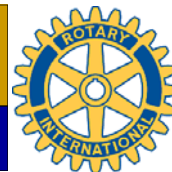




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2010-2011 DG Paul  
Lucas

Fellow Rotarians,

Reading a quality magazine like the *Rotarian* provides a brief relief from the intense demand of the digital information age. With the *Rotarian*, we can have a more thoughtful focus on ways to serve mankind. The *Rotarian* is also a great source of information on Board decisions, upcoming events and general interest.

### Relief from Digital Tsunami

In the *Rotarian* April issue, author Frank Bures describes how dependent we are on the internet to find information and communicate, and yet we are drowning in data. He notes that our efforts to multi-task are preventing us from a deeper understanding of information. As a remedy he recommends spending a "day offline" each week to enable anxiety levels to go down, energy to increase, focus to return and the false sense of urgency that the Internet seems to foster to disappear. Relaxing with the *Rotarian* Magazine seems to be one of the ways to briefly relieve the daily tidal wave of digital information and contemplate a higher purpose.

### Time of Transition

This month we enter the final quarter of the Rotary Year. It is an important time of transition for Rotary, as incoming club leadership will be attending Assembly Training on April 16<sup>th</sup> at Tarrant County College (Fort Worth).

### Follow Through

On May 6,7,8 we have the Annual District Conference at the beautiful new Hurst Conference Center (Hurst, Texas). All members are encouraged to come and celebrate the achievements of 2010-11 and honor those who serve. Both of these events (Conference and Assembly) play an essential role in the relevancy and continuity of Rotary to our community and the world.

Thank you in advance for your commitment to following through on your efforts which are making 2010-11 an excellent year. It will be great to see you at the [District Conference](#) next month and with you celebrate service and honor those who serve.

Registration for the District Conference is now available in the "Events" section of our Website [www.rotary5790.org](http://www.rotary5790.org) or click here: [Register Now for discounted rates](#)

Thank you for all you are doing in Rotary Service,

*Paul*



## DISTRICT ASSEMBLY



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# LET'S GET FIRED UP

## APRIL 16, 2011

Food, fellowship, and Rotary...

The best combination for success!



Rotary District 5790

District Assembly

Tarrant County College- Trinity River Branch

8:30 am- 2:00 pm



The Assembly is to be held at the Tarrant County College –Trinity River Branch in the heart of downtown Fort Worth. It is a state of the art facility that generates an exciting atmosphere for learning.

We will have a large variety of sessions to provide the most current information for your club officers and chairmen to get them "charged up" for the new Rotary year!



Remember, the District Assembly is training for the 2011-12 club officers and chairmen, **but** all club members are invited to attend. **In fact, it is encouraged!** It provides an opportunity for those who are thinking about serving in a leadership position in their club as well as in the district.

# FOR ROTARY !



## DISTRICT CONFERENCE "May 6 , 7 and 8, 2011"



### Designed for :

- ◆ Service
- ◆ Enlightenment
- ◆ Recognition
- ◆ Vision
- ◆ Interaction
- ◆ Celebration
- ◆ Entertainment



**Medallion to be  
presented to our  
First Responders**

For registration questions, contact: District Secretary [rsherman5790@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rsherman5790@sbcglobal.net)

**Make Plans and [Register Now](#) for our exciting District Conference at the beautiful Hurst Conference Center.**

**Join us to "Honor Those Who Serve"**

**Clubs are encouraged to sponsor a "first responder" from their club or community at the Governor's Banquet on Saturday Evening .**

**Package discounts and many options available for early registration. Many clubs in the area will use the Friday Kick Off Luncheon in place of their weekly meetings.**



**Enjoy great accommodations and excellent rates if you register early at the Hyatt Place Hurst , 1601 Hurst Center Dr., Hurst, TX**

Register early and use Group Code # G-R011

<http://hyattplaceftworthhurst.com/>

817-577-3003 or 888-492-8847 (toll free)

**Memorial Service and Mothers Day Brunch -  
planned May 8th at Texas Star Conference Center - 9:30am**

Please email information and picture of any Rotarians deceased in the last year to: Richard Sherman [rsherman5790@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rsherman5790@sbcglobal.net) They will be honored during this special memorial service at 9:30am. A Special Mothers Day Brunch will follow at 10:30am.



**Optional Golf Event - May 5th**

**Sign In: 10:30 AM Tee Time: 11:30AM**

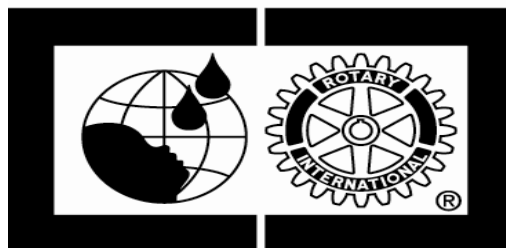
**At the Iron Horse Golf Course in NRH, TX**

Golf chair: Walter Ott [Wott@carterbloodcare.org](mailto:Wott@carterbloodcare.org)



## "POLIO PLUS UPDATE" "82% Of The Way There!"

### PolioPlus



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**PolioPlus: Rotary's obligation to the children of the world**  
*We Won't Stop, Until the Last Child Is Immunized!*

## Polio Eradication Update

For The Week Ending 04/02/11

Total paralysis cases	Year-to-date 2011	Thru this date in 2010	Total in 2010
Globally	78	51	1,294
- in endemic countries:	31	39	232
- in non-endemic countries:	47	12	1,062

New Polio cases reported in the last week:  
Pakistan 4, Afghanistan 0, India 0, Nigeria 3, DRC 4

2011 Polio Case Breakdown by Country (Green Numbers are 2010 Totals)

Endemic Countries – 1 India (2010-42), 5 Nigeria (2010-21)  
24 Pakistan (2010-144), 1 Afghanistan (2010-25)

+ Importation Countries – 2 Angola (2010-33), 16-Chad (2010-26), 1-Congo (2010-384),  
26 DRC (2010-101), 1 Gabon (2010-0), 0 Kazakhstan (2010-1), 0 Liberia(2010-2),  
0 Mali(2010-4), 0 Mauritania (2010-5), 0 Nepal (2010-6), 1 Niger (2010-2),  
0 Russian Federation (2010-14), 0-Senegal (2010-18), 0 Sierra Leone (2010-1),  
0 Tajikistan (2010-458), 0 Turkmenistan (2010-3), 0 Uganda (2010-4)

### Did You Know?

**Twelve hundred people were using Iron Lungs in the United States in 1952 and Polio struck a new victim every 10 minutes that year.**

Go behind the scenes of the making of Rotary's new "This Close" PSA and see what went into making this video to raise awareness for Rotary's fight against polio. 3 + minutes. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1NKi4O-AI20>





## "AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLAR UPDATE" "VANESSA BILANCERI"

Hola Rotarians,

I can't believe how fast my year in Mexico City is going! Thank you, as always, for this amazing life-changing opportunity. Below are some photos and the top reasons that I enjoy where I live now as an ambassadorial scholar.

