



Rotary Club of Los Alamos

District 5520 Club 1312

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The Rotary Bell

Vocational Service
Month

October 8, 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 2017-18



Weekly Newsletter In This Issue

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- This Week's Announcements, Notes & Thanks

When & Where + Program & Meeting Highlights

-- Please join us **Tuesday, October 3rd**, 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 **Kim Selvage**, who is substituting for **Chris Sierk**, who is on a road trip back East.



- Sgt. at Arms: **Jane Phillips**
- Rotary Minute: **Doug Wilson**
- Fines: **Phil Dabney**
- Our Program: **Bob Hull, LA Technical Associates principal engineer**, will explain what **solar storms are, how they affect us, and locations**



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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 the law offices at Oppenheimer
Center, 555 Oppenheimer Dr.,
Ste. 105

2017-2018

Club Board Members

President: Laura Loy

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Rob Metcalf

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STARS: Jim Nesmith

Avenues of Service Chairs

Club: Skip King

Community: Natalia Tretiak

International: Jean Gindreau



most vulnerable. -- He will also address **space weather preparedness** and some of the means to **mitigate the Big One – a geomagnetic solar storm.**

-- **Special Guest: Tribhuvan**

Sharma, a Nepali citizen and a chartered member of the **Rotary Club of Pokhara Newroad**, a vibrant club in **Nepal**, is visiting family here until **November 5th** and hopes to attend one of our meetings. Please be sure to give him a **warm Los Alamos welcome!**



Notes & Announcements & Thanks



-- **Alex Zubelewicz, our Club's Youth Exchange Officer** reports, "This year we had only **one application** submitted for the **2018-2019**

Youth Exchange Program. **Steve Ciddio** and I interviewed **Zoe Lederman** (last week) at **UNM-Los Alamos**. Based on our interview experience with Zoe, we are **happy to extend Zoe this opportunity.** Her top three countries for her youth exchange are: **Sweden, Peru, or Finland.** -- **Zoe** is the **sister of Kayleen Lederman**, our **Rotary Youth Exchange student** to **Belgium** in **2015-16.**

-- **Saturday, October 14th:**

1. **The annual Fall Clean-up** at the **LAHS Memorial Garden** will begin at **9:00 a.m.** Watch for the **sign-up sheet** as it circulates again this week!



2. The annual **Fall Naturalization Ceremony**, writes **coordinator Jim Nesmith**, "takes place **October 14th at 11 a.m.** in **Fuller Lodge.** **Judge Christina Armijo** will preside, and there will be about **20 candidates** naturalized. We need help in both **setting up and taking down.** **Refreshments** will be served (cupcakes and tea and coffee) for about **100 people** (no more and probably less). The ceremony takes about 30 minutes and people don't hang around very long, perhaps 30 minutes. So hopefully, we can be cleaned up and out by **12:30.** We would **deeply appreciate** any volunteers who are able to join us." -- For info or to volunteer: **Jim Nesmith, 603-2130, jimnesmith@gmail.com.**

-- **Thursday, October 19th: Purple Pinkie for PolioPlus and World Polio Day!** **Our Club Foundation chair, Laura Gonzales** writes, "Polio has **no cure.** It is a crippling and potentially fatal disease, and

New Generations: TBA
Vocational: Shelly Wiemann

Newsletter Editor: Linda Hull



Our Assistant Governor
Pat Murray of Santa Fe



Our Youth Exchange Student
Julian Baier of Austria

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)

children under the age of five are at the greatest risk. While there is no cure, there is **prevention**. For as little as 75-cents, a child can be protected against this crippling disease for life.



The purpose of **Purple Pinkie** for **Polio Day** is **two-fold**:

- 1.) to **raise the funds** needed to finish the job of eradicating polio
- 2.) to **raise awareness** about the seriousness of this disease and how we can **prevent** it.

Polio has been eradicated in all but three countries. If polio isn't eradicated, the world will continue to live under the threat of this crippling disease.

When a child is vaccinated in poor countries, the vaccinator paints indelible **purple ink** on the little finger (**pinkie**) of the left hand. Before giving a vaccine, this finger is checked to see if that child was recently vaccinated. If the finger is not purple, then

they can have the vaccine.

This year **Los Alamos Elementary Schools** are working with the **Rotary Club of Los Alamos** to teach our children about **polio** and to **raise money** for **End Polio Now**. Every **75-cents** will vaccinate one child against polio, and for every **\$1** we raise, the **Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation** will add another **\$2!**

How will we do this? On **October 19th**, a **volunteer** will talk to students about polio, and what is being done to eradicate this terrible disease from the world. Then, we will have our own **Purple Pinkie Day**. With permission slips, children can bring a **dollar** to school and, if they wish, wear something **purple**. They will put their dollar in a box and have their **pinkie** painted **purple**. -- **If you are interested in volunteering on October 19th, please contact:** Laura Gonzales – abqlaura1@gmail.com or 505-699-5880.



