



Rotary Club of Los Alamos



District 5520 Club 1312
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The Rotary Bell

Rotary Awareness Month

January 3, 2015

"Rotary Supporting Rotary"

*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?*

Weekly Newsletter In This Issue

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Weekly Meetings
Every Tuesday at 11:45 a.m.

When & Where + Program & Meeting Highlights

Please join us **Tuesday, January 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 **Chris Sierk**.



- **Sgt. at Arms: Steve Ciddio**
- **Rotary Minute: Chuck Tallman**
- **Fines: Peggy Durbin**
- **Our Program: Our Annual Club Assembly**
- **2nd Reading:** The names of **Louise and Petr Jandacek** will be read for the second time; the **Jandaceks** are sponsored by their daughter, **Antonya Sanders**.

The Golf Course Meeting Room
4250 Diamond Dr.
(Trinity Dr., right on Diamond, 2
mi.)

Board Meetings
Everyone Welcome!
We meet the 2nd Thursday
of the month at 4:30 p.m.
in offices of the Los Alamos
Daily Post, 1247 Central.

2015-2016

Club Board Members

President: Alison Pannell

Vice-President: Linda Hull

President-Elect: Rob Metcalf

Secretary: Becky Ehler

Treasurer: Eric Ferm

Im. Past President: Troy
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Membership: Skip King

Avenues of Service: Nancy
Cerutti

Rotary Foundation: Sandy
Snow

STARS: Laura Loy

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Club: Peggy Durbin

Community: Vincent Chiravelle

International: Michael Erickson

New Generations: Antonya
Sanders

Vocational: Mandy Marksteiner

Newsletter Editor: **Linda Hull**

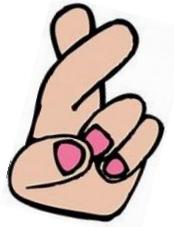
Our Exchange Student



Krissi Wallis
Brandenburg, Germany

Notes & Announcements & Thanks

-- Fingers Crossed!: **Linda Hull** recently contacted **Rotarian Norm Liss**, coordinator for the **District Governor's Award (\$10,000)**. He said they had 19 applications for this first-time award, our **Sara Tuzel** among them. He and his committee hope to narrow the applications to **eight by mid-January**; interviews will begin shortly thereafter.



-- Rotary Friendship Exchange (RFE) Opportunity to Host:



Our Rio Rancho Rotary friend **Donna Pedace**, RFE District Coordinator, writes, "An RFE group from **British Columbia, Canada**, will be coming into our district from **April 5-19, 2016**. We are in **need of volunteer clubs and Rotary families** to host them.

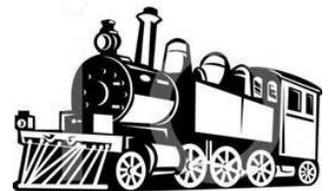
We will have **four couples and one solo woman** to host. May I ask you to talk to your club members to see if you are interested in hosting this group and let me know as soon as you can? **Someone at each club also needs to be willing to be the "planner" to work with me with the host families to set up their activities while they would be in your area.** They will be in each hosting town **3 or 4 nights**, depending on how the travel path works out." -- Our Club always enjoys these friendship opportunities, but we do need a coordinator before we can commit with Donna. **Interested in coordinating this visit?** Please let **Pres. Alison** know!

-- Hallo from YE Student Nicholas Criscuolo in The Netherlands:

(August) "For the first month here in the Netherlands it has been fantastic. When I go about my day I usually don't even realize I am in the Netherlands, which I am not sure is a good thing yet. But once I step back from the craziness and excitement it hits me like a



train, and I realize how lucky I am and how fortunate I am to have the opportunity to do



this. The first month was very good I am just starting to settle in into my host family, which is very nice.

They speak very good english which is great now in the first months, but I am thinking that it might be bad later on. I am starting school tomorrow the 1st of

September, which I hope will be fun but I am a little nervous."

