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District Governor Sue Krahe-Archibald

How Rotary Helps Reduce Poverty

By Sue Archibald

Nearly 1.4 billion employed people live on less than \$1.25 a day.

Rotary members promote economic and community development and reduce poverty in underserved communities through training, well-paying jobs, and access to financial management institutions.

Projects range from providing people with equipment to vocational training. Our members work to strengthen local entrepreneurs and community leaders, particularly women, in impoverished communities.

In District 5500, the Tucson Sunrise Rotary Club annually sends yarn to Bali in support of the "Sewing for Living†Project.

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Interested in enhancing your Rotary experience?



Consider attending the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) during the upcoming District 5500 Conference of Clubs on October 18 and 19 at Casino del Sol, right here in Tucson.

RLI provides quality education, leadership skills and Rotary knowledge to club members interested in developing their Rotary participation and their leadership potential.

Get the foundational information that all members need, whether new to Rotary or experienced Rotarians serving in leadership positions

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District Conference Registration Closes October 13th!

Procrastinating? On the fence? Then this message is for YOU!

Don't miss out on the Rotary event of the year. The District 5500 Conference of Clubs is a chance for you to network, learn, be inspired, and enhance your Rotary experience.

Registration closes at midnight on Sunday, October 13th. Here's the link. Now what are you waiting for?



Rainbow Rotary Club Induction: October 19 at the Conference of Clubs

Come join the celebration when Rainbow Rotary Club of Tucson, District 5500's newest club, is inducted during the District Conference of Clubs at the Saturday luncheon on October 19th.



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October 11: Painting and Vino at Black Iris Cafe

6-9pm
340 N 4th Avenue
Get creative at this family-friendly social event.
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Disaster Relief Fund for Hurricane Victims in Zones 33 & 34

A Letter from RI Director Daniel Himelspach:

I'm sure you have seen the news about the massive devastation caused by Hurricane Helene in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida. This area is in our sister Zones 33 and 34. Many of our fellow Rotarians and their neighbors have been severely impacted with loss of lives, homes, and businesses.

In a North American Directors meeting, Wyn and I asked Zones 33 & 34 Director Patrick Eakes if a 501(c)(3) organization had been established to collect donations to help those affected by this horrific hurricane. Below is a copy of his response.

Message from Zones 33 & 34 Director Patrick Eakes:

Friends:

I appreciate your concern and prayers as communities across zones 33 and 34 try to survive the next few days before starting the long recovery following Hurricane Helene.

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U of A Rotaract Donation Drive at the District Conference

Break the Cycle â€" Make an Empowering Donation with Period Products!

In **Southern Arizona**, **2 in 5 people who menstruate** struggle to afford or access period products, while **1 in 3 low-income individuals** have had to miss work, school, or important events due to lack of access to menstrual supplies.

Rotaract Club of the University of Arizona is collecting **tampons**, **pads**, **liners**, **and adult diapers** during the **District 5500 Conference** to support efforts to increase access to menstrual hygiene products! Your donations will directly support the **Diaper Bank of Southern Arizona** and **Z Mansion's Homeless Feeding Project** which directly distribute to individuals who face barriers in accessing menstrual hygiene products.

Together, we can ensure no one in our community has to choose between their health and basic necessities!



Send in Your RYLA Reservations

REMINDER: Don't forget to send in your club's reservations for RYLA! Watch the IMPACT newsletters and District website for more info to come.



We Are the Peacebuilders - People of Action!

Here in District 5500 we continue to build a Peacebuilders Network represented by a dedicated force of Peacebuilder Clubs.

Members of this Network include Rotarians who officially represent their peacebuilder clubs as the Club Peace Committee Chair or Co-Chair and help their club members promote peace and engage in peace-related projects and programs.

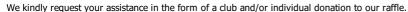


A Peacebuilder Club is one that has peace action at the forefront of its agenda and helps create an awareness of peace. All a club needs to do is create a peace committee of at least two Rotarians or Rotaractors who assist their club in leading peace-related projects. It's a simple process and there is no cost. Peacebuilder clubs take action to promote Peace, Goodwill and Understanding.

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The Rotary Vocational Fund of Arizona (TRVFA) needs your support.

This year, **TRVFA** will host a table at the District 5500 Conference of Clubs, where we will hold a **wine raffle**. Last year's raffle was a resounding success, and we aim to **surpass** that this year.