### 5 Reasons I am enjoying my time in Mexico City

1. There is no short supply of culture and art here. My favorite museum is the Dolores Olmedo Patiño Museum, which sits in the South of the city on the ex-hacienda of the late art collector (Patiño) who has many rare sketches and paintings of Diego Rivera.
2. An abundance of fresh fruit and juice...everyday I like to try a new flavor, blended from all-natural real fruit (and no added sugar) right before my eyes. My favorite is beet with orange. A breakfast fruit staple is a plate of papaya, pineapple, cantaloupe and watermelon (usually served with yogurt and granola).
3. Because the Rotary clubs are so spread out (it can take me 2 hours to cross town to visit a club up north), I am able to visit with wonderful and generous Rotarians from all across the city and see new sites and sounds.
4. My Spanish is becoming second-nature, and I have been able to use it various contexts, including professional and medical. Latest word: "apalancamiento" which refers to financial leverage, as it relates to a company's long-term debt and capital structure.
5. My classmates are extremely caring and generous. The classroom culture here is very cohesive, as opposed to being highly competitive like in the US. Classmates are happy to help you if you missed a class, or take time to explain a tough concept. I have made many wonderful Mexican friends at ITAM.

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Vanessa with local juice vendor, outside of her apartment



Vanessa with husband, Jeremy, and sister-in-law, Allison at the Dolores Olmedo Patiño Museum



Vanessa with Rotarians Lupita and Maricarmen at a recent club meeting



## "LIFE THROUGH LITERACY"



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Several years ago I learned of a problem existing in our city; infant mortality. Later I learned of another problem in or near the same geographical areas of our city; illiteracy. One alone is devastating; together they began to eat at my soul. I needed a plan using the same resources to reduce both problems at the same time but I lacked the talent, time and organizational skills necessary to implement such a plan. Then I met Yoko Matsumoto, the Arlington Reads Manager for the City of Arlington Public Libraries. She listened intensely. She was so concerned and I readily saw she possessed all the talents necessary to see a plan through which might just satisfy this need.

It was not an immediate success though. After she rounded up the resources, a meeting was scheduled which attracted several young parenting and expecting mothers. The second meeting was called but only one mother returned. Going back to the drawing board Yoko and Company decided a "Common" place, a familiar place.....a school would be the best place to meet. With her persistence shortly thereafter 20 young women and one young dad were attending Life Through Literacy classes. Sam Houston High School was the first implementation of the program. AISD realized the success and asked that Life Through Literacy be installed in all AISD High Schools. Yoko began a true and solid meaningful partnership between Life Through Literacy and the AISD PEP program.

Today with Yoko's work our citizens of the smallest dimensions have a greater chance for life. Where there's a will there's a way and Yoko found it. She never hesitated, she never gave up, she implemented and Life Through Literacy is saving lives.

Studies show that more babies die each year in Arlington than in almost any other city in Texas. Through Yoko's diligence Arlington Reads has joined forces with Arlington Independent School District, local non-profit Life Through Literacy, the Arlington North Rotary Club, and Rotary District 5790 to fight infant mortality. Arlington Reads' Life Through Literacy program seeks to counter one of the leading causes of infant mortality -- poor maternal health -- by educating new and expecting teen moms about prenatal care, healthy lifestyle choices, maternity resources in the community, and early childhood literacy. Reaching more than 60 students in seven local high schools, Life Through Literacy teaches students how to care for their babies and create lasting bonds through reading, singing, and playing.

Of all the issues facing our city I cannot think of one more serious than the potential loss of life of a baby. The teens attending the program speak of how much they have learned. Christina Cruz, an expecting mom and senior at Venture High School, says, "Point out the front, cover, and spine of the books. These are skills children need to learn before school. I have learned the importance of engaging both sides of the brain and to read a book over and over again for my baby to learn." When asked if they would recommend the classes to others, 100% emphatically said yes. Through the generous donations of Life Through Literacy, Arlington North Rotary Club and Rotary District 5790, Arlington Reads has been able to purchase copies of "Baby Basics" for each student in the program. Funding from these organizations has also helped support the purchase of a laptop computer and LCD projector, used when conducting Life Through Literacy classes in Arlington ISD high schools.



## "4-WAY TEST SPEECH CONTEST" Regional Contest— March 26, 2011

On Saturday, March 26, at the Texas Star Conference Center in Euless, TX, the HEB Rotary and Mid-Cities Pacesetters Rotary Clubs co hosted one of the two District 5790 Regional 4-Way Test Speech Contests. Ten speakers, each a winner of a Rotary Club speech contest, presented 5-minutes speeches on the topic, "What the Rotary 4-Way Test Means to Me."

A distinguished panel of nine judges selected two finalists, Francesca Ghio, representing the Arlington Sunrise club, and Michael Johns, representing the Fort Worth South club. These two young people, and the two finalists from the regional event held in Weatherford, will compete in the District 4-Way Test Speech contest at the District Conference in May.

Dr. Gene Buinger, Superintendent of the HEB ISD, was the Guest of Honor, and at the end of the event, while the scores were being tabulated, provided some excellent "words of wisdom" to the contestants.

The finalists will join the other two finalists from the other Regional Contest and present their speeches at the District Conference in May.



Paul Lucas and Francesca Ghio, one of the finalists, representing Arlington Sunrise Rotary.



