



Espanola Rotary News

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District Conference – April 2006



Brigette Lindquist was our club representative at the most recent District Conference. If I may recap Brigette's synopsis from last meeting. She was impressed with all the Rotarians represented from around the state and Texas with their enthusiasm and also the extra long duration of the presentations. Silver Sands Rotary Clubs had an impressive & monstrous panel display. President Robin Thompson was able to put together a fine wine gift basket for the raffle.



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International Chair Position

I am not sure if everyone in the club has been made aware that Dr. Asad will be moving. We all wish him the best in his future endeavours and thank him for his contribution he has made to the Espanola Valley Rotary Club. Dr. Asad was selected to serve on the Rotary Board during my term 2006 to 2007 obviously we are now in need of someone to raise to the occasion and replace him as International Chair. The International Chair is a very big job and could be broken down into several tasks which could be completed by several people. The major function of the International Chair is as follows:

- GSE Teams incoming and selecting candidates from the States to travel. Next year they will be going to Germany.
- Youth Exchange Program
- Complete the project in Pakistan
- Ambassador Scholarship

There is probably more things but this is a good starting point. If any one would like to work on these projects please let me know. Now is the time to begin recruiting for the YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM
President Elect – Beron Briscoe



Baby Shower – May 2nd Meeting

On May 2nd, our meeting will include a baby shower. everyone is invited to bring a baby gift-clothing, blankets, books, diapers, (no baby powder), or furniture, etc. This is a donation to Presbyterian's project of giving these items to new disadvantaged mothers. They request that all items be new and unwrapped. Also, have asked that we do not purchase baby powder.

Teeneey is bringing a Cake for the shower (for us!)

Clean up Espanola Report – April 29th



Off to an early and sunny start! 8am Rotarians met at the Plaza en masse. Paul & wife, Robin and daughter, Andrew and cowboy Justin, Brigette, Ken Beesely, Har Pal, a potential new transfer Jay from Minneapolis, Jennifer, Joe and Ivan. The event opened with comments from the organizers, “Flores Garden Club” and from our new Mayor Joeseoph Maestes. By noon we had accomplished our goal of cleaning both sides of the highway from the Dreamcatcher theater to Sonic. All that remained was getting back to the plaza in time for some grub, supplied by Big Dawgs Café. Thanks for all who participated.



Jennifer Briggs: *April Showers bring May Flowers*

May Guest Speakers

May 2 nd	Boy Scouts
May 9 th	Crime Stoppers
May 16 th	Mason Lodge Charities
May 23rd	Club Business
May 30 th	Rural Immunization Van



Manuel Valdez – Espanola Rotarian



I was raised in Wagon Mound, NM; graduated HS from there in 1978.

Joined the Marine Corps in 1980 and spent 13 yrs. stationed all over the US and Japan. Have lived on both coasts, California; North Carolina and Tennessee, as well as Arizona. Left the Marines Corps in 1993 and returned to New Mexico.

Got my Bachelor's degree in Finance @ New Mexico State University and have worked as a Financial Analyst for a Real Estate Investment Trust before deciding on Financial Services. Have my series 7 and series 24 licenses. Worked for Guardian Life & Park Avenue Securities before my current opportunity came up and relocated to Espanola Valley.

Married to Audrey with three children, Jessica, 19, a freshman studying nursing @ NMSU, Matthieu, 17, a junior in HS, and Christina, 13, soon to be a freshman.

Enjoy travel, all types of sports and exercise, particularly running & biking.

Birthdays & Anniversary Celebrations

Bridget Lindquist
B.D. May 10th

Har Pal Singh Khalsa
B.D. May 27th