(September) "This month was a month of traveling for me. I started off going to the west of holland to see the exchange group of 2015-2016 and to see some of the history of the Netherlands. Then went to Amsterdam the capital of the Netherlands to have a boat tour along the canals, which was a lot of fun and got to see my part of my exchange group there as well. Towards the end of the month My school took a trip to Paris for five

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)
Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays
5:30-6:30, Smith's Marketplace,
2nd floor



Kim Selvage, Laura Loy, Jim Nesmith, Christi Windle, Alex Zubelewicz, Gloria Brehm, Michael Erickson, Troy Hughes, Melissa Metcalf, James Chrobocinski, Susan O'Leary, LeAnne Parsons



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days. We saw the Eiffel tower and the famous museum the Louvre as well as many other touristy things. other ten that this was a very fun month."

(October?) (November) "This is my last month with my first host family I will move to my second host family the 31 of November. this host family was very nice I liked them very much and a little sad to move. but I am excited to go to the next host family, because i am wondering about some of the differences in the family routine and lifestyle. Besides that my stay here in the Netherlands has been great and looking forward to the coming months."

-- Bonjour from YE Student Kayleen Lederman in Belgium: "Bonjour!



Everything is going well here in lovely Belgium. I love that this country is so small and it only takes about three hours to get across by train. I have been blessed with many opportunities to travel, both with Rotary and my host family. Lately, I've been visiting some of the **Christmas markets** that are in almost every town. In these markets, people sell everything from food and drinks to decorations and Christmas presents. The atmosphere in these markets is very festive and pleasant and it makes me glad that I chose Belgium for my exchange! I'm really enjoying it here, but exchange always has its ups and downs. Whenever I'm feeling homesick or unhappy about something, I just remember that it will always get better and I'm living the dream here. I'm learning a new language, a new culture, and important life skills. I just want to say **thank you** to Rotary. Without you guys, this exchange would have never been possible, and **this is one of the best experiences of my life!**"

This Month's Rotary Minutes

January 5: Chuck Tallman
12: Skip King
19: Sarah Rochester
26: Peggy Durbin



This Month's Programs



-- January 5: By tradition, we will hold our **bi-annual Club Assembly** this first meeting of January to review our Club accomplishments since July 1st, the beginning of the Rotary year, and to look ahead at plans and goals for the next six months. **-- Board members** will make brief reports, as will **Club President Alison Pannell**. **-- Please come to welcome in the New Year with your Rotary friends!**

Rotary Websites

Club: www.losalamosrotary.com
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.
Lulu's, 3011 Cerrillos Rd.

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.

-- January 12: **Martin Cooper**, husband of **Rotarian Bev Cooper**, will tell us about his **experiences as a chess coach** and the **accomplished teams in our local schools**.



-- January 19: **Heather McClenahan**, executive director of the **Los Alamos Historical Society**, will bring us up to date on the plans and preparations being made to welcome the **Manhattan Project Historic National Park (MPHNP)** to Los Alamos and surrounding areas of Northern New Mexico.



-- January 26: **Wintertime blues?** Feast your eyes on the **alluring blue waters** of the **South Pacific** as **Rotarian and travel agent Colette Levine** of **Journey Pacific** takes us on a Power-Point tour of the islands.



This Month's Birthdays

January 25: **Andrea Cunningham**



Current Club Calendar Notes

None at this time other than those already mentioned elsewhere in the newsletter or in the attached calendar.

Regular Monthly Meetings



-- **Monthly Board Meeting:** Our monthly Board meeting will be held **Thursday, January 14th** at **4:30 p.m.** at the **LA Daily Post** offices on **Central Avenue**. -- Everyone welcome!

-- **STARS (Service To All Rotary Satellite)** will meet the **first and third Wednesdays of the month: January 6th and 20th** at **5:30-6:30**, **Smith's Marketplace, 2nd floor conference room**.





Be a gift to the world

Rotary Theme 2015-16

- 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.
- I create peace through service.
- I am a Rotarian.