Paul Lucas and Michael Johns, one of the finalists, representing Fort Worth South Rotary.



The contestants (L to R) Hersh Trivedi, James Forrest Cooke, Francesca Ghio (finalist), Alexandra Cournoyer, Zoe Wilkerson, Caleb Pierce, Sarah Wood, Michael Johns (finalist), Mercedes Morris, Dominic Edwards.

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## **"AREA 7 CLUBS"** ***"Active in the Community"***



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In my first year as an assistant governor for Area 7 it is clear to see our clubs come ready to play when becoming involved in both the community and internationally. There is no shortage of activity in Area 7, which includes six clubs: Burleson, Burleson Area Midday, Mansfield, Mansfield Sunrise, Kennedale and Cleburne.

After attending PETS on March 18-20, it is obvious the new crop of presidents will only bolster Area 7. It's something I'm looking forward to seeing over the next year and a half. We also look forward to adding a seventh club to Area 7 in Glen Rose next year.

**Cleburne**—one of the oldest clubs in District 5790 at 97-years-old, is working on a new fundraiser scheduled for May 27. The event, titled the Rotary's Ragin' Roundup, will be a fish fry fundraising event featuring a raffle of a Harley Davidson motorcycle valued at \$15,000. Tickets are \$50 each and are capped at 500. Also included in the event will be live music, bounce houses and face painting for the kids, a raffle for a 42-inch Samsung LCD flat screen TV, Cleburne police and fire vehicles on display and plenty of catfish.

In addition to the fundraiser, Cleburne is continuing its computers for kids project in Mexico. The club collects old laptops, CPUs, flat screen monitors, etc., and ships them to Mexico where they are cleared and Spanish language software is installed. From there, the computers are distributed to school kids who need them in Mexico. Cleburne also participated in a 3-H Matching Grant to provide water purification for people in Haiti.

**Burleson**—recently challenged its members in December when President Bobby Woolard challenged members to honor their families with Paul Harris Fellows during Rotary Family Month. So far, the club has recognized eight Paul Harris Fellows, including seven wives and one father of members.

On April 22, the club will participate in a hosting program when a group of six individuals from the Ukraine will visit and attend several key government functions and meet Burleson city leaders. The group will also take a trip to Austin.

Burleson has also increased its membership from 46 to 52 through March and celebrated its 29<sup>th</sup> birthday on March 25.

**Burleson Area Midday**— is in its second year of existence, just finished an international project with the Cozumel Rotary Club. They sold tickets at \$100 each and had a drawing for a trip to Cozumel, Mexico. The trip included hotel, air travel and activities of choice, including snorkeling, scuba diving, deep-sea fishing, touring the Mayan ruins, horseback riding, boating or any other activity individuals would like to participate in. The Burleson Area Midday Rotary Club raised the money and gave \$5,000 to the Cozumel Rotary Club. The Burleson Area Midday Rotary Club furnished the air fare. All told \$7,300 was raised.

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The club's annual golf event fundraiser is scheduled for May 20 at Hidden Creek Golf Club. The event includes a box lunch, range balls with a 1 p.m. shotgun start. Contact Lynn Bates at 817-447-9446 for more information. They are a big supporter of Court Appointed Special Advocates, The Harvest House, Relay For Life, Burleson Pregnancy Aid Center and Crowley House of Hope.

**Kennedale—** recently participated in Kennedale's second annual Texas Independence Day Parade. The parade took place on March 5, with more than 50 floats, horseback riders and marching bands from Kennedale's junior and senior high schools. The club's newly chartered Interact Club decorated and rode on the Rotary float, receiving a Parade President Citation.

Kennedale is one of few cities to host a Texas Independence Day Parade, and the club's participation was another way for them to show the community that the Kennedale Rotary Club is involved in the life of the town.

Formation of the Interact Club at Kennedale High School has been one of the club's major projects, spearheaded by Brian Lea, Rotarian, president-elect nominee and recently named district chair of the Interact/Rotaract Committee. Brian's wife, Christy, a high school Spanish teacher, is the teacher sponsor of the Interact Club. A total of 35 students have been placed on the club charter.

**Mansfield Noon—** has many projects that take up their time and efforts. They deliver Meals-on-Wheels every week, help build two Habitat homes a year, participate in a citywide trash clean-up, give out scholarships to eight high school seniors, and also give a dictionary to each third grade student in the Mansfield ISD. They are also involved in building a special needs park in the heart of Mansfield. One of the biggest events that the club participates in each year is the Rotary Invitational Girls Basketball Tournament that is sponsored by the two Mansfield clubs.

The club invites 32 of the top teams from the state of Texas as well as surrounding states. If you would like more information visit [Mansfieldinvitational.com](http://Mansfieldinvitational.com) and contact them if you would like to help support your city's teams.

**Mansfield Sunrise —** together with the Mansfield Rotary Club, recently hosted another successful Mansfield Rotary Invitational Basketball Tournament. The event is widely regarded as the best girls' high school basketball tournament in the Texas. In the last week of December, the club hosted teams from the four Mansfield high schools and 28 visiting schools from around the state and beyond. Profit from the tournament is the club's primary source of funding each year.

This year, the club again contributed funds to RI's polio eradication efforts to do its small part in matching the Gates Foundation challenge grants. They also made their annual contribution to the Mansfield ISD Education Foundation. That contribution will help fund grants to pay for projects and resources needed to provide enhanced learning opportunities for our special needs students in the Mansfield ISD.

Through the clubs Read To Me program, they provide a children's book to every baby born at Methodist Mans-

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## AREA 7 CLUBS, *Con't*

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field Medical Center. In addition to the club's gift to more than 1,800 babies per year, they also provide a dictionary to every third grade student in the Mansfield ISD. The dictionary project is another successful joint activity with the Mansfield Rotary Club.



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## AREA 10 CLUBS

**Colleyville Rotary**—During the 2010-2011 year, the club combined financial projects with others and concentrated on a major fund raiser held in late February. In fact, the proprietor of the Colleyville Community Center where the event was held said it was the best fund raiser activity at her facility in years. It was held in conjunction with the Grapevine-Colleyville Independent School District Foundation, which contributed to planning and execution of the function entitled "Dancing for the Stars." At this time funds available for distribution will include a gift to the GCISD Foundation and Cross-timbers Middle School, and a local grant to the Colleyville Library Project.

