

# 5510



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November, 2007

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## Your Annual Fund ‘Paul Harris’ donation continues to make a difference!

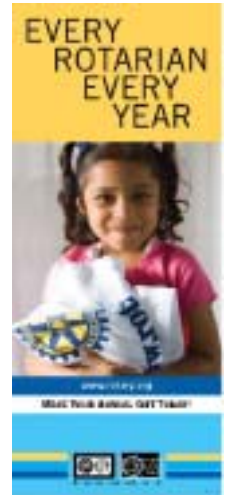
In 1998 Hurricane Mitch cut a path of destruction across Central America. Honduras, the second poorest country in the Western Hemisphere, bore the brunt of the storm, leaving the country nearly destroyed with more than a million survivors left homeless.

When you look at the smiling face of this young Honduran you do not see the destruction of the Hurricane, you see the generosity of **Rotarians** from around the world who stepped up to make sure the people of Honduras were helped in their time of need.

This smiling girl is Elizabeth, the daughter of Elis Nora de Carmen Urbina, a resident of Nueva Esperanza. Nueva Esperanza, or New Hope, is a community that was created in 1999 to provide a sustainable answer to the destruction of Hurricane Mitch.

The community is and was supported by numerous organizations including several Rotary Clubs who obtained a **Matching Grant and 3-H Grant** to support projects in the community. Elizabeth’s family owns a home in the community and the community has not only helped her family put their lives back together but has given them opportunities beyond their wildest dreams. Elizabeth’s smile says it all!

*Every Paul Harris and Multiple Paul Harris Contribution from Every Rotarian Every Year in District 5510 helps bring hope and happiness to the world. It’s great to be a Rotarian!*



## How can you support the Permanent Fund of The Rotary Foundation?

### By PDG Barb Feder District Permanent Fund Chair

We all recognize the need for our continued and consistent support of our Foundation’s Annual Programs Fund and the importance of our “Every Rotarian, Every Year” Sustaining Member Program to fund the diverse programs of the Rotary Foundation. While regular, outright gifts to The Annual Programs Fund are crucial to continue doing good in the world, gifts to the **Permanent Fund** are also needed, in addition to not instead of annual giving, to secure the future of our Foundation.

While it is true that the Annual Programs Fund is the backbone of our Foundation’s humanitarian and educational programs, the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation realized it is not enough to meet the current and future needs identified by clubs. This realization prompted the establishment of the Endowment for World Understanding and Peace in 1982.

In 1994, that name was changed to the Permanent Fund to promote better understanding of the fund among Rotarians around the world. Contributions to the Permanent Fund are not spent. They are invested and only the earnings are used to support Foundation programs. In this way, our gifts to the Permanent Fund become our lasting legacy to help future generations.

Our goal is to build the Permanent Fund to \$1 billion by 2025. The Annual Programs Fund and the Permanent Fund complement each other and are equally deserving of every Rotarian’s support. The Annual Programs Fund supports programs today and the Permanent Fund is designed to secure *Please continue reading on page 4*



PDG BARB FEDER

# November is Foundation Month

November is Foundation Month. It is often said that The Rotary Foundation is what drives the humanitarian projects that Rotary does throughout the World. In my opinion, it is also what separates Rotary from the other service organizations.

To celebrate Foundation Month, District 5510 will hold its annual Foundation Dinner on Saturday evening, November 10, at Pinnacle Peak Country Club. The festivities start at 5 p.m. with a social hour and the dinner begins at 6 p.m.

The setting is beautiful, the food will be outstanding and the program will be fun, quick and informative. To paraphrase the TV ad, "This ain't your daddy's Foundation Dinner."

Also, on Saturday, November 10, there will be an education day at Scottsdale Community College. At least two people from every club need to attend in order to have your club exposed to all of the material being presented.

PDG Lucinda Rose has done a tremendous job assembling presenters and making sure that as much material as possible is given to the clubs. This is a prime example of how the District can help the clubs to achieve your goals.

Lu is so persuasive in recruiting presenters that she even convinced your District Governor to give a class on how to present a by-law amendment. I will try to make what most people feel is a very dry subject, unless you're an attorney, interesting.

It really is a very simple process but is very important to our District. Those of you who have ever read the District's by-laws know there are a lot of areas that are vague or contradictory. I have been told that is because different parts were done at different times

## Scottsdale Airpark presents Vocational Service award

By Dr. Honora Norton, Scottsdale Airpark Rotary

Scottsdale Airpark Rotary members took the opportunity to celebrate vocations at their October 30th meeting. To celebrate Vocational Month In Rotary, each member was asked to give a brief vocational statement.

The club presented a special Vocational Award to Honorary Member Rusty Bradshaw, Copy Editor/Reporter for Independent Newspapers. The award honored and thanked Rusty for his communication and press release contributions to the club. In his varied positions within the Independent Newspapers, Randy's articles and editorials reflected Rotary's 4-Way Test.



**Rusty Bradshaw (left) accepts Vocational Service Award from Scottsdale Airpark President Bob Myers.**



## T's Ts (Tom's Thoughts)



By Tom Burns, District Governor

without looking at the effect the amendments would have on the overall picture.

In addition, some things have changed but the by-laws were not changed to keep current. An example of this is the District 5510 Foundation. When formed, it was a part of the District.

Two years ago, the Foundation Committee formed a separate corporation in order to be in compliance with IRS regulations. The District 5510 Foundation has its own Board of Directors; however, there are still several references in the District 5510 by-laws to the 5510 Foundation and the responsibilities of the Finance Committee with respect to the 5510 Foundation.

