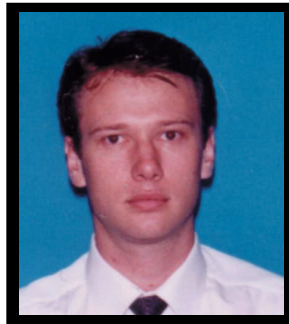


## Gustavo Katavich



Gustavo is the youngest of his Club. He turned into a Rotarian as soon as he got his degree in Accountancy in 1999.

Soon after, he started his postgraduate course in Business Administration at Buenos Aires University and nowadays works as an Operation Manager for a TV Cable and High-Speed ISP company.

He has also been working as Teaching Assistance Tenured in the Economic Science Faculty at the National University of Northeast.

Gustavo has been traveling abroad to observe the development of Public Utility companies management as well as enterprises based on networking technologies.

At the same time he learned about different cultures and made a lot of friends staying with Host Families and International Youth Hostels.

In addition to his skills, he is an Argentinean folk dancer teacher and enjoys home made cooking, always willing to become a professional Chef.

At present he is the RC Resistencia Community Service Chairman and a member of the Matching Grants Subcommittee at the DRFC.

## ROTARY DISTRICT 4790

Comprising almost the entire southern half of South America, Argentina is the world's eighth largest country, covering an area of 2.8 million square km. Argentina possesses some of the world's tallest mountains, extends deserts, and impressive waterfalls, with the diversity of the land ranging from wild, remote areas in southern Patagonia to the bustling metropolis of Buenos Aires in the north.

Our District, located on the Northwest and conformed by the provinces of Chaco, Corrientes and Formosa is a flat uniform wooded plain, with a mostly subtropical climate, is wet, swampy and hot during the summer. It was settled mainly by European immigrants. Before these immigrants settled here, the native aboriginals were the original inhabitants.

An extensive network of rivers and lakes is the salient feature of this region. Large rivers provide a habitat rich in food and shelter for a large variety of plant and animal species. The largest is the Parana which is also the second longest in South America.

The vegetation is dense and characterized by trees that provide hard timber such as quebracho and algarrobo.

Our District is convinced that the Rotary Foundation Group Study Exchange Programs are a unique cultural and vocational opportunity that promotes international understanding and also provides World Community Service opportunities to establish humanitarian projects between the host and sending countries. On the other hand, we state that this program will contribute without hesitation to enforce and diffuse the Rotary Ideal in our communities.

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Fri. Sept. 27 - Tue. Oct. 1 Colorado Springs  
Wed. Oct. 2 - Tue Oct. 3 Rocky Ford/La Junta  
Fri. Oct. 4 - Sat Oct. 5 Gunnison  
Sun. Oct. 6 - Mon. Oct. 7 Salida/Buena Vista  
Tue. Oct. 8 - Wed. Oct. 9 Alamosa/Lahara/Del Norte/ M. Vista  
Thu. Oct. 10 - Sun. Oct. 13 Pegosa Springs  
Mon. Oct. 14 - Thu. Oct. 17 Durango  
Fri. Oct. 18 - Sat. Oct. 19 Montrose  
Sun. Oct. 20 - Tue. Oct. 22 Grand Junction/Fruita  
Wed. Oct. 23 - Thu. Oct. 24 Rifle  
Fri. Oct. 25 - Sun. Oct. 27 Glenwood Springs  
Mon. Oct. 28 - Tue. Oct. 29 Aspen/Snowmass  
Wed. Oct. 30 Team departs from Colorado Springs

## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

District 4790 to 5470

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Intercambio Grupo de  
Estudios del Distrito 4790  
de Argentina,  
al Distrito 5470  
de Colorado, EEUU

27 SEP. - 30 OCT. - 2002

## Lia Giardinieri



Lia is a Business Administrator and she has been working for Coca - Cola as the Planning Coordinator for the Northwestern region since 1998, developing the sales activities that the company carries out in the Northwest of Argentina, frequently traveling around.

She has also been working as an independent advisor, developing Business Plans for different companies and nonprofit organizations.