**Mid-Cities Pacesetters Rotary**—The club offers both financial and volunteer service to numerous international and community charities with the main focus on providing service and assistance to needy or under privileged youth and elderly in our transitional community. They also contribute to the Rotary Foundation. In addition to member's dues, the Annual golf tournament is the primary fund raiser for the club with 100% of those monies contributed to sponsored charities and foundations. The outing last October raised about \$15,000 from sponsorships of local businesses and player green fees.

The club has initiated a "Chris Marshall Scholarship Fund" in memory of a member who was killed in an accidental shooting in 1991. As a young man Chris had been awarded a Rotary scholarship from TRF and he studied in England. With the intent to preserve his memory the fund was created with the mission to fund scholarships for high school seniors from the HEB and Birdville School Districts. This was later changed to fund scholarships for TCC students to help more individuals at the college level since TCC's mission includes university transfer programs, workforce education, adult literacy and continuing community service. Thus the contributions go to a broader selection of worthy individuals.

All of the chosen charities are supported with money but some of them are supported with volunteer labor as well. Some of these include after school tutoring and mentoring for elementary age students at The Village Library in Hurst; a back-to-school carnival for underprivileged children; labor to rehab a shelter for battered and/or abused women; drivers for Meals on Wheels and hosting a Four-Way Speech Contest.



## AREA 1 CLUBS



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Rotary is holding its own in Area 1. All the clubs are active in community and international projects and programs and all are actively recruiting RYLA participants.

The Wichita Falls Downtown and Rotary North are sponsoring one of the GSE Team Members for the trip to New Zealand and French Polynesia. This GSE team's journey began on March 17<sup>th</sup>. The Burkburnett and Iowa Park Club will be hosting the incoming New Zealand GSE Team this spring. They have submitted their itinerary and, from what I see, they will get a true reflection of not only their vocations here, but of our culture as well.

Wichita Falls Southwest Club just completed its sporting clay shoot with 54 shooters participating.

The three Wichita Falls Clubs recently traveled to Haiti seeking projects in order to pursue grants for the upcoming year. Their eye-opening trip discovered some opportunities where the clubs could work together for matching grants. Future trips to Haiti are planned to further define projects to pursue.

The Downtown Wichita Falls Club sponsors a speech contest for the local high schools and presents scholarships to the winners of the competition. It is equally a pleasure to listen their responses to the topics of the competition, as it is comforting to know that we have some great leaders in the making to pick up the torch as we pass it to them.

Finally, the Wichita Falls North Club is providing dictionaries to the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classes of the Wichita Falls Independent School District. This is just one of the highlights of the activities of the clubs in our area. As you can read, Rotary is doing well in our area and will continue to do so.





## AREA 8 CLUBS—FORT WORTH



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**Rotary Club of Fort Worth** is entering the third year of a five year initiative with Riverside Middle School. "Putting E (xcitement)-Books in the Hands of Students" is a reading program which will provide 100 Kindle e-readers into the students' hands every year for three years. Thirty readers will be used in the reading improvement/enhancement classes, twenty five readers will be deployed in the school library and 45 will be used in the spring as prizes in an essay/reading competition. This represents a commitment \$56,700 from the Club's Endowment funds. Dr. Lotta Larson of Kansas State University, a nationally recognized scholar and leader in the field of literacy and the use of new technology is assisting the Club. The Club has met with several senior officials at Amazon. Amazon is extremely excited about this project and has provided support in the development and implementation of this project.

**Fort Worth North** is gearing up for its 2011 Annual Golf Tournament which will be on April 27<sup>th</sup> at Lost Creek Golf Club. The tournament has provided funds for scholarships to deserving students. According to John Goobeck, "the tournament was revived a few years ago and everyone looks forward to the annual outing." Another notable project is the annual blood drive held at Joe T. Garcia's restaurant where Rotary meets.

**Fort Worth South**—The Honduras Water Project has been one of the most exciting Club projects. On February 23, Rotarians left for Puerto Limpira Honduras. The main mission was to visit villages where District 5790 helped installed clean water filters into individual homes, gather information about those installations and deliver 20k doses of anti-parasitic medications to the health department for distribution in the villages that had already received the filters. Gus Niver, reported, "We all came home with renewed commitment to get more filters for those in need."



**Fort Worth Southwest** - Rotarians kept busy this year by volunteering at the Tarrant Area Food Bank. In addition, they are working on a food collection. Literacy remains as an important project of the club. They have donated \$500 of library books to Westcreek Elementary and Chapel Hill Academy. They also contributed \$800 towards the Bicycle Project at Westcreek. The club is sponsoring three students from Southwest Christian School to RYLA.

**Fort Worth East** is hosting a youth exchange student. Elizabeth Pollak, only 16 years old, is graduating from Western Hills High School. She speaks English, Spanish and is learning Italian in preparation for her year in Italy. She enjoys the martial arts and is an accomplished artist. Her plans are to attend The University of Texas in 2012 and study premed.



## AREA 9 CLUBS— ARLINGTON

### *"An Outstanding Year!"*



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It has been an outstanding year for the seven Arlington Clubs in area nine. These dynamic seven clubs have shown leadership and commitment in the community and around the world. Here are some of the projects that the clubs achieved during this year.

**Arlington West Rotary Club.** First and foremost is this club's scholarship program. In September 2010, the Club's 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Scholarship Scramble was held at Shady Valley Country Club, and raised over \$8,000 for its scholarship program. With those funds, the Club sent the 5<sup>th</sup> grade class from Morton Elementary School to Camp Grady Spruce complete with backpacks and camp gear, and will provide four college scholarships to its Students of the Month, scholarships to graduates of AISD's Venture School, and a scholarship to a student to attend RYLA. As a part of its Literacy Program, the Club has contributed a book a week to the Morton Elementary School library in honor of those speaking at the Club meetings. Through the leadership of Kate Clemons, a senior at Martin High School, the Club has sponsored the creation of an Interact Club at that school that has attracted more than 80 members. New this year, Arlington West Rotary Club has raised approximately \$2,000 through its members that will be used to install a memorial park bench in an Arlington park in honor of founding member Harold Prater.

