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TODAY'S PROGRAM

April 1, 2011

Program Chair of the Day: Howard Fitch



Clay Jenkins, Dallas County Judge Dallas County Update

Dallas County Judge Clay Lewis Jenkins began his first term in office on January 1, 2011. A first-time public official, Judge Jenkins brings business acumen, legislative experience, and an unparalleled commitment to the office of County Judge.

Judge Jenkins is a native of Dallas County and spent most of his childhood here before moving to his mother's hometown of Waxahachie after the death of his father. He became the first member of his family to graduate college earning his law degree from Baylor University in 1987. His work experience includes serving as an education aide to the late Senator Oscar H. Mauzy; a congressional intern to U.S. Representative Martin Frost; a LBJ intern to the late U.S. Senator Lloyd Bentsen; and a clerkship with the Texas Supreme Court.

He is the President of Jenkins & Jenkins, a successful law practice with offices in Dallas and Waxahachie. He is also the co-owner of Brown Dental Health Services, which employs thirteen dentists and provides dental care to residents in over 100 facilities in North and East Texas.

Recognizing the value of a skilled, educated workforce, Judge Jenkins plans to utilize his role within the Dallas County Truancy Courts to close the gap between truancy and graduation rates. The Dallas County Judge is responsible for overseeing the county's truancy courts which hear cases from partnering school

districts and enforce the truancy court orders as directed.

As the chief-elected official of the county, Judge Jenkins is responsible for the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Department that provides around the clock staff to protect Dallas County citizens through coordinated security and emergency-management resources with regional and national partners.

Judge Jenkins began working immediately with his colleagues to build consensus on issues that will move Dallas County forward. Under his leadership, the county passed a Transparency Policy which provides for a more open government and easier online access to pertinent county documents.

Understanding the difficult economy, he is also working with the Office of Budget and Evaluation to implement performance-based budgeting measures to ensure that Dallas County is rewarding efficiency and streamlining operations based on a pre-determined set of standards established by the Commissioners Court.

Judge Jenkins will also assume vital roles with regional partners having been named to the North Central Texas Council of Governments Executive Committee, the Regional Transportation Council, and the Public Power Pool Board. He will serve within the county as a member of the Dallas Criminal Justice Advisory Board Executive Committee, the Juvenile Board, and the Dallas County Benefits Committee.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

Earthquake and Tsunami Relief

Rotarians have been finding a number of ways to help victims of the devastating earthquake and tsunami in Japan that killed thousands and left hundreds of thousands more homeless.

In response to the disasters, The Rotary Foundation established the Rotary Japan Disaster Recovery Fund, which will support long-term recovery projects in the affected areas. More than US\$500,000 has been donated since the fund opened on Mar 11.

"It is encouraging to know that our overseas Rotary friends care about us," says Yuzaburo Mogi, president of the Rotary Club of Tokyo. "I am confident that the people of Japan will overcome this great disaster, and we are hopeful that we can get over the various difficulties soon."

District governors in Japan are running a fund-raising campaign to send money to the governors in affected areas.



Mogi says that Rotarians who wish to help Japan should contribute to the Foundation's recovery fund. (Donations may be made online)

The first Matching Grant project to receive support from the fund was approved a week after the disaster. Clubs in districts 3350 (Cambodia and Thailand) and 2820 (Japan) are using a total of \$65,650 to help provide food and drinking water for 15,000 people at an evacuation center in Ibaraki.

Other responses have included:

- Three Rotary districts in Japan are using district funds to help. District 2610 (Ishikawa and Toyama) has developed an emergency relief project to provide public housing for up to 500 families evacuated from the disaster areas. District 2840 (Gunma) shortened

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LAST WEEK

Gnidiserp: **Rick Amsberry**
 Noitacovni: **Fred Speno**
 Egdelp/Gnos Redael: **Cindy Cummings**
 Snoitcudortni: **Donnie Berg**
 Rehpargotohp: **Fred Speno**
 Riahc fo eht Yad: **Tracy Gomes**
 Rekaeps: **Winners**
 Margorp: **Hillcrest H.S. Ethics Faire**



President **Rick Amsberry** called the meeting to order, reminding us that "we are who we say we are; we are what we do. Our ethics define us both as individuals and as Rotarians." **Fred Speno** gave the invocation. **Bob Dill** reported that **Sam Montgomery** is doing well, although he is not out of the woods yet. **Cindy**



Cummings led the Pledge of Allegiance and "The Star Spangled Banner." PP **Donnie Berg** reminded us that in one week Turkey Season opens, then introduced our visitors and guests, which included some representatives of the Hillcrest H.S. PTSA. **Dax Seale** recognized The Hub and



web advertisers of the week. PP **Greg Pape** reported on the work of the Rotary International Foundation. He introduced **Charlie Bond** who recognized his daughter-in-law and son-in-law as Paul Harris Fellows, and will be recognizing his grandson at a later meeting. **Jarl Johnson** introduced new member **Scurry Johnson**, whose classification is energy.



Members with guests
 Charlie Bond
 Fred Brown
 Tracy Gomes

Mark Cameron introduced new member **Jeff Owens**, whose classification is Accounting. President **Rick** announced that there would be no Spring Party this year, but

that there would be an Installation Banquet on June 24, which will replace the noon meeting.



Tracy Gomes introduced our Ethics Program today. First he introduced Ron Jones, the Principal of Hillcrest H.S., who spoke briefly on his appreciation for the work of RCPC at the school. He ordered a book for each student who participated.



