

# ROTARY REPORT

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## Letter From The Governor

Our 2017-18 Rotary year has started well, but we still have some work to do. First, as of August 25, I have visited 17 clubs, but have a ways to go to get all clubs included. I have had to reschedule a few visits, but that is not a problem. When I visit is not important, what is important is that we all work together as District 5770 and continue to Make a Difference in our communities.

As most of you have probably heard, RI President-Elect for 2018-19, Sam Owori passed away in July after surgery in Dallas. The good news is that RI has selected his replacement as Barry Rassin from Nassau, Bahamas. In addition, the RI President-Elect for 2019-20 has been named. It is Mark Maloney from Decatur, Alabama. In Atlanta I had the privilege of having dinner with Mark and Past RI President Ron Burton. What an honor!!

One of my goals for our district is to increase membership by 40 people this year. I am wanting 10 new female members and 10 new members under 40 in that group. So far I have been informed that we have 5 female members under 40, with more on the way into membership. This is an important issue if we are to keep our district strong.

One issue that we need to take care of quickly is setting goals in Rotary Club Central. Only a few clubs have completed that task yet. I will be looking to the rest of our clubs to have it completed by the end of September. If you need help, please contact me and we will get you set.

You will see in the other articles included in this issue some ways you can help Make a Difference in your community and the world, and Rotary is a WORLD organization. Please send photos and stories about the events your club is using to Make a Difference in your community and District 5770.

– DG Arlie Daniel



## Rotary District 5770 – Making a Difference in Uganda

Have you ever desired to be involved in an international project but couldn't take the time away from your work or family, or perhaps the costs didn't fit in your budget? Here is your opportunity to take the challenge of "making a difference".

At the District Roundup this year, many of us had the opportunity to meet Ephrance Nuwamanya and her daughter, Phillipa. Ephrance, a dedicated Rotarian and past Zone Governor in Uganda, had the opportunity, while in Oklahoma, to visit and speak at a few clubs. She was visiting her daughter, Phillipa, who is currently staying with Buddy and Emilie Dugan, of Altus, while attending Western Oklahoma State College with the goal of achieving her nursing degree. The Dugans and Ephrance and her family have a 20 year friendship based upon the love of "service above self".

Ms. Nuwamanya, a registered nurse, developed and works with the Bushenyi Integrated Rural Development for maternal, newborn and child health.

Bushenyi Integrated Rural Development works with communities in the difficult to reach areas of the Greater Bushenyi region in Southwestern Uganda with an estimated population of 728,000. In this very rural and undeveloped area, women travel long distances, sometimes as many as 20 miles on foot, to seek care when they are pregnant or about to deliver their newborns. At this time, women will walk miles just to participate a minimum of three times in prenatal care and vitamins just so they can get a "mama kit". These kits are made up of a sterile plastic sheet, a sterile cutting tool, clean cloths and other articles that will help ensure a healthier birth in the case of home or "on the road" deliveries. (A picture of a prenatal maternity

clinic is shown with this article.)

The proposed Kiyanga Community Health Center, a 60 foot by 29 foot basic building, will provide shelter for outpatients, antenatal and maternity services. Today, many women end up giving birth in less than desirable situations due to the distance to the nearest facility. This Health Center will also provide room for child immunizations, family planning, basic medical checkups, health screenings and health education.

The proposed center will not only serve to improve the health status of the population, but will transform the lives of families in terms of health and socio-economic development.

We have the opportunity to participate in building this maternity/wellness clinic in Uganda! If we can raise a mere \$15,000, District 5770 will make a difference in the lives of thousands of people! And the best part, about \$8000 has already been raised or pledged! Altus Rotary Club, Norman Rotary Club, and the Greater Lawton Rotary club have already joined the challenge. The Norman Sooner Club and the Rotary Club of Midwest City recently gave 450 "mama kits" to make an immediate difference.

A special account has already been set up in Altus for this project. Buddy Dugan, a past District 5770 Assistant District Governor, has the information for the account.

