# **Rotaview News**

# Last week's meeting

# Lee Montgomery

District Governor, Rotary District 5830

District Governor Lee Montgomery credits his membership in Rotary to an invitation in 2003 to join the Rotary Club of Cedar Creek Lake.

But he credits a young man named James for making him a Rotarian.

It happened about five years after he'd joined the club, Montgomery said last week. His club raised funds to help outfit area children at the start of a school year and he was taking one of the recipients on a shopping trip. There were the shoes, jeans and shirts of course. But though Montgomery asked more than once, James insisted he didn't need a coat. His parents had one for him, he said. When he finally asked James if he needed gloves or a hat, though, Montgomery said, the boy said yes and explained why.

"When we go to the grocery store in the wintertime, I'm the biggest of four kids, I have to ride in the back of the pickup truck," Montgomery recalled James telling him. "Mom and dad put the little kids in the front and they get in, I have to ride in the back."

At that instant, Montgomery said, "James made me a Rotarian. I knew what the fundraisers were for, I knew what all the work was about and I knew that we touched kids."

He called it his "Rotary moment," and Montgomery encouraged members to share their own moments to help prospective members understand the purpose of Rotary and how they can be a part of that. And he challenged each of us

to invite at least one person to join us this year. In his address, Montgomery also reminded members and guests of Rotary milestones being reached this year:

**100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Rotary Foundation** – Since 1947, the foundation has raised \$3.8 billion and spent \$3.4 billion on projects around the world. More than \$1.2 billion of that has gone to fight polio. "So we are doing good in the world," Montgomery said. "And as John Germ said at a meeting I went to, 'We are doing God's work in the world.'"

**30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of women in Rotary** – He encouraged our club to organize events to call attention to the anniversary and the achievements Rotary has made thanks to the inclusion of women. "Thank you, ladies, for all you do," Montgomery said.

**Eradication of polio** – "The end of polio is a very real thing," he said, despite a recent setback with three children in Nigeria infected by improperly handled vaccine. Still, the news this year is good with only 19 live cases reported so far this year. That compares to 45 at this time a year ago. "So this may be the year that the Longview Rotary Club sees the end of polio. And I want you to have some sort of a plan ... to be able to celebrate that in a big way in your community."

### Last week's visitors and guests

**Visitors:** District Governor Lee Montgomery, South Tyler. Vincent Dulweber, Longview Greggton. **Guests:** Matthew Demond, guest of Charles Risinger. Jon Hatch, guest of Billy Neal.



### Don't miss next week's special meeting

Next week's meeting will have an international focus and include representatives from three Rotary districts and several Longview-area clubs.

The occasion is a visit by Carlos Flores, district governor of District 4250, which encompasses Honduras, Guatemala and Belize.

"We have invited him to come up to address your club and to look at what may be our next global grant project," said District Governor Lee Montgomery. "We're going to put a face with a country."

Past District Governor Carroll Greenwaldt, who continues to lead our district's project to outfit and partner with a hospital in Guatemala, will lead the program. We also will be joined by three representatives from District 6890 in Florida, which is doing projects in partnership with District 4250 as well.

Montgomery will be returning to join us for the meeting, which will be part of a visit intended to build a list of grant and international opportunities for our district and individual clubs.

"This is kind of a special thing," he said. "We've never been able to host something like this before and I think this is going to be a real international opportunity for us."

**Thought for the day:** "We cannot talk about the future without talking about children. They are our future."



James L. Lacy, Rotary International president 1998-99

### Areas of Focus: Saving Mothers and Children

Each week, Rotaview is exploring one of Rotary's six Areas of Focus to enhance our local and global impact. This week's focus: Saving Mothers and Children.

At least 7 million children younger than 5 years old die each year due to malnutrition, poor health care and inadequate sanitation. To help reduce this rate, we provide immunizations and antibiotics to babies, improve access to essential medical services and support trained health care providers for mothers and their children. Our projects ensure sustainability by empowering the local community to take ownership of health care training programs.

Next week: Supporting Education.

### Calendar of events

Sept. 2: Labor Day flag duty, flags out. 4 p.m.-6 p.m.
Sept. 6: No meeting. Labor Day flag duty
Sept. 6: Labor Day flag duty, flags in. 4 p.m.-6 p.m.
Sept. 21: Board meeting, Gerald's. 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Oct. 1: District Conference, First Methodist Church, Mount Vernon
Oct. 19: Board meeting, Gerald's. 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Feb. 11: District Foundation Dinner, Carriage House, Marshall
April 19: District Assembly.
June 10-14: Rotary International Convention, Atlanta, Georgia

#### The Rotary Club of Longview, Texas

P.O. Box 2244 - Longview Texas, 75606 Club website: www.rotarylongview.org District 5830 website: www.rotary5830.org

Meets at noon Tuesday at First Baptist Church, Longview - (903) 758-0681 Enrollment as of July 26: 98





