



Rotary Club of Los Alamos

District 5520 Club 1312
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The Rotary Bell

Rotary World
Understanding Month

February 19, 2017

*The Four-Way Test: In the things we think, say or do:
Is it the Truth? Is it Fair to all concerned?
Will it build Good Will and Better Friendships?
Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?*

Rotary International 2016-17



When & Where + Program & Meeting Highlights

Please join us **Tuesday, February 21st**, at **11:45 a.m.** at the **Golf Course meeting room**, located on the west end of the complex. -- Lunches will be provided by **Cottonwood on the Greens**. -- The menu will be forwarded to you over the weekend. Be sure to e-mail your lunch order and any for your guests to **Chris Sierk**.



Weekly Newsletter In This Issue

- This Week's Program and Other Meeting Highlights
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- Rotary Minute: **Alex Zubelewicz or Rob Metcalf**
- Fines: **Skip King**

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-- Our Program: **Local artists Ruth Tatter and Michelle Griffin** are eager to tell us all about plans for the creation of the **Los Alamos Museum of Art**, “a newly formed non-profit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization created to **preserve and present the cultural heritage and art of Los Alamos** through exhibits, programs, and connections to the science and arts of our local and regional artists and art collectors.”



(Tiger by R. Tatter; Flowers by M. Griffin.)

Weekly Meetings

Every Tuesday at 11:45 a.m.
 The Golf Course Meeting Room
 4290 Diamond Dr.
 (Trinity Dr., right on Diamond, 2 mi.)

Board Meetings

Everyone Welcome!
 We meet the 2nd Thursday of the month at 4:15 p.m. in offices of the Los Alamos Daily Post, 1247 Central.

2016-2017

Club Board Members

- President: Rob Metcalf
- President-Elect: Laura Loy
- Secretary: Nancy Cerutti
- Treasurer: Ed Van Eeckhout
- Immediate Past President: Alison Pannell
- Membership: Skip King
- Public Relations: Linda Hull
- Avenues of Service: Skip King
- Rotary Foundation: Steve Ciddio
- STARS: LeAnne Parsons

Avenues of Service Chairs

- Club: Oliver Morris
- Community: Melanie Bennett
- International: Jean Gindreau
- New Generations: Alex Zubelewicz
- Vocational: Shelley Wiemann

- Newsletter Editor: Linda Hull

Notes & Announcements & Thanks



-- **Game Over:** Membership chair Skip King has announced that we've reached the conclusion of **Let's Play Ball**, our annual membership drive. **Ten** people have shown interest in joining; in fact, Skip has already led **four** of them in an orientation about Rotary. -- Skip will tally team scores soon. Did your team win the Series or strike out?

-- **Saturday, February 25th:**
Individual Crab Fest Tickets on Sale Now!

Please bring your Crab Fest donations for the Silent and Live Auctions on Tuesday!



Heeere's Crabbie! Less than a week away now--**Saturday, February 25th--Crab Fest** returns to **Knights of Columbus Hall**. Doors open at **5:30** for social time, cash bar, and silent auction bids; **7:00**, the *all-you-can-eat crab and prawns family-style dinner* with sides and dessert will be served, catered by **Blue Window Bistro**, and followed by a live(ly) auction. -- Tickets are **still a bargain at \$50** and available from **Skip King, Crab Fest chair**. Reserve your table for 10 now! **Open sale of individual tickets** continues through the week. -- **Donations** for the live and silent auctions will be collected again this Tuesday. The auctions are being chaired by **Shelly Wiemann and Laura Gonzales**. -- With our own **Interact Club** now, chartered through **Alison Pannell's** efforts and led by **LeAnne Parsons and Ian Foti-Landis**, these students will be on hand as **Crab Fest servers**.

