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Serving our Community – Political?

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There is a great article, called “Keeping the Faith” in the latest *The Rotarian* magazine. Sir Sigmund Sternberg, is honored for his life’s work of promoting religious tolerance around the world. He counsels that it is time for Rotary to change. He says, “The idea that there should be no religion or politics in Rotary is out of date. The idea is not to try and convert, but to educate, to promote understanding through dialogue.” As a Rotarian he also adds, “But it’s most important to have a cause. Rotary instilled in me an obligation to contribute to society.” (*The Rotarian*, Feb 06, pg 40)

Our Espanola club, has also strongly supported having no political agendas discussed or aligned with in meetings or projects. I feel this is a valuable guideline, yet it should only be upheld for politics or business when it is “self-serving”. Like Sir Sigmund Sternberg, I believe our #1 goal is to serve our community as a whole regardless if it crosses any political or religious boundaries. We are on the right track.

On the religious topic, I feel we need to be conscious of using inclusive language. Our club is very multicultural and represented by a minimum of 3 religions. We only need to look to our opening blessing/prayer and work to include all. Believe it or not, our club is a microcosm of the entire Espanola Community. In order for Espanola to grow, heal, prosper and succeed, so do we.

-Har Pal Singh, editor

Paul Basile – Espanola Rotarian



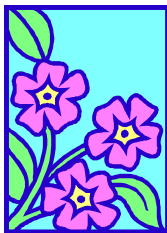
I grew up in New Jersey, but escaped at an early age. After a stint in the Air Force in the early 70’s, I settled in Charleston SC where I was a Realtor, disk jockey, and bartender. In 1978 I gave up that good life to work at the Postal Service and have been with them ever since. When I was a Postmaster in SC, I was also a Rotarian and headed up our International efforts. In 1989 I began working at USPS Headquarters in Washington, DC, engaged in a variety of exciting positions over the years and just before I took the position of Espanola’s Postmaster, was Manger of Special Projects for the Deputy Postmaster General. I hold a Masters of International Management from the University of Maryland, a Master of Science in Organization Development from the American University, and a BS in Business Management.

I am privileged to once again be a Rotarian and at such an energetic club to boot! I look forward to becoming more engaged in our club’s local and international projects and getting to know each member personally. In my limited spare time I play at tennis, jog, do digital and medium format photography, and am a recovering motorcyclist and percussionist.

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Clean up Day – April 29th



Mark 8am April 29th, on your calendars. Espanola Rotarians will be showing up en masse. Once a year, we Espanola Rotarians have an opportunity to work together with other concerned community members to clean up our neighborhood. Do you believe that clean parks, streets and neighborhoods can deter delinquent behavior? I do. I think that many living in Espanola do not have ecology consciousness. Drive away from MacDonald's and throw litter out your window. God forbid that your car gets dirty. But if an area is already clean, I think more of an effort is made to keep it that way.

Afterward there will be a Bar B Que on the plaza (starts at noon). Teeny has asked that Rotarians participate in the clean up and then help to flip/serve burgers to the community on the plaza afterward. Ivan and Teeny are looking into the cost of polo shirts with rotary logo for the members to purchase. We can wear these at community events in which we participate in order to have more exposure to the community.

Robin is bringing her daughters to help and encourages all of us to invite and bring as many friends and family as possible. See you there.

March Guest Speakers



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| March 7 | Errol Chavez - Director of NM HIDTA |
| March 14 | Sandra Roney - Espanola Schools |
| March 21 | Luis Baca - LANL
Foundation Director of Development (Helping our children Learn). |
| March 28 | Club Business |

Regina Colberg – Espanola Rotarian



I am a community activist with a proven record or results in the behavioral health arena. I became interested in community enhanced services which prevent behavioral disorders, and build access to behavioral health programs and which promote broad access to behavioral health care. My area of specialization is children, youth and family mental and behavioral health.

Recently I was Director of Operations and Clinical Director of a full service behavioral health care agency in Espanola which served more than 500 families a year in the Espanola Valley in Northern New Mexico. I have worked with the community's parents, law enforcement, juvenile justice, child protective services and school district administration on behalf of families, youth and children.

I am a member of the National Association of Social Workers, the Coalition for Juvenile Justice, the National Mental Health Association and the National Indian Child Welfare Association.

Currently I reside in Albuquerque, New Mexico with my husband, Architect Jorge Colberg. We have two adult children and two grandchildren.

Birthdays & Anniversary Celebrations

Julie Ziegler-Langille
Anniversary March 1

Andrew Sanchez PT
B.D. March 21

