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TODAY'S PROGRAM



Ron Washington & Eric Nadel Texas Rangers Baseball 2008 Update



February 1, 2008 Program Chair

> of the Day: Hal Copeland

Fast Facts:

Ron Washington spent 11 seasons as a coach with the Oakland A's

- Despite several inju-• ries, his '07 Rangers were one of only 8 Major League teams to go .500 or better in each of final 4 months of the season
- Eric Nadel joined the • Rangers in 1979

He became the team s radio voice when Mark Holtz moved to the television booth

on Washington was named the 17th full-time manager in organization history on Nov. 6, 2006. He is became the ninth manager in Texas history to make the Rangers his first major league managerial job. He led the Rangers to the 5th-best record in the American League over the season's final 3 1/2 months beginning June 14. The team had 45 come-from-behind wins

Ron is a native of New Orleans where he played baseball and football in high school. He attended

Manatee Junior College in Bradenton, FL, and was originally signed as a free agent catcher by the Kansas City Royals. Ron and his wife, Gerry, were married in 1972 and reside in New Orleans.

Texas Rangers radio broad- Rangers network. casts on KRLD and the team's radio network. It marks his Texas Baseball Hall of Fame, 28th year broadcasting Rang- Eric and his wife, Jeannie, ers baseball, the longest ten- reside in Dallas with their ure of any announcer in the dog, Nemo, a lab/husky mix. history of the franchise and one of the longest continuous

current stints with one team in the American League.

Eric has taught himself to speak Spanish and has taken part in Spanish game broadcasts in numerous Latin American countries. For the last 21 years, Eric has produced and recorded "A Page Eric Nadel is in his 12th From Baseball's Past" radio year as the lead voice on the features that run on the

A 1991 inductee in the

AROUND OUR ROTARY WORLD

Oral vaccine is best weapon in polio fight

Rotary and its spearheading partners in the Global Polio

Eradication Initiative remain committed to reaching all children with the oral polio vaccine (OPV).

Experts with the World Health Organization (WHO) said in October that a reported outbreak of vaccine-derived polio in northern Nigeria is an extremely rare occurrence that happens when the weakened form of the virus used in the oral vaccine mutates to a point where it re-

gains its ability to spread and to paralyze children. Such outbreaks are most likely to occur in communities with low childhood immunization rates and poor sanitation, circum-



"Some recent media reports have been misinterpreted as implying that oral polio vaccine has paralyzed 69 children in northern Nigeria," WHO says in a statement. "In fact, these children were paralyzed by a vaccine-derived poliovirus to

which they were vulnerable because they were not sufficiently vaccinated."

"The only solution is to step up our efforts to immunize all of Nigeria's children," says Robert S. Scott, chair of The Rotary Foundation Trustees and the International PolioPlus Committee. "It

would be tragic if parents kept their children from receiving the vaccine based on unwarranted fears about its safety. OPV is the best, most effective weapon we have to fight

stances that give the virus more opportunities to mutate as

it circulates among unprotected children.



The Rotary Club of Park Cities

Presiding: Linda Tunnell Invocation: Rick Amsberry Pledge/Song leader: Charlotte Kroeker Introductions: Bill Sleeper Sgt-at-Arms: George Keeling Chair of the Day: Kendall Laughlin Speaker: Mark Merrill, Presbyterian Hospital

President Linda Tunnell called the meeting to order on this wintry day. **Rick Amsberry** indicated that none of our members were ill or in the hospital. **Charlotte Kroeker** led the Pledge of Allegiance and "The Star Spangled Banner." Our guests today included PDG Jim Tow and our frequent longdistance visitor from Little Rock. Sgt-at-Arms **George Keeling** received two big checks for the RCPC Foundation.

Roger Hogarth read the Memorial for long-time member **Tom Sneary** and presented a copy to members of his family who were present. PP **Greg Pape** acknowledged our three most recent contributors to the Rotary Foundation. He then awarded PP **Doug Gill** his fourth and **Gerry Montgomery** his sixth Paul Harris Fellow designation. Both Doug and Gerry are members

of the Paul Harris Society, whose members donate \$1,000 every year.