-- **Bridges to Prosperity!:** **Norm Arnold**, one of our December guest speakers, writes, "**The Rotary Club of Alamogordo**, lead Club on a Global Grant with The Rotary Foundation, is **constructing a 127-**



Our Assistant Governor
Pat Murray of Santa Fe



Our Youth Exchange Student
Ida Mattila of Finland

**Ongoing Project
LA Cares**

Donations of non-perishable food and personal hygiene items are collected on the last Tuesday of the month.



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STARS

**(Service To All Rotary Satellite)
The Rotary Satellite Club of Los Alamos
Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays,
5:30-6:30, VFW, 1793 Deacon
(behind CB Fox)**



meter suspension bridge near **Condega, Nicaragua**. The Global Grant, #1641321, was approved by The Rotary Foundation. We are in the final stages of collecting the funds needed to complete this grant. - We are **working on a trip to visit and work** at three possible bridge sites. The initial plan for this trip is **April 26 to May 1**. **If you are interested** in

traveling with us, please contact me at: norm1693@gmail.com, or **Robyn Long** at: robynlong@bridgestoproprosperity.org.

At this time we have **5 folks** committed for the trip: 3 from **El Paso** -- 1 from **Alamogordo** -- 1 from **Newport News, VA**.

I would like to limit the number of travelers to **8**, but might consider a couple more. So if you are interested, please add your name to the list **as soon as possible**. Thanks, Norm & Robyn”



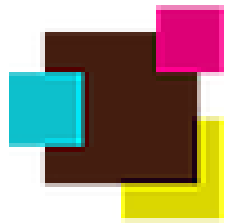
**This Month's
Sgt. at Arms Rotary Minute Finemaster**

February:

- | | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| 7 Judy Goldie | Phil Dabney | Skip King |
| 14 Steve Ciddio | Oliver Morris | Donnie Torres |
| 21 Brian Newnam | Alex Zubelewicz | Skip King |
| 28 Jane Phillips | Laura Loy | Donnie Torres |

This Month's Programs

-- **February 7:** **Prisca Tiasse** of **LA Makers** will describe this **“scientific playground for all ages.”** Recently opened in the former PEEC facility on **Orange St. near the high school**, **LA Makers** gives residents **access to events, space, tools and equipment** (3-D printers, woodworking, sewing machines, metalworking and soldering, electronics, computers) and a place to **learn and share skills**. (Not to be confused with **Project y** at Central Park Square.) -- LA Makers is **sponsored** by other familiar LAs: **LANL, LANS, LANB**.



STARS is a group of motivated Los Alamos Rotarians who are determined to fit community and international service into their busy lifestyles, while at the same time having FUN!



Melissa Metcalf, Gloria Brehm, Alex Zubelewicz, Kim Selvage, Michael Erickson, LeAnne Parsons, Laura Loy, Ian Foti-Landis, Antonya Sanders, Jim Nesmith, Colette Levine, (being proposed, Dawn and Mark Voss)



Interact

Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesdays,
4:00-5:00,
The Teen Center



Our Club
Facebook



www.facebook.com/LosAlamosRotary
www.facebook.com/RotarySTARS
www.facebook.com/InteractLosAlamos

Club: www.losalamosrotary.com
District: www.rotary5520.org
International: www.rotary.org

-- February 14: **"Happiness is a warm puppy."**



convince you!)

Most of us feel that **love** comes that way, too. **Wendee Brunish** of **Friends of the Shelter** will spend time with us on **Valentine's Day** to tell us all about changes at the shelter and who's waiting to bring love to your heart. **(Expect a canine cuddler to**



Museum of Art, "a newly formed non-profit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization created to **pre-serve and present the cultural heritage and art of Los Alamos** through exhibits, pro-grams, and connections to the science and arts of our local and regional artists and art collectors."