**Arlington Sunrise Rotary Club** is raising the bar for Rotary Clubs everywhere. Arlington Sunrise had its inaugural Adoption Awareness Picnic this year in conjunction with the Texas Department of Health and Human Services, Child Protective Services Division. This event provided adoptive children to meet potential parents in a secure, fun and friendly environment. Additionally, Arlington Sunrise participated in two National Immunization Days one in Nigeria and one in India. One of the adoptive schools of Arlington Sunrise is Thornton Elementary. The Club initiated its Attendance Incentive Program this year wherein it provides a new bike to one boy and one girl each six weeks for having perfect attendance. Some of the other accomplishments of the Club include an international matching grant with a club in India for a literacy project, giving dictionaries to 3<sup>rd</sup> graders at two schools in Arlington, and hosting a RITE Teacher from Mexico. The Club also founded the second Rotaract Club in the District at TCC Southeast Campus in Arlington.

**The Rotary Club of Arlington** has added four new members and 11 Paul Harris Fellows. Among their projects was sending 10 pallets of used school books to Africa to help school children learn English. Local projects include supplying each member of the 4<sup>th</sup> grade at Webb Elementary with a Thesaurus for their creative writing class, holding a wine tasting event to raise money for Polio Plus, hosting a Four-Way speech contest with students from Arlington High, participating in a career day at Webb Elementary, providing Christmas gifts to under-privileged children in Arlington, hosting a Youth Exchange student from Russia, sending the entire 5<sup>th</sup> grade class of

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Webb Elementary to Camp Grady Spruce and providing backpacks and school supplies to the children at Safe Haven. Just recently the club completed the \$100 challenge which is featured in the District Newsletter this month.

More is planned for the remainder of the year: scheduling a blood drive in April, sending 5 students to RYLA, offering a scholarship promise to every 6<sup>th</sup> grader at Webb Elementary who goes on to finish high school and then to college, presenting an outstanding achievement award to a deserving boy and girl in every elementary and junior high school in the Arlington ISD, providing every child at Webb Elementary a book for their library to take home with them, playing in a golf tournament with the proceeds benefitting the Webb Scholarship program, volunteering for the concession stands at the Cardboard Boat Regatta, and offering assistance as well as volunteers for our newest project, the Read with Rotary Literacy program.

**Arlington Sunset Club** does a lot of community volunteering, mostly for River Legacy Foundation. This year we volunteered for "After Dark at the Park," the Cardboard Boat Regatta and The Clay Shoot. We had volunteers for AISD "Operation Graduation." We provided a dictionary and thesaurus for all third graders at two different elementary schools and supplied Thanksgiving food baskets for Safe Haven. We have started and sponsor a new Interact Club of 75 students at Bowie High School. We fund a student to attend RYLA. We have an instructor working with the Rotary Literacy program. Before our year end, we will contribute to the water filter project in Honduras and we have contributed to the Polio Plus project. We have two new membership prospects expected to join soon. We are 100% in EREY and will have two new Paul Harris Fellows this year.

**Arlington South Rotary Club.** Several Rotarians participated in a landscape clean up day at the Boys and Girls Club in September, which was followed by our Annual Park Project at Harold Patterson Park. This cleanup included 60 student volunteers from Seguin High School, who assisted the club in repairing softballs fields, weeding flowerbeds and picking up trash.

In November, we did our second annual Dictionary Project with six schools in AISD; December we provided Christmas for the children who participate in programs at the Boys and Girls Club; January was our Super Bowl fundraiser to offset the match we received for the Square Foot Garden we will be building at Cooper Street YMCA.

March 29 is our 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Student Banquet where we will honor 60 students from AISD. Stephanie Gillespie of the Arlington Police Department is our keynote Speaker.

Monthly we continue our Student of the Month program, and we participated in the Four-Way Speech Contest.

Internationally, we participated in two projects, one with Mineral Wells, to establish an artificial limb and brace center in Jalalabad and the other with Fort Worth East, which we purchased mosquito nets for newborns in Mozambique.

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## AREA 9 CLUBS, Con't

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**Arlington Great Southwest Rotary** used a District Simplified Grant to paint and refurbish a men's dormitory at the Arlington Life Shelter—including new bed linens, comforters, pillows, and bath towels,. UTA Rotaract members helped with the project. On Veterans Day we sponsored a well-attended program at the Arlington Veterans Park Memorial, which featured the addition of eight tall columns to the memorial. We distributed dictionaries to 3<sup>rd</sup> graders at Atherton Elementary and plan to distribute to 3<sup>rd</sup> graders at four more elementary schools this spring. Additionally, we provide bicycles for a reading incentive program at Atherton Elementary. Each month we sponsor a birthday party complete with bingo and prizes for the residents of Oakwood Health Care Center. Our Rotaract and Interact Club members also assist with this. Our Four-Way Speech competition winner will participate in the regional competition on March 26<sup>th</sup>. Our major fund raiser was a hugely successful Mardi Gras Gala on March 5<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds will be used to sponsor undergraduate scholarships via our Harold Key Endowment Scholarship fund and our other charitable endeavors, including international wheelchair and water purification programs.

**Arlington North Rotary** In the 2010/2011 Rotary Year Arlington North Rotary has started a new Community service program where on the first meeting of the Month, we collect donations for different local charities, we have collected uniforms and winter coats for students at Speer Elementary school, food for Arlington charities food bank, Toiletries for Soldiers in Afghanistan, and paper products for the Arlington Life Shelter just to name a few. Also this Rotary year with a district matching grant we were able to provide six new laptops computers for H.O.P.E. tutoring centers for underprivileged students in Arlington. We also continue to support the Wheel Chair Foundation, offer Boy Scouts camperships, and maintain delivery of meals on our Meals on Wheels route weekly. We will also give more than 900 dictionaries to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students in the North Arlington area this spring, and make monetary donations to all 13 of the North Arlington schools' libraries.



