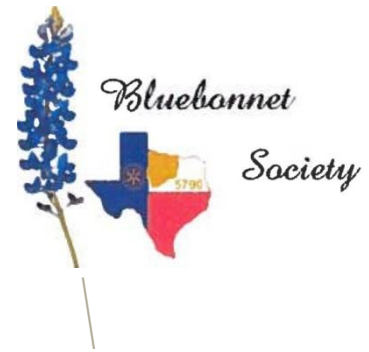




Rotary District 5790



Dear Rotary Leaders,

In May 2012 we celebrated a significant event in the history of Rotary - one that I believe made Rotary a stronger, more vibrant organization: opening Rotary Club membership to women.

In celebration of this event, we initiated the Bluebonnet Society for District 5790. Membership in the Society is open to everyone – men as well as women in Rotary District 5790. Society members will receive a special pin, and be recognized at the district conference.

To be a member of the Bluebonnet Society, I am asking you to pledge to give at least \$100, and more if you can, over a one to three-year period to our local District 5790 Foundation. \$45 out every \$50 of the contributions to the Bluebonnet Society will be earmarked to fund local and district matching grants that **advance the status of women and girls** in the six areas of focus:

- Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
- Disease prevention and treatment
- Water and sanitation
- Maternal and child health
- Basic education and literacy
- Economic and community development

The balance of the funds generated will provide for the ongoing operation of the District Foundation.

I will be honoring our women at the 2012 District 5790 Conference at a breakfast. We will list the members of the Bluebonnet Society on the reception program and every woman who attends the conference will receive a special ribbon. At the conference we will also be announcing the grantees for our first Bluebonnet Society Grants.

Please take a few minutes to complete the enclosed gift form and mail your check today to join me as we step forward to improve the quality of lives for women and girls through our Rotary membership.

Sincerely,

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