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MONTHLY BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF SILVER CITY

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Youth Service: Vacant

Development: Kate Watson

Schedule: Upcoming Meetings, Service Projects, and Special Events

Date	What's Happening
Tuesday, August 4	RJ Jones – It all started with the Columbia Record Club
Tuesday, August 11	Francisca Reyes – Living in Mexico during the pandemic
Tuesday, August 18	Cissy McAndrew – Silver City Real Estate during the pandemic
Tuesday, August 25	Club Assembly

## July in Brief

Continuing pandemic closures meant that our club meetings were held on Zoom throughout the month. We had an interesting lineup of speakers, starting with Club President **Bart Roselli** who held a club assembly during the first meeting in July to talk about plans for the Rotary year. HMS CEO **Dan Otero** discussed the challenging environment faced by his organization during the coronavirus pandemic, **Dr. Twana Sparks** gave an entertaining history of Madam Brewer and her impact on Silver City, and **Deborah Simon** topped off the month with an exciting review of the work she and her organization, United by Friendship, have been doing to improve the lives of people in Guatemala. Our club has been involved in several of the

Rotary Global Grant projects Deborah spearheaded and members of our club who had visited Guatemala were featured in her presentation.

Our District Grant project to provide additional food supplies to The Commons for its food pantries during the pandemic was approved, and we received a grant of \$2,590. That, together with the funds we had raised through our matching fund program and our match brought the total available for this project to \$12,590.

**RJ Jones** organized Rotary hands-on support for The Commons to help package food supplies for the food pantries. Teams of 6 or more club members spent several hours each week to get the supplies ready for food pantry distribution.



RJ Jones & Cynthia Bettison with Steve White of The Commons (left)
packaging food



Lucy Falley, Rosie Higgs and Sunny McFarren

**Kathy Eaton** continued to produce masks and she and other club members distributed them to people entering Walmart and other stores.

A number of club members celebrated significant events: Club Anniversaries: **Peter Herzberg**, his 6<sup>th</sup>, on July 1; **Vladimir Gnilozubov** his first on July 2. Birthdays: **Georgia Bearup** on the 15<sup>th</sup> and **Lucy Falley** on the 19<sup>th</sup>. Wedding Anniversaries: **Kate Watson** and **Tim Garner** on the 4<sup>th</sup>; **Georgia** and **Steve Bearup** on the 5<sup>th</sup>; **Peter** and **Lucy Falley** on the 20<sup>th</sup>; and **Shane** and **Norma Coker** on the 31<sup>st</sup>.

Check out the "Romantic Rotary?" article in the August <u>District Newsletter</u>.

## What's Coming Up?

Club meetings and board meetings will have to continue on Zoom until we can safely return to inperson meetings.

**Significant August Member Dates**: Club Anniversaries: Sunny Kellerman -15 years on August 5, Wendy Spurgeon – 4 years on August 16, and Leslie Bush – 8 years on August 28. Birthdays: Harry Kellerman on August 1. Wedding Anniversary: Jim and Tricia Reynolds on August 27.

See the list of August speakers on page 1. **Jim Callender** is working on organizing speakers for September, but not everyone is comfortable appearing on Zoom. **Kathy Eaton** is looking for someone to recruit speakers for November.

**President Bart** has put together a small committee to help him formulate a plan of action for the year and beyond.

There will be an ongoing need for club members to help at The Commons. Please let **RJ** know if you can help. The food packaging sessions are usually from 10 am to 1 pm on Fridays.

