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THE SILVER SAGE

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**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**

Schedule: Future Meetings, Service Projects, and Special Events

Date: 2018	What's Happening
June 23-26	Rotary International Convention in Toronto, Canada
Tuesday, June 26	12:00 pm: Club Assembly
Thursday, June 28	5:30 pm: Joe Heidrick Demotion Party [Peter Herzberg Home]

Meeting Notes



President Joe Heidrick rang the bell at 12:10 pm after we had socialized for a few minutes. **Merritt Helfferich** led the Pledge of Allegiance, **Tom Bates** gave the Invocation, and **Linda Telaak** led the Four-Way Test.

Visiting Rotarians

- **Bill Harrison**, Honorary member of Silver City Rotary Club



- **Merritt Helfferich**, member from Fairbanks, Alaska

Guests

- **Joe Heidrick's** wife, Kathy Heidrick (right) with **Suzanne Kavanagh** (left)



- Cindy Provencio, our speaker today



Rotary Announcements

Peter Falley stated that the Foundation was meeting today and had 3 spots to fill on the Board.

The Book Project finalized with \$2,024.36 spent with a budgeted amount of \$2500. We all thanked **Sunny Kellerman** for the district projects.

Peter Herzberg spoke about the Guatemala volcano and the 2 emails sent to the club, including UBF money raised to be used for new schools. The Shelterbox group has sent a group to Guatemala to assess the needs. **Kathy Eaton** mentioned Rotary acts as FEMA in Guatemala.

Kathy Eaton updated the progress of the Ft. Bayard Cemetery bench. She spoke to Ray Davis yesterday to determine a possible shipping solution on the bench. The bench has been selected but it will take 7 - 8 weeks to arrive after the order.

Suzanne Kavanagh sent a Demotion Party sign-up sheet around for **Joe Heidrick's** Demotion Party at Peter Herzberg's home on Thursday, June 28th, from 5 to 7pm. **Peter Herzberg's** address is 4331 Pinos Altos Road, one mile north of the stop sign at 32nd, left side, 2nd driveway.

Jim Callender told the club that **Floyd Robertson's** wife Patsy died this week. **Floyd Robertson** is an Honorary Rotarian of our club. Please keep the family in your prayers.

Sunny Kellerman

- Received an email from Anna from Finland (our former exchange student). She read the letter and passed it around.
- Passed around the Silver City Rotary Club flag that **Joe Kellerman** designed

Kate Watson will take over as Club Foundation Chair. **Sunny Kellerman** will take charge of Membership to expand our membership. **Peter Herzberg, Helen Shoup, Suzanne Kavanagh,** and **Tom Bates** volunteered to help with the core membership team.

Non-Rotary Announcements

Tom Bates announced the orphanage in Palomas has 4 graduating girls who want to attend college in the US. WNMU will provide a 9-month English class. He told us that he is looking for families to support these students during their time at college, possibly 3 months at a time. The churches will assist with some of the finances. The students will start in August.

Braggs and/or Happy Dollars

Merritt Helfferich met some people in El Salvador when they spent 3 years down there. One of the boys in the family wanted to finish high school and then attend a university in the US, maybe New England. **Merritt Helfferich** was asked if he could assist with the boy's English, so the boy was in Alaska for about a month; he could tell jokes in English after his stay. Just 4 days ago, he graduated from MIT with a degree in Mechanical Engineering.

Sunny Kellerman announced that **Jim Tindall** and his wife celebrated their 19th anniversary.

Our incoming foreign exchange student's father emailed **Sunny Kellerman**, saying the boy will be here the 1st weekend in August and is excited.

Sunny Kellerman spent last weekend in Albuquerque at the Outbound Orientation. The District has 9 students going out.

Rosie Higgs is going to Honduras this year again.

Program



Joe Heidrick introduced Cindy Provencio from the Upper Gila Watershed Alliance (UGWA). Forest Planning was the topic of her speech. Land Management plan is in the process of updating the plan because it is currently 30 years old, and the public is allowed to provide opinions.

The Gila Wilderness is the only wilderness area protected by Congress. There are 3.3 million acres in the Gila National Forest with only 790,000 acres protected by Congress as a wilderness area currently, and they are currently working on proposals to protect 600,000 more acres.

The Mogollon Box is one of the areas proposed for the Gila River Diversion, but this area is one that they are trying to protect. Cindy has letters of support if anyone would like to sign

them, and anyone interested in joining her efforts to be an advocate to protect the Gila, please let her know. If interested in public meetings, you can join Cindy's email list.

Raffle

Joe Heidrick won the raffle (again).

Attendance

We had 23 of 29 active members in attendance, or 79%.

Gallery



Joe Heidrick (President) Peter Herzberg (President-elect)



Jim Tindall

Linda Telaak

Leslie Bush



Cindy Provencio

Mark Richard



William Knuttinen



Kathy Eaton

Rosie Higgs



Maggie Veeder



Jim Reynolds

Kate Watson



Peter Falley



Tom Bates

Bill Harrison

Niel McDonald

Sunny Kellerman, standing