This is just an example of some of the areas that should be addressed. Needless to say, there are other areas that have more substance. It is not the intent of the presentation on November 10 to discuss all or even any of the areas in the by-laws that need attention. The purpose of the presentation is to show you how a club can properly present a by-law amendment. We hope to see you there on Saturday, November 10.

**How to double your scholarships for free:** Ask your local college, university or junior college to match your Rotary Club scholarship to their school. Several clubs in Texas asked their local colleges and universities to match their scholarships and the schools do match the club's scholarship if the student attends their school. Schools consider it a recruiting tool.

## Is the Foundation temperature rising?

Through September 30, District 5510 Rotarians have contributed \$32,532.39 toward our goal of \$150,500 to The Rotary Foundation Annual Fund in the 2007-08 Rotary year.

Every Rotarian is needed to heat the Foundation Thermometer and get the temperatures rising. Please help us achieve the theme of **Every Rotarian Every Year...\$100.**



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# District Seminar, Foundation Dinner scheduled Saturday, Nov. 10

By PDG Lucinda Rose, District Trainer

Are you still looking for a reason to come to District Training and Foundation Day on November 10, 2007? Look no more. Sign up now at [www.rotary5510.org](http://www.rotary5510.org) for \$10 per person. We will be at Scottsdale Community College from 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

PLEASE do your best to have people at the event who can bring this valuable information back to your club. We as a district can't help you if you don't avail yourselves of the resources as they are presented.

Clubs are always asking for



LUCINDA ROSE

## Dates to Remember

**October 31 – November 6**

World Interact Week

**November 1**

Applications Due for  
2008-09 Youth Exchange students

**November 1-30**

Rotary Foundation Month

**November 7**

CHANDLER HORIZON  
District Governor Official Visit

**November 10**

District Seminar  
Scottsdale Community College

**November 10**

District Foundation Dinner  
Pinnacle Peak Country Club

**November 20**

PAYSON RIM COUNTRY  
10th Anniversary

**November 20**

GSE Team returns from Japan

**December 1 – 31**

Family of Rotary Month

## 5510 Leadership

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Ken Oakes, Governor Nominee

AHWATUKEE FOOTHILLS

Linda Wright, Secretary

FOUR PEAKS

Kathleen Carolin, Treasurer

SCOTTSDALE AIRPARK

help on Membership, what about Interact, how do Matching Grants work, where does my Annual Fund \$\$\$ go, who are the Ambassadorial Scholars, why is it hard to propose legislation and on and on and on. Well folks, this is the time and place for you and your club to learn what you need to know. PLEASE send two people minimum to the event. It's a consolidated format of a ton of valuable information. (GSE, RYLA, Youth Exchange, Interact, The Rotary Foundation, The 5510 Foundation, The Vocational Fund, and more)

Last month we gave you an initial reason to attend: to be able to learn more about The Rotary Vocational Fund of Arizona. Here are more key reasons.

**Reason No. 2:** Quote from PDG Barb Feder, our Permanent Fund chairman: "This Rotary year we Share Rotary in identifying and implementing humanitarian projects in our communities and around the world. The Annual Programs Fund serves our world's present needs. But what can you do to secure the future of our Rotary Foundation?"

"The Permanent Fund is the answer! Two Needs, Two Ways of Giving...the Annual Programs Fund for today and the Permanent Fund for all the tomorrows to come. Come learn how you can leave your legacy to make the world a little better for you having been here."



**Reason No. 3:** Quote from Gary Law our Grants chairman: "Matching Grants — Confused, bewildered? Does the Matching Grant process seem overwhelming? Where do the funds come from?"

We're a small club, how can we partner with and create a relationship with an International club? Can Matching Grants be done locally?"

Just a few questions/concerns that will be addressed November 10th!

**Reason No. 4:** Youth Exchange: Quote from Cindy Harrison, our Youth Exchange Co-Chair: "Here is what has been over-

heard in Rotary about RYE."

"But, why should I as a Rotarian be interested in such a thing?" "What am I going to get from it and what will the club get from this?" "It seems like it costs a lot of money to incorporate such a program into our club for what benefits?" "How much time and work is required?" "I'm just not sure we have enough members to make it work...or we have too many members and none of us lives in the community where we attend Rotary." "Our members are just too old!"

Here is what we hear from those involved:

"This was the best year of my life. Thank you, Rotary."

"Without you (Rotary), I never would have had the opportunity to meet so many wonderful people and learned so much about this country."

"I joined Rotary after hosting an exchange student in our home."

"I joined Rotary because I was a Rotary Youth Exchange Student back in high school and Rotary gave me this wonderful gift and I want to give the gift to someone else."

"I loved having the student work on our community service projects with us this year. She brought new energy to our club."

At the seminar in November, you will have the opportunity to hear the presentation that our Rotex (Former Youth

Exchange Students) students will give at your high school or junior high. You will see the brochure that a Rotex student made to make your visit into a school for recruiting more successful. You will have the opportunity to briefly hear the process of forming a committee at the club level, recruiting outbound students, how to find host families and the cost of sponsoring inbound and outbound students. At this time,

we only have about a 20-30 percent participation rate and we would like to challenge District 5510 to raise the numbers.

Here is the double part: When you are online, please register to attend the evening Foundation Dinner too! It is the same day (November 10), at Pinnacle Peak Country Club. Cost is \$50 per person. The cocktail hour and music featuring the Arizona Rotary Blues Band begin at 5 p.m. with dinner at 6 p.m.