## AREA 3 CLUBS

### *"Rotary Clubs— An Influence in the Community"*



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The Haskell Rotary Club's bake sale raised \$1,000 for the American Cancer Society, and their flag project inspires patriotism while raising funds for local projects. Myra Rainey is president and Tom Long is president-elect.

Abilene Southwest Rotary Club has secured a matching grant with Angol, Chile Rotary for hospital equipment, hosts the Dyess AFB Outstanding Performers quarterly and presents annual Vocational Service and Community Service Awards. This year the club participated in the Halloween Carnival at Abilene State Supported Living Center, rang bells for the Salvation Army, assisted in the World Polio Day Dinner, helped with weatherization of homes and gave dictionaries to 3rd graders at Johnston Elementary. Their Annual Top 50 Banquet recognizes high school graduates from the four local high schools. They're a 100 % Paul Harris Club Rotarian Roberto Aguirre is president and Ross Bennett incoming president.

The Hamlin Club participated in the World Polio Day Dinner in Abilene and were recognized for donations to Polio Plus. Alicia Smith is current president and Justin Stone is president-elect.

The Abilene Wednesday Club participated in the World Polio Day Dinner and were able to designate five members as Paul Harris Fellows. Projects this year included decorating a home at the Abilene State Supported Living Center, presenting a check for \$500 to the Texas Peace Officers Memorial Restoration Project and expanding their dictionary project to include students in the 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades at Fannin Elementary. Nathan Sanders is president and Dickie Greenwood is president -elect.

In Stamford, Rochie Underwood is president and Callie Metler is president-elect. April 1st the club celebrates its 90th birthday. In February District Governor Paul Lucas attended their Rotary Ann Banquet where they named four Paul Harris Fellows.

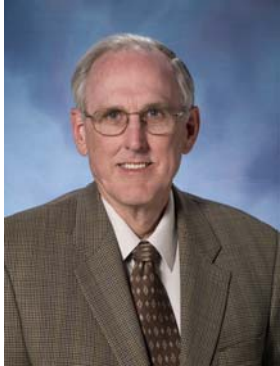
The Abilene Rotary Club with over 100 members lost Past District Governor David Stubbeman last fall to a fatal heart attack and president Mike Schweikhard and president-elect Kayla Christianson are trying to find someone to replace him as club Executive Secretary. The club donated \$20,000 to local charities raised during "Taste of Abilene." They helped organize the World Polio Day Dinner and secured donations from foundations, businesses, and individuals over \$59,000 for Polio Plus. Other projects include Rotary Reads at Jane Long Elementary and the Foundations donations they raise thru their "Dealing for Dollars."

The Coleman Club lead by Heath Hemphill has selected Sandra Clack as president-elect. They are planning the May "Senior Banquet" to recognize high school students selected as Rotary Boy and Girl of the year. Their 1st Annual golf tournament last October stirred up lots of excitement.



## ABILENE ROTARY CLUB

### *"Dealing with the loss of a true Rotarian"*



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The sudden loss of the club's executive secretary David Stubbeman, to a heart attack last September left new President Michael Schewikhard and other club members without the reliable guidance on which they had come to depend.

"In addition to being a great guy," Schewikhard says, "David had all the technical qualifications to keep the club running in the right direction—long time, active Rotarian, retired attorney, Past Club President, Past District Governor, approximately 10 years service as the club's Executive Secretary, AND he didn't charge anything for all his services in maintaining the record keeping and financial issues for the club. The first ten weeks of my year as President were great. David was always there, answered every question I had, and took care of all the details."

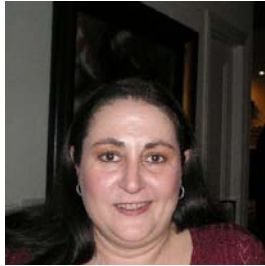
The club's board and officers got assistance from member AG Dave Boyle and District officers enabling the club to fulfill its obligations and handle basic tasks, but, the sad learning experience prompted this advice to other clubs from President Schewikhard:

- ◆ I would encourage every club to consider the lessons we have learned in order to avoid a similar problem.
- ◆ Make sure more than one person is involved and familiar with the individual aspects of Rotary Club day to day business.
- ◆ See that all club officers, especially the President, Secretary, and Treasurer, are personally prepared to handle their duties, even if something happens to the paid secretary or other officers.
- ◆ Consider having two members involved in all key activities—one person in charge and another person learning in preparation for the future."





## ARLINGTON NORTH ROTARY CLUB *"Expanding Community Service"*



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Also this Rotary year we were able with a district matching grant to provide 6 new laptops computers for H.O.P.E. tutoring centers for underprivileged students in Arlington.

We also continue to support the Wheel Chair Foundation, provide Boy Scout's camperships, and maintain delivery of meals on our Meals on Wheels route weekly.

We once again contributed to the Life through Literacy program start by ANR member Joe Bruner which was started to help increase literacy and the lower infant mortality rate in teenage mothers, the program has now been picked up by the Arlington Public Library and they are working with-in the local High Schools to reach teenage mothers and infants.



Presentation of \$5000 to Arlington Library-  
Life through Literacy Program

We will also provide over 900 dictionaries to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students in the North Arlington area this spring, and make monetary donations to all 13 of the North Arlington schools Libraries, 9 Elementary Schools, 2 Junior High Schools, and 1 Senior High School.



2011 4-Way Speech Contestants at Lamar HS  
and Arlington North Rotary Members.

We just completed this year's 4 way speech contest at Lamar High School where sophomore Sarah Wood was the winner and will be moving on to the Regional competition.



## KELLER ROTARY CLUB "Focused on Membership"



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The Keller Rotary Club has focused on membership recruitment and retention this year. Shortly after DG Paul Lucas' charge to increase membership by 5% from 47 to 50 members, the club lost several members to health or hardship issues. Total membership decreased quickly to 44, but the club is now at the 50 member goal. Even more exciting is that the club recently inducted two PDG's into membership through club transfers. After celebrating 20 years in August 2010, the club still has three active charter members. Three more months remain to surpass the membership goal!



PDG Jerry Parr sponsoring PDG Dr. Bill Edwards for induction into Keller Rotary Club.



Karen Borta, Co-Ancor of Channel 11, spoke of balancing career and family.