Art Bollon announced that RCPC is looking for candidates for an Ambassadorial Scholarship. **Blake Frank** announced that the GSE Team this year is visiting from Manchester, England during April. Hosts and vocational contacts will be needed.

Kendall Laughlin introduced our speaker today, Mark Merrill, president of Presbyterian Hospital. He told us that Presbyterian Hospital is only forty-one years old, and that it is a not-for-profit hospital. It specializes in seven lines of service and has pioneered new techniques in these specialties. The hospital is currently undergoing its largest building project in its history, including a new bed tower. He noted that Healthcare is one of the foremost topics in the political debate, but that there is no national policy. Texas leads the nation in the percentage of residents who are uninsured, which affects hospital funding. The U.S. spends more on healthcare than the other western nations, but chronic health problems are higher. The hospital is focusing on how to define and improve they quality of services.

OTARY UNDERSTANDING

Understanding will make a difference in ending world poverty

A basic understanding of poverty is the inspiration Rotarians need to eradicate it, keynote speaker Deepa Willingham said during the second spouses plenary session at the International Assembly.

Willingham, a member of the Rotary Club of Santa Ynez Valley, California, USA, told the audience that 1.3 billion people around the world live on less than US\$1 a day and that 10 million children die each year before they reach their fifth birthday due to extreme poverty. "I find these numbers staggering and over-



whelming. My heart aches with sadness," she said.

Figures like these led Willingham to form Pace Universal (Promise of Assurance to Children Everywhere) in 2003. The organization's mission is to nurture the education, nutrition, health, and social development of young girls in the slums of Kolkata (formerly Calcutta), India, and other areas around the world.

"I'm just a simple Rotarian

from a small town in Southern California, but I believe that I can make a difference by doing my share, however small that may be," Willingham said.

Her club partnered with the Rotary Club of Calcutta Metropolitan to build a permanent building for the Piyali Learning Center, which will eventually serve 1,200 girls and 500 boys from impoverished villages around Kolkata.

The center will also help provide clean water, sanitation, and solar ovens to the community of Piyali Junction. "The aim of the center will be to bring about sustainable changes to the lives of citizens," said Willingham.

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THOUGHTS ON ...

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Baseball

Good pitching will always stop good hitting, and vice versa.

~Casey Stengal

A hot dog at the ballgame beats roast beef at the Ritz. ~Humphrey Bogart

Nolan Ryan is pitching much better now that he has his curve ball straightened out. ~Joe Garagiola

If a horse can't eat it, I don't want to play on it. **~Dick Allen**

Baseball statistics are like a girl in a bikini. They show a lot but not everything. ~Toby Harrah

The best way to catch a knuckleball is to wait until the ball stops rolling and then pick it up.

~Bob Uecker

What does a mama bear on the pill have in common with the World Series? No cubs.

~Harry Caray

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Can't anybody here play this game. **~Casey Stengel**

FOUNDATION FUNDERS

Our Funders for Next Week are Charlie Bond Susan Bonesteel Doug Box Fred Brown South of the Border Richard Gilman and his wife Rozelle invite all Ro

wife Rozelle invite all Rotarians to plan now for a 2008 Rotary Shares

event in Puerto Vallarta, Feb 7-10. No meetings, no fees, no speeches! Rotary Land Package: \$573.00 (subject to change), Double Occupancy, per person (all inclusive transfers, meals, and drinks). Please call Lewis Gibbons, Mustang Travel, 214-969-7676, to make your reservation.

COMMITTEE TIME_INTERACT

Interact is Rotary International's service club for young people ages 14 to 18. Interact clubs are sponsored by individual Rotary clubs, which provide support and guidance, but they are selfgoverning and self-supporting.

