

Last week's meeting

Byron Lichtenberg

A Space Shuttle Trip Around the Earth

Byron Lichtenberg grew up as a member of a generation who thrived on the dream of space travel in the "new frontier" President John F. Kennedy described to the nation as the "most hazardous and dangerous and greatest adventure on which man has ever embarked."

And, he told Rotarians and guests last week, Lichtenberg wanted to be an astronaut from the time he can remember reading science fiction books in the 1960s.

"When the original astronauts went into space, I realized they were all military test pilots so I figured I would have to do that, too," Lichtenberg said.

He made it, eventually flying two missions of the space shuttle. In last week's program, he showed photos of well-known and interesting sites on Earth from the perspective of the shuttle – in orbit more than 230 miles above the planet.

But it took him awhile to get there.

After graduating from Brown University in 1969 and completing a tour of duty as a decorated fighter pilot with the Air Force in Vietnam then as a member of the Massachusetts Air National Guard, he didn't lose his yearning to explore space. It's what propelled him off active duty and back to graduate school at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for master's and doctoral degrees in mechanical and biomedical engineering.

"I realized if I was a fighter pilot with a doctorate, I would have a better chance of getting into space," he said.

He joined NASA in 1978. In 1983, the agency billed Lichtenberg and those who would follow him in the role of space shuttle payload specialist as a "new breed of space travelers." They were more scientists than career astronauts, and they'd be the ones conducting the experiments.

Lichtenberg, a biomedical engineer, was a crew member for the first flight of Spacelab in 1983; his second shuttle flight, as a member of the crew of Atlantis, came in 1992.

In subsequent years, he started Zero Gravity Corporation, and was a founding member of the XPRIZE foundation, a non-profit that offers a series of prizes, ranging up to millions of dollars, to encourage innovation in areas including but not limited to medical diagnostics, ocean stewardship and lunar exploration.

Now an assistant professor of engineering at LeTourneau University, Lichtenberg has been instrumental in launching the university's Master of Engineering Management, with specializations in aerospace, oil and gas, software engineering and program management. He is now program coordinator for the program, in addition to serving with the Federal Aviation Administration and special projects for NASA.

Last week's visitors and guests

Visitors: John Bisese, Longview Greggton. **Guests:** Brian Roper, guest of Gordon Northcutt. Byron Lichtenberg, LeTourneau University, speaker.



Rotaview News

Celebration Friday for our city's newest Rotary Club

All Rotarians and friends are invited to join a celebration this Friday for the newest club in our district: The Longview Midtown Rotary Club.

The club, which was officially admitted to membership in Rotary International on April 28, will be celebrated by District 5830 with a dinner Friday at Hilton Garden Inn here in Longview. The Charter Dinner Celebration is set from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the hotel at 905 E. Hawkins Parkway. The cost is \$30, and registration is required.

To register: Go to rotary5830.org/event/longview-midtown-charter-dinner/ and follow the links to register and to see who already has signed up to attend.

Our Global Project is official - and really moving!

The multi-year effort spearheaded by our club for a hospital in the northern area of Guatemala is really moving!

Rotary Foundation approval was recently granted for the \$140,000 Global Medical Project, which will provide critically needed nursery, NICU and obstetrics equipment to the Hospital Nacional de San Benito in the Peten', Guatemala.

Our club is leading all the active work to get the project accomplished. A special bank account has been set up to receive the funds for the project and carefully account for them.

More than \$90,000 worth of medical equipment will be purchased over the next several months to support the births of more than 8,000 babies each year at the hospital in San Benito. Funds were supplied by The Rotary Club of Longview, the Longview Greggton Rotary Club, The Marshall Rotary Club, The Carthage Rotary Club, the Tulsa Rotary Club, Rotary District 5830 and multiple districts in Zones 30 and 31 up through the central part of the U.S. Movement of more than 20 hospital beds made available from the closing of a Hospital in Clarksville was coordinated by the Clarksville Rotary Club. They are being transported to Guatemala this month.

Longview Rotarian Deborah Bell, the 2007 Nurse Practitioner of the Year in Texas, will be traveling to the Peten' in the summer to train approximately 350 midwives in the latest techniques. Through Longview-based Refuge International, they will be outfitted with medical instruments and tools they need to provide primary care in the delivery of thousands of infants each year outside the hospital, in the villages around San Benito.

In the fall, when the medical equipment arrives, we'll be sending Rotarians down to celebrate the completion of the project. Work also is planned to sustain the equipment over a 10 year project life cycle.

Carroll Greenwaldt, Immediate Past District Governor

Calendar of events

Wednesday: Board meeting, Gerald's. 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Friday: Longview Midtown Charter Celebration Dinner, Hilton Garden Inn. 6 p.m.-8 p.m. Register by Thursday.

May 24: Next week's program by Dale Lunsford, president of LeTourneau University.

May 27: Memorial Day flag duty, flags out. 4 p.m.-6 p.m.

May 28-June 1: International Convention, Seoul, South Korea.

