

## Nakeeyat Dramani Sam

She's a 10-year-old climate change activist and poet. She's the youth ambassador for the Climate Vulnerable Forum and spoke for Ghana at COP27 in Egypt. "Have a heart and do the math," she told delegates there. "It's an emergency." Sam won the "Ghana Talented Kid" competition at the age of 7 and has been honored as a Young Peace Ambassador in her country. She's the author of the book "Nakeeyat Trees for Life" and is currently working on her next project, "One Tree, One Child."

## Gregory Rockson

He's revolutionizing health care in Africa through mPharma, the company he co-founded at age 22. mPharma uses data analytics and innovative inventory services to reduce the cost of pharmaceuticals while preserving quality. As CEO, Rockson has overseen the Ghana-based company's expansion to eight other African countries. mPharma now owns leading pharmacy chains in Kenya, Nigeria, and Uganda, and has become the largest operator of community pharmacies in Sub-Saharan Africa. In partnership with over 1,000 hospitals and pharmacies, the company has helped more than 2 million people save on medications.

## Kari Aina Eik

She makes cities smarter. She's headed such initiatives as the United Smart Cities Program and the United Cities Organization and Funds. During more than 15 years at the United Nations and 10 years as Secretary General of the Organization for International Economic Relations, she led numerous programs to meet global environmental targets and shape the UN Sustainable Development Goals. Currently, she is working to reimagine effective philanthropy at the SDG Impact Fund.

# THE EARLY RISER

EVERY ROTARIAN  
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EVERY YEAR



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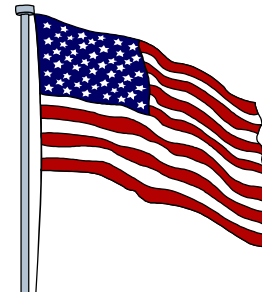
### THE ROTARY 4 WAY TEST

First: Is it the TRUTH?

Second: Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Third: Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Fourth: Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



### ROTARY PRAYER

Oh Lord, and giver of all good, we thank Thee for our daily food.

May Rotary friends and Rotary ways, help to serve Thee all of our days.

# THE ROTARY CLUB OF WICHITA FALLS NORTH



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## ***FUTURE PROGRAM ASSIGNMENTS***

April 14- Ajay Kumar ~ Mental Health and Mindfulness ~ Megan Nicholas ~ LCSW, (Ft. Worth)

***April 15-----Dist. Assembly Training ~ 201 S. Locust ~ Denton, Tx***

April 21 ----- **3<sup>rd</sup> Friday ~ Rotary Board Meeting**

April 28 ----- Ann Lucas ~ “Road to College” ~ Gonzalo Robles

April 28---- Picnic with the 364<sup>th</sup> Squadron at SAFB. Starts at 2:00 PM

May 5 -----Matthew Milhollon

May 12----- Bill Neale

May 12---- Farwell Dinner ~ Ltc Col Mose ~ 6:00 PM ~ Secord’s house

***May 18-21----- Dist. Conference ~ Crazy Water Hotel ~ Mineral Wells***

May 19-----Oku Okeke

***May 23-31----- R.I Convention ~ Melbourne, Australia***

May 26----- Rob Noble

June 2 ----- Jeani Secord

June 9 ----- Troy Secord

June 16----- Linda Sheriff

***June 15-18----- RYLA ~ Tarleton State University***

June 23-----Tom Sheriff

June 30-----Gary Southard

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### **NEWS FROM OUR LAST CLUB MEETING AT JIMMY’S EGG**

The Rotary Prayer was led by Julie and the pledges were led by Clint.

The brag bucket was well fed by Troy (\$5.00), Clint, Ajay and Gary (\$5.00).

Rob noted that the club has taken in about \$13,500.00 for the flag display program.

Joe noted that we might do a program with the Barwise Junior High Band. He also noted that there would be a Scotland Park Elementary School Choir next year. I am looking forward to that!

A 44<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary was announced for Troy and Jeani Secord. Congratulations!

Mike introduced Wichita County Judge Jim Johnson as our weekly program. Judge Johnson presented an excellent program about himself and the new job that he has undertaken as the newly elected Wichita County Judge.

The raffle raised \$37.00 and for the second week in a row, Gary was the big winner. Once again, to a large round of applause, Gary did NOT draw the ace of spades. He drew a Joker for a \$10.00 prize. That is the first time that I can remember anyone drawing a Joker. If this week’s winner draws the ace of spades, they will win \$220.00 + ½ of what is raised today. GOOD LUCK!

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### ***NEWS FROM ROTARY INTERNATIONAL:***

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION SPEAKERS ENVISION A MORE PEACEFUL, EQUITABLE WORLD.

The keynote speakers at the 2023 Rotary International Convention are transforming health care, rethinking cities, advancing the cause of peace, and working to protect our environment. They share a vision of a more sustainable, equitable world. When they take the stage in Melbourne, Australia, 27-31 May, they’ll tell how that vision can be realized – not just in the years to come, but right now.

Some of the convention speakers include:

#### **Leymah Gbowee**

She's a **2011 Nobel Peace Laureate** and champion of women’s rights. Gbowee led a nonviolent movement that helped end a 14-year-long civil war in Liberia. She has lived in a refugee camp, worked as a counselor for child soldiers and currently sits on the United Nations Secretary-General’s High Level Advisory Board on Mediation. She’s the founder and current president of the Gbowee Peace Foundation Africa and serves as the executive director of the Gender, Law and Transformative Peace Initiative of the City of New York (CUNY) School of Law, USA. She was a founding member and Liberia coordinator of the Women in Peacebuilding Network, a program of the Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom.