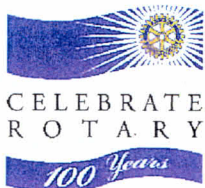


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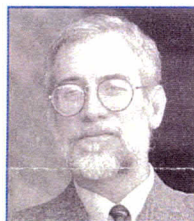
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## Jesse Doiron - Restorative Justice



Jesse Doiron spent 13 years as an educator and consultant in Europe, the Middle East, and Asia. He is a graduate of Lamar University and also attended the University of Houston where he completed much of his undergraduate work.

He has been an international advisor on development of open societies and an international teacher whose experience ranges from the

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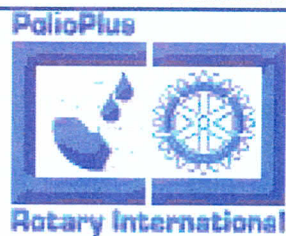
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**Don DeMartino**



GUEST INTRODUCTION  
**Melinda McNeely**

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Our club was well-represented at the District Conference held in Texas City,



**Rotary International's Polio Eradication campaign is distributing polio vaccine to 100 million children in Africa and 80 million children in India this year. If you haven't made your donation, contact our Rotary office to give now. Read more about it at [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)**

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**Future Programs**

June  
 8<sup>th</sup> David Teuscher  
 15<sup>th</sup> Charles Matthews  
 22<sup>nd</sup> NO MEETING - NO MAKE UP

**Make-ups**

**Monday:**  
 No. Port Arthur ..... Holiday Inn Hwy 69  
 Vidor ..... Hibernia National Bank

**Tuesday:**  
 Spindletop ..... Holiday Inn 11th St.  
 Orange ..... Sunset Grove  
 Port Neches ..... Pompano Club

**Wednesday:**  
 Groves ..... Pompano Club

**Thursday:**  
 Port Arthur ..... Holiday Inn Hwy 69

**Friday:**  
 Nederland ..... Sanderson's

**On-line:** [www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org)  
 (limit 3 times in each quarter)

**The New York Times Salutes Rotary**

In the April 20<sup>th</sup> issue of *Rotary-Grams*, we published an editorial from the April 12<sup>th</sup> issue of *The Wall Street Journal*.

The following article written by Tina Rosenberg appeared in the May 11<sup>th</sup> issue of *The New York Times*:

**Rotary's Big Boots**

*Next month Rotary International turns 100. Rotary clubs, a staple of small-town life, are celebrating the construction of innumerable parks, the holding of myriad blood drives, the awarding of countless college scholarships - and the imminent global eradication of polio.*

*Twenty years ago, there were a thousand new cases of polio every day. Now polio strikes only about a thousand children a year. By next year, that number should be zero. People who think of Rotary as a congregation of service-minded dentists and funeral directors may not have noticed, but the dentists and funeral directors have created the largest, most successful private health initiative ever.*

*When Rotary celebrated its 75th birthday, its leaders decided to find a project that all its clubs - now in 168 countries - could work on together. A Rotarian ophthalmologist in the Philippines, where polio was rampant, asked Rotary to vaccinate Filipino children. It vaccinated six million, then made similar efforts in five other nations. In 1985, Rotary decided to wipe out polio completely.*

*By the time polio is eradicated, Rotary clubs will have directly contributed at least \$600 million, more than any other organization except the United States government. And they offer more than cash.*

*"We realized the task of getting vaccines to children, persuading mothers and fathers of the value of immunization, was a problem of distribution, logistics and social mobilization," said Herb Pigman, an American who was one of the campaign's early leaders. "And here's an organization with boots on the ground in hundreds of thousands of communities."*

*Big boots, too. "Every polio meeting you go to, you see them," said Rima Salah, deputy executive director of Unicef. "They have commitment, credibility and influence with leaders." This is crucial, as the challenge today is political. In August 2003, Muslim clerics from the northern Nigerian state of Kano charged that America had laced the polio vaccine with drugs to render African girls infertile. Kano stopped vaccinating. Kano's cases doubled, and Nigerian strains of polio have spread to 16 other nations that had beaten the virus.*

*Coincidentally, the president of Rotary International that year, Jonathan Majiyagbe, was from Kano. He helped broker a compromise: Kano would use vaccine made in Indonesia, a Muslim country. In August 2004, Kano's governor publicly vaccinated his infant daughter.*

*Although the countries Kano infected will have to spend millions on emergency vaccination campaigns, they will probably be successful. The real challenge is to eliminate polio at its epicenter, Nigeria. If Kano does not bolt again, this will probably happen in a year. "We would not be here without Rotary International," Dr. Salah said. "Rotary is the heart and soul of polio eradication."*

Congratulations to all of our members who have supported this program!