For only \$25 per District 5770 Rotarian, we can build this clinic! That's less than a cup a coffee a day for just one month! If more than the \$15,000 is raised, it will go towards a clean water system. Come on District 5770, let's build this clinic!

For further information, you can call Deborah Thurman at (580) 704-7877 Or email: Deborah.thurman.E9F7@statefarm.com

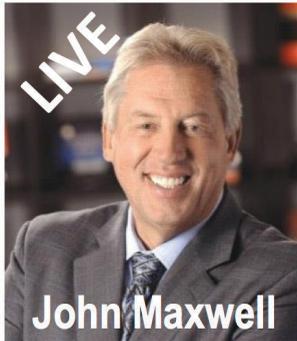
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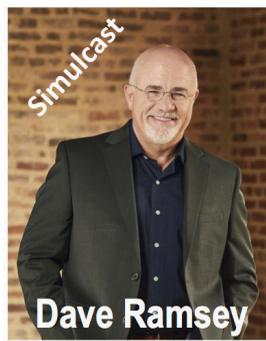
lawton first assembly

Tuesday, November 7, 2017 – Lawton First Assembly – Hwy 62 at NW 82<sup>nd</sup> St



**WHAT IS LIVE2LEAD?**  
L2L is the premier leader development experience designed to equip you with new perspectives, practical tools and key takeaways. 2017's conference features exciting live speakers in an event unique in Lawton-Ft. Sill's history. C.E. Credit Available

Tickets & Information:  
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Program from 8:00 to 3:30 | Break for Lunch | Search "Lawton Maxwell Event" for Updates and Tickets

## John Maxwell To Be Keynote Speaker

The Lawton Rotary Club has, over the past several years, made sure that their community has access to first class leadership training. Developing leadership is one of the major goals of the Greater Lawton Rotary Club because it has a direct effect on the entire community, whether it is in government, education, or business. The GLRC chose leadership development as a way to impact community in a big way. Their philosophy is, if you impact the leader, you impact the entire organization. In this way, Rotary is having a major impact in the community.

In their pursuit to promote a culture of continuous leadership development, the Lawton Rotary Leadership Institute was established.

The first Live2Lead conference in 2015 was attended by 300 community leaders joining together for a simulcast lineup of speakers. In 2016, over 700 attended for the simulcast with the addition of a live, Keynote speaker, Valorie Burton. This year, the anticipated number will double. The added attraction to the 2017 Live2Lead is that all but one of the speakers

will be in person. Dave Ramsey will be the only speaker via simulcast. He is a well-known author, host of the Dave Ramsey Show and is the creator of Financial Peace University. The lineup for speakers that will be present include: Former Oklahoma Governor George Nigh and Former Oklahoma City Mayor, Kirk Humphreys.

The Greater Lawton Rotary has been diligent in their pursuit to provide the "best of the best" leadership speakers and they are delighted to also welcome John Maxwell as the Keynote speaker of the day. John Maxwell is a #1 New York Times bestselling author, coach, and speaker who has sold more than 25 million books in fifty languages. In 2014 he was identified as the #1 leader in business by the American Management Association® and the most influential leadership expert in the world by Business Insider and Inc. magazine. As the founder of The John Maxwell Company, The John Maxwell Team, EQUIP, and the John Maxwell Foundation, he has trained more than 5 million leaders. In 2015, he reached the milestone of having trained leaders from every country of the world. The recipient of

the Mother Teresa Prize for Global Peace and Leadership from the Luminary Leadership Network, Dr. Maxwell speaks each year to Fortune 500 companies, presidents of nations, and many of the world's top business leaders.

The Live2Lead Conference is a fantastic opportunity to step away from the everyday business grind and learn from these incredible speakers as well as connect with other community leaders.

This conference is designed to provide Southwest Oklahomans access to world-class leadership training close to home. The conference is also designed to bring together people from a wide range of professions to talk about the importance of leadership in our community.

