

IMPACT! e-bulletin



April 8, 2025

District Governor Sue Krahe-Archibald

Providing Healthcare for Mothers and Infants

By Sue Archibald

Rotary is committed to providing communities with the support and training they need to improve healthcare for mothers and infants. From mobile prenatal clinics in Haiti to mobile cancer screening units in India and home birth support in Nigeria, Rotary members are making a real impact—ensuring mothers and children have a healthier future.

Closer to home, our own clubs are making a difference! The **Arizona Diaper Bank** benefits from the generosity of Rotarians—just last June, the **Tucson Kino and Tucson Sunset Rotary Clubs** collected over **14,900 diapers and supplies** for women and children in need. This fall, the **U of A Rotaract Club** stepped up by collecting feminine hygiene supplies for their Period Poverty Project to be distributed across Tucson.



Consider these resources that can help you take action and support maternal and child health:

- **Connect with Experts** – Reach out to the [Rotary Action Group for Reproductive, Maternal, and Child Health](#), the [Rotary Action Group for Clubfoot](#), and other health-focused action groups. These experts can help your club plan and implement projects, find partners, and secure resources.
- **Get Inspired** – Visit [Rotary Showcase](#) to see how Rotary and Rotaract clubs worldwide are improving healthcare for mothers and children. Discover new ideas for your next project!
- **Plan Impactful Projects** – Find best practices and project tips in [Rotary's Areas of Focus guide](#) to ensure your efforts create lasting change.
- **Read & Share Stories** – Learn about successful maternal and child health projects on the [Service in Action blog](#) and get motivated by the incredible work being done globally.

These efforts show that even small actions can have a **big impact—one mother, one child at a time**. Let's continue making a difference together!

TRF Weekly Message: What are the Best Financial Practices for Grant Funds?

Because grant funds come from donor contributions, it's important for sponsors to manage these funds prudently, transparently, and in accordance with Rotary Foundation policies.

Some good ways to do that are to:

- Follow your spending plan to distribute and use grant funds for their stated purpose and in a timely manner.
- Make project-related payments by check or other traceable method.
- If payments are made electronically by one person, maintain a paper record showing that the payment was approved by both signatories.
- Maintain detailed receipts and record each transaction. Your ledger should list each transaction and note the date, the amount, and the reason for it.
- Share information so you can manage grant payments smoothly and keep funds secure.

Thank you for helping Rotary maintain the highest level of grant oversight.



Rotary Youth Exchange Reaches Milestone

This year, Rotary Youth Exchange is celebrating a half-century as an official Rotary International program.

Look for historical highlights, testimonials from members and volunteers, and more on the new [Rotary Young Leaders Instagram page](#) and Rotary International social channels and then share them on your club and district channels.

This 50th anniversary observance is a unique opportunity to inspire future generations of volunteers and participants, promote Rotary to your community, and reach new audiences.



Your Rotary Legacy: Tax-Wise Giving Strategies

Webinar: Wednesday, April 23 • 4pm

Giving to Rotary's Endowment allows you to create your Rotary legacy by supporting the causes closest to your heart. Did you know that careful planning can also lead to helpful tax benefits?

Join this special webinar to learn about tax-wise ways to give and how you can be recognized for your generosity before the end of the Rotary year.

Featured speakers include Vice Chair of The Rotary Foundation Larry Lunsford, Planned Giving Officer Lizzy King, and Major Gift Officer Eric Thompson.

[Click here](#) to register.




District Training Assembly

All club officers for the upcoming Rotary year are invited to attend the District Assembly Trainings. These in-person trainings offer a great opportunity to meet other Rotarians and build confidence as a leader.

[Click here](#) to register.

DISTRICT TRAINING ASSEMBLY



With Bruce Monro
District Governor

**Make a Difference
Make a Friend**

Rotary
District 5500

- Sierra Vista May 17
- Pinal County July 12
- Tucson July 19
- Yuma July 26

8:00am-2:00pm
Breakfast & Lunch Served
No Charge

WHO SHOULD

ATTEND:

- Presidents & Presidents-Elect
- Secretaries
- Membership Chairs

WHAT TO

EXPECT:

- Grants Management Certification
- Public Image
- Foundation
- Networking
- Assistant Governors
- Treasurers
- Public Image Chairs
- Membership
- Youth Protection
- Governance Training



All Rotarians



Join us for the annual District Training Assembly. Come learn more about the 2025-26 Rotary club year. Engage and share ideas as you learn about best practices, tips and tools with Rotarians across southern Arizona.

Location specifics
available when registering

Use QR code or visit
rotary5500.org/district-assembly



rotary5500.org

RSVP NOW



District Governor Installation




SAVE THE DATE!
Saturday, June 7 • 11:30am

For more info and to register for the event, please [click here](#).