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-- February 28: **Jim Weyhrauch**, a friend of our **Assistant Governor Pat Murray** and co-chair of the **Northern New Mexico Air Alliance**, will present a program about this non-profit group of businesses, cities, counties, and attractions that now offers **direct flights** between **Santa Fe and Phoenix** on **American Airlines**. -- Expected guests: **Cameron Humphres**, Santa Fe Airport Manager; **Stuart Kirk**, Co-Chair of Northern NM Air Alliance; and **Pat Murray**, Committee Member of NNMAA and our Rotary AG.



This Month's Birthdays

February 2: **Dawn Brown**
Vincent Chiravella
Anne Macek
7: **Melanie Bennett**



Current Club Calendar Notes

Make-Up Meetings

Rotary Club of Santa Fe
Thursdays, 12:00 noon
Hilton Santa Fe, 100 Sandoval

Rotary Club of Santa Fe Centro
Tuesdays, 8:00 a.m.
Chocolate Maven
821 W. San Mateo Rd.

Rotary Club of Santa Fe del Sur
Wednesdays, 12:00 p.m.
Red Lobster, 4450 Rodeo Dr.

Rotary Club of Taos Milagro
Wednesdays, 7:20 a.m.
Quality Inn
1043 Paseo del Pueblo Sur

Easy On-Line Make-Up Meetings

www.rotarymakeup.org.
Info.? Frances deNuit
Rotary eClub of the Southwest USA
drfdenuit@yahoo.com
505-920-2600



On the Road?

If you are traveling anytime of the year and plan to visit a Rotary Club, please be sure to take one of our 'trade banners' with you. They are available from our Club Secretary Becky Ehler.

Who Am I?

I build bridges. I eradicate polio.
I mentor tomorrow's leaders.
I pump clean water.
I provide shelter to disaster victims.
I build communities.
I teach the world to read.

-- Saturday, February 25th: **It's Crab Fest!** Our 8th annual (and largest) fundraiser of the year will be held once again at **Knights of Columbus Hall**.

Doors open at **5:30** for social time, cash bar, and silent auction bids; **7:00**, the *all-you-can-eat crab and prawns family-style dinner* with sides and dessert will be served, catered by **Blue Window Bistro**, and followed by a live(ly) auction. Tickets remain \$50 per person; tables of 10 encouraged. -- Please see details above in 'Notes & Announcements & Thanks'.



-- **Mark Your Calendars!:** We are hosting a **Rotary Friendship Exchange (RFE)** from **Oregon, March 22-26 (Wednesday-Sunday)**. -- At this time, three couples and three individual women have registered to visit us here in District 5520. -- **Chris writes,**

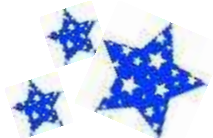
"Several members have been hard at work planning for our RFE Guests in March. We have tentative plans for a **trip to Ortega Weaving and Rancho de Chimayo**, an **all Club potluck brunch at the Rochesters'** beautiful home, **visits to Banelier, PEEC, the new Historical Museum and Bethe House**, a **tour with Buffalo Tours (Georgia Strickfaden)**, an **all Club potluck dinner at the Sierks'**, and a **trip to Santa Fe**. If you are interested in participating in any of the above, and possibly helping with driving, please **contact Chris (662-3894 or acsierk@hotmail.com)**. We want as many Club members (including STARS) to be involved as possible!"

Regular Monthly Meetings



-- **Monthly Board Meeting:** Our monthly Board meeting will be held **Thursday, February 9th** at **4:15 p.m.** at the offices of **The LA Daily Post** on **1247 Central Avenue**. Everyone welcome!

-- **STARS (Service To All Rotary Satellite)** will meet **first and third Wednesdays of the month: February 1st and 15th** at **5:30-6:30** at the **VFW, Deacon St. (behind CB Fox)**.



-- **Interact:** This community-based youth organization will meet the **second and fourth Wednesdays** of the month: **February 8th and 22th** at **4:00-5:00 p.m.** at the **Teen Center on Ashley Pond**.

-- **Updates from STARS and from Interact:**

I create peace through service.

I am a Rotarian.