Questions? Contact Stan Booker at lawtonrotary@gmail.com

**Ticket info:** visit EventBrite.com and search "Live2Lead Lawton."

## 60 Years Of Service Above Self Celebration

District 5770 Rotarian Melvin Moran was honored by the Seminole Rotary Club for "60 Years of Service Above Self" at noon Wednesday, Sept. 13. This special celebration was open to the public. The meeting was on the campus of Seminole State College, in the Utterback Ballroom of the Haney Center, Hwy 9 and Hwy 377 in Seminole.

Highly regarded for a career of philanthropic, civic and oil industry leadership, Mr. Moran was the keynote speaker. His personal story about becoming a Rotarian and the importance of service, integrity and involvement in civic life is a beacon for others, inspiring a commitment to lifelong service. A champion of service and Seminole, his contributions are evident in a vast multitude of local, state and national endeavors, as well as some international arenas. He and his wife Jasmine are particularly renowned for founding the Jasmine Moran Children's Museum, a nationally acclaimed educational attraction drawing tens of thousands of visitors to Seminole each year.

In the Seminole Rotary Club, Mr. Moran has 60 years of unbroken service. He is a past president and club Rotarian of the Year, actively participating or supporting every aspect of club service. Across the decades, Seminole Rotarian club presidents continue to rely on him to induct and draw new members into Rotary. Moreover, Melvin Moran and his wife Jasmine, led the club in establishing its annual community-wide holiday feast served

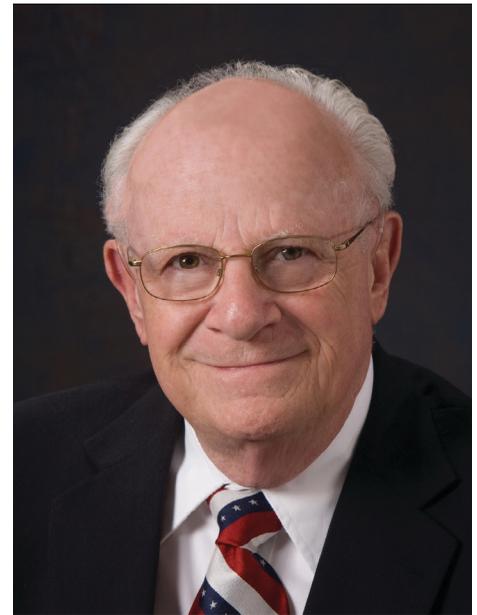
on Christmas Day, a major service project for some 40 years. The Earl Knowles Christmas Dinner provides a full hot holiday noon meal with all the trimmings to 650-700 children and adults, sit-down and home-delivery, regardless of the weather. The event is named for the late Earl Knowles, another Seminole Rotarian revered for his kindness and caring in the community.

Originally conceived as a way to provide a hot holiday meal for the hungry, the Christmas service project grew into a community-wide occasion. The project draws the homeless, disadvantaged, stranded, lonely, and bereft together with a host of volunteers joining Rotarians on Christmas Day for a festive occasion in the winter warmth of a local senior center. Additionally, each guest is provided a wrapped Christmas gift to take with them.

Many volunteers return each year, some traveling long distances, to deliver meals, de-bone turkeys, prepare salads, clear tables, make desserts, serve food, clean up and deliver meals to the homebound. Routinely, parents and grandparents bring children to assist and learn through experience the meaning of service, compassion and giving.

The club invites notes or stories to be put into a scrapbook for Mr. Moran regarding experiences with him and the community service he continues to champion.

Send to Seminole Rotary Club PO Box 417, Seminole, OK 74818 or email to: [abaker@firstunitedbank.com](mailto:abaker@firstunitedbank.com).



Melvin Moran

## Sooner Rotary Golf Event

**SLICE OF NIGHT**

Presented by:

 **Sam's Club**

**Friday, September 29**  
**6:00 p.m.**  
**at Cobblestone Creek**