



Rotary Club of Mineral Wells

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Future Speakers

Nov 9 2011

Earl Medlin

Nov 16 2011

Jane Privitt

Nov 23 2011

No Meeting
"Thanksgiving Holiday"

Dec 7 2011

Harris Brooks

Dec 14 2011

Jim Ashby

Dec 21 2011

Pam Holt

Dec 28 2011

No Meeting
"Christmas Holiday"

Upcoming Events

Rotary Flag Day on Veteran's Day
Nov 11 2011 - Nov 11 2011

Elect Club Officers for 2012-13
Dec 7 2011

Christmas Social Thurs Dec 8
Dec 8 2011

Rotary Foundation Banquet
Feb 10 2012

2012 Rotary International Convention
May 6 2012 - May 9 2012

District 5790 Conference
May 18 2012 - May 20 2012

News

By-Laws Adopted

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Flag Day, Veteran's Day, November 11, Friday

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Top five reasons to support The Rotary Foundation

by Steele, Dan

By Antoinette Tuscano
Rotary International News -- 28 June 2011

There are as many reasons to support The Rotary Foundation as there are ways to do good in the world.

By [contributing to the Foundation](#), you help support the Foundation's six [areas of focus](#), which help to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. By giving US\$100 a year through the [Every Rotarian, Every Year](#) (EREY) initiative, you become a Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member. Contributions to EREY are the primary source of funding for Foundation programs.



A child works on his studies thanks to books donated through a Rotary project. By contributing to the Foundation, you support basic education and literacy. *Rotary Images/Monika Lozinska-Lee*

Here are a few ways your contributions are making change possible.



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5. Fighting hunger

In Romania, orphans and sick children have eggs, milk, and meat because of a Foundation grant that benefits local farmers. The farmers are able to buy everything from animal feed to packaging materials. There is one stipulation: They must donate a portion of their products to childrenâ€™s hospitals, schools, and orphanages.

In Alaska, USA, the Rotary Club of Anchorage East is also [fighting hunger](#) by distributing food to low-income families through a mobile food pantry. Projects such as these help address the areas of focus of maternal and child health as well as economic and community development.

4. Reducing child mortality

The Rotary clubs of Jaela-Kandana, Western Province, Sri Lanka, and Madras Northwest, Tamil Nadu, India, are helping to reduce child mortality by providing improved sanitation facilities for 15 families in a small community in Sri Lanka. With a [Rotary Foundation Matching Grant](#), the clubs have built 14 toilets, helping to prevent diarrhea and other diseases related to poor sanitation.

According to the World Health Organization, 1.8 million children die of diarrhea every year, making it the second leading cause of death among children under five. Proper sanitation can reduce the rate of child mortality in many communities by up to a third. Water and sanitation is the third area of focus.

3. Promoting peace and conflict resolution

Watching civil war tear apart his homeland of CÃ´te d'Ivoire instilled in Rotary Peace Fellow Kouame Remi Oussou a passion to resolve conflict. He is now working for the [United Nations Development Programme](#) in the Central African Republic, a country that weathered periodic internal fighting before a comprehensive peace accord took effect in 2007. [Read more about Oussou](#).

[Rotary Peace Fellows](#) are leaders in promoting national and international cooperation, peace, and conflict resolution. [Help support the Rotary Peace Centers](#). Peace and conflict prevention/resolution is the first area of focus. [Read about four Rotary Peace Fellows and their visions for peace](#).

2. Basic education and literacy

Education helps rebuild lives, whether it's in small rural towns or in war-torn countries. For example, a literacy project sponsored by U.S. Rotarians in conjunction with the International Reading Association (IRA) is helping Sudanese refugees rebuild their communities by equipping them to teach future generations.

The Southern Sudan Teacher Training Initiative provides refugees of the country's decades-long civil war, who are known as the Lost Boys and Girls of Sudan, with teacher training materials, guidance, and support to help them teach students in kindergarten through eighth grade. "People returning from refugee camps to rebuild their lives in Duk County are hungry for books and school supplies," says John Dau, a Lost Boy, humanitarian, and founder of the John Dau Foundation. [Read more about the project](#).

1. Eradicating polio

Around the world, Rotarians are taking millions of steps in walkathons, diving into icy ocean waters, and participating in other [fundraisers](#) to help Rotary fulfill its promise to rid the world of polio. Si Burgher, of the Rotary Club of Bloomfield, Indiana, USA, raised almost \$1,600 by having his shaggy eyebrows shaved.

Rotary launched its [PolioPlus program](#) in 1985. Since then, eradicating polio has been the organization's top priority. [End Polio Now](#) and help fulfill its promise.

Your contribution to *Every Rotarian Every Year* helps make projects such as this possible.



The Meeting, October 5, 2011

by Perkins, Rual



President Harris Brooks opened the meeting followed by the pledge to our flag by Jimmy Walker and the invocation by Leon Cowen. Rual Perkins had a joke and later got his ticket drawn. He drew the 10 of hearts, leaving over \$1,300 for some other lucky winner.