Order Rotary Merchandise

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www.bestclubsupplies.com
800-877-8908

National Award Services
www.clubsupplies.com
800-810-2100

Recent Exchange Students



Ida Mattila Finland 2016-2017



Markus Essl Austria
Frederiek Gerretschien The Netherlands
2014 – 2015



Krissi Wallis Germany
2015-2016



Thomas Routiaux Belgium
2013 -2014



Mille Nikolajsen Denmark
2012 - 2013



Eva Hauzar Switzerland
Samantha Hellessey Australia

-- **STARS** has at least **three candidates** to propose for membership through **Let's Play Ball** and are looking forward to serving on **up-coming committees** for the **4-Way Test Essay Competition**, chaired by **Andrea Cunningham**, and the **scholarships**.

-- **Interact: Interactors** will **serve** at **Crab Fest** and have also **adopted LA Mountain** (clean-up) in cooperation with the **US Forest Service**. They are also forging successfully ahead with recruiting students for **Bridge the Gap**, a way to offer area high school students **opportunities** to take advantage of scholarships, college counseling, and so forth.

District 5520 and Rotary International News

-- **Friday-Saturday, February 24-25:** The **District President-elect Training Seminar (PETS)** will be held in **El Paso, Texas** at the **Marriott Hotel on Airway Blvd.** -- Please visit www.district5520.org and click for more information in the left column.



-- **Saturday, March 25:** The **District Assembly** will convene at **10:00 a.m.** at the **Albuquerque Crowne Plaza** located at **1901 University Blvd. NE.** This event is the **premier training opportunity for all Rotarians in the District** – not just district leaders.

The training will focus on the **priorities of the Rotary strategic plan**, which include **membership, Rotary Foundation and Public Image.** For those clubs who are planning to apply for any district grants, the session will include **grants training** that will qualify your club to participate in a grant. At least two persons from the club must attend grants training in order



to qualify for a grant.

We are pleased to welcome **Gretchen and Gary Bren**, from **Oma-ha, Nebraska** and **Christine Grodecki** of the **Rotary Foundation**, who will be presenters. Gretchen has served as **District 5650 Polio Plus Chair** and is a recipient of both **the Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service** and **the International Service Award for a Polio-Free World.** Gary Bren currently serves as **District Governor for District 5650.**

The cost for attending is **\$25**, which includes a plated lunch. The session will end at **3:15 with door prizes.** In the evening, the **Foundation Dinner** is scheduled at **6:00 p.m.**, and will feature keynote speaker **Christine Grodecki.** The cost of the **Foundation Dinner** is just **\$50.** Special hotel rates are available from the **Crowne Plaza** at **\$89** for either **Friday or Saturday night.** -- Consider joining us at **Apple-bee's** at **2600 Menaul NE**, just minutes from the **Crowne Plaza**, **be-**

Where You'll Find Our Club Support

Satellite Club (STARS--Service To All Rotary Satellite); projects in Guatemala, the Dominican Republic, and South Africa; support for the Posse Lodge, LA Cares, Boy Scouts, LAHS Hilltalkers & Robotics teams, Self-Help, Family Strengths Network, Little League, Horses for Heroes, Paws and Stripes; tutoring at the library; reading in elementary schools; LAMS 4-Way Test Essay Competition; LAHS Cookies and Conversation; Students of the Month; generous financial awards to LAHS seniors; the Deborah Beene Music Awards; grants to pay for UNM-LA GED exam fees and for Books for Babies at LAMC; Polio Plus; Sonny Brown Business Award; students to RYLA leadership camp; outbound and inbound exchange students; Group Study Exchange and Ambassadorial Scholars; blood drive; LAHS Memorial Garden; Mesa Public Library Garden; Clean-Up Los Alamos; AED for Fuller Lodge; Opera on the Rocks, picnic tables for PEEC Nature Center; Banelier naturalization ceremony + more!