Each year, Interact clubs complete at least two community service projects, one of which furthers international understanding and goodwill.

Every Rotarian Every Year: Contribute \$100 annually to the Rotary Foundation as a sustaining member.

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Dues are Due! Please give your check to Courtney Hogan or Laurie.

Non-Eaters: Please remember to put your five dollars in the plate when you arrive. Thank you.

Through these efforts, Interactors develop a network of friendships with local and overseas clubs and learn the importance of 1) developing leadership skills and personal integrity, 2) demonstrating helpfulness and respect for others, 3) understanding the value of individual responsibility and hard work. 4) advancing international understanding and goodwill.

THEY PROFIT MOST WHO LAUGH BEST

The robber stuck a gun in the man's back, but the man turned suddenly, applied a judo grip, and flung the robber across the alley. Then he pounced on the robber and began to wipe him out. He blackened his eyes, broke his jaw, and fractured his ribs. Finally, the crook cried out in desperation, "Hey mister, ain't you never gonna call a cop?" DIET: A process that helps you gain weight more slowly.

When you are in deep water, it's a good idea to keep your mouth shut.

EXASPERATION: Getting stuck in the lane behind the driver who is observing the speed limit.

PROPOSED NEW MEMBERS

John Robertson, Health Care Proposed by John Chiles, 1st Publication Andy Elwood, Sales Proposed by Phillip Bankhead, 1st Publication William Willis, Jr, Real Estate Proposed by Brad Rejebian, 2nd Publication Bill Clark, Accounting Proposed by Scott Sargent, 2nd Publication Tom Stutz, Law Proposed by Tom McClellan, 2nd Publication

Invite à friend to Rotary Happy B rthday! Nolan Duck 2.1 Doug Box 2.2





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Rozalyn St. Pe Colombo The House of Harry Winston Jeweler to the Stars

Fast Facts:

- Native of New Or-. leans
- Graduate of Tulane Law School
- Salon Director for Harry Winston in Highland Park Village
- Harry Winston is one • of the largest and most prestigious among highfashion jewelers
- The company was established in 1932 in New York
- The company spans three generations of Winston jewelers

lombo, native of New Orleans and graduate of Tulane Law School, did not know the direction her professional life would take. In 1988 Roz accepted a summer position with the world renowned House of Harry Winston, and has remained a blind date, the couple with the company since. In her new home Roz was fortunate to have been mentored by family members, Ronald son, and Richard, nephew of Harry Winston. As a result of her events. The company real- ate jewelry at its finest.

ozalyn St. Pe Co- new passion, Roz became the youngest woman sales executive in the 5th Avenue Grand Salon.

> While Harry Winston had won her heart, so did Dallas entrepreneur Robert Colombo, owner of restaurants "The Club" and

> "Trece". Meeting through eventually married in 2003 and decided to make Dallas home. Roz continued to work for Harry Winston, nurturing relationships through Dallas society



of the Day: **Rosemary Domecki**



ized however that she could do more.

In December of 2006 Harry Winston opened its' 13th salon worldwide, in Dallas at Highland Park Village, with Roz as the director. With grace, charm, and a passion for jewels, Roz brings the glamour and unparalleled style of Harry Winston to Dallas and all who appreci-

AROUND OUR ROTARY WORLD

Rotary's Anniversary

During the first Rotary club meeting on 23 February 1905 in Chicago, Paul Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Hiram Shorey, and Silvester Schiele met to talk about their personal experiences. Harris then unfolded his general plan for their club meetings.

This was the simple beginning of the world's first service club, the Rotary Club of Chicago. It was created because of Harris' wish to capture in a professional club the same friendly spirit he had felt in the small towns of his youth. The Rotary name derived from the early practice of rotating meetings among members' offices.