Lewis, Cindi-Marie FS, PH, 4 YPA .....Primary Education Liu, Jeannie 0 YPA ...... Neurosurgery Loy, Lindsay 0 YPA .....Non-Profit Administration Maly, Robert FS, PH+2, PP, 0 YPA ..... Civil Engineering Manley, Richard FS, PH, 3 YPA ..... Real Estate - Development Mann, Jack FS, PH+4, 1 YPA ......Distribution - Soft Drinks Martinez-Berrios, Pedro 0 YPA .....Public Accounting Matlock, Paul 0 YPA ......Building Construction and Electrical McClellan, Joe 1 YPA ...... Music Education McFaul, Justin PP, 3 YPA ...... Banking - Trust Services McGaughey, Robert 0 YPA ......Ministry - Business Office McKinney, Ronnie PH+1, 3 YPA ......Construction Consulting McLemore, Reagan FS, PH+3, 21 YPA ...... Business Broker McReynolds, Allen 0 YPA .....Real Estate Investments McWhorter, Gene FS, PH+1, 33 YPA ...... Advertising - Industrial Neal, Billy PH, 0 YPA ...... Vehicle Collision Repair Neill, Jeremy 0 YPA ..... Banking Northcutt, Gordon FS, PH, 0 YPA ......Financial Advisor Northcutt, LeGrande FS, PH+2, 51 YPA ..... Insurance - Fire Novy, Scott PH, 25 YPA ..... Law - Taxes Overman, Rodney FS, PH+2, 14 YPA ..... Income Tax Service Parrott, Deborah FS, PH+1, 16 YPA ...... Banking - Mortgage Pigeon, Lee PH+2, 32 YPA ..... Chemical Plant - Engineering Pistone, Joseph PH, 0 YPA ..... Emergency Medicine Primo, Darryl PH, 0 YPA ..... Oil and Gas Leases Rice, Bill PH, PP, 19 YPA ...... Financial Advisor Risinger, Charles FS, PH+3, 27 YPA ...... Chemical Plant Utilities Roberts, James FS, B, PH+8, PHS, PP, 14 YPA ... Accounting Services Roper, Brian 0 YPA ...... Manufacturing - Residential Ruff, Eric 6 YPA ......Real Estate - Commercial Scoggins, Don FS, PH, SE, 12 YPA..... Chemical Plant - Admin. Smith, R.H. Jr. "Hank" PH, 2 YPA ......Insurance - Casualty Smith, Philip FS, PH+1, 25 YPA ...... Insurance - Casualty Smith, Trey FS, MD, B, PHS, PP, 19 YPA......Oil and Gas Properties Stoudt, Bill FS, PH+2, 0 YPA ..... Investments Taylor, Gary PH+1, 0 YPA ...... Bank Executive Thomas, Linda FS, PH+7, PP, 20 YPA . Plumbing and Heating Supply Thomas, Wiley FS, PH, 5 YPA ...... Information Systems Manager Thompson, Chris FS, PH, 1 YPA ......Banking - Real Estate Walker, John FS, PH+8, 30 YPA ..... Gasoline Distributor Welge, Ava FS, PH+3, 20 YPA ..... Education - Testing Welge, Jack Jr. PH+3, PP, 36 YPA ..... Law - Aviation Wells, Wes 0 YPA ..... Administrator- Long-term Care Wilcox, James 0 YPA .....School Administration Wilkinson, Dickens 2 YPA ......Sulfur Sales Willett, Jimmy FS, PH+1, PP, 9 YPA ......Financial Advisor Williams, Kasha PH, 3 YPA ......Home Health Care Winn, Terry FS, PH, PP, 0 YPA .....Civil Engineering Wiseman, Tim 0 YPA .......Ministry - Executive Director

B: Benefactor. DG: District Governor. FS: Foundation Sustaining Member. H: Honorary Member. MD: Major Donor. PDG: Past District Governor. PH: Paul Harris Fellow. PHS: Paul Harris Society. PP: Past President. SE: Senior Exempt. YPA: Years of Perfect Attendance.

#### **Area Club Meetings**

Monday: Marshall Metro, Trinity Episcopal Church. Also: Big Sandy, Greater Paris, South Tyler. Wednesday: Longview Midtown, GZ. Kilgore, Meadowbrook Country Club. Also: Jacksonville, Jefferson, Pittsburg. Thursday: Gladewater, Chamber of Commerce. Also: Atlanta, Marshall, Overton, Quitman, Texarkana, Tyler. Friday: Longview Greggton, First Baptist Church. Also: Carthage, Henderson, Paris.



## The Rotary Club of Longview, Texas

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### **The Four-Way Test**

Is it the *truth?* Is it *fair* to all concerned? Will it build *goodwill* and better friendships? Will it be *beneficial* to all concerned?

#### Today's Program

Altus Koegelenberg – Winemaking in East Texas

#### **Officers and Directors**

Lee Montgomery	District Governor
Gordon Northcutt	President
Richard Brack	President-elect
James Roberts	Vice President
Trey Smith	Secretary
-	Treasurer
Scott Novy	Past President
Gai Bennett	Club Administration Director
Dietrich Johnson	Service Projects Director
Justin McFaul	Membership Director
Shirley Griffin	Foundation Director
David Henry	Fund Raising Director
Lindsay Loy	Public Relations Director
Billy Neal	Endowment Fund Chairman