

through another nonprofit. “They even named the classroom after me,” she says. “That was super sweet.”

Throughout the Rotary tour, Moreno encouraged the students to work hard to pursue their dreams. “It all starts with a dream. If you don’t have a dream, then you have nothing,” she says. “When I was a little kid, my dream was music. I worked hard on it. And I never let go of that dream. Somehow, some way, the opportunity arises, and you have to go get it.”

ROTARY MAGAZINE’S 2023 PHOTO AWARDS

SEE THE WORLD COURTESY OF THIS YEAR’S AWARD-WINNING PHOTOGRAPHERS

Writing in this magazine in 1946, Paul Harris remarked that “travel is a good corrective for ... mental near-sightedness.” The same holds true for photography, especially if, like Rotary itself, the photographer takes a global perspective.

To verify that observation you need look no further than this issue of *Rotary* magazine, where we reveal the finalists in this year’s Photo Awards. Including the cover, there are a dozen photographs that carry us from Egypt to Idaho, from Nigeria to Taiwan. Along the way we see everything from an intimate moment as a medical team prepares for surgery to a sweeping nightscape illuminated by an aurora borealis.

Though they are shot in different parts of the world, employ distinct palettes, and evoke different emotions, all of these photographs have in common an unseen beauty. These days we’re constantly bombarded with images — and in an era of AI and CGI, it can be difficult to know if what we’re seeing is real. But in these 12 photos we have the privilege of standing in the photographers’ shoes and experiencing an honest understanding of a particular moment.

That generosity of spirit is another Rotary trait.

By sharing their pictures, the photographers enable the rest of us to join them on their journey.

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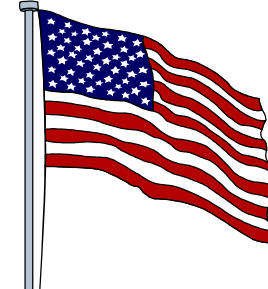
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First: Is it the TRUTH?

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

June 16----- 3rd Friday ~ **Rotary Board Meeting**
June 15-18----- **RYLA ~ Tarleton State University**
June 23----- Troy Secord ~ Dictionary Labeling
June 30- Linda Sheriff ~ Keith Lamb, Ph.D. - Interim President – MSU
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August 11 -----Mike Crocker
August 18 ----- Julie Day
August 25 ----- DG Visit ~ District Governor Pat Peters

NEWS FROM OUR LAST CLUB MEETING AT THE VANTAGE POINT CONDOMENIA

The Rotary Prayer was led by Clint and Julie led the Pledges.

The Secord's were given a large round of applause for bringing an egg casserole, fruit and coffee. Thank you!

Jeani introduced PADG Noel Filer as our program. Noel is the Director of the United Regional Foundation. She informed us about the new 256 slide CT scanner, the transition clinic and the community care fund which includes back packs full of basic necessities.

The raffle raised \$32.00. Julie was the winner. Bad for us, she drew the ace of spades and cleaned out the pot. If this week's winner draws the ace of spades they will win ½ of what is raised today.

Phil informed the club of the death of Ray Berend. Ray is the brother of our club's Past President, Parry Berend. Please keep the family in your thoughts and prayers.

NEWS FROM ROTARY INTERNATIONAL:

GABY MORENO RETURNS TO GUATEMALA TO INSPIRE CHILDREN AS PART OF THE IMAGINE IMPACT TOUR

Gaby Moreno moved to Los Angeles with a record deal as a teenager. She's shared the stage with Bono, Andrea Bocelli, Tracy Chapman, Ani DiFranco, and the Buena Vista Social Club. And she sang the TV theme song for Disney's first Latina princess, Elena of Avalor.

But one of the most special performances of the Grammy-nominated singer-songwriter took place in February in a tiny farming village in her home country of Guatemala. More than 100 students at a school in the village of Chajalajyá sang and waved their arms as Moreno played her hit song "Fronteras" ("Borders") on a borrowed guitar. (The song was featured in a national Pepsi commercial and is known by people all over the country.) After an encore prompted by the kids' shouts of "otra, otra!" ("another, another!"), students flocked for photos.

Moreno was in Guatemala with Rotary International President Jennifer Jones as part of Jones' Imagine Impact Tour to raise awareness of some of the highest-impact, sustainable, and scalable Rotary projects. The two visited schools supported by the **Guatemala Literacy Project**, one of the largest grassroots, multiclub, multidistrict projects in Rotary. The reading program has received 48 grants from The Rotary Foundation totaling \$6.5 million since 1997, and more than 800 clubs in nearly 100 Rotary districts have participated. (See the September 2022 issue of *Rotary* magazine to learn more about the project.)

While this was Moreno's first time traveling with Rotary, she's long been familiar with the organization: Her father and her uncle have been members for more than 30 years. "I remember growing up, seeing my dad going to different communities in Guatemala to help," she says. "I thought that was a very kind and generous thing that he did. ... That was a wonderful, selfless thing to do."

Moreno is a **UNICEF** national ambassador, Guatemala's first. She also does work with a Guatemalan nonprofit that helps children who are blind and deaf, an organization started by her uncle and aunt, and she has donated computers for a school