May 31: No meeting. Memorial Day flag duty.

May 31: Memorial Day flag duty, flags returned. 4 p.m.-6 p.m.

June 15: Board meeting, Gerald's. 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

June 25: District Installation of Officers, Hilton Garden Inn. 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

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 March 22: 97



Be a gift to the world

Ash, Kandi 0 YPA Attorney - Registered Nurse
Barkman, Donald FS, PH+1, 30 YPA Pecan Grower
Bartlemay, William FS, PH+2, 3 YPA Self Storage
Bell, Deborah PH+2, 0 YPA Medicine - Humanitarian
Bennett, Gai PH, 2 YPA Business Manager - Construction
Bentley, Bob PH, 0 YPA Scout Executive - Retired
Best, Shane FS, PH+2, PP, 25 YPA Banking - Commercial Loans
Bigony, Jayne FS, PH+7, 19 YPA Insurance - Fire
Bogle-Sherman, Kristi 0 YPA Nonprofit Administration
Boon, Mark FS, PH+3, PP, 33 YPA Law - Estate Planning
Brack, Richard 2 YPA Newspaper Editor
Butler, Stephen 0 YPA Chemical Plant R&D
Cammack, Casey PH+1, PP, 33 YPA Insurance - Estate Planning
Chaikin, Craig 3 YPA Banking - Personal Trusts
Chaney, Frank FS, PH+2, 8 YPA Real Estate - Commercial
Chaney, Jill FS, PH, 3 YPA Banking - Loans
Cox, Doug FS, PH+2, 25 YPA Pub. Education - Dir. of Athletics
Cromer, Jon 0 YPA Banking - Commercial Loans
Deike, Terri PH, 2 YPA University Athletics
Dial, Richard PH, PP, 35 YPA Income Tax Service
Dolive, Evan 0 YPA Clergy
Dolive, Wayne PH+1, 30 YPA Civil Engineering
Drayer, Kellyn FS, PH+1, 10 YPA Investments - Vice President
Florence, Patricia FS, PP, PH+5, 22 YPA Law - Title
Florio, Charles PH+1, PP, 38 YPA College Administration
Forester, Sam FS, PH+2, 1 YPA Investments - Financial Services
Greenwaldt, C. PDG, FS, PH+7, PHS, PP, 25YPA Chem. Plant - Admin.
Greenwaldt, Mary FS, PH, PHS, 1 YPA Higher Education
Griffin, Keith PH, 0 YPA Accounting Services - Taxes
Griffin, Shirley FS, MD, PHS, PP, PDG, 19 YPA Travel Agency
Hall, Kevin 0 YPA Insurance - Specialty
Harrison, John W., Jr. FS, PH+2, PP, 49 YPA Electr. App. Retail
Hays, Tom FS, PH, 0 YPA Real Estate - Appraiser
Herrington, Angie 0 YPA Investment Advisor
Henry, David 0 YPA Attorney - Oil and Gas
Hildebrand, Kristin 0 YPA Tax Manager
Hollis, LaJuan PH, 0 YPA Non-profit Administration
Horaney, Betty FS, PH+3, 14 YPA Feed Supply
Hubbard, Griff FS, PH+1, 5 YPA Railway Management
Hugman, James FS, PH+5, PP, 3 YPA Architect
Jameson, B.H. 35 YPA Justice of the Peace
Johnson, Dietrich PH, 2 YPA Municipal Gov't. - Administration
Johnson, Joel FS, PH+2, 16 YPA Consultant - Business
Jordan, Gene 0 YPA Business Development
Key, Carl 0 YPA School Administration
Khoury, Dorothy FS, PH+1, 9 YPA Consultant - Political
Knollenberg, Steve 0 YPA Boy Scouting
Lanier, Jack, Jr. PH, 0 YPA Police Chaplaincy
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
Mwakikoti, Alex 0 YPA Higher Education
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 25 YPA Law - Taxes
Overman, Rodney FS, PH+2, 14 YPA Income Tax Service
Parrott, Deborah FS, PH, 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
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+7, 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



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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

Christa Oberthier – Maternity Counselor, Buckner Children and Family Services

Officers and Directors

Tom DeWitt..... District Governor
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Gordon Northcutt President-elect
James Roberts Vice President
Trey Smith Secretary
Griff Hubbard Treasurer
Justin McFaul Past President
Craig Chaikin Club Administration Director
Dietrich Johnson Service Projects Director
Richard Brack Membership Director
Joel Johnson Foundation Director
David Henry Fund Raising Director
Gai Bennett Public Relations Director
Steve Butler Endowment Fund Chairman

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: Kilgore, Meadowbrook Country Club. **Also:** Jacksonville, Jefferson, Lake Fork, Pittsburg.

Thursday: Gladewater, Chamber of Commerce. **Also:** Atlanta, Marshall, Overton, Quitman, Texarkana, Tyler.

Friday: Longview Greggotn, First Baptist Church. **Also:** Carthage, Henderson, Paris.

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