Rotarians continue to take pride in their history. In honor of that first club, Rotarians have preserved its original meeting place, Room 711 in Chicago's Unity Building, by



re-creating the office as it existed in 1905. For several years, the Paul Harris 711 Club maintained the room as a shrine for visiting Rotarians. In 1989, when the building was scheduled to be demolished, the club carefully dismantled the office and salvaged the in-

terior, including doors and radiators. In 1993, the RI Board of Directors set aside a permanent home for the restored Room 711 at RI World Headquarters in the Chicago suburb of Evanston.

For more historical information about Rotary, visit Rotary History and Archives or the Rotary Global History Fellowship on the internet.



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President Linda Tunnell called the meeting to order. PP Donnie Berg noted that Fred Brown had recently lost his father and that George Keeling had fallen and broken his nose. Please keep them in your prayers. Cathy Bryce led us in "Take Me Out to the Ball Game," as well as the Pledge the team has focused on enjoying playing of Allegiance and "The Star Spangled Banner." Dick Orrock stood in for our Sqt-at-Arms and received three big checks for the RCPC Foundation. Fred Brown announced two perfect attendance awards, culminated this week by Hy Lyon with twelve years. PE Ley Waggoner recognized two new Frank Monroe Fellows, Dick Orrock and Cathy Bryce, who had donated hers in memory of her mother.

Hal Copeland introduced our speakers today Ron Washington, manager of the Texas Rangers and Eric Nadel, broadcaster on the team's radio network. Eric explained that for the Texas Rangers 2007 was a year of change. Ron Washington became the manager, and there were a lot of changes at mid-season which resulted in a winning record for the last part of the season. The Rangers' ranking has jumped from twentysixth to fourth in one season.

Ron said that he brought new ideas and accountability to the job of manager. The team has invested in young players, and baseball. Ron believes that a team must play a different game against different teams, but that if the players play up to their capabilities, winning will happen. He predicts that 2008 will be a very exciting vear. The program ended with Eric auctioning two signed baseballs to benefit the Interact Club at Hillcrest H.S. Winning bids were made by Herb Burkman and Hugh Kina.

AIDING NICARAGUANS ANADIAN <mark>Rote</mark>

Communities in San Juan del Sur, Nicaragua, are witnessing significant

improvements to sanitation and school conditions, thanks to Project Nicaragua, a technological initiative launched in 2004 by the Rotaract Club of University of Calgary, Canada.

Nicaragua, one of the poorest countries in the Western Hemisphere, lacks the resources to remedy serious health and sanitation issues. This has caused disease and starvation in many communities. Frustrated by what she saw during a volunteer mission, Rotaractor Lyndsey Rosevear returned home to Calgary and encouraged her club to take action.

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Calgary, Rosevear and fellow Rotaractors organized Project Nicaragua, a multifaceted initiative focused on improving the quality of life in underdeveloped communities through sustainable technology and resources.

"We are addressing Nicaraguans' basic human needs and basic human rights through technology, information, and ambition," says Rosevear, a student at the University of Calgary. She and other club members have visited Nicaragua several times to assist with the project, which is carried out in two phases in each community.

The first phase is aimed at improving sanitation and

educational conditions. Traditional open-fire stoves are replaced with concrete-andbrick eco-stoves, which use 50 percent less wood for fuel and reduce smoke inhalation. Biosand water filters are used to create a safer drinking water supply, and composting toilets, which do not contaminate underground water systems, are installed. School buildings in need of repair are also renovated.

The second phase focuses on health care improvements. A local doctor and dentist visit the community four days twice a month to address health issues such as fever, diarrhea, and dental problems. More than 150 people are treated every month.