Tracy then recognized **Bill Kelly** who formulated the idea of having an Ethics Faire, similar to a Science Fair. **Tracy** then introduced **Lori Todd**, Hillcrest Journalism teacher and Ethics Advisor. She thanked RCPC, but said she had not known what to expect. She said how pleased she was at the quantity and quality of the entries. The entries were in Visual Arts, Performing Arts, or Writing. The judges included students, as well as members of the faculty, of the PTSA, and of RCPC. She brought the winning entry for Visual Arts, a drawing by Freshman Byron Diaz, who was not able to come today. The subject was Equality, portrayed through a drawing of Martin Luther King with three young men, one from Africa, from the U.S. and from Mexico, who are joining hands.



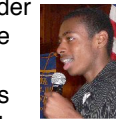
The winner of the Writing category was Senior Quentin Wamsley whose goal it to work in music production. He read his poem on Equality. There were only two entries in the Performing Arts category, so both were attending today. The second place winner was tenth-grader DeQuan Cage who wrote a song. He said he was bullied in the younger grades, so the topic of his song was "you can't bring me down." The first



place winner was senior Madeline Sherrington, who brought a video of her "Truth" dance.



What talented students! Each student was awarded a check for winning in their categories.



EVENTS CALENDAR

April						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					Mtg	
3	M	M	M _{VV}	M In	Mtg	
10	M	M _{Cn}	M	M In	Mtg	
17	M _{Mc}	M	M _{BD}	M In		
24	M	M	M	M In	Mtg	

Get involved!
 AED = Defibrillator Training
 BI = Blood Drive
 BD = Board of Dirs. Mtg, 7 am
 LaMadeleine, 75 & Mockingbird
 CM = Circles of Success
 Mentoring See T. Gomes
 Cn = PCR Connect Event.
 CP = ChildsPlay Work Mtg
 D = District 5810 Event
 DH = Dentistry with a Heart
 FR = Family of Rotary Event
 F = Fellowship Event
 FF = RCPC Foundation Fund
 Mtg. See Jim Mills

In- Interact at Hillcrest H.S.,
 8 am. See Tracy Gomes
 M = Meals on Wheels (Different teams on each day)
 See Charles Delphenis
 Mc = Ronald McDonald
 House-See Jina McDaniel
 NM = New Member Event
 Pr = Program Committee Mtg
 Reading and Radio Resources
 See Hal Copeland
 SpE = Special Service Event
 VV = Vet to Vet - See Bob Dill
 Web-lite = after noon mtg
 Blue = Activities on own schedule

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

April 1, 2011 - Egap 3



April 8 Dr. Bob McClelland
JFK at Parkland ER on Nov. 22, 1963



April 22 NO Meeting
Good Friday



April 15 GSE Team



April 29 Kenneth Starr
President, Baylor University

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sign up at
www.parkcitiesrotary.org

Vet to Vet, Wed, Apr 6, 6:15-8pm, at VA Hospital Transitional Care Unit, 4500 S. Lancaster Rd. Bingo! See Bob Dill.

Meals On Wheels needs **one** volunteer to deliver meals on the **third Monday** of each month. Contact Charles Delphenis for details

EREY - \$100 to the RI Foundation from **Every Rotarian Every Year!**

Projector Setup & Breakdown for Friday Meetings.

Now 'til Jun 24, 2011. About half hour before or after the mtg.

Make Up Missed Meetings wherever you are! Don't forget to record your make-up on the Website.

RI Convention, May 21-25, New Orleans, LA



ROTARY CONNECTED

LinkedIn Interesting new thread: Free webinar on workplace morale and productivity

Twitter Tweet of the Week: Panelists needed for RI e-newsletter webinars. Share with Rotarians your best practices. <http://cot.ag/fuDXco>

Facebook Interesting new thread: As of 10 March, Rotarians have raised about US\$163.4 million for Rotary's \$200 Million Challenge to eradicate polio.

YouTube RI has its own channel on YouTube offering a growing collection of videos and psas.

flickr Check out or add to RI's Flickr group often, www.flickr.com/groups/familyofrotary/

THOUGHTS ON...

Duty

A duty dodged is like a debt unpaid; it is only deferred, and we must come back and settle the account at last.

~ Joseph F. Newton

We require from buildings, as from men, two kinds of goodness: first, the doing their practical duty well: then that they be graceful and pleasing in doing it; which last is itself another form of duty.

~ John Ruskin

The first duty of a man is the seeking after and the investigation of truth.

~ Cicero

There is no duty we so much underrate as the duty of being happy.

~ Robert Louis Stevenson

We only know of one duty, and that is to love. ~ Albert Camus

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

Earthquake and Tsunami Relief continued

its presidents-elect training seminars from two days to half a day and donated the remaining funds earmarked for the seminars to relief efforts. And District 2680 (Hyogo) set up a contribution box during its district conference, raising about \$7,500 for recovery efforts.

- The Rotaract Club of Tokyo launched the Cheer Tohoku project to rally the support of Rotaractors around the world, asking them to use Twitter to send messages of support to survivors in northeast Japan. The club is also using Twitter to post photos

of Rotaractors holding up short messages they've written. "We thought we could make use of the worldwide Rotaract network to show people in the stricken area that we care," says club president Ai Takahashi.

- The Rotary Club of Akashi, Hyogo, sent a private airplane carrying a load of medical supplies to the Rotary Club of Sukagawa, Fukushima, which delivered them to a hospital near Fukushima Airport.



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Happy Birthday

NO Birthdays
This Week!

