picture of our income and expenses, as well as the allocation of funds generated by our sponsorship of the Futures Tour.

Membership continues to be a challenge. Despite welcoming some wonderful new Rotarians into our fellowship, our membership growth remains stagnant. I regret to report the resignation

of Teo Cafengiu, and impending resignation of Bob Jacobo. Teo has not been able to fulfill attendance requirements due to work demands, and Bob is being transferred to Phoenix. Add these to the loss of Joe Daubach, and it underscores the need for each of us to re-double our efforts to introduce Rotary to a wider circle of potential Rotarians. Our goal, as set by your Board, is to reach 75 members by the end of this Rotary year. We're going to have to get cookin' if we're going to get there. Your focus on this will be appreciated.

The Rotary month of October highlights vocational service, the avenue of service that perhaps does not receive as much attention as the other three...nonetheless, very important to our Rotary tradition and deserving of greater emphasis. Each of us no doubt serves through our vocation, doing our best to live out the Four Way Test. There is a great need, however, beyond the borders of our club to lift up values and ethical behavior as embodied in our Four Way Test. I challenge each of you to do something in your own way to do just that this month... you can make a difference, and together, we can be a great example of "Service Above Self."

Say Tuned...

Rotary Websites
Just click on the blue links below and you will be taken to the site.

Our Club

www.rotarywestelpaso.org

Our Golf Tournament

www.elpasofutures.org

Our District

www.rotary5520.org

Rotary International

www.rotary.org

Rotary e-learning Center

www.rotary.org/training/elearning/index.html

eClubOne

www.rotaryclubone.org

ROTARY NEWS

Interact Club started at Santa Teresa High School

The first Interact meeting was held September 21st with 17 students in attendance. Charlie Thompson, along with Community Service Director Arlene Carroll, discussed the benefits and opportunities in becoming Interact members, not to mention that it looks good on their college applications.



Ideas regarding community service projects were discussed with the kids getting excited about the different ways they could get in- see **News...** next page

Highlights from the September 14th Rotary Board Meeting

Edited by Wes Schotten

The regular Westside Rotary Board Meeting was held at Jaxon's Restaurant at Castellano and Mesa on September 14th.

Noting that the discussion of a potential increase in meal charges and dues at the regular club meeting was, "consistently favorable toward a change", the board unanimously approved a motion to change the member meal charge to \$10 per week and the member due charge to \$45/quarter starting October 1st. The members will be voting of this measure at the next regular club meeting.

In other actions, the Board unanimously approved a motion to recommend to the Foundation board the payment of \$2,000 to the Rotary Foundation to be designated for Paul Harris Fellows. The Board also approved unanimously a recommendation to the Foundation Board that the Foundation proceed with a purchase of plaques for golf tournament sponsors in the amount of \$882.82. Also approved was a motion that the Westside Rotary con-

tribute \$100 to the Rotary International Rose Parade Float.

Put it on your calendar now and the season will be upon us before we know: The Board set the date for the Christmas party for December 9th.

The next Board meeting will be held on October 12th.

Note: The complete minutes of this Board Meeting are available from Secretary Jesse Allen.

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involved.

The students elected a Board of Directors and will be having their first Board Meeting Wednesday (9/28) at 4:00 at the high school in the library.

Arlene told them she would get some of our Board of Directors to attend so they could guide them through their first meeting.

The Interact Board has been invited to one of our lunch meetings to see how our meeting is conduct-

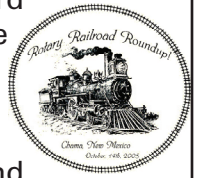
ed. Frank Rivera, the Band Director who has volunteered his time sponsor the club, said that would be no problem and he would take them to our Monday meeting when we determine a date.

Arlene will also be working with Frank to get all the necessary applications filled out to get the Interact club officially established with Rotary International.

All Aboard

For the Chama Valley Rotary Club's Moonlight Train Ride & Dinner Friday, October 14th 2005

- 2:00pm Wine & Cheese Reception in the train yard
- 3:15pm Board the Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Rail Road for Osier, CO.
- 6:00pm Dinner and Entertainment at Osier, CO
- 8:00pm Return trip to Chama under a full moon.
- 11:00pm Arrive Chama, NM



Tickets are \$100.00 each and include the dinner at Osier. For additional information or tickets contact any Chama Valley Rotarian or Valerie Weiss at 505-588-7884.

OFFICERS

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President Elect	Ric Ligner
Vice President	Ken Slavin
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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**

1st 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