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Love, Actually	Every Rotarian Every Year:	THE 4-WAY TEST
<i>I love men, even though they are lying, cheating</i>	Contribute \$100 annually to the Rotary Foundation as a sustaining	Of the things we think, say, or do:
scumbags.	member.	1. Is it the TRUTH?
~Gwyneth Paltrow	Dues are Due! Please give your check to Courtney Hogan or	2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
Young man, if she asks you if you like her hair that way,	Laurie. Non-Eaters: Please remember to put your	3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
beware; the woman has already committed matri- mony with you in her heart. ~Don Marquis	five dollars in the plate when you arrive. Thank you.	4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?
I broke up with my girl-	COMMITTEE TIME_ROTARACT	
friend. She moved in with another guy, and I draw the line at that. ~Gary Shandling	Rotaract otaract is a Rotary- sponsored service club for young men and women ages 18 to 30. Rotaract clubs are either community or univer- sity based, and they're sponsored by a local Ro-	fastest-growing service programs, with more than 7,000 clubs in about 163 countries and geographical areas, Rotaract has become a worldwide phenomenon. understanding and goodwill.
<i>To keep your marriage brim- ming, / With love in the lov- ing cup, / Whenever you're wrong admit it; / Whenever</i>	tary club. This makes them true "partners in service" and key members of the family of Ro- tary. As one of Rotary's most significant and	All Rotaract efforts begin at the local, grass- roots level, with members addressing their com- munities' physical and social needs.
you're right, shut up. ~Ogden Nash	THEY PROFIT MOST WHO LAUGH	BEST
-	The phone rang at in the hospital's mater-	HORSE SENSE: Stable thinking
Friendship is more tragic than love. It lasts longer. ~Oscar Wilde	nity ward, and an excited voice on the other end said, "This is George Smith, and I'm bringing my wife inshe's having a baby!" "Calm down," replied the attendant. "Tell	Bob: "Does your uncle carry life insurance?" Bill: "No, he just carries fire insurance. He knows where he's going."
At least I can wear high heels now. ~Nicole Kidman	me, is this her first baby?" "No," the voice replied, "this is her hus- band."	IMPROVE: What we think everyone else should do.
Even if you understood women, you still wouldn't boliovo it	The trouble with being a good sport is that you have to lose to prove it.	Love may be blind, but it seems to be able to find its way around in the dark.
<i>believe it.</i> ~Frank Dane	PROPOSED NEW MEMBERS	
FOUNDATION FUNDER	Edward E. Reith, Insurance Proposed by Jess Johnson, 1st Publica Kirby Warnock, Writer Proposed by Fred Speno, 1st Publicat	ion
Cathy Bryce Herb Burkman	John Robertson, Health Care Proposed by John Chiles, 2nd Publication	David Baxter 2.8

Proposed by John Chiles, 2nd Publication

Andy Elwood, Sales

Proposed by Phillip Bankhead, 2nd Publication

Herb Burkman Pam Carvey **Craig Cathey**



Dallas County District Attorney



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Fast Facts:

 Elected Dallas County DA in November, 2006
 Texas Lawyer's IM-

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- PACT LAWYER OF THE YEAR 2007 • 2007 NAACP Texas
- 2007 NAACP Texas Hero Award
- Dallas Urban League Torch Award 2006
- One of *Eclipse Magazine's* "Super Lawyers" January 2007

• District Attorney Watkins was featured in the March 5, 2007 issue of *JET*.

raig Watkins, a Dallas native, was inaugurated on January 1, 2007, as the Criminal District Attorney (DA) for Dallas County, Texas. He is the first African-American elected to that position in Texas. As DA for Dallas County, his SMART ON CRIME philosophy engages innovative strategies throughout the prosecutorial process and seeks to address the root causes of why offenders commit crime.

Craig Watkins

DA Watkins' interest in conviction integrity led to partnering with the Innocence Project of Texas to aid the wrongfully convicted. District Attorney Watkins was educated in the local public school system, received a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from Prairie View A&M University and a Jurist Doctorate degree from Texas Wesleyan University School of Law.

He is a member of Friendship-West Baptist Church, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc., Prairie View A & M University Alumni Association and is affiliated with several professional and civic organizations. Mr. Watkins has received numerous honors and awards for his outstanding accomplishments in the community from an array of organizations and groups.