She got a degree in Business Administration from the Cuenca del Plata University in 2001.

She devotes her free time to a community project which aims to provide food and working tools for children of poor schools.

Lia got a scholarship for pre- graduated students at the State University of NY. She obtained another scholarship that enabled her to take seminars about Latin-American issues at Texas State University and MBA classes, to have meetings in different institutions from US like the IMF and the World Bank to improve the relationship between Argentina and US. She also carried out an investigation about new technologies of telecommunication and took MBA classes at Mondragon University on the Vasque Country, Spain.

She likes traveling and learning about different cultures. In fact she enjoyed a lot the experience of being a host family for young people from Africa, Australia, Japan, Malaysia and Spain.

She enjoys cultural activities like going to theatres, cinemas, art expositions and concerts. She likes sports very much. In winter she specially enjoys skiing and riding horses.

## Martín Argañaraz



Martín lives in Formosa, Argentina. He has worked as Chief System Analyst at the Lottery of Formosa since 1998.

He studied at the Catholic University of Paraguay and graduated as University Programmer (1995) and System Analyst (1998).

Last Year (2001) he obtained an Scholarship for almost tree months to learn about Integrated System Network Management in Tokyo from the Government of Japan.

His specialty is software development and Data Analysis. At the Lottery he is in charge of developing administrative software for the organization.

As a free lance worker he made small hotel systems, business credit information system, and data base administration for Argentinas national programs.

Besides his professional interest he likes to learn and talk about foreign cultures.

He made friends from Germany, Japan, India, Pakistan, Siri Lanka, Brazil, Paraguay, Thailand and other countries. And now he wants to share his experience and learn from you.

## Raúl Pitteri



Raúl is a psychologist and works at the Minors and Family Court. He is in charge of psychological evaluations at the judge is request on Minors who break the law, Family Violence, Abuse of Minors, and Adoption. He is also a Professor at La Cuenca del Plata University

Corrientes, where he teaches Forensic Psychology. He was previously a therapist in psychiatric hospitals in the province of Chaco.

He graduated at Rosario National University in 1991, and worked at Borda Psychiatric Hospital in Buenos Aires for two years. He comes back to his hometown in 1993, and as a resident obtains his specialization in Mental Health in 1994.

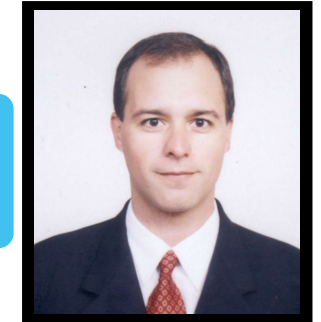
He also graduated as a Specialist in Forensic Psychology at the University of Social Sciences and Business in Buenos Aires. He is an active speaker on these topics throughout the community.

Raúl has been to most of the countries in South America, as well as to the United States and Canada several times. He lives with his wife, Alejandra, who is a also a psychologist in the city of Resistencia.

They are both looking forward to hosting an exchange student. Sports, specially basketball, and reading are his favorite free time activities. He is interested in Latin American writers.

Raúl and his wife enjoy traveling together, making motorcycle trips throughout Argentina and camping outdoors.

## Ricardo Freitag



Rick is an Information Technologies Consultant and networking expert, who primarily works in his home city of Corrientes. However, he is frequently called upon by businesses and government organizations to solve problems in other provinces as well as Paraguay.

He advises on Networks Security and gives purchasing and upgrading advice for servers, PC computers, PBX, surveillance systems, cell phones, radio communications and more for many companies.

He is a Certified NetWare Engineer and he has a Technical English Translation degree from the "Universidad Nacional del Nordeste."

He traveled all around Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay and Brazil (where he learned Portuguese), and has visited the States two times. Traveler is the word that describes him the best.

His desire is to help people understand other cultures and lifestyles, seeing the origin of their similarities while respecting the differences. Therefore, helping in some small way to build world peace through understanding why your neighbor acts like he does.

He loves water sports, like sailing, rowing & water skiing, and everything that has an engine, Hi-Tech electronics or state of the art mechanical design pieces on it (or a blend of them all).