Please register today at [www.rotary5510.org](http://www.rotary5510.org) for November 10<sup>th</sup>. See You There!

# PERMANENT FUND

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those same programs for tomorrow.

## How can you contribute to the Permanent Fund of The Rotary Foundation?

Here are a few ideas:

**Benefactors:** Anyone who contributes a gift of US\$1,000 or more to the Permanent Fund be it cash or a provision in their will or estate plans is known as a “**Foundation Benefactor.**” Benefactors are one of the key building blocks for the Permanent Fund’s success. It’s easy and all Rotarians can help build the Permanent Fund by becoming Benefactors.

Here’s a District 5510 Exclusive! You’re invited to become a member of **Rotary District 5510’s “Nifty 50”** by making a new commitment of \$5,000 to the Permanent Fund. Every Nifty 50 Member becomes a Foundation Benefactor and has a specially engraved “Legacy Leaf” name plate on our District 5510 Giving Tree!

**Bequest Society:** The Rotary Foundation goes on to recognize those special friends who have the foresight and wisdom to remember the Foundation in their estate plans with a significant bequest of \$10,000 or more and extends to them an invitation of membership into the **Bequest Society.**

**Life Income Gifts:** Another increasingly popular way of giving to The Permanent Fund is through life income gifts. These gifts provide an income stream during the lifetime of the income beneficiary. After the death of the last income beneficiary, the

remainder is placed in the Permanent Fund. These life income gifts may offer annual income benefits, immediate federal income tax deductions, avoidance or reduction of capital gains taxes and possible estate tax savings.

**Donor Advised Fund:** One of the Rotary Foundation’s newer charitable giving vehicles is the **Donor Advised Fund (DAF).** The DAF is essentially a charitable investment account to facilitate the charitable giving of individuals and groups. Rotary’s DAF is designed to help manage charitable giving to the Rotary Foundation and Rotarians’ other favorite charities.

The Permanent Fund enables individuals to combine their gifts into a significant force to address the world’s greatest needs for generations to come.

As you can see, The Rotary Foundation offers a variety of financial strategies that will help to meet Rotarians’ charitable objectives and continue to support the Foundation’s essential programs. We hope you will consider supporting The Rotary Foundation through some of the charitable giving strategies you’ve just read about. By doing so, you are acknowledging the value of Rotary’s work around the world and enabling the next generation of Rotarians to continue our mission of achieving world peace and understanding. Please contact me at [barbfeder@cs.com](mailto:barbfeder@cs.com) or 480 839-5847 for assistance.

## Clubs may use District 5510 tax exempt status for projects

By PDG Barb Feder  
District Foundation President

The District 5510 Foundation Committee received and approved use of the Foundation’s tax-exempt status for its first project applications for the 2007-08 Rotary year. Congratulations and best wishes for successful fundraisers to the Rotary Club of Chandler for its Garage Sale on November 3rd and to the Rotary Club of Sun Lakes Crown for its Fall Charity Cable Auction November 30-December 2, 2007.

The Foundation Board invites all Rotary Clubs to consider applying for use of the Foundation for your charitable projects and programs. Visit the district website at [www.rotary5510.org](http://www.rotary5510.org) and click on District 5510 Foundation Board to download an easy-to-fill-out pdf application. The Board will review your application within no more than 60 days of receipt and confirm that your project meets with 501(c)(3) requirements.

Some Rotary Clubs assume that because they are a member of Rotary International, they have tax-exempt status. This is NOT the case. Our Foundation Board encourages your Rotary club to assure that what you represent in your fundraisers and projects is indeed tax exempt. The District 5510 Foundation is available to help your club succeed.

**REMEMBER:**

*Every Rotarian  
Every Year*



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL  
DISTRICT 5510

## FOUNDATION DINNER

Saturday, November 10

Pinnacle Peak Country Club

8701 E. Pinnacle Peak Rd., North Scottsdale

Tickets are \$50 each

Register online at [www.rotary5510.org](http://www.rotary5510.org)

5:00 p.m. PIANO COCKTAIL HOUR with

Linda Teichgraeber

6:00 p.m. Dinner and Music by

THE ARIZONA ROTARY BLUES BAND

Master of Ceremonies

JON DUPRE ABC 15 NEWS ANCHOR

FEATURING DISTRICT GOVERNOR

**TOM BURNS**

ROTARY FELLOWSHIP AND DANCING FOLLOWING DINNER

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU NEED A VEGETARIAN DISH

# Jim & Mary Kay Patmos inducted into Arch Klumpf Society

By Tiffany Woods & Maureen Vaught

Jim and Mary Kay Patmos have made Rotary a part of their lives since Jim became a Rotarian in 1967.

Their commitment to the organization was recognized on October 1, when they were inducted into the Arch C. Klumph Society, which honors people who give at least US\$250,000 to The Rotary Foundation. The ceremony took place at RI World Headquarters in Evanston, Illinois, where their portrait now hangs in the Arch C. Klumph Gallery.

Over the years the couple has hosted several Rotary Youth Exchange students as well as members of Group Study Exchange teams from other countries. They've also attended district conferences and the 2007 RI Convention. At his former club in New York, Jim implemented a program to award college scholarships, and now he helps select candidates in Arizona to receive Rotarian-funded scholarships for vocational training.

Rotary is a tradition in the Patmos family. Jim's grandfather Emory James Hyde and father, Bernard Patmos, were Rotarians. Jim, who is a retired science teacher, first joined the Rotary Club of Grand Island, New York, and is now a member of the Rotary Club of Chandler-Horizon, Arizona. He has 40 years of perfect attendance. The couple's son Brent was inducted into the Chandler-Horizon club on October 17.