-- Coming Soon!: ROTARY FOUNDATION CONTRIBUTION



PLEDGE CARDS will be distributed at **upcoming Rotary meetings** in preparation for **FOUNDATION MONTH (November)**. **Laura Gonzales, our Club's Foundation chair**, would also like to announce, "As you know, **The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International** is a nonprofit foundation established by Rotary International. The Foundation is a

501(c)(3) and donations to it are **tax-deductible**. Donations to the Foundation are purely voluntary, although **Rotary International** and **The Rotary Club of Los Alamos** encourage all Rotarians to support the Foundation since **100%** of donated funds are used primarily to support the International efforts of Rotary **including** efforts from The Rotary Club of Los Alamos.

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

**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!**

**Gloria Brehm, chair:
505-412-9853, gloria.brehm@gmail.com**



**Melissa Metcalf, Gloria Brehm, Alex
Zubelewicz, Kim Selvage, Michael Erickson,
LeAnne Parsons, Laura Loy, Ian Foti-Landis,
Antonya Sanders, Jim Nesmith, Colette
Levine**



Interact

**Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesdays,
3:20 p.m.,
UNM-LA Main Room**



**Our Club
Facebook**



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www.facebook.com/RotarySTARS
www.facebook.com/InteractLosAlamos**



-- Member News: Dawn and Mark Voss, who generally attended STARS, have notified Pres. Laura that they are **resigning from the Club** to pursue interests in **Big Brothers/Big Sisters** and **Famine to Feast, Rotarians Jaret and Jen McDonald's** non-profit. -- We thank them for their service to Rotary and especially for **chairing August's** very successful **¡Fiesta Los Alamos!**



Youth Exchange Officer Alex Zubelewicz

has just returned from a week of volunteering with **Wilderness Volunteers**, a non-profit that provides hands-on stewardship of public lands. Alex participated in a project helping the **Park Service** clear about six miles of overgrown



trails in the newly-designated wilderness area of **Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore** on **North Manitou Island, Michigan**. This project was rated strenuous! -- *Thank you, Alex, for your service to Rotary and other worthy organizations!*

Sgt. at Arms	This Month's Rotary Minute	Finemaster
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October 3	Gary DeRosier	Nancy Cerutti	Skip King
10	Jane Phillips	Doug Wilson	Phil Dabney
17	Paul Frederickson	Laura Gonzales	Oliver Morris
24	Linda King	Vince Chiravelle	Skip King
31	Anne Macek	Steve Ciddio	Phil Dabney

This Month's Programs



-- October 3: Melissa Moore, the executive director of the **New Mexico Wildlife Center**, will describe the **work of this facility** in **Española**, which strives "to conserve and restore native wildlife and their habitats through action-oriented education, promotion of public awareness, strategic partnerships and responsible wildlife rehabilitation." -- Moore will be joined by a Center assistant and **two birds of prey**. She is a **dynamic and lively speaker** and is a new member of the **Rotary Club of Santa Fe**.

-- October 10: Bob Hull, LA Technical Associates principal engineer, will explain what **solar storms are**, **how they affect us**, and **locations most vulnerable**.



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District: www.rotary5520.org
International: www.rotary.org

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
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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 Phil Dabney.

Who Am I?

I build bridges. I eradicate polio.
I mentor tomorrow's leaders.



-- He will also address **space weather prepared-ness** and some of the means to **mitigate the Big One – a geomagnetic solar storm.**



-- **October 17: Dylan Zanow**, who helped produce



the **video loop** shown before our meeting starts, will **explain video games as Art and a modern story-telling medium.** -- He'll also describe a number of **ways gaming**

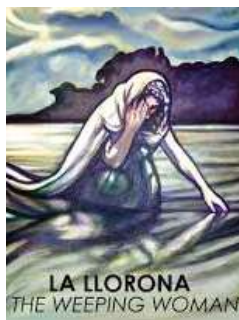
can be positive for both kids and adults, and the **real-world good gamers do** every year. -- Dylan and **wife Andrea Albert** joined our Club in **April.**



-- **October 24:** In our second annual **Community Funding Requests for Non-Profits**, **representatives from local non-profit organizations** will attend our meeting, give a brief description of their group's work, and be given an opportunity to receive a **\$500 donation** from our Club. -- Later, the winner will be **selected and invited** to receive their check

during another meeting. Confirmed participants will be announced soon.

-- **October 31:** On this hallowed eve, **author and New Mexican literary icon Dr. Nasario Garcia**, whose roots in northern New Mexico are deep, will regale us with **spooky stories from the heritage of our Hispanic neighbors.**



Boooo! -- There will be a book-signing for anyone interested in purchasing one of Dr. Garcia's books. -- Dr. Garcia is an **engaging storyteller**; please come—bring a



friend!

