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November 5, 2024

District Governor Sue Krahe-Archibald

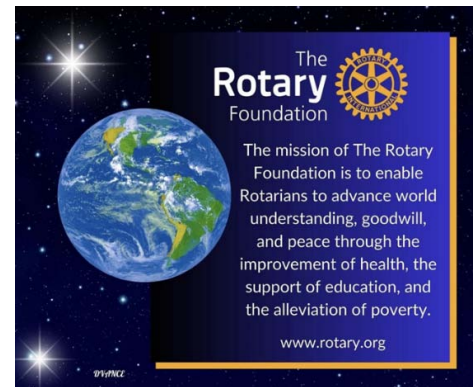
November is The Rotary Foundation Month

By Sue Archibald
Peace

November is the month that Rotary International specifically focuses on our Foundation.

The Rotary Foundation helps us transform dreams of change into reality. As a humanitarian organization, peace is a cornerstone of our mission. We believe when people work to create PEACE in their communities, that change can have a global effect.

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TRF Weekly Message: What is a Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member?

A Sustaining Member is someone who contributes \$100 or more each year to the Annual Fund. These contributions count toward several different kinds of individual recognition and club recognition banners.

For about \$10 a month, you can be a Sustaining Member and help provide life-changing opportunities for people on a yearly basis!



The Rotary Youth Exchange Recruitment Deadline has Been Extended

New Deadline: November 19

The deadline to apply for the long-term youth exchange program for the 2025-26 academic year has been extended to November 19.

Please consider offering the opportunity of a lifetime to a student who says YES to life. A student like Amity who is embracing her year in Japan.

The time is now to recruit exchange students for the 2025-26 year. Applications for long-term academic year and summer 2025 short-term exchanges are on the District website: [click here](#)

Information Session: Wed, November 13, 6:30pm on Zoom
Contact Cindy Dooling for the Zoom link at youthexchangeofficer@rotaryd5500.org, or if you have any questions.

[Click here](#) for a downloadable flyer to share with high schools.

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Rotary Leadership Institute at District 5500 Conference of Clubs

The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is composed of three courses, and two were offered at the District Conference last month.

Forty-six Rotarians representing 19 clubs participated in the RLI courses at the conference. In addition, 13 Rotarian leaders from 9 clubs helped to facilitate the sessions. A big thanks to: **DG Sue Archibald (Mountain Empire-Sonoita), Wanda Bailey (SaddleBrooke), Joe Daniszewski (Tucson), Wendy Davis (Sierra Vista Sunrise), Diane Demeroutis (SaddleBrooke),**



Wendy Guyton (SaddleBrooke), PDG Kristi Halvorson (SaddleBrooke), PDG Don Jorgensen (Marana), DGND Leo Lawrenson (Oro Valley), DGE Bruce Munro (Tubac), PDG Kirk Reed (Catalina), Jane Shurtleff (Oro Valley), and Kasia Yuska (Tucson Verde).

Thank you to all of our members who led, participated, or are already RLI graduates! We know that RLI enhances your Rotary experience and strengthens our clubs.

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Don't Forget to File Your IRS 990 Form

The IRS tax form 990 must be filed by November 15, 2024.

Failure to file for three successive years means the tax-exempt status is automatically revoked. That can mean a huge bill from IRS to pay income tax on everything each entity takes in.

The same requirement applies to every Rotary club and to the club foundation if they have one.



Make Your RYLA Reservations!



There are still openings available for RYLA 2025, so don't wait. Reserve your club's spots now.

HOW TO RESERVE A SPOT FOR RYLA

Clubs can reserve spots for the RYLA by emailing ryladistrict5500@gmail.com. Each club can reserve up to 5 spots with additional spots opening up in early fall.

[Click here](#) for more information.

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District 5500 Guatemala Collaborative Forum

Has your club supported or is engaged in projects in Guatemala? Why not consider helping us create a Rotary District 5500 Guatemala Collaborative Forum (a focused discussion group)?

