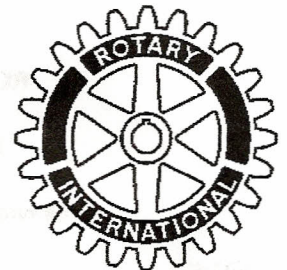




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Division Street Diner

Today's Program

Jim Griffin - District Governor

A native Texan, Jim received his BS in Chemistry from the University of Texas at Arlington in 1971. He spent the next several years as a member of the technical staff at Texas Instruments until he succumbed to the lure of the high tech explosion on the West coast and moved to San Jose, CA where he began his career as an entrepreneur.

In 1975 he formed his first company to develop, manufacture and sell capital equipment for the growing semiconductor industry. Jim traveled extensively to deliver technical papers and conduct seminars in Europe, Japan and China. He has received numerous industry awards and in 1979 his company was named #65 on the Inc. Magazine list of 500 fastest-growing private companies. In 1982 Jim married Pam at their home in Incline Village, NV. In 1986 he returned to Texas with another start-up venture, and he and Pam decided to settle there to rear their two sons, Max and Jack.

Jim joined the Grapevine Rotary Club in January 1999 and has not missed a meeting since. At about the same time he became scoutmaster of his sons' Boy Scout troop, and for the next five years he was very busy. Jim transferred to the newly formed Southlake Rotary Club in 2005 where he served as President 2008-2009.

Jim has held several Rotary positions including Director and President at the club level. He also served the district as Asst. Governor, Vocational Service Chair, 4 Way Test Speech Contest chair, District Conference chair, and District Foundation Banquet committee. Actively involved with youth, Jim founded an Interact Club, was host family for a Youth Exchange student, sponsored two Ambassadorial Scholars and is the Scholarship Chair for his club.

Jim is a multiple Paul Harris Fellow and benefactor. He is a life member of the Rotary Wine Appreciation Fellowship and Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians where he serves as Chair of the Texas Section. Jim enjoys fine food and wine, fast cars, fine guns, his lovely wife and life. His passions for 2013-2014 is small Rotary Clubs and Youth.

Programs

- September 27 Jim Giffin - District Governor
- October 4 Corey Calloway - Arlington Today Magazine
- October 11 Ronnie Price - Experience Arlington

Greeters

- September 27 Don Mims(1), Mike Nix(2), Curt Osiek, Larry Riggall
 - October 4 Jack Rogers(1), Will Ross(2), Darlene Ryburn, Robin Schmidt
 - October 11 Jess St. Clair(1), Danny Steffer(2), Doug Stewart, Dave Swaringin
- (1) Prayer and Pledge (2) Introduce Visitors**

Fine Program

- September 27 Samir Ahuja
- October 4 Henry Armstrong
- October 11 Debbie Hogan

"Rotary was born in a time of peace, but its program of service is even more necessary in a period of world conflict."

— Inaugural Message, 1941 Rotary Convention, Denver, Colorado, USA

District Events

District 5790 Institute for Leadership

American Airlines Training Center
Oct 04, 2013 06:00 PM - Oct 06, 2013 04:00 PM

District 5790 Rotary Foundation Banquet

Texas Motor Speedway
Oct 25, 2013

"The Rotary Foundation is not to build monuments of brick and stone. If we work upon marble, it will perish; if we work on brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples they will crumble into dust; but if we work upon immortal minds, if we imbue them with the full meaning of the spirit of Rotary as expressed in our Objects and with the just fear of God and love of our fellow men, we are engraving on those tablets something that will brighten all eternity."

— The Rotary Foundation, THE ROTARIAN, April 1929