District Attorney Watkins' innovative strategies as the new D.A. in Dallas County have garnered him local, national and international attention from CNN, ABC's "Good Morning America," German TV, *Dallas Morning News*, *New York Times, Washington Post, L. A. Times* and *Chicago Tribune*, to name a few.

DA Watkins and wife Tanya have three children — Chad, Cale and Taryn.

CLUB SPOTLICHT



Michael C. 4 Kelley V 1. What are you

most proud of

in your life: My family

2. What is something about you that most people don't know:

I am a "horologist" and electrician.

3. What is your personal motto:

Be pleasant to people, especially bad people.

4. Who are the people who have influenced your life the most?

My wife and uncle 5. What was your favorite childhood pet?

"Pokie" the dog

6. What is your favorite book or movie?

Harvey (Jimmy Stewart)names ofWake of the Wahoo10. Wh7. What would you like toname?

be remembered for? Humility and kindness 8. What is your favorite thing to do in your spare time?

Travel, fish, read biographies

9. What is the most embarrassing thing that ever happened to you?

Unable to recall the names of people 10. What is your nickname? Mike 11. How did you first learn about Rotary?

From Linda Tunnell and my boss

12. Where were you and what were you doing on September 11, 2001? At home preparing to leave for work.





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President Linda Tunnell called this special meeting for Valentines Day to order. PP John Glancy asked that we keep Elaine our prayers. Larry Gebhart led us in "My Country 'Tis of Thee," as well as the Pledge of Allegiance and "The Star Spangled Banner." George Keeling was back, sporting bruises and a broken nose we hope he did not acquire in the performance of his duties as Sqt-at-Arms. He reported he had received two nice checks for the RCPC Foundation.

Fred Brown announced one attendance award which went to **E G McMillan** for one year. President Linda presented Mike Kelley his Blue Badge. She then recognized

Wayne Sueltz, Tracy Gomes, Hugh King, Doug Box, Herb Burkman, and PE Ley Waggoner for their mentoring of the Hillcrest H. S. Interact Club.

PP Rosemary Domecki introduced today's speaker, Roz Colombo, Director of the Dallas salon of Harry Winston. Harry Winston was not only a connoisseur of jewels, but also an innovator in jewelry design and manufacturing. He believed that no two diamonds are alike; each has a different Allen's husband, Don, and Bill Hilberth in nature and different problems, and must be handled as you would a person. He has owned at least half of all the notable diamonds of the world, and his jewelers have cut some of the most famous modern diamonds.

> Roz was wearing several pieces of jewelry from the salon so we could see its delicate construction. She also brought for all the RCPC members books of some of the famous Harry Winston designs accompanied by boxes of chocolate. What a treat!

RI PRESIDENT'S



Building Peace through Understanding In the last few

weeks, as I considered what I might write on this page, I thought again and again of the words widely attributed to the American poet Ralph Waldo Emerson: "Peace cannot be achieved through violence; it communicate goals, needs, can only be attained through and expectations clearly; understanding."

In Rotary, we work toward peace through understanding, and we work to build understanding through service. In our travels throughout the Rotary world, Joan and I have seen very vividly the kinds of projects that genuinely create understanding and bring people together. Most often, they're on the goal of global polio

the projects that involve both Rotarians and beneficiaries. They're the projects that allow everyone to work with each other toward a common goal and to share in the pride and benefit of a job well done.

When we come together in friendship with the people we wish to help; when we when we approach our work with a spirit of cooperation, not charity – this is when we truly build understanding. This is how we begin a process of change that will endure far longer than our involvement in any one project.

In the years since Rotary International chose to take

eradication, we've seen again and again how working toward a common objective can bring people together. We've seen an unprecedented level of international collaboration as governments and agencies around the world have built new channels of communication and cooperation. And we've seen how the openness and trust that were developed through this effort have endured, allowing for other projects, more cooperation, and greater understanding among nations.