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## District Conference

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May 20<sup>th</sup> through 22<sup>nd</sup>. Those attending were President **Maurine Gray**, President-Elect **Terry Bourdier**, Marie and Past President/Past District Governor (X2) **Alex Broussard**, **Becky** and Past President/Assistant Governor/District Governor-Elect Nominee **Chuck Mason**, Sharon and Past President/Assistant Governor **Roger McCabe**, **Jim Tarbett**, **Joy** and **Charles Regenbrecht** and **Alexine Boutin**.

Maurine received the Rotary International Presidential Citation on behalf of our members for their accomplishments during the year. Roger was named to the District Roll of Fame for his service to Rotary. Alexine was recognized for her second year of service as District Administrator.

*RotaryGrams* won first place for newsletters in the large club category (more than 60 members) and our photo display also won first place in the large club category.

Hats off to the Rotary Club of Beaumont-Spindletop for being selected as hosts for the 2006-07 District Conference. That will be Chuck's year as District Governor.

Congratulations to everyone! We've accomplished a lot this year!

## Condolences

To **Lauren Brooks** on the recent loss of her husband

To **Floyd McSpadden** on the recent loss of his father

To **Allan Vella** on the recent loss of his father

## Birthdays

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Walt Snider (85)

Partner,  
The Snider Law Firm



Born in Beaumont, he is a graduate of Baylor University. He and his wife Lois are the parents of Wade and Wyatt, and are members of Calder Baptist Church. He enjoys teaching Tae Kwon Do.

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University of California - Berkeley Extension in San Francisco to St. Louis University - Madrid campus in Spain. Now, an instructor of English at Lamar University, Jesse is a sponsor of five student organizations.

Most recently, Jesse has been focused on issues dealing with "Restorative Justice" and the rehabilitation of convicted felons. In this area, he has worked closely with Bridges to Life, a Christian outreach program that brings victims of violent crime face to face with convicted felons in prison.

He is also a member of the Jefferson County Coalition for Victims of Crime and has served as emcee for that group's Candlelight Vigils (2004 and 2005) as well as the Coalition's Angel Tree for Christmas 2004. He has visited state and federal prisons to work directly with men and women who have been convicted of crimes ranging from DUI to murder.

Jesse has been married for ten years to **Uliana Trylowsky**, whom he met while both were working as volunteers in Kiev, Ukraine. They have two children, Dennis David, who will be seven years old in August, and Natalia Sophia, who turned four last April.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Christina Baum (04)

Dean of Library Services,  
Lamar University



Born in Fulton, Kentucky, she is a graduate of Illinois State University and the University of Kentucky. She enjoys tennis, gardening and sporting events.

### 5<sup>th</sup> Mike Ireland (95)

President,  
Efficient Systems

Born in Houston, he is a graduate of the University of Texas. He and his wife Linda are the parents of Krista, Sarah and Lauren, and are members of the Reformed Presbyterian Church. He enjoys fishing and reading. Mike is a Paul Harris Fellow.



### 6<sup>th</sup> Jim Bass (05)

Senior Pastor,  
Wesley United Methodist Church  
Born in Bartlesville, Oklahoma, he is a



graduate of Southwestern University and Southern Methodist University. He and his wife Debbie are the parents of Jeremy and Jason, and are members

of Wesley United Methodist Church. He enjoys computers and sports activities.

### 7<sup>th</sup> Paula O'Neal (88)

Director,  
Some Other Place

Born in Beaumont, she is a graduate of Lamar University. She and her husband Jay are the parents of Kelli, and are members of Calder Baptist Church. She enjoys reading, needlework and church youth activities. Paula is a Paul Harris Fellow.



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