"Things like Service Above Self, the Object of Rotary, The Four-Way Test have added an incredible amount of quality to my life, and I could not have lived the kind of life I've lived if it had not been for Rotary and the principles that go along with it," Jim said at the ceremony.



Jim and Mary Kay Patmos admire their portrait in the Arch Klumpf Society Gallery at RI headquarters in Evanston.

A defining moment of his Rotary career was when he first received Paul Harris Fellow Recognition and realized that the dollars he had contributed would immunize hundreds of children against polio.

Jim was born in Adrian, Michigan, in 1938 and earned a Master's degree from Michigan State University in 1962. He began his teaching career in Port Huron, then became a science teacher and science department chair in Grand Island. He and Mary Kay, who owned a florist shop and was a human relations consultant for 25 years, have been married for 45 years. They have two children and six grandchildren.

## Are you a knife-and-fork club?

By Robin Craig  
District Membership Chair

"When a tree stops growing — it's ready to die. A Rotary club is like that; it's moving ahead only when it's growing. When the growth ends, a knife-and-fork club begins." This was a quote from Rotary International President, Charles Tennent. It was 1957, but it still rings true today.

When I think of a knife-and-fork club, I envision an atmosphere where a member will just show up, sit, eat, get up and leave. Thrown in the middle is a speaker who's usually trying to sell something or wants money for their organization. We've all been there, right?

So what makes for a good meeting? What will make existing members stay and guests and prospective members return to your club?

Let's start with a term we hear often — fellowship. When I looked up the word "fellowship" in the thesaurus, *friendliness* immediately caught my eye. What makes a club friendly?

First, members are encouraged to sit in a different seat or at a different table each week. Second, they are urged to sit with a member they may not know as well as their long-time personal friends. Third, members share the conversation around the table rather than merely eating in silence or talking privately to the person next to them.

When my club reviewed responses to our *Membership Satisfaction Questionnaire*, a large majority wanted more time

for fellowship. They asked for more personal time to build relationships with their fellow Rotarians.

### Membership Focus

We responded by changing our lunch to a buffet setting, making it available twenty to thirty minutes prior to the start time. Now members have plenty of opportunity to chat and get to know one another before the meeting officially starts. Small changes can bring big results.

A good club meeting also needs good speakers. Speakers should address meaningful issues, engage the audience and leave them either educated or inspired. Do you make your members aware of upcoming speakers? You can utilize web and club bulletins as a great way to alert members, guests and prospective members.

Finally, allow time for members to communicate to the entire club and not just their table. Give them an opportunity to express happy events and even sad ones. This is a great way for the entire club to connect. Meetings that allow time for camaraderie will not only attract new members but keep the ones you have.

Don't become a knife-and-fork club. Make the most of your meetings and exemplify the Rotary spirit!

Until next month, keep the focus!

When was the last time you told a friend about Rotary?

# Meet two Youth Exchange students visiting District 5510 this year

District 5510 is hosting 11 Youth Exchange students this year. You are being given the opportunity to meet them in *5510 Together*. Two or three will be profiled each month. Each was asked the same

questions. Here is the next pair along with their age, home country, sponsoring club, high school they are attending and their answers to the questions.

## Clarissa Camargo Lemos, 18

**Home:** Brazil  
**Sponsor:** Gilbert  
**High School:** Highland  
**E-mail:** [clarissa\\_camargo@hotmail.com](mailto:clarissa_camargo@hotmail.com)

**Q.** What has been the best thing about being in Arizona up to this point in time?

**A.** I like going to school.

**Q.** Tell us something that happened to you that you never expected to happen.

**A.** I didn't expect to have a cell phone here, but I do.

**Q.** What food have you discovered that you like here? Is there any food item that you do not like at all?

**A.** I like Mexican food, sweet snacks and there isn't anything that I don't like at all.

**Q.** List three wishes that you have about things you would like to do while you are in Arizona or places you would like to visit. (Maybe someone who reads this can make your wishes come true.)

**A.** 1. See old historical cities. 2. See the nature, waterfalls, lakes, etc. 3. I would like to go to Sedona.

**Q.** Tell us anything else that you would like the Rotarians of District 5510 to know about you.

**A.** I am outgoing and always willing to try new things and visit new places.



CLARISSA CAMARGO  
LEMONS

## Lotti D'Angelo, 17

**Home:** Italy  
**Sponsor:** Sun Lakes  
**High School:** Hamilton  
**E-mail:** [lottina\\_princess@hotmail.it](mailto:lottina_princess@hotmail.it)

**Q.** What has been the best thing about being in Arizona up to this point in time?

**A.** The best thing about being in Arizona is that I'm growing like a person...for me is very important because when I was in Italy, I knew that there was my mom to help me every problem but now I just learning to resolve my problems with my self...without other people...is a great thing.

**Q.** Tell us something that happened to you that you never expected to happen.

**A.** There is something that I never expected to happen. At my school here I take choir class and two weeks ago I taken my first concert...was great...and was very funny.I never immagined that I can sing, because in my school in Italy there isn't choir class and if you want you can take lessons outside from school but is more expensive.

**Q.** What food have you discovered that you like here? Is there any food item that you do not like at all?

**A.** Mmh...I must be honest. I miss very much Italian food. Here there are some place with Italian food but is not the same. I discovered that I like Mexican food, because in Italy, too, there is American food and so I knew already that I liked it.