SAVE the DATE
June 7th

- Bruce Monro District Governor Installation
- Saturday, June 7th, 11:30 am
- Arizona Sands Club - Dunlap Room,
U of Arizona Football Stadium

REGISTER



District 5500 Dinner at the RI Convention June 24th

Tuesday, June 24 at 5:30pm
at the Hotel Blackfoot, Trail SE, Calgary, located 3.5 miles from the convention center.

Dinner registration deadline is June 9th.
[Click here](#) to register.

Join us for our District 5500 dinner with a buffet of Carved Prime Rib and Truffle Mushroom Ravioli (vegan), five salad choices, charcuterie, cheese and crudite displays, plus veggies and an assortment of desserts (including celiac friendly).

Cost: \$75 per person. Cash bar.



Reserve Your Table NOW for The House Of Friendship



District Conference of Rotarians and Friends in Tubac is just around the corner!

The conference takes place September 26 & 27, 2025, so secure your table now at the House of Friendship.

It's a fantastic opportunity to showcase your Club's projects and share with fellow Rotarians the great work your Club is doing.

There are only 24 spaces available, so don't wait! Reserve your spot today by contacting **Monica Oszust** at oszustmonica@gmail.com. See you there.

District Conference Sponsorship Opportunities Available NOW

September 26-27
Attention Club Presidents and Presidents-Elect

The annual District 5500 Conference of Clubs will take place on Friday and Saturday, September 26-27, 2025, at the Tubac Golf and Country Club.

We rely on sponsorships to help keep the registration cost as low as possible so more Rotarians can attend.

Please consider having your Club sponsor this year. We have many levels of sponsorship available. Friends \$100, Bronze \$250, Copper \$500, Silver \$1250, Gold \$2500 and Platinum \$5000.

Contact Johnoszust@outlook.com for more information on how you and your Club can help make this year's Conference another huge success. [Read More](#)



5th Annual Arizona Rotary Days of Service

April 22-29, 2025: Supporting the Environment

District 5500 Governor Sue Archibald and District 5495 Governor Michelle Holcomb have selected this year's Arizona Days of Service projects focus: Supporting the Environment.

Join us in making a difference and contributing to a sustainable future. Your club's participation will make an impact in raising awareness, promoting sustainability, conserving natural resources, and engaging the community.

The 5th Annual Arizona Days of Service offers an opportunity to participate in various environmental service projects. Options for a Service Project Focused on the Environment:

- The Rillito River Clean Up Service Project on April 26. Registration now open (see flyer-read more)
- Environmental service project ideas generated by the Rotary Club of Tucson Verde (list attachment- read more)
- Have your own environmental service project? Share and collaborate with other clubs.

Join us in coming together to make a significant impact on the environment. [Read More](#)



Save the Date! Mexico - USA Friendship Conference in Yuma

October 31 - November 3, 2025

Registration opens July 1

Mark your calendar for this year's Mexico-USA Friendship Conference and Global Grants Exchange in Downtown Yuma, Arizona. Watch for more information to come and registration opening July 1.



Triangle Y Ranch Service Project

Saturday, April 12 • 8:30am-1:00pm

Triangle YMCA Ranch Camp is just a month away. Join Rotary Club of Tucson and help Triangle Y get ready for the campers attending summer camp.

Projects include landscaping, trail clearing, painting, and so much more. All clubs are welcome! Bring guests too!

[Click here](#) to register.



4th Annual Rillito River Cleanup - District 5500 Service Project

April 26, 2025 • 8:00-10:00am
Brandi Fenton Memorial Park

Let's bring District 5500 together again to clean up the Rillito River during Arizona Rotary Week of Service. In partnership with Tucson Clean and Beautiful and Pima County, we'll fill up a dumpster for the fourth year in a row!

[Register here.](#)

VOLUNTEER WITH ROTARY

RILLITO RIVER CLEANUP

Rotary District 5500

**Saturday April 26
8 - 10 AM**

JOIN US!

**Brandi Fenton Memorial Park
3482 E River Rd, Tucson, AZ 85718**

SCAN QR CODE TO RSVP >>>

Or RSVP at <http://tinyurl.com/Rillito25>

Rotary District 5500

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Azura Literacy Program Comes to Bisbee

The Bisbee Rotary Club, in collaboration with the Copper Queen Library, Azura Literacy, The Bisbee Senior Center, BUSD and many dedicated individuals, is excited to announce that the Azura Literacy Program is moving forward in Bisbee and the surrounding areas.

General Discussion and Q&A: April 15, 2025, 5:00 PM at the Bisbee Senior Center. *All are welcome!*

This program has the potential to create a lasting, positive impact in the Bisbee community and beyond.

The club's goal is to have an action plan and coordinator in place and be ready to go by **May 9, 2025**, for the **Ice Cream Social**, sponsored by the Copper Queen Library, at the Library Annex.