As a part of the Guatemala Collaborative Forum (GCF), your club would join with the Rotary clubs of **Tucson Sunset** and **Oro Valley**, and other non-Rotary organizations in the Tucson Area in support of the people of Guatemala.

Rick Chimblo (RC of Oro Valley) and **Eugene Medina** and **PDG Diane Ventura-Goodyear** (RC of Tucson Sunset) want to increase interest in International Service throughout the District, one of **DG Sue Archibald's** Areas of Focus. [Read More](#)



Tajikistan International Book Project

By Tina LJ McGee

The Willcox Rotary Club supports Tajikistan students learning English by supplying them with books every year since 2016.

We could use your help.

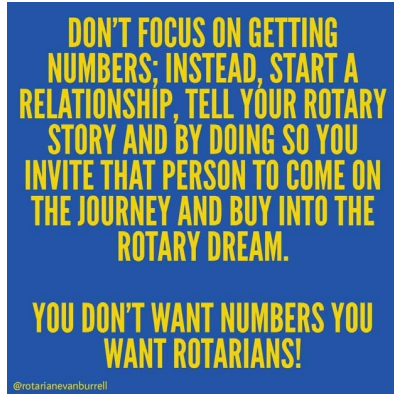
The books we provide equip students for crucial exams such as the IELTS, TOEFL, GRE, and GMAT. These opportunities transform students' lives, enabling them to study abroad, return home, land excellent jobs, and achieve career success.

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Graphics of the Week

Spread the Rotary message with these inspiring graphics. Download and save them to use in your club's promotional materials.



Rockin' for Heroes Concert

Sunday, November 10, 12:30-1:30pm
James D. Kriegh Park, 23 W Calle Concordia, Oro Valley, AZ

Rockin' 4 Heroes is a nonprofit organization that honors and supports First Responders, Active Military, Veterans, and Gold Star families to raise awareness of their service and sacrifice, and to inspire future heroes who will serve and protect our communities, state, and nation.

The organization will be holding its 2024 Rockin' 4 Heroes Concert to benefit our service heroes! There is **NO CHARGE** for admission, but there are many opportunities to support the event and our heroes through corporate sponsorships, private donations, raffle ticket purchases, and beer and wine purchases.

Plus, you can support our local businesses by enjoying the wide variety of food options available from participating Food Trucks.

They do ask that you **Reserve Your Spot at the Concert!**



RCOT - Multi-Club Bellringing for Salvation Army

Saturday, December 14th is fast approaching! We have a big day planned with a goal of raising \$8,000 for the Salvation Army. This will provide 5,500 meals to those in need over the holidays in our community.

We will be ringing the bell in two-hour shifts from 9am to 5pm. We have 8 doors and the goal is 1k per kettle.

We have openings in our grid. Come join us! [CLICK HERE](#) If you see an opening that will work for you, add your name in the blank in the location you've picked and it will automatically save it in the link.

Or you can call Dan Kalm—520-300-1293 or Tom Strasburg at 520-235-6163.



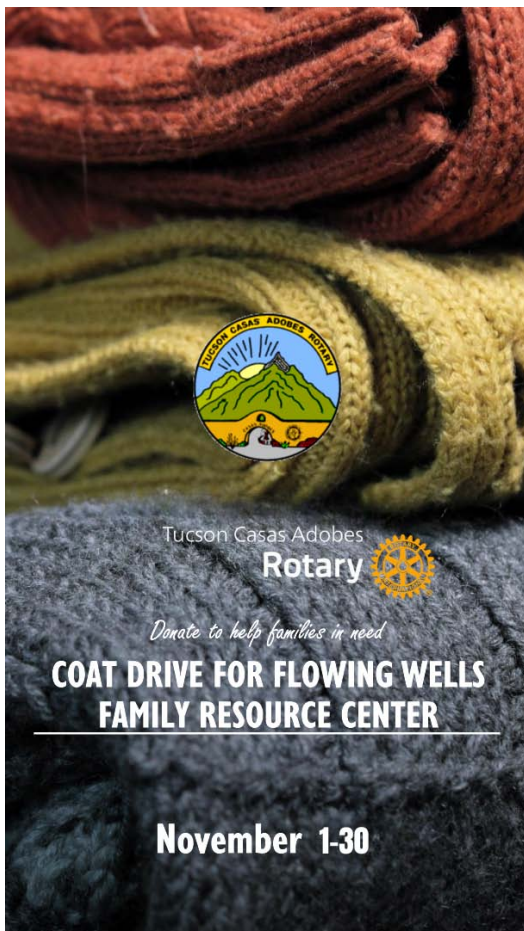
UA Rotaract - Felicia's Farm Gardening Project



