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Andrea Zinga comes to KBMT from CNN World Headquarters in Atlanta.

While there, she anchored on CNN, CNN Headline News (a job she still fills from time to time) and the CNN Airport Network (that news network you see while waiting for planes in 29 major airports).

While in Atlanta, she earned a national Emmy for her work solo-anchoring the first 1 1/2 hours after the Centennial Olympic Park bombing during the 1996 Summer Games.

Andrea has a wide-ranging career in local television around the nation, including awards for best newscasts, special series, prime-time live specials, education reporting, and feature reporting.

She holds a Master's degree in Radio-Television from the University of Illinois and has done post-graduate studies at the Communications Research Centre of the University of Leicester, Leicester England, COURTESY OF A YEAR-LONG ROTARY FELLOWSHIP IN JOURNALISM!

She lists her favorite book as The

Bible, her craziest adventure as riding a bicycle through downtown London (although there have been a number of other experiences to rival that) and her hobbies as camping, swimming, reading and killing plants (despite her best intentions).

She is especially fond of Rotary, having addressed some 27 clubs during her fellowship and in ensuing years around the United States.

This week's program was arranged by **FRED JORDAN**.

Correction to the article of the July 1 speaker, Diane M. Wittry: Diane M. Wittry is currently the Music Director & Conductor of both The Symphony of Southeast Texas (since 1991) and the Allentown (PA) Symphony (since 1995). Ms. Wittry resides in Beaumont and will continue her position with both of these orchestras in the upcoming 1998-99 season.

PROGRAM REVIEW...

Diane Wittry's program breathed a fresh outlook on celebrating the Fourth of July. The Symphony of Southeast Texas will be presenting a Pops concert at Riverfront Park on the 4th. Yes, that event will be outdoors. Wittry's selections to present to Rotary included a quartet (we've seen these musicians before) singing the words inscribed on the Statue of Liberty, a song from "Good News" about the "C" indians presented by an Indian Brave assisted by Gerald Flatten on drums, and 76 Trombones presented by the Music Man and one trombone (Wayne Dyess, another Lamar face we've seen before).

In her introduction Wittry reminded us that it truly is "a privilege to have the Symphony in our community". Linked heavily with Lamar University's School of Music for resources, the Symphony presents five classical subscription con-

certs a year and six free youth concerts in our schools. The Pops Concerts Series in July and December offer a time for the Symphony to present free concerts to the community, with the support of local businesses. The community is indeed fortunate to have the quality Symphony that we do.

Thanks again, **PAULA BOTHE** for your program arrangement.

**"30" SOMETHINGS"
FOR YOU TO MEET THIS WEEK**
ARTHUR MARTIN - Badges
GARY MOORE - Ticket Sales
DAVID LOCKE & DAN BATES - Buffet Lines
LINDA MOORE - Registration

RAMBLINGS...

Lots going last week...American flags on the tables, patriotism, July 4th early, trombones and Irving Berlin, red roses, and Club presidents coming and going, but not too far away. The proof is **HERF WEINERT** who presided 50 years ago was still serving as a committee chair just last year! Red roses for Andy Quigley, a new gavel for **JOHN QUIGLEY** and president's pin and Rotary International Presidential Citation to prez **LOIS ANN** in a hot pink suit. Former prez Tommy Lamb, the youngest, looked absolutely relieved when the gavel was passed on...grinning from ear-to-ear.

Main Street guru **CAROLYN HOWARD** shared a true Baylor-inspired invocation. Lots of guests introduced by Arts Council chief, **BARBARA KNIGHT**. **MARVIN FANNIN** earned whistles and bells for most guests last week.

PAULA BOTHE assured everyone that Diane Wittry is still the Music Director and Conductor for the Symphony, regardless of the misprint in the Rotarygram. Symphony President **ALLISON GOLIAS** hasn't recovered yet after reading that Ms. Wittry was the "prior" conductor!

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CLUB NEWS

Always a pleasure to see former Rotarian and former conductor extraordinaire, Dr. Joseph Carlucci, in the audience and former first lady of Rotary, Jo Ann Polk. GERALD FLATTEN'S swan song encore on the bongos had JAY JOHNSON and CHUCK MASON toe-tapping to the beat.

