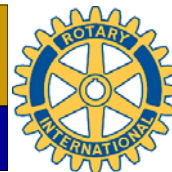




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2010-2011  
DG Paul Lucas

During the December our theme is appropriately “Family Month” which encourages us to acknowledge members, family and friends involved in our service. As we celebrate the holiday season, we are thankful for our Family of Rotary and that we are able to give back to our communities and help others around the world.

As the half way point of the Rotary year approaches, this is a good time to review progress. At the start of the year, each club submitted targets and already many of these targets are being met. During several governor visits, it has been my pleasure to help induct new members and in many cases receive club EREY and Polio donations to be transferred to the Rotary Foundation. If governor participation would benefit your next member inductions, please contact me and I will schedule as many additional visits as possible. Expanding the “Family of Rotary” with new members, supporting local causes and the international programs of the Rotary Foundation are essential to the good that can be achieved.

As we look forward, it is important to follow-through on this year’s commitments. Please also be sure to save the date: May 6-7, 2011 for our District Conference at the brand new “state of the art” Hurst Conference Center. Plans for the conference are evolving around the following:

- The theme for the Conference will be: *“Celebrate Service.”*
- The purpose will be: *to celebrate the service of those who are building communities and bridging continents and those that preserve and protect communities when disaster strikes.*
- Our goal: in addition to having high level keynote messages is to provide an environment for clubs to exchange success stories and ideas on their unique projects. The conference center has a terrific reception area for club exhibits. All clubs are encouraged to participate in this opportunity.
- Recognition thoughts for the conference include:
  - ◆ Encouraging each club to recognize a first responder from their area at the conference.
  - ◆ Streamline and segment the awards process.
- Volunteers from all areas are requested to help and provide ideas which will maximize the effectiveness of our year-end celebration, the enjoyment of all of the attendees, and the affirmation of our core values.

Thank you for your commitment to Rotary Service.

—Paul



## DISTRICT SIMPLIFIED GRANTS "The Process of Applying for a DSG"



Sharron Miles is DGE for District 5790. She has chaired the District Simplified Grant Committee for the past 2 years.

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It has been a real joy for me to serve as your District Simplified Grant Chair for the last two years. It is such a wonderful opportunity to see the many projects that clubs are doing to improve the quality of life in each community.

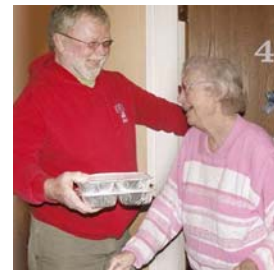
In 2003, The Rotary Foundation (TRF) Trustees established District Simplified Grants (DSGs) as a tool for districts to support service and humanitarian projects in their local communities and abroad. DSGs provide clubs a wonderful opportunity to manage grant activity at the district level and effect real change in the local communities.

The process of applying for a DSG is quite simple. Requests are accepted from 1 July through 31 March and are approved from 1 August through 15 May. The District Foundation committee meets to review all the projects, and prioritizes awards based on criteria set by the District Simplified Grant Committee.

The amount of each grant is determined by the amount of funds received from Rotary International Foundation. District 5790 offers DSG funds as a **match** to club funds. Once the funds are identified, the District Foundation Committee determines to set the matching amount. The amount for the 2010-11 year was \$1200.

In District 5790 several factors are considered in awarding a grant. First the grant has to meet a **humanitarian need** that falls under one of these six areas of focus for the Rotary Foundation:

1. General Education and Literacy
2. Economic and Community Development
3. Peace and Conflict Resolution
4. Disease Prevention and Treatment
5. Water and Sanitation
6. Maternal and child Health



Rotarians in Mineral Wells partnered with Meals on Wheels to provide meals for 40 rural senior residents in Palo Pinto County

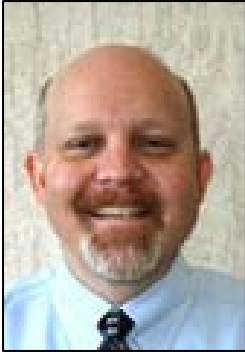
Another factor is the extent involvement of local Rotarians in the project. A project that involves all, or most, of their club members will be given preference. A third factor is the club's historical giving to the Rotary Foundation. Finally, consideration is given to the club's practice of accurately reporting previous grants in a timely manner.

All Rotary Foundation grants require the highest attention to stewardship. Progress reports must be submitted at least every 12 months for the life of the project. A final report is due within two months of the full expenditure of funds.

During the 2010-11 year eighteen (18) District Simplified Grants were awarded for projects including: an adoption awareness picnic, dictionaries for Third Graders, park improvements; hand-held dental equipment for a free clinic; refurbishing rooms in a homeless shelter, televisions for a special needs center, computers for a tutoring center, back packs for children, and many others.



## DISTRICT CONFERENCE "May 5 & 6, 2011"



Dale Harwell is chair of the 2011 District Conference.

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Hyatt Place Fort Worth/Hurst welcomes the **2011 Rotary District Conference**.

