



Rotary Club of Mineral Wells

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If you have any comments or questions, email the editor.

Future Speakers

Aug 3 2011

RYLA Attendees

"Students will speak about their experiences in June at RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards)."

Aug 10 2011

Dan Steele, Assistant Governor

"District Governor Sharron Miles will speak to our club on her annual visit."

Aug 17 2011

Rick Burciaga

Aug 24 2011

Wayne Sanderson

Aug 31 2011

Shotgun Raffle Drawing

"Our Beretta Xtrema 2 Shotgun Raffle Fundraiser will end and a winner's ticket will be drawn."

Upcoming Events

Governor's Visit

Aug 10 2011

District Foundation Seminar

Aug 20 2011

End Polio Now Baseball Game

Aug 28 2011

Shotgun Raffle Drawing

Aug 31 2011

Rotary Flag Day on Labor Day

Sep 5 2011 - Sep 5 2011

District Membership Seminar

Sep 10 2011

Institute for Leadership (IFL)

Oct 29 2011 - Oct 30 2011

Elect Club Officers for 2012-13

Dec 7 2011

Club Christmas Social Dec 8

Dec 8 2011

Rotary Foundation Banquet

Feb 10 2012

2012 Rotary International Convention

May 6 2012 - May 9 2012

Website

<http://www.mineralwellsrotary.org>

The Meeting, July 20, 2011

by Perkins, Rual



President Harris Brooks opened the meeting and Leon Cowan lead the Invocation. Rual Perkins lead the Pledge to our Flag and had a joke for us. Diane Brown had her ticket drawn (lucky her) and took home \$21. She drew the 5 of ♦'s (lucky us) and left a pot that will approach \$1,000.00 today. You know what you gotta do!!

Guests were Richard Ball and Randy Holt, spouses of Rotarians Connie Ball and Pam Holt. Welcome!!.

Pam Holt introduced District Attorney Michael "Mike" Burns of the 29th Judicial District who brought a stirring ...

program on the Methamphetamine Drug problem in Mineral Wells. He said it disturbed him when he read that Palo Pinto County was the Meth Capital of Texas and after a short time as Judge he began to see it might be justified. The psychostimulant is an extremely addictive drug providing a high he describes as a full body orgasm lasting 7-8 hours...however; the results of long term use is devastating including anorexia, rotten teeth, scabby sores over the body and that is just the physical. The psychological is just as bad if not worse. The high becomes the only reason for living and became more important than the normal love one has for their spouse or children. The current source is Mexican Drug Cartels that bring in great quantities of 95%-98% pure meth at a greatly reduced price and an abundant supply of dealers eager for the quick buck. (A meth lab is pictured to the left)



Beretta Shotgun Raffle Drawing August 31

by Steele, Dan

District 5790 Conference
May 18 2012 - May 20 2012

News

By-Laws Review and Update

District 5790 Governor visit
August 10

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Mineral Wells Rotary

Fundraiser Raffle for Polio Plus*



Beretta Xtrema 2

Softest "Recoil" Shooting Automatic 12-gauge Shotgun Ever Made!
12 Gauge: 2 3/4" - 3 1/2" Gas Operated, Semi-Automatic Shotgun
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Fully Versatile Shotgun: Hunt Dove, Quail, Pheasant, Duck, Geese, Turkey or just for home protection.

Retail Value: \$1,500 Only 200 ticket sold: Odds per ticket 1:200 Drawing August 31, 2011

\$50 per ticket - Cash or Checks payable to Mineral Wells Rotary Club

Every Rotarian is asked to sell or buy four tickets.

The mission of The Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.

*Since the inception of the PolioPlus program in 1985, more than 2 Billion children have received polio vaccinations worldwide. However, the disease has not been eradicated. Globally, the Rotary Clubs have donated over \$650 million and partnered with the Gates Foundation for matching grants to help the cause.

Rotary District 5790 Foundation Seminar August 20th

by Steele, Dan



Yes it is that time again. Back to Rotary Foundation School. Our District Governor Sharron Miles is encouraging as many of your club members as possible to attend, not just your club Foundation Chairs, but new members as well as any Rotarian who has a passion for the programs of the Rotary Foundation.

We will be discussing this year's programs to assist you in planning your year. Then we will transport to the FUTURE to discuss the Rotary Foundation's FUTURE VISIONS concept.

We will need your input and experience to move forward. So plan on attending. Registration can be made on line at www.rotary5790.org

See information below for more details.

PDG Dan Morales (District 5790 Foundation Chair)

Date: Aug 20, 2011 at 8:30 AM - Aug 20, 2011 at 2:00 PM

Event Fee: 18.00 USD (Paid by our club for those who attend.)

