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# Rotary Club of Sandpoint

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## Rotaract

Farsighted players at Rotary International have created a presence on the web using sites like *Facebook*, *Twitter* and *LinkedIn* to promote the benefits of rotary to younger potential members. Leadership of tomorrow is dependent on what we foster now. Adapting to the use of the internet as an information conduit is as critical to service clubs as it is to the publishing industry and the automakers because the great majority of persons under age 40 use the internet almost exclusively to identify what they want and where they get it.

*Rotaract* is a Rotary-sponsored service-club model specifically designed for men and women in the 18 to 35 year-old age group. Founded in 1968 by Rotary International, Rotaract has more than 500 Rotary-sponsored clubs in 107 countries worldwide.

~ Dwayne K Parsons

## Member Spotlight: Karen Applegate

It's no coincidence that Karen Applegate owned and operated Kincaid's Jewelry in Sandpoint after she bought it from Ray Kincaid, because she's certainly a jewel of a person, and a fine Rotarian too, having been a member since 1991. She especially enjoys the caliber of the club programs, she says.

Any locals who remember Doc Applegate, know that Karen was raised in Sandpoint by one of our long-time resident dentists. There's a root-canal there somewhere. She was raised here through the 11<sup>th</sup> grade and returned to Sandpoint after college to raise 3 children: Lara, Kelly and Brent, all now in their 30s.

As you get to know Karen, you discover that she "works a lot." This ambitious attribute is her fortitude. She's not one to lie down and quit. Having closed the jewelry store, Karen now works for Unicep handling a major section of the document control department. She's also a musician at her church and stocks the coolers at the Exxon station, part time. She still does some engraving, loves gardening, reading, knitting and cross-stitching along with finishing her home. On her current reading list are: Sense and Sensibility (Jane Austen), and Sanctuary (Nora Roberts). Karen is an open book herself and loves to meet and get to know new members.

~ Tim Cochran



*President Jon Saylor welcomes new members, Julie Meyer (l) and Kim Queen (center). Sean Fitzpatrick was not able to be at this particular meeting, but is now also a new member. Heartily welcome all of them to this progressive club.*

## Today's Event

We have the Sandpoint High School *Steel Band* and *A Cappella Quartet* performing under the wonderful guidance of Music Director, Jon Brownell.

The Steel Drum, or Pan, is a skillfully hammered 55-gallon oil drum carefully tuned. During British Colonial rule of Trinidad in the 1800's, hand drums were used as a call for neighborhood gangs to collect and 'mash up' with the other gangs. Hoping to curb the violence, the government outlawed hand drums in 1886. Deprived of all traditional rhythmic instruments, the Trininis took any objects they could find, including garbage can lids, old car parts, and empty oil barrels (from the Navy bases on the island). They used these instruments to form the Iron Bands, which marched down the streets playing the same distinctive rhythms. This has evolved into today's steel bands, which perform their unique style of music.

~Toby McClaughlin

## Events Calendar

### Club

- Feb 21 District Team Leadership Seminar
- Mar 4 Neophyte Classification Talks
- Mar 6-8 Pre-PETS and PETS
- Mar 6 Ambassadorial Applications due
- Apr 3 Rotary Leadership Institute  
Facilitator Training
- Apr 3-4 Spring District Assembly '09
- Apr 25 Rotarians at Work Day

### Community

- Feb 18- Mar 30 POAC Student Art Exhibit
- Feb 19-24 Sandpoint Mardi Gras
- Feb 24 LPOSD Supplement Levy Election
- Mar 27 A Day for Heather

~ Jerri Anderson



*Not likely pleased with club President Jon Saylor's latest attempt at humor, February's Sergeant at Arms, Kim Queen, reminds Jon where he might find the exit door.*

~ from our roving photographer, Dann Hall

### Next Week's Speaker

Tom Chasse, COO, Schweitzer Mountain Resort.

## Duty Roster

	<u>GREETER</u>	<u>RAFFLE</u>	<u>PRAYER</u>
February 18	Michelle Blemel	Karen Applegate	Tom Harvill
February 25	Chris Chambers	Michelle Blemel	Stan Hatch
March 4	Ron Chaney	Chris Chambers	David Keyes
March 11	Tim Cochran	Ron Chaney	Bob Linscott
March 18	Dale Coffelt	Tim Cochran	Kendon Perry

### Our Exchange Student

Our exchange student is **Tatiana Ferrayra Arias**, from Tehuacan, Mexico, southeast of Mexico City. She is 15 years-old and a sophomore at Sandpoint High. She enjoys music, movies and television.

Tatiana will turn 16 on July 26.

She is currently staying with Royal and Jana Shields, but we're looking for host families for March, April and May. If you are interested and would like to help out with Tatiana's stay, please contact Royal or Jana at 263-7254.

~Carol Warren

### District Team Leadership Seminar

Held this Saturday, February 21, in Spokane from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M., this seminar is for all Assistant Governors and District Committee Chairpersons. District Committees are to provide a report on their year to date. The day will involve discussion of the Rotary Year's theme and focuses as well on how District 5080 will work within the expressed parameters.

The Seminar will also address the intended focus of the District and events planned for it as well as some new initiatives on the table.

*"Acorns were good enough, until bread was invented." ~ Decimus Junius Juvenalis, Rome, A.D. 125*