Learn more about the Azura Literacy Program [here](#).

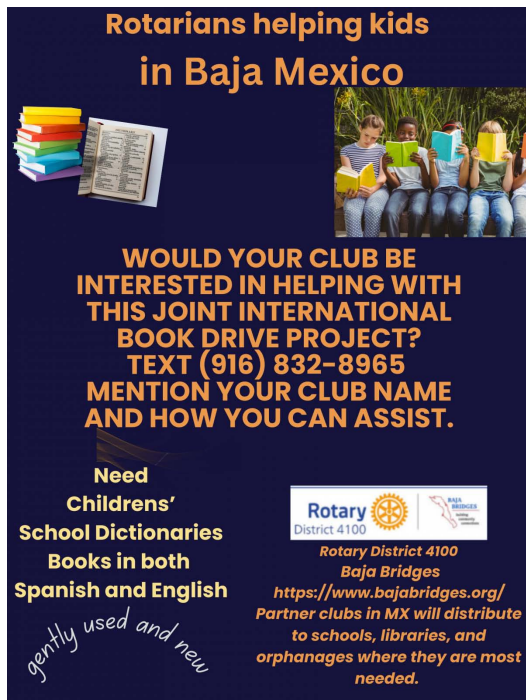


Book Drive for Baja Mexico

Calling All Clubs!

Donate new or gently used children's books and dictionaries - both English and Spanish. Partner clubs in Mexico will distribute them to schools, libraries and orphanages. **TEXT 916-832-8965**

Learn more about Baja Bridges [here](#).



**Rotarians helping kids
in Baja Mexico**

**WOULD YOUR CLUB BE
INTERESTED IN HELPING WITH
THIS JOINT INTERNATIONAL
BOOK DRIVE PROJECT?
TEXT (916) 832-8965
MENTION YOUR CLUB NAME
AND HOW YOU CAN ASSIST.**

**Need
Childrens'
School Dictionaries
Books in both
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Baja Bridges**
<https://www.bajabridges.org/>
*Partner clubs in MX will distribute
to schools, libraries, and
orphanages where they are most
needed.*

Yuma River Cleanup

Saturday, May 17 • Check-in at 8am; start at 8:30am

[Click here](#) for more information.



Rotary Clubs of Yuma County

River Clean-Up

We are looking for volunteers to help clean up the Colorado River. There will be several areas along the river to be cleaned up.

Saturday, May 17th 2025

Check-in 8:00 AM
Start from 08:30 AM

Sign-up through Club Runner
Supplies will be provided!

Recommend wearing tennis shoes.

Visit our website for more information
www.facebook.com/friendsofthelowercolorado



Rotary *PEOPLE of ACTION*

Tucson Verde: 2025 Home & Building Tour

Sunday, April 27 • 10am-2pm
Volunteers Needed!

Rotary Club of Tucson Verde is looking for volunteers to be docents for their 2nd annual environmental-focused home tour. It's fun! Email Ellie Patterson at ellie.patterson1@outlook.com



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A Tour of Tucson Homes and Buildings

Visit Locations Featuring:

- **Off the grid** home highlighting passive solar, water harvesting, and a cooling tower
- 43-acre earth friendly mud adobe **cohousing community** in the desert
- Urban all-electric infill in the **Mercado** with sustainable building examples
- **Santa Rosa Barrio** eclectic modern build with a 1911 art studio renovation and a fun courtyard
- 7,000 sq.ft. **Barrio Viejo** urban infill home built in 2003 with an old soul feel
- Transformation of a 1929 garage to artist studio with water harvesting in **Iron Horse**
- Backyard infill and award winning ADU in **midtown**
- Watershed Management Group's **Living Lab** tour to engage, learn, and share



Enjoy the day visiting locations with environmental features, meeting new people and learning how to make a better tomorrow.