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Recent Exchange Students



Markus Essl Frederiek Gerretschien
 Austria The Netherlands
 Aug. 2014 – June 2015

Thomas Routiaux Mille Nikolajsen
 Belgium Denmark
 Aug. '13 - June '14 Aug. '12 - June '13

District 5520 and Rotary International News



-- April 28th-May 1st: The District's **Annual Conference** will be held at the **Hotel Albuquerque in Old Town** during these spring dates. The theme is nautical, befitting our District Governor's Navy career: **Anchors Aweigh**. More details as available.

-- May 28th-June 1st: Join **Rotarians** around the world for the **Rotary International Convention** in **Seoul, South Korea**. Register by December 15th for the greatest savings! <http://www.riconvention.org>



Rotary Friendship Exchange (RFE)

-- **Rotary Friendship Exchanges**: For more information about the travel below, please contact: **Donna Pedace**, District chair, **505-349-8850**. -- **There is a new opening in the RFE going to the Vancouver, Canada, area June 2-16, 2016. The group filled very quickly but, as often happens, a couple had to drop out, so their slot is now available. Please let me know as soon as possible if you would be interested in going on this RFE.**

June 2-17: Destination Vancouver, Canada



Donna writes, "**District 5020** consists of **Vancouver Island in British Columbia, Canada, and western Washington State** in the USA. The best known Canadian city in District 5020 is **Victoria**, the capital of British Columbia. Here you will

find the Parliament Buildings and the Provincial Museum on the bustling Inner Harbour. You can also enjoy tea in the Empress Hotel, take a water taxi tour of the harbour, wander through the world famous Butchart Gardens, and visit two real castles. -- District 5020 is a maritime and forest dominated region. Visitors will see magnificent **snow-capped mountains**, whales swimming along the coast, and giant **500-year old growth forest**. On the American side of District 5020, visitors will explore the scenic **Olympic Peninsula** and the **Puget Sound** area with access to islands, beaches, and the city of **Tacoma**. **growth forest**. On the American side of District 5020, visitors will explore the scenic **Olympic Peninsula** and





Eva Hauzar
Switzerland
Aug. '11 - June '12

Samantha Hellesey
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:

the **Puget Sound** area with access to islands, beaches, and the city of **Tacoma**. -- Tacoma is an attractive old port with a vibrant artistic culture. **Olympia**, the state capital of Washington, is another interesting attraction. Visitors may also stop by **Mount St. Helens**, an active volcano. You will meet friendly, vibrant, and active Rotarians who want to show you the beauty of their communities and their clubs' activities throughout District 5020."

The President's Column

(Reprinted from December 17, 2015.)



Greetings fellow members! We have just enjoyed our Holiday Party and many thanks go out to Peggy Durbin and her sterling team of helpers, Linda Hull and Nancy Cerutti. We all had a fabulous time at Fuller Lodge indulging in the Blue Windows delicious food and being amply catered by the Pajarito Brew Pub all the while enjoying fellow members company. I hope everyone had as good a time as I did. Such events fit our theme for the month of December so aptly - Family of Rotary!

Goodness! We are almost half way through another Rotary year. At the first meeting in January, we will hear presentations from our service chairs and you will be reminded of all we do. We will also outline the rest of the year's plans including our fundraiser, Crabfest and another that I hope you will find a fun event as well as lucrative. More on that later.

We also will give you additional details about your Foundation giving. A very generous member has offered to match donations and we will be explaining how that can help you reach PHF (Paul Harris Fellowship) status as well as aiding the Foundation in all the good work we do.

Please bring your ideas and opinions on the state of the Club so we can learn what is working well, what needs improvement and what we should perhaps scrub.

Meantime I hope your plans are coming together for a wonderful festive season filled with family and friends. As the old song goes, "all I want for Christmas to keep the ones I have". I wish you all joyous holidays and all the very best for the new year.

Yours in Rotary,

Alison Pannell
Club President, 2015-16

last Saturday in February
¡Fiesta Los Alamos!: late July
Watch for More!

REAL GENEROSITY
TOWARD THE FUTURE

LIES IN GIVING ALL TO
THE PRESENT.

ALBERT CAMUS

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

ANNE FRANK