Rotary will never be able to solve all the world's problems or meet all its needs. What we can do, and what we try our best to do, is to help where and how we can (Continued on page 3)

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February 22 Ron Kirk—DISD Foundation

February 29 Isaiah Robertson—Ethics in Sports

THOUGHTS ON ...

Law & Lawyers

I think the law is far to laxative on criminals.

~Yogi Berra

In law, nothing is certain but the expense. ~Samuel Butler

Apologists for the legal profession contend that lawyers are as honest as other men, but that is not verv encouraging.

~Ferdinand Lundberg

Justice is just a legal decision in your favor. ~Ambrose Bierce

What do you throw a drowning lawyer? His partner.

~David Letterman

An alibi means you can prove you were somewhere else when you committed the crime.

~Jimmy Durante

Whatever faults they have, lawyers could be an important source of protein ~P.J. O'Rourke

CLUB ANNDUNCEMENTS

Deadline Grant proposals for the Park Cites Rotary Foundation must be submitted no later than April 15th. Please contact Lev

Waggoner for additional information



PCR Foundation The next Foundation meeting is scheduled for May 13th, 3:30 PM at the Commu-

nities Foundation of Texas, 5500 Caruth Haven Lane, All PC Rotarians are invited to attend.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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- and, through our service, to bring people together in peace to help each other. All of Rotary's projects, no matter how small, have the potential to build understanding and bring peace. As we enter World Understanding Month, I ask all of

you to remember that every project has a twofold purpose: meeting its practical objective and building goodwill and friendship. If we plan and serve well, we'll also build lasting bridges to a better future. As Rotarians, we truly believe that peace is possible.

THEY PROFIT MOST WHO BEST

A burglar entered the house of a Quaker and proceeded to rob it. The Quaker heard noise and took his shotgun downstairs and found the burglar. He aimed his gun and said gently, "Friend, I mean thee no harm, but thou standest where I am about to shoot."

Few of us can stand prosperity-especially someone else's.

NEIGHBORS: The only people who listen to

both sides of the argument.

Wife: "When we were younger you used to nibble on my ear." Husband: "Excuse me. I'll be right back." Wife: "Where are you going?" Husband: "I'm going to get my teeth."

OLD AGE: When your back goes out more than you do.

Most of us know how to say nothing, but few of us know when.

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20% of those passed the TAKS test--now required for see a small pocket of graduation. The average SAT score was 758.)

Mercy Street believes that true and lasting change is brought about by the residents of the community.

Sometimes all that is needed is an infusion of hope from the outside. Following the pattern Christ established ministered to, Mercy Street seeks to be "incarnational" in its ministry efforts. Therefore, many of the employees and the Executive Director of the ministry live in the community.

Mercy Street's hope is to raise children from the community to be the leaders of tomorrow. We determined that the schools needed help and that the best and only way to help the schools was to work directly with the children and reinforce the parent's efforts by engaging a caring Christian adult in the life of every child in West Dallas. The mentor is tasked with being an encourager, friend, and advisor to the child over the course of many years.

ARDUND DUR <mark>ROTARY</mark> WORLD

When Rotarians participate in a Rotary Friendship Exchange, they return with more than souvenirs and laundry. They bring back lasting friendships, a global perspective, and a newfound appreciation for Rotary's work.

In July, Carol Metzker of the Rotary Club of West Chester, Pennsylvania, USA, traveled to Ghana on her first Friendship Exchange. Taking advantage of the exchange's visitor program, Metzker and her daughter spent a week touring the capital city of Accra with their hosts Kathleen Boohene, a member of the Rotary Club of Accra-South, and her husband.

Among the many sites they visited was a fishing village. "The poorest of the poor were there repairing wooden fishing boats and mending fishing nets," says Metzker. "There was a crude facility and an open sewer that served as toilets for the villagers. It was clear why Rotary's work is so vital."

Participating in a Friendship Exchange also is an ideal way to celebrate World Understanding and Peace Day on 23 February, Rotary's anniversary. And Rotarians now have a new resource to help locate an exchange destination.