In September, the club held a Visitors Day to showcase projects to the community. Members invited prospects to learn about Rotary. Great food, fellowship and the Sky Creek Ranch Golf Club facility provide weekly intangibles to assist recruitment. A main attraction has been keynote programs such as Karen Borta and Peggy Nelson. Borta, the co-anchor for Ch. 11 News, talked about the balance of career and raising a family. Peggy Nelson, a humanitarian who epitomizes "service above self," shared stories of her life with golf legend, Byron Nelson. Our annual Dwight Lee Memorial golf tournament is on June 7<sup>th</sup> at Sky Creek Ranch Golf Club and you are invited!

In addition to our meeting location and program variety, quality service projects have also contributed to membership. Funds have been raised for Mt. Gilead Cemetery restoration project, Polio Plus, and the District water filter project. Some additional service efforts included a blood drive, Senior Center cookout and Christ's Haven's Christmas Angel program.

The Keller Club supports two Interact clubs, is sending two exchange students outbound in August, and recently held its annual 4-Way Speech Contest. Keller remains an annual EREY participant. Financial support is funded primarily by the Star Spangled Streets program which is close to exceeding \$10,000 this year.



Speaker Peggy Nelson

To find out more details on what is happening in Keller, visit our website at [www.rotaryclubofkeller.org](http://www.rotaryclubofkeller.org) or check us out on Facebook.



## STAMFORD ROTARY CLUB *"90 Years & Going STRONG"*



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The Rotary Club of Stamford was organized March 16, 1921, and was admitted to membership in Rotary International as Club No. 896 on April 1, 1921.

Since our charter, we have had 90 Presidents of which 49 are deceased, 41 living, and 19 are currently members of our Club. We have had 3 Past District Governors -- R. B. Bryant, Warren B. Tayman, and J. F. McCulloch. In our Club, we have had 3 fathers, who had sons serve as President, 3 husband and then their wives serve as President. We have had 3 pastors, 8 doctors or dentists, 3 attorneys, 5 superintendents, and 2 principals to serve as well. Our largest membership was in 1968 when we had 65 members. Today we have 36 members--24 male and 12 female. In 90 years, we have had only 11 club secretaries.

Our Club takes pride in working and supporting our youth. For 20 years, we have adopted each eighth grade class, and have invited 3 members of the class to our Club each week to meet our members to let them know that we are available to encourage, guide and direct them as they begin to think about what they want to do in life. We have an annual supper to raise the funds for a \$1000 scholarship to a graduating senior. We have sponsored this program for more than 30 years, and have had many outstanding winners.

The Stamford Rotary Club has sponsored three female foreign exchange students--- 1991-1992 -Zeynep Koksall from Turkey, 1992-1993-Sonja Sachlafle from Germany, and in 2009-2010-Rosa Buirgues from Spain. In 1992-1993 our Club sponsored Margaret Combs to study in Turkey

On February 19, we had our traditional Rotary Ann Banquet that was started in the 1930's, and this year we recognized four members as new Paul Harris recipients.

Another thing that is unique about our Club is that we meet at the high school each Tuesday, and the FCCLA class prepares our meals. This is an excellent opportunity for our students to learn how to plan a menu, prepare a budget, purchase the ingredients, and prepare the meal. We all enjoy a good home cooked meal while the students learn new skills. We then have a good program, and this is one of the reasons that we have been able to have an active Club. This is one way that has helped to bring in new members especially with the changes and trends that we have seen happening in recent years.





## ROTARY CLUB OF WEATHERFORD *"90 and Going Strong"*



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This 90-year old club began a new program this year called Females In Rotary Standing Together (FIRST). Under the leadership of club member Sheri Campbell-Husband, the primary purpose of FIRST is to find ways to reach out to the women of our community and get them involved in Rotary. FIRST has raised \$1,000 and will offer the donation along with sweat equity to participate in the first all female build for Habitat for Humanity in Weatherford.



Our club also had an opportunity to serve the whole community this year when during the first week of August a water main leading out of Weatherford's purification plant ruptured, leaving 25,000 residents without water. The city called on all public/private sectors for help. Rotarians from other clubs came to help us get water to both institutions and individuals. A cookout celebrated the end of the crisis, and our Rotary club was there to cook and serve hamburgers to over one hundred people who played a part in restoring water service and keeping water available during the outage.

Two projects raised money for Polio Plus: Celebrity Bartending and a Chili Cook-Off. A local restaurant started a program allowing non-profit groups to "Serve" for their cause. The Wild Mushroom donated 10% of the sales from all food and drinks sold from the bar to the club. President Gregg Lane along with club members Melody Ditore and Tatum



Matlock rolled up their sleeves and went to work mixing, shaking, and pouring drinks as well as serving food. One week in place of the club's usual catered lunch seven member "chefs" brought their

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## WEATHERFORD ROTARY CLUB, Con't

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own brand of chili and members paid three dollars to serve as judges, awarding first place to Darren Donaldson and giving the money to polio.

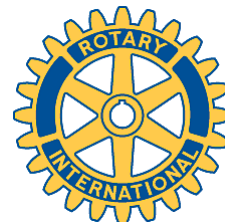
An Annual Pancake Supper is the highlight of our club's year. For our 55<sup>th</sup> event President-Elect Kay Huse as chair procured all the necessary ingredients to feed nearly 2,000 guests with 6,000 pancakes, 500 pounds each of bacon and sausage along with coffee, juice and milk to wash it all down.



Grants have been an important part of our projects. Our annual gifts of dictionaries to all fourth grade students began with a District Simplified Grant several years ago, and this year a District Simplified Grant made it possible to buy benches for a Hike and Bike Trail. Members will install them when the trail is completed. The backrest of each bench will show that these were provided by our club. When Mineral Wells president Brad Wilkerson asked us to join in a Matching Foundation Grant to provide funds for a prosthetic limb clinic in Bangladesh, we gave them a check to help meet the matching grant requirement.

We also joined the city's kick-ball tournament to raise money for the United Way of Parker County, honored 19-year-old resident Pfc. Austin Staggs killed in Afghanistan with flags placed around the city square, always ring bells for the Salvation Army and help Meals-on-Wheels deliver food on Fridays.

