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Schedule: Future Meetings, Service Projects, and Special Events

Date	What's Happening
March 4, 2017	9:00 am: Rotary Work Day (9 am - 3 pm) [Jose Barrios School]
March 7, 2017	12:00 pm: Alfredo Ontiveros – Chief Executive Officer (Interim)
March 14, 2017	12:00 pm: Fr. Paul Moore – Honduras Tile Factory
March 28, 2017	12:00 pm: Elaine Howard – WNMU Early Childhood Programs
April 4, 2017	12:00 pm: Rotary Visitors – Tales from the Road
May 4, 2017	9:00 am: District 5520 Conference, 3-day event [Sheraton Albuquerque Uptown Hotel]

Meeting Notes

Peter Falley rang the bell at 12:04 after we had socialized for a few minutes. Joe Kellerman led the Pledge of Allegiance, Tom Bates gave the Invocation, and Ray Davis led the Four-Way Test.

Visiting Rotarians

Merritt Helfferich from Fairbanks Alaska was with us:



Michael Shinabery of the Alamogordo Rotary Club was our speaker for the day:



Guests

Harry Kellerman, husband of Sunny Kellerman



Art Eaton, husband of Kathy Eaton



Art and Kathy Eaton and Michael Shinabery, speaker

Ray Davis



Ray Davis and Jim Tindall

Rotary Announcements

- Sunny Kellerman announced:
 - This Saturday, March 4, from 9 to 3, the club is having a Garden Project at Jose Barrios Elementary School. Sign-up sheets and fliers are on the tables.
 - Today is the deadline for matching funds for Paul Harris points.
 - She is still collecting cruise ticket amounts, proceeds and stubs (\$10 each).
 - The Rio Grande Academy is looking for a place to have it here in Silver City It will offer all 3 parts in one weekend, April 21 and 22. Please let her know if anyone knows of a place.

- She and Harry Kellerman went to Las Cruces Rotary to hear a representative for the Gates Foundation speak about eliminating polio. In 1985, the world had more than 350,000 cases of polio. In 2016, the world only had 37 in 3 countries. A collaboration of several agencies including Rotary has made it possible, but the project must continue until there are 0 or the numbers will go back up.
- She and Joe Heidrick attended President Elect Training Seminar (PETS); it provided a lot of information, as usual. Joe told the group about the Rotary auction and invited everyone to attend.
- Kathy Eaton displayed the 4-foot sheet recording the donations collected by the teams. Much more is needed.
- Peter Falley announced the Auction Steering Committee would be meeting every 2 weeks.
- The Auction Steering Committee met to discuss the date of the auction, October 7, 2017, which was reinforced as the right date. The Conference Center will be available then, and members plan to visit it soon.
- Peter Herzberg announced the bloodmobile will be in Fort Bayard on April 12 for the Rotary Blood Drive. When he asked, there were 3 interested in giving blood for the drive.
- Mark Richard announced he has tickets available for the Silver Screen festival at \$25 for the movies and \$45 for the reception at the President's house. He will have the tickets at the door, and he reminded the club that we are sponsoring it.
- Peter Falley said he should have the Valentine's Dinner totals by the next meeting.

Non-Rotary Announcements

- Sunny Kellerman announced that Charlie King, a musical storyteller, would be at the Unitarian fellowship hall next Tuesday, March 7, at 7 pm. It is free with a suggested donation of \$10.
- Kathy Eaton gave everyone a piece of paper for their names when they arrived. Then she asked for an estimate of how many eggs her 5 chickens have laid since July. Asa Barnes had the closest guess at 650 eggs and won a dozen eggs from her chickens.
- Joe Kellerman announced that the hospital has a new campaign "I AM GILA REGIONAL." The campaign will include caregivers and the community. He is looking for people to say on a video, "I am Gila Regional." The video will air in the Silco Theater and Deming theater. He asked people to volunteer.
- Paul Moore said that the Episcopal Church would be having a pancake supper tonight to support the Men's Ministry from 5:30-7 pm.
- Wendy Spurgeon announced that a week from Wednesday, March 8, will be International Women's Day. There will be a fundraiser at El Refugio; then in the evening at the Volunteer Center, there will be a sacred circle, for women only.

Braggs and/or Happy Dollars

- Peter Herzberg went to an Albuquerque fundraiser for women. It was for personal items and information for young women in third world countries, such as Ghana.
- Jim Reynolds has been in court and traveling. He and his wife both had birthdays.
- Mark Richard and his wife got in the Inner Circle of Stonehenge.
- Jim Callender rescued a female Blue Heeler and 7 puppies (4 weeks old). They had been stolen and they got back to the owner.

Program



Sunny Kellerman introduced the speaker Michael Shinabery of the New Mexico Museum of Space History, also a Rotary member in Alamogordo for 17 years, for his talk about the New Mexico Space Trail.

The NM Space Trail makes up more than 50 sites, and there is a map of the trail that goes back to the archeological period. It covers the modern age of rocketry beginning in 1929 in Massachusetts with Goddard. His experiments caught the interest of Lindberg, then Guggenheim gave Goddard \$100,000. He moved his project to Roswell, NM. He died in 1945. Clyde Tombaugh was another person who worked in the early days on rockets. He built his own telescope and sketched the skies.

At the end of World War II, Germans came to Fort Bliss and began working on the American rocket program. Most went to Redstone Arsenal in Alabama to develop rockets. The V2 was among them and the Aerobee that was launched with critters but it wasn't successful until 1951. Pete Conrad, the 3rd man to walk on the moon, was the first to command the Skyland crew. On Apollo 12, they managed a pinpoint landing. The Trinity site explosion on July 16, 1945, at White Sands Missile Range was well known.

In 1963, Jack Campbell, the governor of NM, had 20 years of data showing that lift off from White Sands would be safe and made a bid to President Kennedy to have the astronaut program fly from NM. However, Florida got the bid instead.

Seatbelts resulted from a 1954 test on Holloman Airforce Base by John Stapp. After his tests, seatbelts were added to planes and finally in cars.

Raffle

Joe Kellerman won the raffle.

Attendance

We had 19 of 29 active members in attendance, or 66%.