

October 2013 District 5340 International Service Newsletter

David Ballesteros and Hugo Murillo are your International Service Chairs for 2013-2014. We will provide support and networking for you at the District level. We will make ourselves available to answer your questions in the area of international service. We encourage you to advise us of your on-going Global/District Grants. We will, through our Newsletter, promote these, and attempt, when needed, to have other clubs join you in your projects. As we experienced during the era of Future Vision grants, 2010-2013, several aspects will continue during 2013-2014, such as sustainability, measurability, stewardship, and better oversight of the financial management and reporting mechanisms of your grants. Global Grants will require larger investments of resources and cooperation of several clubs both in the Host countries and with the international clubs.

The intent of this Rotary year is to provide you with 5-6 newsletters during 2013-2014 featuring your projects and activities related to international endeavors. International Service will continue to work with District groups such as Mobilizing Rotary for Microcredit, Safe Water/Sanitation, Gift of Life, Shelter Box, RI International Assembly, Pathways to Peace, Thousand Smiles, Friendship Exchange, HIV/AIDS, "Friends of__". We will also encourage you to collaborate with other Rotary clubs within and outside the District in order to expand the resources and effectiveness of a proposed global grant.

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AROUND THE GLOBE

South Africa: Rotarian Steve Andres, Naval Base San Diego Rotary, reports on his club collaboration with Westville Rotary Club in Durban, SA, on project for pre-school Reading Clubs. The program is growing and will be extended to a second location once the current volunteers have undergone their facilitation training who in turn will train additional volunteers. A software programme will soon be available for a small library to enhance the use of laptops for volunteer training. For more details contact Steve (stephenmandres@gmail.com) for possible linkage and support with this project.

Indonesia: Rotarian Kathleen Roche-Tansey, La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary, recently hosted President Sue Winski of the Bali Ubud Sunset Rotary Club who was visiting the San Diego area. President Sue has extended an invitation to District 5340 Rotarians to visit her Rotary Club in Ubud, Bali. Their proposed Global Grant involves Water, Sanitation, and Basic Hygiene, which is one of the important focus areas of The Rotary Foundation. The intention of this project is to work directly with students, staffs at schools and with students' families. None of these five schools, with 600 students, have a consistent water supply, functioning toilets or wash basins. For more details on this Global and Bali information contact Kathleen (kroche.tansey@gmail.com).

Jamaica: Rotarian Estelle Ebert, La Jolla Sunrise Rotary, is playing a key role for a Gift of Life \$400,000 project at Bustamante Hospital for children in Kingston, Jamaica, which is a collaborative effort with eight other Rotary Districts and NGOs to purchase a pediatric cardiac catheterization laboratory. For more details of this Gift of Life endeavor and support contact Estelle Ebert (estelleebert@gmail.com).

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

District Conference, November 1 and 2, Crowne Plaza Hotel. On Saturday, November 2, there will be an International Service Session, 10:00 – 10:50 a.m. Presenters will be Larry Sundram, Linda Sundram, Niels Lund, Mel Gallegos, Bill Stumbaugh, and David Ballesteros. They will be discussing Global Grant initiatives in Africa, India, Pakistan, Cambodia, Ecuador.

Flood victims in the Acapulco, Mexico region. During the recent torrential rains over 100 persons lost their lives and hundreds more were left homeless. Rotary Scholar Jean Mendieta pursuing a Master's in Peace and Justice Studies at the University of San Diego, who is from Acapulco, gave an account of this tragedy at La Mesa Sunrise Rotary, her Host club during the 2013-2014 Academic Year. LMSR Rotarians

were able to raise \$1200 and these funds are being channeled through the Governor's Office, D4240. Donations can still be made through La Mesa Sunrise Rotary Club Foundation.

Rotary International Assembly which brings all the DGE for 2014-2015 from around the Rotary World will again meet in San Diego the week of January 12-18, 2014 at the Manchester Hyatt. On Wednesday January 15th, our District Rotarians will have an opportunity to host these Governors and spouses on a social basis. This is an excellent opportunity to meet the in-coming Governors and in many cases the DRFC which can lead to Global Grant proposals initiatives. As in past years many of our D5340 clubs can join forces for this hosted event. For details contact Dale Bailey (dale@rotary5340.org).

DDF allocations for 2013-2014 Global Grants will again be considered by our DRFC the first part of January 2014. Some allocations have already been made in July and October 2013. Be sure to review the new TRF guidelines implemented July 1, 2013 and seek the advice of your zone Foundation mentors to help you with your project proposal. Also, seek collaboration with other Rotary clubs within and outside D5340 since Global Grants now require a minimum of \$35,000.

The 2013 Ecuador Rotary Project Fair will take place in Guayaquil on November 8-10 at the Hilton Hotel. This year the group leader for our District delegation will be Bill Stumbaugh, Santee-Lakeside Rotary, who has traveled several times in Ecuador. Attendees include District 4400 clubs who will present (in English) their project proposals to representatives of various Rotary Districts from the United States, Canada, Europe, and Asia. The Conference Coordinators are also planning tours of the various regions of Ecuador, such as the Andes, Galapagos, the Amazon, and coastal areas. You will experience a great camaraderie with Ecuadorian Rotarians who will also invite you to visit potential project sites or visit existing projects. For more details contact Bill Stumbaugh (stumbaughw@gmail.com).

International Service Assistant Chair and Immediate Past President Hugo Murillo, LMSR, will lead a tour of D5340 Rotary members and significant others during November 16-23, 2013 to District 4240 and work with two Rotary clubs in the greater San Jose, Costa Rica area. Space is still available. Hugo, who is a native of Costa Rica and retired SDSU History professor, also led a group of 18 persons in 2012. As a result, two District Grants were developed—Eye glasses and Wheel Chairs Loan/Repair program.

We welcome your club international efforts and seek information about your proposed projects and on-going grants. Also, we would appreciate your comments on how best to improve the IS Newsletter.

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