



Community Service Award

Rotary District 5870

2012-2013

Citation for

Rotary Club of Giddings

Community Service is Rotary's third Avenue of Service with a focus on improving the quality of life for those who live within the club's locality or municipality.

On January 4, 1993 the Rotary Club of Giddings sponsored the first "County Music Monday" at the Herman Hall in Giddings. Now twenty years later Giddings Rotarians continue the tradition of great country music and family entertainment on the first Monday of each month.

In 2010 the name of the community event was changed to Lone Star Opry and was moved to the Giddings High School Cafetorium to accommodate the average 500 fans that attend each performance. The Rotary Club of Giddings has managed and operated the opry from its inception, and it began as a fundraiser for the club's community service projects and scholarships for graduating high school seniors. On March 5, 2013 the Texas House of Representatives passed HB 459 to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Lone Star Opry and Country Music Monday and to recognize the Rotary Club of Giddings or its ongoing sponsorship.

As recently stated by Club President Wesley Keng, *"our club puts in hundreds of Rotarian hours each month to put on the show, and although technically it's a fund raiser, we could raise more money in less time doing something else, but the community really enjoys the event and it gives citizens something to do in our small town every month. I think this exemplifies what the Rotary Club of Giddings is all about."*

Mr. President, we could not agree more, and it's an honor to commend and recognize the Rotary Club of Giddings and its members with the **2012-2013 Community Service Award**.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ricky E. Price".

Ricky E. Price, Governor

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