JIM MEHAFFY is an educated judge, for sure or a trivia buff with a prodigious memory. Actually wrote out the inscription on the Statue of Liberty in his Learned Hand for his table mates. Guess President John thinks we all know who or what Learned Hand is!

Thirty-Something member DAN BATES, the new General Manager of KJAC, wouldn't help this Rambling's reporter take notes last week, said something like "I'm not a journalist"...what do you suppose he meant? Rotarians have been all over the TV recently. For our members in the Social Security Club, Regional Manager KATHERINE WALKER can answer your questions about the new rules on direct deposit of monthly checks. Very convincing on MR. BEAULIEU'S station this week. If you missed MILT PREWITT on Channel 12, he's excited about the positive economy in our area. Milt's chair of the Chamber Economic Development Council this year.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by R.I. President James L. Lacy

To my Rotary friends in District 5910:

As you plan your program for this Rotary year, I ask each of you to take time to dream. Dream of what your club and district can do to make your communities and the world a better place. Dream of how you, as Rotarians, can touch the lives of others, giving them new opportunities and hope.

In 1998-99, I am asking all Rotarians to focus on Community Concerns and Children, working to realize the dreams of education, good health,

adequate nutrition, and strong families in every community of the world. Let us turn these dreams into action and create communities in which children can grow and thrive, where the elderly can live in dignity, and all individuals have the opportunity for a productive and meaningful life.

All the good that Rotary has accomplished in its long and vital history has evolved from the dreams of individual Rotarians --people who dared to dream and dared to make their dreams come true. Building on this fine tradition, I encourage each of you to **FOLLOW YOUR ROTARY DREAM** and create a legacy of hope and well-being for all the generations to come.

PRESERVE PLANT EARTH

According to the World Bank:

- * 1.5 billion people live with dangerous air pollution
- * 1 billion live without clean water; 2 billion without sanitation
- * World food production has doubled in the past 25 years, resulting in loss of natural habitats and crop diversity
- * One-seventh of the world's tropical forests have disappeared in the past 25 years.

Recognizing the need to stem the growing environmental crisis, Rotary International launched its Preserve Planet Earth Program in 1990. Many clubs are helping solve environmental problems by reforestation, establishing animal sanctuaries (like our own Wildlife Rehabilitation Project), reducing toxic waste, sponsoring educational activities and promoting ecological practices. In 1995, RI adopted a resolution to also encourage clubs to support projects which provide safe drinking water where needed.

Let's be sure we do our part to preserve planet earth. If you are interested in how you can help complete our Wildlife Rehabilitation Project at Tyrrell Park, call the Rotary office.

OFFICERS !!! DIRECTORS !!! COMMITTEE CHAIRS !!!

"30-SOMETHINGS" !!!
ARE ENTHUSIASTICALLY URGED
TO ATTEND THE ...

CLUB ASSEMBLY 98-99

TO BE HELD TUESDAY, JULY 7,
1998 AT GIGLIO'S, 155 MLK PKWY.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR DINNER PREPARED BY PDG ALEX BROUSSARD AND PALS AT 5:30 P.M. ASSEMBLY WILL BEGIN AT 6:00 AND WILL BE OVER BY 7:00.

PLEASE CALL TRICIA IN THE ROTARY OFFICE AT 842-1913 AND LET HER KNOW OF YOUR PLANS TO ATTEND.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

Jul 8 - 14

07/08	BOB BURNS	Houston
07/13	J.D. LANDES	Eustace
07/13	RONNIE PLATT	Falls Church, VA
07/14	NELSON ALTER	San Antonio
07/14	ROBERT ZOSCHKE	Beaumont

NEAR-BY MAKE-UPS . . .

MONDAY

So. Park	12 N, Holiday Inn-Midtown
N. Port Arthur	12 N, Holiday Inn-Hwy 69
Vidor	12 N, Old Faith Chapel

TUESDAY

West Bmt.	12 N, Post Oak Grill
Port Neches	12 N, Pompano Club

WEDNESDAY

Groves	12 N Pompano Club
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THURSDAY

Port Arthur	12 N, Ramada Inn
Bridge City	12 N, St. Paul Methodist Ch.

FRIDAY

Nederland	12 N. Schooner
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