

# THE HUB The Rotary Club of Park Cities



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Service  
Above  
Self

*Leaders united worldwide to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.*

## TODAY'S PROGRAM

May 20, 2011

Program Chair of the Day: Rod Pirtle



## The Rotary Chorus Service Through Song

For over half a century, the Greater Dallas Rotary Chorus has helped to create a fund of goodwill for the city of Dallas, both at home and abroad. It has participated in many civic and patriotic events and has raised thousands of dollars in charitable services.

Rotary clubs in many parts of Texas have sponsored programs featuring the chorus, enabling them to support projects such as community parks, public swimming pools, educational scholarships, and international youth exchanges.

Throughout its history, the chorus has pleased small and large audiences appearing about twenty times each season. The sound of the chorus has filled the Dallas

Fair Park Music Hall, New York's Madison Square Garden, San Francisco's Cow Palace, Salt Lake City's Mormon Tabernacle, Denver's Red Rock Amphitheater, the Royal Garden of Japan, and Gloucester Cathedral in England, as well as churches, hospitals, prisons, and schools, and at banquets and barbecues closer to home.

They have performed at many Rotary Conventions around the world, acting as Texas ambassadors of song. To harmonize with such diverse audiences, the chorus has sung everything from Grand Opera to Hard Rock.

The group never specifies a fee for their service, rather depending on the gracious response of the audience and their

financial capability. The primary emphasis of the group is to serve through song.

The Chorus was formed in 1945. There are currently twenty-eight members, whose average age is around 70. Its current leader is Larry McClain. The oldest member, Ned Startzel, has been in the chorus since 1965.

**Don't miss the Chorus in the Senior Follies in Fall, 2011!**

### Join Our Singing Ambassadors

Every Rotarian has an *open invitation* to join and participate. Experience is not necessary, only the desire to serve others and to be a part of a great fellowship

## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

### Rebuilding after Hurricane Katrina

**Pass Christian, MS.** When Hurricane Katrina wiped out much of Pass Christian, Mississippi, Rotarian D.H. Short began a two-year to help more than 30 families return home. See the story, also available on the After Katrina: Rotary Stories from the Gulf Coast DVD, in this month's Interactive.

**New Orleans, LA.** When Warren Easton Charter H. S. in New Orleans, Louisiana, needed help, Rotarians were a logical lifeline. See a video showing how Rotarians helped the school bounce back after Hurricane Katrina.



It's time to register for the annual **Awards & Installation Dinner**. Look under Club Events on the right side of the RCPC Home Page

If you want NY Strip Steak w/ Cabernet Sauvignon sauce for your entree, click on Awards Dinner - NY Strip Steak.

If you want Grilled Salmon with Rosemary Sauce for your entree, click on Awards Dinner - Grilled Salmon.

### Awards and Installation Dinner

*An Elegant Evening of Fellowship*

Friday, June 24, 2011

Park City Club

59556 Sherry Lane, Dallas, TX 75225

\$35 per person

6:00pm - Reception (cash bar)

7:00pm - Dinner

7:45pm-9:00pm - Program

Dress: Business/Black Tie Optional

Sign up on the Rotary Website Beginning Wednesday, May 18, 2011

Chartered in 1948

## LAST WEEK

Presiding: **Rick Amsberry**  
 Invocation: **Kristine Christlieb**  
 Pledge/Song Leader: **Rod Pirtle**  
 Introductions: **Mark Stephens**  
 Photographer: **Cleve Clinton**  
 Chair of the Day: **Allison Griffin**  
 Speaker: **Kirby Warnock**  
 Program: **Tales of The Big Bend**

President **Rick Amsberry** called the meeting to order.

**Kristine Christlieb** gave the invocation. **Rod Pirtle** led "The Star Spangled Banner," followed

by a song made famous by The Sons of the Pioneers, "Ridin' Down the Canyon." **Mark Stephens** introduced our visitors and guests, including long-distance visitors from Australia. **Mike**

**Jarrell** recognized The Hub and the web advertisers of the week. He also explained that the revenue from the ads on The Hub and on the website bring in about ten percent of RCPC's operating budget.

**Greg Pape** reported that the Rotary Foundation provides funds for programs and projects in 200 countries. He then introduced **Jerry Washam** as a ninth-level Paul Harris Fellow and **Steve**

**Rothacker** as a fifth-level Paul Harris Fellow. **Jim Mills** announced that it was time to sign up for committees for the 2011-12 year. He also reminded everyone of the Officer

**Members with guests**  
 Moody  
 Alexander  
 Steve Brown  
 Hal Copeland  
 Bob Patton  
 Ed Reith  
 Mark Thomason  
 Karl Von  
 Bieberstein  
 Kirby Warnock

Installation on June 24. President Rick exchanged flags with our visitors from Darwin, Australia.



Counselor **Ruth Alhilali**. **Ruth** recognized Kimby's host families, the **Wolfs** and the **Orrocks**. Kimby brought a presentation with pictures about her year and thanked the club for all that she had experienced this year.