Rotarians Carol Metzker of the United States, and Kathleen Boohene of Ghana, examine the vines growing on a tree at the Aburi Botanical Gardens during Metzker's Rotary Friendship Exchange to Ghana. Photo courtesy of Carol Metzker



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Our guests today included semi-longdistance visitors from Grapevine and from Cedar Creek. Sgt-at-Arms **George Keeling** reported he had received three nice checks for the RCPC Foundation. He also warned that he might apply his weighty Cell Phone Control Device to any cell phones he heard.

President Linda reported that 69 members had contributed to the Rotary Foundation so far this year, and asked for volunteers to increase that number. John Eggemeyer, Susan Rogers, Tom McClellan, Molly Murray, and Ley Waggoner

quickly brought the total to seventy-four. PE Ley Waggoner presented an honorary Frank Monroe Fellowship to Dennis Harrison for his work on the RCPC website.

Charlotte Hudgin introduced Sam Bohmfalk, the winner of the Four Way Test Speech Contest at Woodrow Wilson H. S. Sam was awarded a check for \$250 for his winning entry, and he will represent our Rotary Club at the District contest.

Bart Noble introduced today's speaker, Dallas County District Attorney Craig Watkins. He said that the Innocence Project has gotten a lot of publicity, but it is one of the smallest things being done. He is concerned in increasing trust in the system. He believes that prisons which just punish and do not rehabilitate are greenhouses for growing criminals. He would like to see nonviolent criminals being taught skills to use to be productive citizens when they are released. He would also like to change the laws to eliminate the statute of limitations for crimes which can be proved by DNA evidence.

ROTARY'S WIDE WORLD OF BOOM

Every Rotarian who brings a book to the 2008 RI Convention in Los Angeles will help boost literacy among schoolchildren in surrounding Rotary districts. The global initiative, called Rotary's Wide World of Books, aims to collect more than 250,000 books in different languages.

The books will be donated to students in grades K-3 attending public elementary schools in the seven hosting Rotary districts, which cover parts of Southern California and Southern Nevada. Students in California rank among the lowest in the nation in reading skills.

The donated books will form a "book mountain" in the atrium of the Los Angeles Convention Center. Seat-



ing will be provided around the display so that convention attendees can read to local schoolchildren.

"It is symbolic that the mountain of books will be built atop the world map in the atrium's floor design," says Ingo Werk, chair of the initiative and past governor of District 5280. "[Among students] in Los Angeles Unified School District alone, 97 different languages are spoken."

Werk urges every attendee to join this historic event by bringing one or several books in the language of their choice. Organizers also hope the initiative will set a record for the world's largest book drive. A judge from Guinness World Records in London will be on hand to verify the results.

Since 2000, a number of Southern California clubs have participated in Reading by 9, a multiyear campaign established by the *Los Angeles Times* that helps students in kindergarten through third grade read at grade level by the age of nine.

Learn more about the Rotary's Wide World of Books at www.rotary2008.com. Get complete convention details and download the registration booklet at www.rotary. org.

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THOUGHTS ON...

Community

The strongest bond of human sympathy outside the family relation should be one uniting working people of all nations, tongues and kindred.

~Abraham Lincoln

I am part of all that I have met.

~Alfred Tennyson

Come out of the circle of time / And in to the circle of love.

~Rumi

One of the signs of passing you is the birth of sense of fellowship with other human beings as we take our place among them.

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May we know unity without uniformity.

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THEY PROFIT MOST WHO LAUGH BEST

A father took his daughter to see her first ballet. After watching the girls dance on their toes all evening, the little girl asked, "Why don't they just get taller dancers?"

Prices have gone up so much nowadays that only the rich can afford to act like the middle class.

ACCORDIONIST: Someone who plays both ends against the middle.

An explosion in a kitchen sent a husband and his wife hurtling out the window into a neighbor's yard. Later, the neighbor said, "It was the first time this couple went out together since they were married."

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