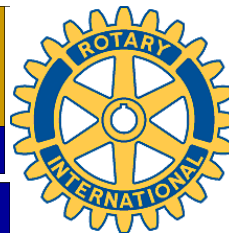




## FEBRUARY 2011 CLUB ATTENDANCE

Rotary Club	Members	%	Mtgs	Members	Add/Loss
	2/1/2011			2/28/2011	
Abilene - F	101	63.37%	3	101	-
Abilene Southw est - T	61	81.97%	3	61	-
Abilene Wednesday					-
Arlington - TH	117	53.02%	3	118	1
Arlington GSW - W	38	79.00%	2	38	-
Arlington North - M	40	81.63%	4	38	(2)
Arlington South - F	20	60.00%	3	20	-
Arlington Sunrise - F	64	90.32%	3	63	(1)
Arlington Sunset - T	8	95.83%	3	8	-
Arlington West - T	34	69.00%	3	34	-
Azle - TH	40	69.00%	3	36	(4)
Bow ie - W					-
Breckenridge - T	22	72.50%	3	23	1
Brow nw ood - W	21	86.00%	4	21	-
Burkburnett - T					-
Burleson - F	51	81.88%	3	51	-
Burleson Area Mid Day - M					-
Cisco - TH					-
Cleburne - TH	83	55.33%	3	86	3
Coleman - M					-
Colleyville - T	13	67.00%	4	13	-
Crow ell - W					-
Decatur - TH	22	70.00%	3	21	(1)
Denton - TH	81	62.72%	3	82	1
Denton South - T					-
Dublin - T	24	72.00%	3	24	-
Eastland - TH					-
Flow er Mound - TH	74	90.00%	3	73	(1)
Fort Worth East - M	34	64.00%	3	34	-
Fort Worth International - W	15	75.00%	2	15	-
Fort Worth North - W					-
Fort Worth - F	476	50.00%	4	458	(18)

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## FEBRUARY 2011 CLUB ATTENDANCE, Con't

RotaryClub	Members	%	Mtgs	Members	Add/Loss
	2/1/2011			2/28/2011	
Fort Worth South - T	66	68.18%	3	66	-
Fort Worth Southw est - TH	25	83.00%	4	25	-
Gainesville - W					-
Graham - F	103	37.00%	3	103	-
Granbury - TH					-
Grapevine - W	95	83.72%	3	94	(1)
Hamlin - W	25	85.00%	4	25	-
Haskell - TH	21	57.14%	4	21	-
HEB - T	66	85.00%	3	66	-
Highland Village	30	52.00%	3	30	-
low a Park - W					
Keller - T					
Kennedale	28	64.30%	3	28	-
Lake Ray Roberts - T	17	56.25%	3	16	(1)
Lewisville Morning - TH	25	92.00%	3	25	-
Lewisville Noon - W	54	100.00%	3	54	-
Mansfield - T					-
Mansfield Sunrise - TH	20	80.00%	2	20	-
Metroport - F	28	88.10%	3	28	-
Mid-Cities Pacesetters - F	50	72.67%	3	50	-
Mineral Wells - W	46	98.86%	2	46	-
Nocona - T					-
Sanger - T	12	50.00%	3	10	(2)
Southlake - T					-
Stamford - T	34	74.00%	3	34	-
Stephenville - TH	23	85.51%	3	23	-
Vernon - T	41	53.65%	3	41	-
Weatherford - T	116	72.06%	3	117	1
Western Fort Worth - T	69	82.69%	3	67	(2)
Wichita Falls North - F	35	92.00%	3	34	(1)
Wichita Falls - TH	86	66.00%	4	85	(1)
Wichita Falls Southw est - M	26	87.96%	4	27	1

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## PHOTOS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT

### ARLINGTON NORTH ROTARY



Kelly Lewis (right) presents a check to Jeff Provence, Principal of Lamar High School for \$2,000.

The funds are designated for a new marquis sign for the school. The current marquis is over 30 years old!

### ARLINGTON SUNRISE ROTARY

President Chris McLucas and Rotarian Steve Willy are shown with Arlington Bowie High School students who made 4-Way Test speech presentations to the club.



DG Paul Lucas and Arlington Sunrise President Chris McLucas are shown with some of the members of the Tarrant Community College (Southeast Branch) Rotoract Club at the charter dinner for the club which is sponsored by Arlington Sunrise.



The Arlington Sunrise Rotary Club continues to present one boy's and one girl's bike every six weeks for perfect attendance. Thornton Elementary School officials state that attendance has increased overall since the program was initiated.



## UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

### *Metroport Wine Discovery*

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*Comments and suggestions welcome.*

**Wine Discovery** is an annual charity event sponsored by the **Metroport Rotary Club** and the **Southlake Rotary Club**. All net proceeds will be used to fund annual scholarship awards to deserving students from Northeast Tarrant County and for other Rotary charity causes.

**Wine Discovery** will provide an opportunity to sample a variety of marvelous wines generally with a retail value of \$15 to \$35. Lesser known domestic and international wineries will be featured, selected by our experts to be exceptional values. You'll have the opportunity to rate 20 or more excellent wines in a program booklet. We bet that your favorite selections will not necessarily be the most expensive ones. Wine experts will be available to elaborate.



And of course in the tradition of Wine Discovery, you will have the opportunity to sample delectables selected by our culinary sponsors to complement the event's array of wines. The evening will also include entertainment.

The event is Saturday, April 30th and tickets are \$65 each. It will be held at CoreLogic Building #7, 1 CoreLogic Drive, Westlake, Texas. For more information and tickets, visit [www.metroport.org](http://www.metroport.org)

## HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE???

Does your club have an upcoming event that you want to share with other Rotarians? Did you just complete a project or fundraiser? Let others in the district know!

Please send us a write up and pictures to include in the newsletter. See the contact information to the left.

## COMING IN THE MAY NEWSLETTER...

May continues our wrap up of the Rotary Year. You'll find the final promotion of the District Conference. And District Avenues of Service Chairs will begin to recap what has gone on in their areas.

Burleson, Denton, Fort Worth South, Mansfield, Mineral Wells and Southlake will let us know what is going on with their clubs.

As always, let us know what is going on with your club!