**Q.** List three wishes that you have about things you would like to do while you are in Arizona or places you would like to visit. (Maybe someone who reads this can make your wishes come true.)

**A.** Ahah, funny question. I have some wishes. My first was to go to Disneyland, but in January I'll go, but there is another my wishes the biggest. I'd like to go to Hawaii. Oh, my gosh. Is my second dream after Disneyland, but also I'd like to go to California, visit San Diego or Las Vegas. OK, I love travel! if someone want to grant my wishes, please call me. Thank you!

**Q.** Tell us anything else that you would like the Rotarians of District 5510 to know about you.

**A.** Yes, there is a final trip in June but is more expensive and so if someone needs some little job like babysitter or I don't know, please call me and so I can help you and you can help me...and in the same situation there is my beautiful friend Mary. The girl comes from Belgium that lives near me and maybe we can do something together or I don't know.



LOTTI D'ANGELO

## Winter Wonderland

**Ahwatukee Foothills Rotary Club  
10th Annual Charity Auction**

**Friday, November 30**

**Grace Inn • Ahwatukee**

**\$25 per person includes 2 adult drinks**

**6:00 p.m. Silent Auction**

**7:30 p.m. Dinner**

**8:30 p.m. Live Auction**

**Silent Auction items include:**

**week at a cabin in Flagstaff;**

**weekend at the Junipine Resort in Sedona;**

**weekend at a Prescott resort;**

**an authentic Jim Morrison grave stone rubbing,  
professionally framed.**

**Proceeds will support scholarships at Mountain  
Pointe and Desert Vista, 3rd grade Dictionary Project  
in the Kyrene school district, Youth Exchange,  
Arizona Gift of Life, Children of Peace,  
Wheelchair Project, and more.**

**For information contact Cindy at 480-242-6902 or  
[ahwatukeefoothillsrotary@hotmail.com](mailto:ahwatukeefoothillsrotary@hotmail.com)**

**Remember your Rotary pin...  
Wear it daily with pride.**

# District 5510 Interact Council spends inspiring time in San Jose

By Lisa Akorll

Interact 5510 District Governor

The Interact Council for District 5510 returned from an inspiring trip to San Jose, California, October 20-21. There, we learned invaluable information about how to transform Interact District 5510 from a fledgling project into a widespread community service powerhouse.

The board members of District 5510 were amazed by the leadership, unity and overall efficiency of District 5170, the largest Interact District in the world. District 5170 is made up of 6,000 Interactors and 60 clubs in 13 areas. They are helping us shape our own District Interact 5510.

They have invited us to take part in many of their activities to learn and then transplant those structures in our own district. This year we are joining them in a project to raise \$50,000 for

## 'Sharing World Literacy Day' is theme of Rotary Rose Parade float



Rotary clubs around the world are being asked to help support the Rotary Rose Parade Float Committee's entry into the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade on New Year's Day.

RI President Wilfrid Wilkinson said, "Rotary's participation in the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade is a wonderful way to reach out to millions of people. Television coverage amplifies our efforts by delivering a message of what Rotary stands for and what Rotarians do for mankind.

"Our float for the year 2008 is entitled, 'Sharing World Literacy Day' and features the wise owl and classic wizard. It highlights Rotary's commitment to literacy. The Pasadena Tournament of Roses estimates that the parade is seen by 40 million people in the USA and 300 million people internationally in more than 150 countries. What a wonderful audience to tell about the efforts of 1.2 million Rotarians to improve the quality of life by educational and humanitarian help to people around the world.

"The ability of Rotary to be represented in the Rose Parade for the 28<sup>th</sup> consecutive year depends entirely upon contributions of Rotary clubs in the United States, Canada, and the Caribbean to the multi-district Rotary Rose Parade Float Committee."

Every club president should have received information about the float. Each club is asked to contribute \$3 per member toward the effort. If you would like more information, you may contact Chairman Ray Bushnell at [www.rotaryfloat.org](http://www.rotaryfloat.org) or 626-303-0280. You can mail contributions to Rotary Rose Parade Float Committee, Inc., P.O. Box 92502, Pasadena California, 91109-2502.



Members of the Interact Council are (left to right) front row: advisor Noel Kurth, Cord Claffey, Interact Chair Alan Havir; back row: Max Sussman, Romy Shane, Annie Cohen, Eric Giacoppo, Jamie Flake and District Governor Lisa Akorll.

International Action for Children, which will benefit children on three continents in Ghana, Panama and Tibet.

The Interactors in San Jose are extremely energetic, devoted, hardworking and caring. These characteristics allow them to set tremendous goals and to reach them with ease.

All of us in District 5510 realize that we have a long way to go before we can consider ourselves up to par with District 5170, yet we are all optimistic about our future prospects. Everyone is willing to put in the necessary effort.

We feel that our first step should be unifying the individual high school Interact clubs in the district. Right now, Chaparral High School has the biggest percentage of representation on the board. While this is not necessarily bad, considering Chaparral Interact's great history, it is vital that there be a greater variety of perspectives if we are to truly create a district Interact body.

Assembling leadership, building team spirit and fundraising should also be items at the top of our to-do list. District 5510 needs organized leadership. District 5170 showed us that productivity goes hand-in-hand with good planning. By splitting up tasks among individuals, our district will be much more successful than it has been up to this point.

Next, we need to get people excited about Interact. Our accomplishments depend upon the energy we put out. Finally, in San Jose, our counterparts gave us many tips for bringing in money. Once our benefit concert is sorted out, we will begin brainstorming additional fundraisers.