Location: Harbor Lakes Country Club
2100 Clubhouse Dr.
Granbury, Texas 76408

Progress for Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge for polio eradication

by Steele, Dan

Rotary International News -- 7 June 2011



As of 31 May, Rotarians have raised about \$174.7 million for Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge. These contributions will help Rotary raise \$200 million to match \$355 million in challenge grants received from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The resulting \$555 million will directly support immunization campaigns in developing countries, where polio continues to infect and paralyze children, robbing them of their futures and compounding the hardships faced by their families.

As long as polio threatens even one child anywhere in the world, children everywhere remain at risk. The stakes are that high.

Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge
totals*

US\$174.7M

*As of 31 May 2011

Foundation Jackpot

by Steele, Dan

Roger Eades had the winning ticket and took home \$10. The jackpot will be \$973 going into the August 3 meeting.



MOW Schedule

by Steele, Dan

July 29 Diane Brown and Connie Ball
Aug 05 Lance Howerton/Lauren Mitchell
Aug 12 Ken Williamson
Aug 19 Connie Ball
Aug 26 Pam Holt/Lottie Eubanks
Sep 02 Karen Thompson
Sep 09 Saskia Vaughan/Linda Bradford
Sep 16 Dan Steele
Sep 23 Mitch Bradshaw/Raj Patel
Sep 30 Harris Brooks/Kody Wallace



Pick up the Meals at the MOW Office at 1410 SE Martin King Jr. by 11:00 AM. If you cannot do your assigned day find a replacement or call Connie Ball or Diane Brown.

Cause for Celebration

by Steele, Dan



Jul 24 Karen Thompson- Spouse Bday
Jul 29 Scott Elde - Wedding Anniv
Jul 29 Jeanette Ender- Club Anniv

Tanzanian Ailinda Sawe

by Steele, Dan

by Diana Schoberg
The Rotarian -- July 2011

When Ailinda Sawe finished her coursework in fashion design in 1983, she could have stayed in Manchester, England, to work. Instead, she returned home to Tanzania. "Some of my people are not even dressed," she told friends in England. "I'm going back to dress my people."



She incorporated the traditional designs of some of Tanzania's more than 120 tribes into her work and, in doing so, transformed the *kanga*, a rectangular piece of material that's a wardrobe staple in East Africa, into haute couture. "To know that our people were so rich in costumes, jewelry – what they did with their hair, with their skin – so many designs, it was amazing," says Sawe, whose company is called Afrika Sana, Swahili for "truly Africa."

She also founded a nonprofit, Mtoto wa Afrika, to bring art and culture to children.

In 2009, after visiting the Dar-es-Salaam-Mzizima club to ask for support, she decided to join. "I found a fellowship where every nation, every color, all of humanity can be like a family," she says. "I've got a place where I can serve my people and serve the world."

Life and Times of Paul Harris: Boyhood in Vermont

by Steele, Dan

Harris at age three, around the time he moved to his grandparents' home.



Paul P. Harris was born to George and Cornelia Harris on 19 April

1868 in Racine, Wisconsin, USA. George endeavored to support his family as a small-businesses owner, but he often relied on his father for financial assistance -- so much so that in July 1871, Harris and his older brother, Cecil, were sent to live with their paternal grandparents in Wallingford, Vermont. Harris later wrote, "Of all charges which might have been made against George and Cornelia, parsimony would have stood the least chance. They were both royal spenders."

Harris was raised by his grandparents, seeing his parents only on the few occasions when they attempted to reunite the family. He grew to revere the family values that characterized the New England of his youth. In October 1928, when he returned to his boyhood home for the charter night celebration of the Rotary Club of Wallingford, he proclaimed, "Much that there is in Rotary today can be traced back to the good old New England family table."

He was a mischievous child and an itinerant student. He "had no objection to reading assuming that the reading be something sensible" and "did not consider *Pilgrim's Progress* nor *Plutarch's Lives* in that category," Harris later recalled. He attended primary school in Wallingford and secondary school in Rutland, where he often played pranks and skipped class. He also attended Black River Academy in Ludlow but was expelled after only a few weeks.

After attending Vermont Military Academy, Harris enrolled at the University of Vermont in Burlington. In December 1886, he and three others were expelled for their conduct as members of an underground society. He later wrote that although he was innocent of the crime he was accused of, the expulsion was nonetheless justified.

Harris as a student at the University of Vermont in Burlington, 1886.



I ably assisted in the organization of an underground society "for the subjugation of unruly freshmen." The operations of this clandestine organization gave new color to life at the University. President Buckham became conscious of the change and banished four of the organization's most faithful workers from college. I was one of the four. I was not guilty of the particular atrocity for which I was expelled but my conduct richly deserved the punishment.

Harris spent the spring with a private tutor his grandfather paid for, and in the fall of 1887, he began his studies anew at Princeton University. His time at school was cut short, however, by the death of his grandfather in March 1888. Though Harris completed the semester, he did not return for the next academic year.