They have set aside a block of rooms honoring the rate of **\$75.00**.

Please make your reservations by **April 7, 2011**. Any reservations not received on or before this cutoff date are subject to hotel availability basis at the best available prevailing rate.

**To make your reservations please do the following:**

**Call Hyatt toll free at 1-888-492-8847**

Dates available: **May 5, 6, 7, 2011**

Group Name: **2011 Rotary District Conference**

**Or via our website at:** <http://hyattplaceftworthurst.com/>

Type in Arrival Date

Group/Corporate ID# **G-RO11**

***Guest Rooms include:***

- ◆ The Hyatt Grand Bed
- ◆ A living area called the Cozy Corner with Sectional offering queen size pull out bed
- ◆ 42" Flat Screen HD Television
- ◆ Wet Bar area with granite countertops, sink and mini refrigerator
- ◆ Pay per View movies
- ◆ Work desk with adjustable leather office chair and cordless speaker phone



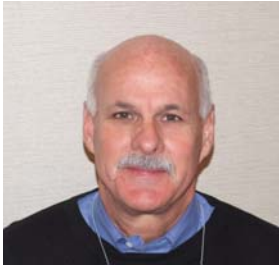
*Hyatt Place King Guest Room*



*Hyatt Place Lobby / Gallery*



## GAINESVILLE ROTARY CLUB *"Gaining New Members, Keeping Existing Members"*



Doug Leach is President of the Gainesville Rotary Club. He can be reached by e-mail at: [Doug.Leach@f-s-b.com](mailto:Doug.Leach@f-s-b.com)

The Gainesville Rotary Club is 64 members strong and growing. We have had three new members join since the new Presidential term began this past summer.

One of our main accomplishments is the hard work of the flag distributors and their hard work on holidays and special days recognized, such as 9/11. This has enabled us to fund various Rotarian projects but in addition we have promoted coat drives for the needy, gifts for ABBA (All Babies Born Alive) and Meals on Wheels just to name a few.

In keeping with Rotary International's main thrust for new membership, the Gainesville Club is seeking more participation from existing members. This is accomplished by making the weekly programs more interesting, topical and encourages involvement of members for special projects.

## HASKELL ROTARY CLUB *"Active In A Small Community"*



Myra Rainey is President of the Haskell Rotary Club. She can be reached by e-mail at:

The Haskell Rotary Club this year collected \$7,000 from its major fund-raising activity, flag sales, to support its community projects such as funding local scholarships, community service grants, dictionaries for elementary school children and to give to The Rotary Foundation.

The club also gave \$500 to the annual polio fund in memory of Abilene Rotarian David Stubbeman, a friend of the club's and of its president Myra Rainey. Rainey and spouse, Bill, attended the Annual World Polio Day dinner in Abilene, as did Rotarians Ken and Nelda Lane.

DG Paul Lucas presented Nelda Lane with the Rotary Builder Award in recognition of her devotion and help to the club and her direction of the annual fundraising project, the flags. The club puts out over 200 flags six times a year.

The club's members work collectively in the club's projects and individually in the community as well, says President Rainey.





## HEB ROTARY CLUB *"Supporting the Community"*



Sid Lorio is President, HEB Rotary Club for 2010-2011.

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The HEB Rotary Club is proud to be the Home Club for this year's District Governor Paul Lucas and city host for the district conference to be held in May at the new Hurst Conference Center. Be sure and look for additional information so you can save the date to attend what will be a great conference!



Club President Sid Lorio has focused our club on the many benefits provided through the Rotary Foundation and has challenged each of our members to consider a contribution through the purchase of a wheel chair. Along with the focus of giving, a new project for our club this year was participation with a local charity, 6Stones, to help provide backpacks and school supplies for our area schools.



We continue to support The Clubhouse for Special Needs, a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide a safe environment of fun and fellowship for mentally/physically challenged teenagers and young adults. Once again, a District Simplified Matching Grant was utilized, and our club was able to help with an expansion for The Clubhouse.

Already planning our annual golf tournament, we have set the date as June 3, 2011 and will continue to hold the tournament at Texas Star in Euless, Texas. Mark your calendar and plan to attend a Fun Fundraiser that helps our club give back to both our local and international communities.



Other upcoming club events include our Special Olympics award luncheon, 4 Way Speech Contest, and the always popular Top 10 Banquet recognizing the top ten graduates from our area high schools.

HEB Rotary Club President Sid Lorio and all our members welcome you to visit our weekly, Tuesday meetings or any of our other fun events. Visit our website at [www.hebrotary.org](http://www.hebrotary.org) to learn more about HEB Rotary Club.



## DENTON SOUTH ROTARY CLUB "Active Locally and Internationally"



Marion Scott is President, Denton South Rotary Club.

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The Denton-South Rotary club, which received the District 5790 Governor's cup as the most outstanding club in the District, is involved in many projects that are too numerous to detail here, but we will highlight two of our recent accomplishments for this article. Our main fund raising project is the Flag Program, which generates around \$36,000 from over 900 flags.