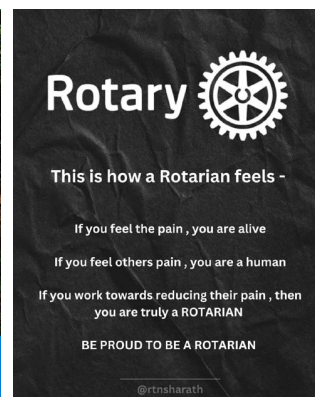
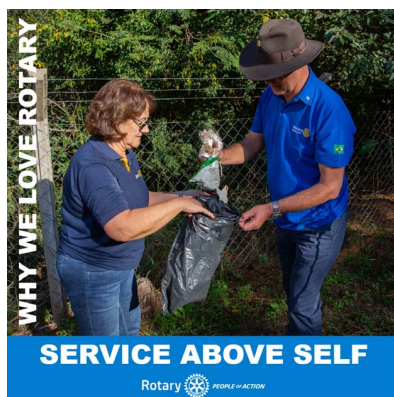
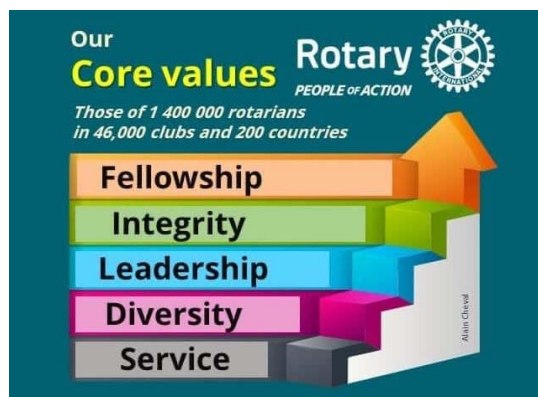
Purchase Tickets:
www.RotaryTucsonVerde.com/ht25



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Graphics Corner

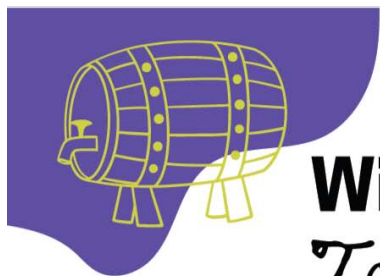
Feel free to download these graphics to spread the Rotary message! Use them in your club's social media, newsletters and other promotional materials.



Arizona Wine Country Tour & Dinner

Thursday, April 10

A limited number of tickets will be available to clubs outside of Dove Mountain Rotary and Mountain Empire Rotary. Purchase your tickets [here](#).



Arizona Wine Country *Tour & Dinner*

Mountain to Mountain Wine Tasting

Mountain Empire Rotary Club invites the members of the Rotary Club of Dove Mountain for an afternoon of wine tasting at Twisted Union Wine Co. and Sunset Ride Vineyards followed by dinner at the iconic Steak Out.

\$71

PER PERSON

Price includes all taxes and gratuities, and is non-refundable.

Choice of dinner entrée includes:

- Sonoma Strip Steak
- 1/2 BBQ Chicken
- 1/2 Rack Pork Ribs



Thursday, April 10

2 p.m. - Twisted Union Wine Co.

3:30 p.m. - Sunset Ride Vineyards

5 p.m. The Steak Out

<https://tinyurl.com/MERwinetasting>



San Luis Frontera Rotary: 2nd Annual Rotary Royale

Friday, April 11 • 8pm-Midnight

Get ready for a fun-filled night of Black Jack, Roulette and Craps to benefit scholarships and service projects.

Purchase tickets [here](#).

San Luis Frontera
Rotary
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ROTARY ROYALE
Casino Night

APRIL 11 ♦ 8:00 PM - MIDNIGHT
780 N CESAR CHAVEZ ST. SAN LUIS, AZ
CRAPS // ROULETTE // BLACK JACK
2 FREE DRINKS | PLAYING CHIPS | HEAVY APPETIZERS

\$77 DRESS TO IMPRESS!
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[Read More](#)

A Taste of Oro Valley

Sunday, April 13 • 3:30-6:30pm

[Click here](#) to purchase tickets.



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SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025
3:30 – 6:30 PM
Steam Pump Ranch
10901 N Oracle Rd
Oro Valley, Tucson
tasteoforovalley.org

*10th Annual Food Festival and Fundraiser Benefiting:
Edge High School, Freedom Warriors, IMPACT of So. AZ
Make Way For Books and the Oro Valley Rotary Foundation!*

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Rincon Rotary Taste of Chocolate

Rincon Rotary Taste of Chocolate
Sunday, April 13, 2025

Save the date for this sweet fundraiser to benefit local educators and educational programs!



Scan the QR code to purchase tickets.

EAT CHOCOLATE



Taste of Chocolate

April 13th, 2025 • 2-4 PM

DoubleTree • Reid Park

TucsonTasteOfChocolate.org

HELP TEACHERS

Benefits **RotaryLOCAL**

Dinner and Justic

Saturday, May 17 • 5-9pm

Mountain Empire Rotary is hosting a special dinner and exclusive screening of "Tombstone" with acclaimed producer Bob Misiorowski.
[Click here](#) for tickets and details.



MOUNTAIN EMPIRE
ROTARY CUB
INVITES YOU FOR A NIGHT OF

DINNER AND JUSTICE

Exclusive screening and
talk with legendary
"Tombstone" producer
Bob Misiorowski

5PM! MAY 17

Pioneer Hall
Sonoita Fairgrounds

Tickets available in advance
and at the door



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**. Use [this form](#) and send it to kasiarotary@gmail.com. *Don't forget to include photos -- the more the merrier!*