The journey to San Jose's Fall Leadership Conference was a complete success. We all gained knowledge about where to go from here. Not to mention, we had a fantastic time. Everyone in district 5170 made us feel welcome.

Interactor Eric Giacoppo said: "Thanks so much for sending us up to California this weekend. I was expecting a group of adults running the show for the district interact in Cali, and when I saw a group of people our age running that entire group I could not believe it. I know sending us up there will inspire everyone on our district council."

Now, we just have to show everyone else how much fun this club can be. We are looking forward to further utilizing our partners in California for guidance. The main consensus is that, with enough effort, spirit and unity, our opportunities to help the world are endless.

# Sun Lakes Rotarians, Carrabba's support wheelchair project

A primary goal of Rotary International has been to offer help and assistance to the less fortunate in the United States and around the world during its more than 100 years of continuous service. When Sun Lakes Rotarian Dwight Grotewold learned that there are some 200 million persons around the world who are limited in the way they are able to move and travel because of a lack of wheelchairs, he contacted his friend, Past District Governor Ron Roderique, and asked him to speak about a very unique philanthropic program he is associated with. Ron gave an outstanding presentation to the club which explained a most unusual project that allows Rotary clubs, and other groups, to help meet the needs of these handicapped persons by furnishing them sturdy wheelchairs at no cost.

Kenneth Behring, a very successful businessman who traveled the world, saw the great need for the millions who were limited in what they could do because of this handicap. As a result, he established a foundation that arranged to manufacture very sturdy and reliable wheelchairs for the amazingly low cost of \$150 each, including delivery, to nearly any place around the world.

When Sun Lakes Rotarians learned that Behring would match each \$75 they contributed, they became very committed to participating in this program that would assist so many others in need. Rotarians Bob Beckley and Lee Widener stepped forward and offered to head up a committee that would raise funds through our club to carry out this effort.

The results were absolutely amazing. Our Rotarians and others raised enough funds to support a program that would fund the purchase of more than 260 wheelchairs!

Some of the chairs have already been delivered to needy persons in Thailand, and others will be shipped to Culiacan, Mexico, for distribution sometime in January or February of 2008. It is planned that some Sun Lakes Rotarians may travel there to help in assembling and distributing the wheelchairs to those persons selected because of their total inability to walk effectively.

Rotarian Stan Scott talked to Corey Gomoll, the proprietor-manager of the Carrabba's Italian Grill in the Los Tiendas shopping center located on Alma School quite close to Sun Lakes. Corey was equally impressed with the Wheelchair Project and volunteered that his grill would



hold a special fundraising dinner to support this program. It was extremely successful, and funds raised in this effort were combined with funds contributed by Sun Lakes Rotary club and its Rotarians to arrange for the purchase and distribution of 260 wheelchairs.

Recently seven Rotarians and their partners gathered at the local Carrabba's Italian Grill to express their "thanks" to Corey for his outstanding participation and contribution. The group presented Corey with a large framed picture of himself and others who were so involved in this generous effort on their part. Corey was so impressed with this award that by the time we left the Grill the framed photograph was already hung in a prominent place in the entrance area of the business.

Interestingly, Carrabba's last year was involved in a similar effort to assist the Sun Lakes Rotary Club in sending a high school student from Chandler to spend a year of

study in Italy. Her family circumstances were that one of her parents was stricken with cancer and, even though she worked at two jobs, she was unable to raise enough funds for the trip. Through Carrabba's effort, we were able to raise enough money to assist her to meet her needs, as well as to placing excess funds in a special scholarship program for future needy students.

Carrabba's is to be commended for setting such a fine example of good community participation through these two programs. Incidentally, following the student's return from Italy, Carrabba's offered her a position to help her earn money for her continued education.

Any individual or business interested in learning more about how they can participate or contribute to the Sun Lakes Rotary Wheelchair Project are encouraged to contact either Rotarian Bob Beckley at 895-0865 or Rotarian Lee Widener at 895-7706 for more information.

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## PDG Barb Feder recognized at Zone Institute

**By Gary Whiting, Centennial PDG and District Rotary Foundation Committee Chair**

During Rotary Foundation Day at the Zones 25 & 26 Institute in Austin, Texas, Rotary International Director-Elect and Past Zone 25 Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator Phil Silvers and Current Zone 26 Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator Noel Bajat presented PDG Barb Feder a gift of appreciation for her work as Editor of *Key Ways*, Zones 25 & 26 Rotary Foundation newsletter from 2005-2007.

This newsletter has been so successful that it is now being replicated in many Zones around the Rotary world.

A special THANK YOU to PDG Barb for all that you do in helping the Rotary Foundation.



RRFCs Phil Silvers (left) and Noel Bajat (right) congratulate PDG Barb Feder.



