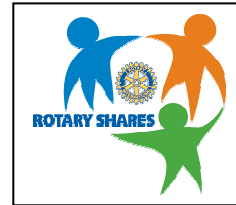


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CANDLELIGHTERS MEETING IS TOMORROW!

In lieu of a regular program at the December 10th Club meeting, the membership will be gathering at the Holiday Inn meeting room to assemble and deliver food baskets to families in need identified by the Candlelighters. Please join in this effort!

Please remember too, if you have volunteered to buy Christmas gifts to the children of these families, be sure to bring this wrapped gift to tomorrow's meeting. Also, if you have volunteered to deliver the food baskets and gifts, you will be needed tomorrow for your delivery duty. If for some reason a volunteer cannot make the delivery, contact Dana Vogelmeier as soon as possible so other arrangements can be made.

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING ON DECEMBER 17TH

Club President Ken Slavin has announced that as District 5520 Governor Jackie Morgan will visit our club and be our speaker at the December 17th regular Club meeting that she also wanted to meet with our Club Board. Therefore, the next Board meeting will be **December 17th** beginning at **1pm** after our weekly meeting. Ken is asking that the directors have a report ready to present at this Board meeting for their respective area of responsibility. Board members: Please let Ken know if you cannot make the board meeting and give someone your proxy. Ken also reminds those of you who have not yet sponsored a new member, please give some thought to that and invite a prospect to lunch. Thank you for your service!



DISTRICT GOVERNOR TO VISIT CLUB DEC. 17TH

Many of you know her, and some have met her, and she will be speaking to us at our Club meeting on December 17th.

Jackie Morgan

THE NEW LOOK OF THE CLUB'S WEBSITE

Member Carey Beamesderfer has been hard at work with a re-design of our website – take a look at www.rotarywestelpaso.org. The website can be a great recruiting tool for new members too!



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THE TRUE STORY OF WHY ANGELS ARE AT THE TOP OF CHRISTMAS TREES

Several hundred years ago, the population of the world had begun to explode. Santa Claus, already many centuries old himself, now had to cope with making and delivering many more presents to many more children all over the world. As Santa's business began to grow, he was besieged with many problems.

As Santa sat in his office one December several centuries ago, exhausted, overwhelmed and panicked over all the toys he had to make and deliver, the Steward of the Elf's Union marched into his office and insisted, "Santa, you have some labor problems - you are overworking the elves, unless you immediately increase their pay and hire more help they are going to go on strike! Santa what should I do with this elf problem?" Santa, brushed aside the Steward of the Elf Union and exclaimed, "Take your elf thing and stick it in your ear!!".

The next one to visit Santa was the keeper of the reindeer who demanded, "Santa all of the reindeer are complaining about the sleigh being too heavy, and you know you've put on some weight yourself and they are demanding more feed. What should I do with the reindeer?" Santa shouted, "Take your reindeer thing and stick it up your nose!"

The next one to visit Santa in his office was the littlest angel who was dragging a Christmas tree behind him. The littlest angel asked, "Santa, what do you want me to do with this Christmas tree?"

West El Paso Rotary Upcoming Programs

- ✓ December 10th Food Basket Preparation and Delivery for Candlelighters
- ✓ December 17th District 5520 Governor Jackie Morgan
- ✓ December 24th Christmas Eve – No Meeting
- ✓ December 31st New Year's Eve – No Meeting



Rotary Websites

Rotary Club of West El Paso
www.rotarywestelpaso.org

Rotary District 5520
www.rotary5520.org

Rotary International
www.rotary.org

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

The 4-Way Test

Members of Rotary use a simple test to guide their actions in life. Here it is:

“The 4-Way Test of the things we think, say or do:

1st Is it the TRUTH?

2nd Is it FAIR to all concerned?

3rd Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER

FRIENDSHIPS?

4th Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?”

Don't Forget the Club Holiday Party on Thursday, Dec. 13th!

The Club Holiday Party will be held on December 13th at Club member Gerri Wootten's home, beginning at 6:30 PM. You should have received an invitation, including a map to Gerri's home in the mail by now.

Well it's too late to buy tickets, but if you have, hope to see you there!!

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