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Happy Holidays for Everyone

From DG Michael Soden

As members of the Rotary community, we are well aware that the essence of Rotary lies in the act of giving. This core value is deeply rooted in an old Russian proverb that emphasizes the idea that the real beneficiary of any gift is the one who gives it. As Ralph Waldo Emerson eloquently put it, helping others is one of the most rewarding experiences that life can offer. By serving others, we inadvertently serve ourselves, and we receive as much as or even more than we give.

When we take the time to truly listen to our hearts, we are able to forge more meaningful connections with those around us. As we find ourselves amidst the bustling and festive Holiday Season once more, it serves as a poignant reminder to reflect upon the ways in which we have made a positive impact on the world both as individuals and members of the Rotary community.

As this year comes to a close, I am filled with a sense of gratitude for District 5300's devoted Rotarians, whose tireless efforts and unwavering dedication continue to inspire us all. May this season bring with it the blessings of Peace, Joy and Hope to each and every one of you.

Year End Foundation Notes

From Mark Mariscal, District 5300 Rotary Foundation Chair 2021-2024

As the end of 2023 approaches much faster than any of us want, it is important to stop and think about those in our District who volunteer their time to assist me as Chair of the District Rotary Foundation Committee, as we help all of you to understand how the Rotary Foundation works. These members include: Christine Smith - Local DDF Grants, Dean Billman - Polio Plus, Paul Reyes - Stewardship and Annual Fund, PDG Margaret Cook - Major Gifts and Endowment, Chehab El Awar - Global Grants, Dee Matreyek - Peace Fellow Scholarships, and Dawn Smith - Global Scholarship Chair. Some of these "Sub-Chairs" also have additional volunteer members help their specific committees. A big thank you to everyone involved.

Our district members have been generous in giving to the Annual Fund-SHARE and the Polio Plus Fund over the last five months. In addition to donations to these two major funds of the Rotary Foundation, some of you have made specific contributions to the Disaster Fund that has helped Ukraine, the relief efforts in Turkey and other natural disasters that have occurred since July. Thank you for these contributions that help make a difference throughout the world.

Although it is late in December, any of you who are still in the process of taking a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) and would like to consider the Rotary Foundation as a receiver of any portion of that contribution, should please check on the [rotary.org](https://www.rotary.org) website or email me directly and I will guide you to the correct Foundation staff person to make it happen.

Have a safe and enjoyable Holiday Season.

Reminders, Projects, and Events

Still available:

[Rose Parade Decorator Signup Form](#)

December 16th, 8:00-10:00 AM

[Just One Pop Up- December 16-LV Summerlin](#)

December 18th, 4:45-9:15 PM

[Magical Forest at Opportunity Village - Green Valley](#)

December 20th, 8:00-12:00 PM

[Baby's Bounty-LV After Hours](#)

December 29th, 6:00-9:00 PM

[Rose Parade Float Com. Holiday Party & Celebration](#)

December 31st, 11:45-11:59 PM

[Hensel Ethics Essay Contest-Club Intent Form Deadline](#)

January 11th, 6:00-9:00 PM

[Greenspokes-LV Southwest](#)

January 15th

[RYLA Intent to Participate Deadline](#)

December 16th, 8:00-9:30 AM

[Bill's Bikes for Kids - Claremont](#)

December 16th, 10:00-7:00 PM

[Bell Ringing for Salvation Army - LV After Hours](#)

December 19th, 6:00-7:30 PM

[Henderson After Hours Holiday Party](#)

December 28th, 6:00-9:00 PM

[Childrens Holiday Party-LV Southwest](#)

December 31st, 12:00

[4-Way Test Speech Contest Intent Registration Deadline](#)

January 9th, 5:00-7:00 PM

[Las Vegas Summerlin Special Evening Event](#)

January 12th, 6:00-8:00 PM

[Club Holiday Party-LV After Hours](#)