

The Windjammer

Take Tomi out on the town

T o m a s "Tomi" Katona is looking to take in as much adventure, culture and Alaskana as he can during his time with us. Help him out, if you can. Hitting the slopes at Eaglecrest? Ask if he wants to along. Bowling and burgers? See if he'd like to roll a few frames (even Shomer Sabbos). Talk to Tomi or Caitlyn McLaughlin if you've got some ideas. And, check your calendars to see if you already have scheduled some time with Tomi.

The Splendid Splinter of Sandy Beach takes a trophy



Sandy Williams has been living right lately. First, his beloved Red Sox claim their third World Series championship in a decade by beating the St. Louis Cardinals 4 games to 2 in November. Then just last Tuesday, he retired the Rowdy Rotary Reunion softball trophy to his non-Mickey mantle. Williams, year after year, built such elite forces on the diamond that the competition has been called off for a lack thereof.



Peace on Earth and goodwill to all this holiday season!

Today's program

Area merchants give you great ideas for how to spend your Christmas shopping dollars locally.

Calendar December:

Family Month

- **Dec. 11:** Board meeting, 5:15 p.m., Wostmann and Associates.
- Dec. 24: Kids' Christmas Lunch
- **Dec. 31:** Auld Lang Syne.

Greeters

- **Today:** Wallace Williams and Scott Fischer.
- Next week: Doug Gardner and Andrew Green.

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The Dish from District 5010

Why does the Rotary family matter?

[Editor's note: The following article by Deputy District Gov. Cheryl Metiva first appeared oin the December edition of the District 5010 Bulletin.]

December is Family of Rotary Month. "Only by working together, as a family, can we ensure that the Rotary of today grows into an even stronger Rotary of tomorrow," said 2009-10 Rotary International President John Kenny.

Why does the Family of Rotary matter? It matters because it is a bout community. The communities we live in, the worldwide community and the community of Rotarians. As community, we share joys, sorrows and unity. To live the Rotary motto, "service above self," and to create a better world, we must start with family.

This means caring for all members of our Rotary family —



our club members and their spouses, children, parents, Interact, Rotaract, Youth Exchange students, Ambassadorial and Peace Scholars, families of deceased Rotarians and Rotary friends from around the world. Look at the circle of influence we have as Rotarians and the family unit we represent!

Your time, talent and treasure are the foundation of the Rotary family. This is an opportune

time to consider your year-end gifts, including one to the Rotary Foundation, to help clubs and members reach their Foundation goals. Become a Benefactor as you plan your estate giving.

Regardless of how you celebrate holiday traditions during the month of December, remember to spend a few moments celebrating the Family of Rotary as well.

Start thinking about the 2014 Convention — it's coming up Down Under

[Editor's note: The Following article comes from The Corroboree, the official newsletter of the 2014 Rotary International Convention.]

Often described as a "mini-United Nations" because of its global scope and cultural diversity, the always colorful Rotary Convention will transform Sydney into a kaleidoscope of energy, color and excitement as Rotary brings together its global network of volunteer leaders people from all walks of life dedicated to tackling the world's most pressing humanitarian challenges — to engage in a full agenda of plenary sessions, workshops and world class keynote speakers.

"Sydney is a vibrant international hub as well as a gateway between East and West," said 2013-14 Rotary International President Ron Burton. "It is the perfect venue for our convention as we celebrate and share the many ways our members have

found to use the resources of Rotary to improve the lives of families worldwide."

Organized by RI in conjunction with the Sydney Host Organizing Committee, with significant support from the New South Wales Government, the convention also will provide registrants with ample opportunities to savor Sydney's myriad of attractions, including a performance of the Sydney Symphony Orchestra.