The **Historical Society of New Mexico** has honored Dr. Nasario Garcia by naming him recipient of **its first-ever Lifetime Achievement Award.** The notification letter by Nancy Owen Lewis,



Chair of the Awards Committee, cites Dr. Garcia for his "...stellar contributions--as an educator, community activist, and author---

to New Mexico history." The letter also states, "The stories and insights you have shared through your children's books as well as those geared for adults, have furthered our understanding of tradi-

I pump clean water.
I provide shelter to disaster victims.
I build communities.
I teach the world to read.
I create peace through service.

I am a Rotarian.

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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

tional New Mexico culture. Twenty-three authored or co-authored publications is an impressive record indeed. Your work in the advancement and preservation of Hispanic language, culture, and folklore in New Mexico has been unparalleled. Your academic career, which includes numerous university appointments, has been outstanding."

This Month's Birthdays

October 17: Jane Phillips



Current Club Calendar Notes

- Saturday, October 14th: **LAHS Memorial Garden Clean-up, 9:00 a.m.**
- Saturday, October 14th: **Naturalization Ceremony, Fuller Lodge, 11:00-12:30**
- Thursday, October 19th: **Purple Pinkie Day** in our **local elementary schools** in recognition of **PolioPlus** and **World Polio Day**; Info: **Laura Gonzales, 699-5880, abqlaura1@gmail.com**
- Tuesday, October 24th: **World Polio Day!**
- Saturday, October 28th: **District Assembly, 10:00-2:00, Inn of Santa Fe (outlet mall); see details below**
- Tuesday, November 21st: **No meeting Thanksgiving week**
- TBA: **Winter Holiday Party; Mary Beth Maassen, chair**
- Tuesday, December 26th: **No meeting Winter Holiday week**

Regular Monthly Meetings



- **Monthly Board Meeting:** Our Board meeting will be held **Thursday, October 12th** at **4:30 p.m.** at **Phil Dabney's** law office: **Oppenheimer Center, 555 Oppenheimer, Suite 105.**

- **STARS (Service To All Rotary Satellite)** meets the **first and third Wednesdays** of the month, at **5:30-6:30 p.m.** at the **VFW, 1793 Deacon St. (behind CB Fox).**

- **Interact:** This community-based youth organization meets the **second and fourth Wednesdays** of the month. -- Interact now meets at **3:20 p.m.** in the **UNM-Los Alamos main room.**

Although our **Interact students** weren't able to build a float for the Homecoming Parade, they did ride with **Youth**





Eva Hauzar
Switzerland
2011 - 2012

Samantha Hellessey
Australia
Jan. '11 - Jan. '12

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; Bandelier 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

Exchange student **Julian Baier** in the back of **Rob Metcalf's red pick-up truck** and **our Club's large inflatable logo**. **Linda Hull** rode in front with Rob, waving to the crowds and spreading Rotary cheer.

Interact students are currently hoping to arrange **'walking' services** during **Halloween, Friday the 27th**, escorting children to participating businesses during the mad dash for candy, as well as **babysitting services** during the holiday season, perhaps on **Small Business Saturday, November 25th**. They are also working on their **Bridge the Gap project**, hoping to involve **Santa Fe high school students**.



District 5520 and Rotary International News

-- **Saturday, October 28:** A **Regional Assembly** will be held at the **Inn of Santa Fe (outlet mall)** from **10:00-2:00** with a **free lunch** provided. -- Rather than having designated speakers, the purpose of the assembly is "to **discuss and share ideas** about **Rotary Foundation support** (future community grant funding will be tied to this); **membership growth**; and what makes for a **successful community project**?" Our goal is to have this be an interactive format in which we share ideas and build cross-club relationships."

-- **April 26-29, 2018:** Next year's **District Conference**, under the direction of **Donna Pedace**, who is also the District's **Rotary Friendship Exchange (RFE) chair**, will be held at the **Eldorado Hotel** in **Santa Fe**.



Rotary Friendship Exchange (RFE)

"At **RI President Riseley's** direction, the **Rotary Friendship Exchange program** has expanded and is now open to both Rotarians and non-Rotarians, **with an emphasis on including more young professionals**.

The program allows participants to experience a different culture, deepen their international understanding, foster goodwill, and explore their professions in a different context while building lasting friendships and a foundation for peace and service. We encourage districts to organize exchanges around at least one of these **themes: cultural, service, and vocational.**" (RI photo)



-- From **Donna Pedace, District 5520, RFE Chair, 505-349-8850**

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.

The RFE information below has not been updated, but is presumed accurate.



Rotary Friendship Exchange (RFE):

"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



10 ways to get involved in Rotary this fall. Which one's for you?

If you're wondering how you can take on a more **active role** in Rotary this fall, I'm here to tell you there are a **number of ways!** From **work parties**, to serving on a **committee**, to **networking** with Rotarians from other clubs, there ought to be **something for everyone**. **See my email** (three weeks ago) for all the information, and then let me know which one's for you. Looking forward to hearing!

In Rotary service,
Laura Loy
Club President, 2017-18