**Allison Griffin** introduced our speaker today, **Kirby Warnock**, who spoke on the Big Bend. He began by explaining that the Big



Bend is named after the northward turn of the Rio Grande. Over ninety percent of the area is private ranchland. His father and uncle were raised on a ranch near Fort Stockton; his grandfather had settled the ranch in 1919. His grandfather worked for the TX Highway Department and built all the paved roads, so he knew all the ranchers. Kirby's uncle was a Botanist at Sul Ross University, and he was sent by the federal government to catalog all the plants in the Big Bend National Park. His father was a paleontologist. Between them they knew all the ranchers and all the stories of the area. Kirby said he first saw the Marfa lights when he was eleven years old. He said there are reports of the lights for over a hundred years, but no one has ever (continued on next page)

*President Rick's quote from Paul Harris:*

"Rotary has actually become part of the civic life of 60 nations. Rotary stands; though the tempest rage about - Rotary still stands. Why and how? Because it is grounded not on fear, rivalry, and suspicion, but on the eternal and indestructible rocks of friendliness, tolerance, and usefulness."

## EVENTS CALENDAR

May						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	M	M	M In VV	M	Mtg	
8	M	M Cn	M	M In	Mtg	
15	M Mc	M	M BD	M In	Mtg	
22	M	M	M	M In	Mtg	
29	M	M				

**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**

## Get involved!

**In- Interact at Hillcrest H.S.,**  
**8 am. See Tracy Gomes**  
**M = Meals on Wheels (Differ-**  
**ent 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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## THE HUB

Newsletter of the  
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## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

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**May 27** Art Bollon, PhD  
Artificial Blood



**June 10** Rotary Day  
New Member Speeches



**June 3** Dr. Daniel Podolsky, President  
UT Southwestern Medical School

**June 17** Gary Thomas, Exec. Director  
DART

## CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sign up at  
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**Meals On Wheels** needs volunteers on the **first Tuesday** and **third Monday** of each month. Contact Charles Delphenis for details

**Projector Setup & Breakdown for Friday Meetings.** Now 'til Jun 24, 2011. About half hour before or after the mtg.

**Do You Love a Parade? Fourth of July Parade, Mon, July 4.** Jobs for all. Sign up soon for your favorite. See Cleve, John G, Jon P. The **Parade Hotline** is up and running - **972-980-1014**

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

**Save the Date! June 24, Awards and Installation Banquet**

**Review** your information and photo on the website> Correct> Save!

## ROTARY CONNECTED

**LinkedIn** Interesting new thread: I stopped by the Convention Center today. We're in for a great convention

**Twitter** Tweet of the Week: Be social. Tweet from the RI Convention with the hashtag #ric2011

**Facebook** Interesting new thread: Find out how you can add your face to a "This Close" ad and join RI's latest campaign to end 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/](http://www.flickr.com/groups/familyofrotary/)

## THOUGHTS ON . . .

### Song

*Sooner or later that which is now  
life shall be poetry, and every  
fair and manly trait shall add a  
richer strain to the song.*

~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

*A bird does not sing because it  
has an answer. It sings because  
it has a song.*

~ Chinese Proverb

*Next to theology I give to music  
the highest place and honor.  
And we see how David and all  
the saints have wrought their  
godly thoughts into verse,  
rhyme, and song.*

~ Luther

*Silence is more musical than  
any song.*

~ Christina Rossetti

*If you want to make a song more  
hummy, add a few tiddely poms.*

~ Winnie, the Pooh

## MEETING NOTES (continued)

*(Tales of the Big Bend continued)*  
discovered what causes them. Kirby also told of Jeff Davis's idea to fight the Comanches using camels. In 1849 camels were brought to America and kept in San Antonio, then were ridden into the Big Bend area. However, then the Civil War started and any of Jeff Davis's ideas were discounted. Kirby also told of the beginning of the Terlingua Chili Cookoff, which actually started in Dallas and was publicized by Frank X. Tolbert. He also said that in 1955 the movie crew of *Giant* took over the town of

Marfa for one summer. James Dean, Rock Hudson, and Elizabeth Taylor lived in Marfa and took part in the town activities. The set of the house was a three-sided false front made of plaster and plywood. It is gone now, except for the treated timbers that were the frame. He also told of the mounds of rock that were used by prehistoric Indians to roast part of the Sotol cactus to make liquor. A similar process is still used to make tequila. One of the largest ranches, the Hat A, was a sheep ranch. *For more pictures see the RCPC website.*

## THEY PROFIT MOST WHO LAUGH BEST

**Statements about Music** by real college students from "College in a Nutskull."

- Melody was based on systems known as Lydian, Mixologist, Frigid, and Diabetic.
- The early church music made much use of cant. This was a form of choral monotony.
- Dixieland is a song with impossibilizations.
- A canticle is like an icicle only upside down.
- The symbol pp stands for "pee twice."
- The requiem is music sung by the dead.
- Every chord has at least two chromes. Some types of chords are major, minor, acute and chronic.

## FOUNDATION FUNDERS

Our Funders for Next Week are

**Bill Hervey**  
**Bill Hilberth**  
**Lilly Hogarth**  
**Roger Hogarth**

## Proposed New Member

**Steve Aman**, Financial Services  
Proposed by **Jarl Johnson**  
2nd Publication

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Rob Eggemeyer 5.21  
Kendra Yanchak 5.21  
James Webb 5.22  
Lynn Surls 5.23