Sign up [here](#)

Casas Adobes Rotary - Coat Drive

November 1-30



For more information, contact Frank Youdelman at youdel@aol.com

Oro Valley Rotary - Fashion Fusion Show

Friday, November 22 - 5:30-8:00pm at Tohono Chul Park

BNI Fashion Fusion Fundraiser Benefits The Springboard Home For Girls and the Rotary Vocational Fund of Arizona.
For tickets and more info, [click here.](#)



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UA Rotaract - Yacht Rock Bingo

Tuesday, December 3 • 6-7:30pm

All hands on deck for our Yacht Rock themed Bingo Night Fundraiser! We'll be rolling the bingo wheel to Steely Dan, ABBA, The Eagles, and more all in the name of fun and raising money for our Period Poverty Project.

\$5 Per Bingo Card

Free for Rotaractors.

Chance to win spectacular prizes!



Yuma - Walt Kammann Sausage Fry

Friday, December 6 - 4:30-8pm

Buy your tickets [here](#)



Walt Kammann
FAMOUS SINCE 1958

SAUSAGE FRY
FRIDAY • DECEMBER 6
YUMA CIVIC CENTER
1440 W. Desert Hills Dr. Yuma, AZ
4:30 PM - 8:00 PM

TICKETS ONLINE \$15
FUNDS LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

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DRINKS • PRIZES**

PURCHASE TICKETS at WWW.YumaRotary.org
FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

Mountain Empire Rotary - Chill & Grill

WIN! WIN! WIN!
[Click here](#) to enter



Chill & Grill

Freezer Full of Meat!

Win a varied selection of locally ranched meat.
One lucky winner will receive:

- Free standing, 5.0 cubic foot freezer
- More than 50 pounds of various cuts of meat
- At least one "grill" pack of beef steaks to be included

\$10
Donation

The Fine Print: Must be at least 21 years of age to purchase tickets. Total value approximately \$1,000. No more than 2,000 tickets will be sold. Winner need not be present to win. Winner responsible for prize pick up. Proceeds support Mountain Empire Rotary Club programs in our community. Drawing will be held Thursday, December 19, 2024.

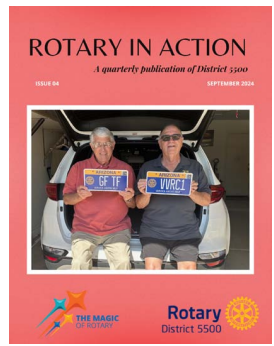
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Mountain Empire Rotary Club

November 15 is the Deadline for Your Rotary in Action Submissions

Let us showcase all the great work your club has been doing this past quarter.

Send us info about your club's service projects, fundraisers, or other accomplishments and we'll include it in next issue of Rotary in Action Quarterly, coming out in December 2024.

Fill out [this form](#), and email it along with photos to District Administrator Kasia at kasiarotary@gmail.com. Be sure to include captions for your photos.



Share Your Club's News!

Would you like to publish your club's upcoming events, projects or fundraisers in **IMPACT?**

Fill out [this form](#) with your information and send it to kasiarotary@gmail.com by Friday for the following week's newsletter. Include your photo or graphic as a separate attachment as a jpg or png file.

PLUS...SHOWCASE YOUR PAST PROJECTS & FUNDRAISERS! We'll feature them in our **Rotary in Action Quarterly**. The deadline for the December issue is November 15, 2024. Use [this form](#) and send it to kasiarotary@gmail.com. *Don't forget to include photos -- the more the merrier!*