# District 5510 Attendance, Membership, Foundation Report

## September, 2007

	Membership			Attendance		Foundation Annual Goal	Annual Giving (as of 7/31)	% of Goal	
	7/1/07	Goal	Current	Change	Monthly %				YTD %
<b>Chandler Region: Walter Thompson, AG</b>									
Ahwatukee Foothills	14	15	14	0	88.46	88.46	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,605.00	114.64
Chandler	39	40	39	0	85.00	85.67	3,900	1,700.00	43.59
Chandler Horizon	26	27	25	- 1	100.00	99.15	3,000	5,039.39	167.98
Chandler North	15	16	15	0	75.00	74.23	2,200	1,900.00	86.36
<b>Total</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>- 1</b>	<b>87.16</b>	<b>86.88</b>	<b>\$ 10,500</b>	<b>\$ 10,244.39</b>	<b>97.57</b>
<b>Flagstaff Region: Tom Mackin, AG</b>									
Flagstaff	69	70	67	- 2	59.47	60.62	\$ 4,000	\$ 100.00	2.50
Flagstaff Route 66	17	18	18	+ 1	81.00	81.00	2,000	0.00	0.00
Flagstaff Sunrise	8	9	8	0	84.50	85.40	800	650.00	81.25
<b>Total</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>- 1</b>	<b>74.99</b>	<b>75.67</b>	<b>\$ 6,800</b>	<b>\$ 750.00</b>	<b>11.03</b>
<b>Gilbert/Sun Lakes Region: Ken Oakes, AG</b>									
Gilbert	17	18	17	0	78.50	84.33	\$ 1,700	\$ 390.00	22.94
Sun Lakes	96	97	99	+ 3	74.00	70.33	9,500	1,450.00	15.26
Sun Lakes Crown	42	43	43	+ 1	66.41	58.64	4,100	650.00	15.85
Superstition Mountain	38	39	38	0	75.00	70.90	4,000	25.00	0.63
<b>Total</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>+ 4</b>	<b>73.48</b>	<b>71.05</b>	<b>\$ 17,600</b>	<b>\$ 2,515.00</b>	<b>14.29</b>
<b>Mesa Region: Jim Tighe, AG</b>									
Mesa	89	90	82	- 7	66.67	66.83	\$ 8,900	\$ 2,400.00	26.97
Mesa Baseline	75	76	76	+ 1	50.38	50.69	3,900	875.00	22.44
Mesa Boeing	12	13	13	+ 1	65.00	58.33	6,050	220.00	3.64
Mesa East	20	21	21	+ 1	72.22	67.78	1,900	785.00	41.32
Mesa Sunrise	20	21	20	0	78.44	66.73	1,800	1,093.00	60.72
Mesa West	29	30	31	+ 2	80.39	73.78	3,480	1,180.00	33.91
<b>Total</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>- 2</b>	<b>68.85</b>	<b>64.02</b>	<b>\$ 26,230</b>	<b>\$ 6,553.00</b>	<b>24.98</b>
<b>North Central Region: Glenn Smith, AG</b>									
Payson	34	35	35	+ 1	57.38	66.61	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,200.00	80.00
Payson Rim Country	27	28	26	- 1	81.73	84.52	2,800	0.00	0.00
Winslow	25	26	24	- 1	75.50	62.77	3,000	0.00	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>- 1</b>	<b>71.54</b>	<b>71.30</b>	<b>\$ 9,800</b>	<b>\$ 3,200.00</b>	<b>32.65</b>
<b>North East Region: Ryan Reinhold, AG</b>									
Show Low	13	14	13	0	NR	NR	\$ 1,200	\$ 0.00	0.00
Silver Creek	19	20	19	0	82.76	81.37	1,800	650.00	36.11
Southwest e-Club	30	31	34	+ 4	99.00	99.33	3,200	200.00	6.25
Springerville	18	19	18	0	80.50	69.50	1,800	440.00	24.44
White Mountain	13	14	11	- 2	68.00	79.33	900	360.00	40.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>+ 2</b>	<b>82.57</b>	<b>82.38</b>	<b>\$ 8,900</b>	<b>\$ 1,650.00</b>	<b>18.54</b>
<b>North Valley Region: Anne Mickey, AG</b>									
Carefree-Cave Creek	20	21	21	+ 1	75.00	76.33	\$ 2,100	\$ 340.00	16.19
Fountain Hills	61	62	64	+ 3	56.00	53.80	6,300	775.00	0.00
Four Peaks	44	45	41	- 3	67.00	68.27	4,100	25.00	0.61
Scottsdale	159	160	159	0	68.00	66.33	15,100	1,075.00	7.12
<b>Total</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>+ 1</b>	<b>66.50</b>	<b>66.18</b>	<b>\$ 27,600</b>	<b>\$ 2,215.00</b>	<b>8.02</b>
<b>Northeast Valley Region: Alan Havir, AG</b>									
Paradise Valley	33	34	32	- 1	71.00	70.00	\$ 3,000	0.00	0.00
Pinnacle Peak	35	36	36	+ 1	77.14	71.58	3,500	\$ 100.00	2.86
<b>Total</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>74.07</b>	<b>70.79</b>	<b>\$ 6,500</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</b>	<b>1.54</b>
<b>Phoenix Region: Honora Norton, AG</b>									
Phoenix Arcadia	27	28	34	+ 7	84.20	80.07	\$ 2,560	0.00	0.00
Phoenix Camelback	27	28	26	- 1	71.80	71.10	2,160	0.00	0.00
Phoenix East	22	23	24	+ 2	81.00	78.33	2,200	270.00	12.27
Phoenix Squaw Peak	25	26	24	- 1	59.96	66.33	2,300	175.00	7.61
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>+ 7</b>	<b>74.24</b>	<b>73.96</b>	<b>\$ 9,220</b>	<b>\$ 445.00</b>	<b>4.83</b>
<b>Scottsdale Region: Sandi Alexander-Anderson, AG</b>									
Phoenix El Puente	17	18	18	+ 1	35.00	55.67	\$ 1,200	\$ 0.00	0.00
Scottsdale Airpark	16	17	17	+ 1	82.00	83.41	1,600	405.00	25.31
Scottsdale Papago	29	30	22	- 7	71.00	73.00	600	200.00	33.33
Scottsdale Sunrise	34	35	37	+ 3	100.00	93.06	3,400	0.00	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>- 2</b>	<b>72.00</b>	<b>76.29</b>	<b>\$ 6,800</b>	<b>\$ 605.00</b>	<b>8.90</b>
<b>Tempe Region: Gary Law, AG</b>									
Kyrene Corridor	16	17	16	0	75.00	85.00	\$ 2,400	\$ 0.00	0.00
Tempe	32	33	28	- 4	65.62	61.91	2,500	1,230.00	49.20
Tempe East	14	15	13	- 1	100.00	100.00	1,300	0.00	0.00
Tempe Rio Salado	17	18	18	+ 1	60.00	65.67	1,600	150.00	9.38
Tempe South	45	46	43	- 2	80.00	84.00	4,200	875.00	20.83
<b>Total</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>- 6</b>	<b>76.12</b>	<b>79.31</b>	<b>\$ 12,000</b>	<b>\$ 2,255.00</b>	<b>18.79</b>
<b>Total/Average/Goal</b>	<b>1,478</b>	<b>1,522</b>	<b>1,479</b>	<b>+ 1</b>	<b>74.53</b>	<b>74.19</b>	<b>\$150,500</b>	<b>\$ 30,532.39*</b>	<b>20.29</b>