Where You'll Find Us Raising Funds

Annual Crab Fest:
last Saturday in February
¡Fiesta Los Alamos!:
late July or early August

fore the Assembly. The Rotary Club of Albuquerque Sandia will host a **pancake breakfast** beginning at **8:00 a.m.** for just **\$9.**

It's easy to **register from the District website**, and a link is included for the **Crowne Plaza**. Yours In Rotary, **DGE Doreen Kelsey**”

-- **Thursday-Sunday, May 4-7: The District 5520 Annual Convention** will be held in **Albuquerque** at the **Sheraton Albuquerque Uptown Hotel on Louisiana**. Please visit **www.district5520.org** and click for more information in the left column. Here's some additional information:



Cost for full conference registration **per person is \$199.00**, which includes **all meals and events on Friday and Saturday**. **Register by March 17th and you'll be entered into a drawing for one of five Paul Harris Fellowships.** The conference includes:

May 5: Honoring the **100th Anniversary of the Rotary Foundation** and **30 Years of Women in Rotary** (lunch)
Cinco de Mayo Fiesta (dinner)



May 6: **Youth Exchange Talent Show** (breakfast)
Youth in Rotary (lunch)
Western Night Awards (dinner)
Dancing and Entertainment by **Michael Martin Murphey and his band**



Hotel Registration for the rate of **\$105** plus tax is available at **The Albuquerque Sheraton Uptown 1-800-325-3535** or **www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/2017Rotary5520**.

Please ask for the **Rotary 5520 rate** – but you must register before **April 15! Questions?** Please contact, **Co-chairs:** **kathiewilliams46@gmail.com** or **donettewagner@gmail.com**.

Rotary Friendship Exchange (RFE)



-- From **Donna Pedace, District 5520 Rotary Friendship Exchange (RFE) Coordinator:** I'd like to "alert you that we will be sending a **return group** to visit **western Oregon and northern California** next **August 3-15**. I am **not yet taking reservations** for that trip, but I thought this could give anyone

HOW
WONDERFUL
IT IS THAT NO ONE HAS TO WAIT,
BUT CAN START RIGHT NOW TO
GRADUALLY CHANGE THE
WORLD!

ANNE FRANK

REAL GENEROSITY
TOWARD THE FUTURE

LIES IN GIVING ALL TO
THE PRESENT.

ALBERT CAMUS

LIFE'S MOST
PERSISTENT AND
URGENT QUESTION IS,
'WHAT ARE YOU
DOING FOR OTHERS?'

Martin Luther King Jr.

interested in joining that trip some time to think about it. Their group is coming here this coming spring, but all the hosting clubs are already set. -- We will also be hosting a



group from **Australia** from **June 1-4** next year, so maybe you and your club could be thinking about whether you might like to **host that group** next summer. -- **Early 2018** we'll have another **trip to India**, for those of you who may be interested in seeing some of that fascinating country."



The President's Column: February



Crab Fest is almost here. As always it takes a lot of preparation by a lot of our members. If you are not already committed to working and have the time, please ask around and see how you can help. If you are, please know that your efforts are **greatly appreciated!** I believe I overheard that there are still a few tickets available. My personal experience has been that there is usually more interest in the Crab

Fest than we have tickets so all we need to do is get the word out and we will be out of tickets in no time.

Also, please remember that the Crab Fest is the **first drawing** for the **Rotary raffle**. These next **two weeks are our last chance** to sell raffle tickets eligible for all six drawings. I had promised (myself) that I would cease trying to get people to sell tickets, but as it turns out with a little effort we may get fairly close to breaking even and maybe even turning a profit. This still falls way short of selling the maximum of 350 tickets so the odds of winning will still be very good. If we could just get each of our members (who have not already) to buy a couple of tickets, it would put us over the top. If you need tickets contact me directly or show up at a meeting (they're fun). Now I am finally done talking about the raffle.



In Rotary,
Rob Metcalf
President, 2016-17