This year we had to temporarily halt the TRVFA program due to a funding shortage. That means turning away qualified students who rely on our contribution for their vocational education.

By raising additional funds through our wine raffle fundraiser, we hope to ensure that deserving students are not denied admission to our program.

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TRF Weekly Message: How Successful Has the Effort Been to Eradicate Polio?

Because of Rotary's support, nearly 3 billion children have been immunized against polio and are protected for life against this crippling disease.

Rotary and our partners reduced the number of wild polio cases from 350,000 in 1988 to 140 in 2020. Twenty million cases of paralysis have been averted through this global effort.



The wild poliovirus is now endemic in just two countries, and we won't stop our effort until we're able to give children a polio-free world.

Learn more and help The Rotary Foundation make history at endpolio.org.

World Polio Day is October 24

Plan an Event for World Polio Day





There are some great

resources available to help your club organize a World Polio Day event. Check them out:

- End Polio Website: https://www.endpolio.org/world-polio-day-resources#event
- Centers for Disease Control (CDC):www.cdc.gov Look for "Global Polio Vaccination"
- *Polio Global Eradication Initiative:* <u>www.polioeradication.org</u> Search for "News Category: World Polio Dayâ€
- World Health Organization: www.who.int Search for "World Polio Dayâ€
- A comprehensive checklist for planning any event can be found here: https://www.endpolio.org/sites/default/files/event_planning_guide_en_1.pdf

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Cool Graphics for Your Club to Use

Here's the latest batch of graphics to add to your club's image library. Simply download and save, then use in your club's event fliers, social media pages, and other promotional materials.









Rotary Memorabilia at the District Conference

Tucson Sunset Rotary Club is sponsoring a "Rotary Rummage" table at the House of Friendship. Bring your items to the District Conference to raise money for Polio Plus.

Do you have Rotary memorabilia that you no longer need or want? Bring your items to the District Conference to raise money for Rotary's fight against polio. Read More



Celebration of Life for District Conference of Clubs

By Leo J. Lawrenson



Have any members of your club passed on since October 2023? Please let us know so that they will be included in the Celebration of Life at this year's D5500 Conference of Clubs October 18-19, 2024. Click **HERE** for a simple fillable PDF form that should be completed and returned to **Leo Lawrenson**.

U of A Rotaract Is Looking for 3 More Rotarians!



Rotaract needs your help at their October 15th Networking Event!

This year, Rotaract is hosting a series of professional development events to foster deeper connections between Rotaractors and Rotarians as well as provide opportunities for Rotaractors to prepare for life after graduation. Please consider signing up to participate in a PD session - we appreciate your time and consideration in advance.

Mentorship Networking Financial Literacy Workshop

Click here to learn more and to sign up.

Fundraising Opportunity for Your Rotary Club



For every \$10 raffle ticket you sell to the Tucson Classics Car Show on Oct. 19, your club can keep \$5 per ticket. People buying tickets get admission to the Car Show and a chance to win a 2017 2LT Corvette convertible (or \$40,000 cash), or 4 other prizes. Don't miss out on an easy way to make some money to benefit your club's projects.

Contact Roger Harwell at rharwell@glhn.com or 520-906-6182 to get further details for selling paper tickets or selling them online, including the agreement your club would sign, paper tickets to sell, and tools for selling tickets online.



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Mountain Empire Rotary - Chill & Grill

WIN! WIN! WIN! Click here to enter





Casa Grande Oktoberfest

Saturday, October 19 from 5pm-9pm FREE EVENT!

Click here for details.





Valle Verde Rotary - Nogales Day Tour



Sierra Vista Sunrise Rotary - 12th Annual Rising Sun Run

Saturday, November 2, 2024

Registration is now open at svsunriserotary.org. Register by September 1 for a fee discount!



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Yuma North End Bingo

Saturday, November 2





Saturday,

November 2nd

November 2nd 1pm- 3pm \$25

6pm-8pm \$25

Elks Lodge 1917 W 32nd St Yuma,AZ 85365

Text/Call to register (928)580-7948

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(928) 920- 6620



Yuma - Walt Kammann Sausage Fry

Friday, December 6 - 4:30-8pmBuy your tickets <u>here</u>





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 10, 2024.

Use this form and send it to kasiarotary@gmail.com. Don't forget to include photos -- the more the merrier!