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\* - includes District 5510 contributions

## Two years later: FOUR PEAKS ROTARIANS HELP VICTIMS OF HURRICANE KATRINA

By Sandy Hellems, Four Peaks Rotary

Unfortunately, two years after the devastating hurricane Katrina struck, Gulf communities in Louisiana and Mississippi are still ridiculously incomplete. Four Peaks Rotary club members Cheryl Murray, Don Doty, Sandi Alexander-Anderson, Peg Glaser, Sandy Hellems and Ecuadorian exchange student Sebastian Proano traveled to Gulfport, Mississippi, to help put a little piece of the community back together again.

The Rotary team was hosted by the Trinity Unity Methodist Church of Gulfport. The church provided housing and food for three teams including our own six, fourteen volunteers from a church in Tennessee and six from Virginia. The Tennessee team provided a cook whose food was wonderful to come home to after a long, HARD, HOT, HUMID day working.

We were so hungry and tired that everything tasted gourmet and the accommodations felt like the Ritz. Well, that might actually be a slight exaggeration - we slept in the upstairs children's instruction rooms in sleeping bags and can you spell S-T-A-R-C-H? But, believe me we were thankful!

Trinity Unity Methodist church (TUMC) in Gulfport has orchestrated the reassembly of more than 600 homes to date. By the time they close out their rebuilding program in December, 2007, (they're taking a much needed break) they hope to have completed 700 homes.

These homes are rebuilt with volunteer labor. The church provides materials and tools with grants from organizations (Rotary is one such group) or uses consumer provided materials. There have been weeks when the church housed and fed more than 100 volunteers at a time.

The jobs are varied in all facets of construction. If necessary, there are licensed tradesmen to manage the volunteers and/or quality check the work. For our first job, we were assigned to home in the city of Pass Christian.

Paula and Mike Hentges and their two kids have been living in a 250 square foot travel trailer since 2005. They had been working nights and weekends by themselves on their new construction home and finally admitted they needed a little boost of help.

We completely insulated the walls and ceiling of their home and dry walled its 600 square feet upstairs room. They joined us for supper at the church Thursday evening and continued to sing our praises for helping them get over the hump. We can't wait to see them in their completed home.

On Thursday we attended the luncheon Rotary meeting in Biloxi, Mississippi. This is a gracious club with more than 150 members. They lost their original meeting location in the hurricane and had to meet in several different locations over the past two years. They have finally settled on the 15th floor of the Hancock Bank building.

Being only a short distance from the shore the views from the building are beautiful, but also reminiscent of the devastation. You can see open spaces near large parking lots where buildings once stood, scattered piles of construction debris and roofs still stripped were clearly in view.

Adjacent to the Hancock building was a beachfront condo complex. With the windows removed for final demolition, the openings clearly showing the interiors contents; ironing boards, beds, dining tables, lamps on table tops. Strangely vacant like everyone had just poofed into thin air.

After completing our 360 degree tour we enjoyed a lovely buffet lunch. No doubt southerners know how to lay out a meal! We were introduced in the meeting by the President and our spokesperson



Cheryl Murray said a few words on our teams behalf. Amazingly, we received a standing ovation for our work and support. If a person's heart (or lump in a throat) could swell any more than ours did at that lunch I'd be surprised.

The bravery and intestinal fortitude of the residents of those communities far surpasses anything we could've accomplished that week. The meeting concluded with many people stopping and personally thanking us for our contribution. We definitely felt we were on the bigger half of the receiving stick.

With a day-and-a-half still left in our work week we asked for an additional assignment. We were able to help Fred and Burleen Noblin. These folks were 80 years-plus retirees. Burleen had inherited the home from her mother who passed away when Burleen was 19.

The home needed much work but our assignment was installing floor underlayment (to prepare for final flooring like wood or carpet) and insulating/drywalling a master bedroom and bathroom. We were called "little angels from heaven" so many times we thought we had grown wings. Again, we look forward to this couple returning to their home.

Our week was very fulfilling from so many aspects but mostly to realize every day people are helping people. That exchange is a beautiful thing and we were blessed to play a part. Many thanks to Cheryl Murray, our organizer and tour guide who has orchestrated several trips to the gulf to help. Hats off to our exchange student Sebastian for working harder than he ever has in his life. Great job team for itchin' and sweatin' without complaint (at least not too much) and who all really embodied the theme "Rotary Shares" this week.

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