Guests were Past President Brad Wilkerson and Lynn Butcher. Program chair Roger Patel introduced the speaker; Terry Nelson representing the organization "Law Enforcement Against Prohibition".

Mr. Nelson's career in law-enforcement spanned 3 decades. It included service in the US border Patrol, the US Customs Service and the Department of Homeland Security, taking him beyond US borders into Mexico, Central America, and South America. In various capacities he acquired first-hand knowledge of the "War on Drugs," being directly involved in counter-narcotics missions he labored with distinction, even receiving special congressional recognition for his work. He retired in 2005 as GS-14 Air Marine Group Supervisor. He served 9 years in the US Border Patrol and other positions qualifying him to speak on the subject of the problems associated with drug control. He provided convincing arguments for the legalization/control of drugs saying it is easier for a teenager to purchase heroin, cocaine or marijuana than cigarettes or alcohol.

MOW Schedule

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- Nov 11 Fred Smith/Fred Danforth
- Nov 18 Scott Elder
- Nov 25 Thanksgiving - No delivery
- Dec 02 Janet Holland/Jeanette Ender
- Dec 09 Jim Ashby
- Dec 15 Beth Watson
- Dec 23 Wayne Sanderson
- Dec 30 TBA



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.

The Meeting, October 19, 2011

by Perkins, Rual



President Harris Brooks opened the meeting, Payton Wall lead the pledge and Leon Cowan said the invocation. Rual Perkins had a joke and Roger Patel got his ticket drawn, he took home \$13, drew the 3 of "Aces" and left a pot of over \$1,400. Buy some chances. You have a 1 in 16 chance to win \$700 to begin your Christmas shopping with. The rest goes to RI to fight POLIO and other worthy causes.

Connie Ball's mother was our only guest. Welcome!!**IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT** WE HAVE UNTIL NOON FRIDAY TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO RI FOR POLIO AND GET MATCHING FUNDS. GOTO

www.rotary.org/contribute.

Program chair Karyn Bullock introduced Sharlet Evans of Rising Stars Art Gallery of Downtown Mineral Wells.

Originally of Louisiana and attendee of Houston University, she has been in Mineral Wells for 12 years. She has two children, one a grad of Texas Tech and one in high school here. She began dreaming and planning of this art gallery many months ago; finally beginning a long search for an appropriate building. She found it, began renovation last February and opened in May. She brought samples, pictured right. A very good program!

Foundation Jackpot

by Steele, Dan

Willie Casper had the winning ticket and took home \$25. He drew the King of Hearts so the jackpot will be \$1562 going into the November 9 meeting.



The Meeting, October 26, 2011

by Perkins, Rual



President Harris Brooks brought the meeting to order, Roger Eads led in the Pledge to our Flag and Jimmy Walker said the invocation. Rual Perkins had a joke for us and also got another chance to draw for the pot. He drew the King of Spades, leaving the pot untouched...again, at over \$1,500. Karen Thompson introduced her guest, Nathan Thompson

Harris Brooks presented the program; "A Day in the Life of the CEO of Palo Pinto General Hospital"

He typically starts his day at about 7:15 to catch up on his voicemail and emails from the past evening. Staff starts arriving at 8AM and he sometimes makes rounds visiting some of the 40 different departments. There is usually a morning meeting; then lunch. Snail mail arrives and he process and pays bills. He has an open door policy to all managers and the public. Meetings start soon afterwards: Hospital Board, Medical Staff, Dept. Managers' Clinical Quality, Services Quality, Safety and others. Out-of-town meetings include THA, ROTCH, THT Annual Conferences. Tasks include cost cutting measures, changes on the horizon and how it affects PPGH, Healthcare Finance, new services to be added. PPGH is a 99 bed hospital with a gross operating budget for 2012 of \$51 million. They have 130 days cash on hand, and returns about \$35 million back to the community annually. Payer mix is 45% Medicare, 25% Medicaid.

This Week's Foundation Thought is about ...

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Supporting the Foundation. The Foundation belongs to us all. It is our greatest resource for doing good, and it is our responsibility to maintain its strength. I hope every Rotarian will join us by making a contribution to support the Foundation's programs this year.



2004-05 RI President Glenn E. Estess Sr.

Cause for Celebration

by Perkins, Rual



Oct 29	Connie Ball	Club Anniv
Nov 1	Dennis Bradshaw	Club Anniv
Nov 1	Janet Holland	Wedding Anniv
Nov 5	Lottie Eubanks	Wedding Anniv
Nov 6	Connie Ball	Spouse Bday
Nov 11	Karen Thompson	Birthday
Nov 12	Jane Privitt	Club Anniv
Nov 13	Mary Braddock	Birthday
Nov 16	Mitch Bradshaw	Wedding Anniv
Nov 24	Wes Ellis	Birthday

Rotary Foundation Motto and Mission

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Doing Good in the World

To enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.



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