For the third year in a row, the Denton-South Rotary Club has distributed dictionaries to all 3rd graders and their teachers in the Denton Independent School District (DISD) and recently including 3 charter schools. The response to the presentation of dictionaries has always been enthusiastic and rewarding. The numbers have grown from a total of 1600 dictionaries the first year, to 2100 dictionaries the second year, and to 2400 dictionaries this year. These dictionaries were purchased from a non-profit organization (The Dictionary Project) located in Charleston, South Carolina. The cost per book is \$1.70, which includes shipping.

The Dictionary Project organization offers 5 different paperback versions. Our club has always purchased "A Student's Dictionary," which includes (in addition to the traditional dictionary) a copy of the U.S. Constitution, The Declaration of Independence, biographies of the U.S. Presidents, facts about the 50 United States, the planets, the countries of the world, and weights and measures, the multiplication table, the Sign Language alphabet, the Braille alphabet, and the longest word.

Our Denton-South Club (in partnership with the Mineral Wells Club and the local rotary club in Guatemala City) saw the urgent requirement for a van to provide the required transportation for sick children and their families at the 44 bed Kairos House (equivalent to Ronald MacDonald House in the US) in Guatemala City. We obtained matching support from District 5790, and then we received an additional matching grant from The Rotary Foundation (TRF), and finally we secured the closing \$500 from the local club in Guatemala



The van and some of the people benefitting from the gift by Denton South, Mineral Wells and Guatemala City.

City. So our original \$2500 gift, of which Denton-South Rotarian David Strutton gave about \$900, was elevated into the required \$13,500 for the van.



## DUBLIN ROTARY CLUB *"Sponsoring a Rotary Peace Fellow"*



Michael Haley is President, Dublin Rotary Club.

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The Dublin Rotary Club is excited that things are moving forward for Cody Griggers, the Dublin native who has been accepted into the Rotary Foundation's Peace Fellowship program.

Cody, who has lived in Thailand for the past ten years, will leave for Brisbane, Australia in early February. He has been accepted into the Master's in International Relations program in Peace and Conflict Resolution at the University of Queensland. Orientation starts on Feb. 21, 2011 and the first day of classes is one week later.



Cody will be in Australia for two years as part of the Peace Scholar program. He is currently working with his local Rotary host who is helping with housing arrangements and coordinating arrival.

"In the meantime, I am making a mad rush to begin closing what has been a wonderfully long chapter of my life in Thailand (10 years)," Cody said. "I've actually made a list of 'must-do's-before-I-leave-Thailand' and am working hard to get through them -- festivals I've never been do, far-flung places I haven't seen, foods I haven't tried, etc. It's going to be a hard goodbye but I'm thrilled to be starting this new chapter."

Cody said that so far things have gone smoothly and he doesn't expect any more hurdles to jump. "RI is working on my travel arrangements so I'll know more about exactly when I am departing in the coming weeks, and what the first month abroad will entail."

Cody underwent a rigorous application and interview process before being named an alternate last year, but was accepted into the program this year. He is a graduate of Dublin High School and Princeton University.



## LEWISVILLE MORNING ROTARY CLUB *"Rotarians in Partnership with the City of Lewisville tackle Household Hazardous Waste"*



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In 1999, Lewisville Morning Rotary approached the City looking for a community service project. At that time the City was just beginning to investigate the need for Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection and subsequently received a grant to construct a mobile collection unit in a partnership with Upper Trinity Regional Water District.



In 1999, the center started with 4 events per year using a contracted mobile collection unit. Then in May 2007 we opened the permanent collection center on Jones Street and started having monthly events. Lewisville Morning Rotary has provided volunteer staff for every event we have had since the first event in 1999. At the end of 2010 we will have had 76 collection events.

Lisa Weaver, the Environmental Programs Coordinator for the City of Lewisville shares that Lewisville Morning Rotary has contributed approximately 2,500 volunteer hours since the program began in 1999. If the City had used paid personnel to fill those spots, the cost would have been around \$50,000 over the lifetime of the program.



Since 1999, we have served 9,700 households and collected almost 725,000 pounds of materials (HHW and electronics). We recycle 40% of what we collect at local Metroplex recyclers. The "Service Above Self" motto for Lewisville Morning Rotary has truly blessed the City and Community of Lewisville in many profound ways.





**OCTOBER 2010 CLUB ATTENDANCE**

RotaryClub	Members 10/1/2010	%	Mtgs	Members 10/31/2010	Add/Loss
Abilene - F					-
Abilene Southw est - T	58	79.63%	4	60	2
Abilene Wednesday					-
Arlington - TH					-
Arlington GSW - W	39	77.00%	4	39	-
Arlington North - M	40	93.15%	4	40	-
Arlington South - F	24	53.91%	5	24	-
Arlington Sunrise - F	65	92.92%	5	64	(1)
Arlington Sunset - T	8	87.50%	4	8	-
Arlington West - T	34	58.00%	4	34	-
Azle - TH	40	63.00%	4	40	-
Bow ie - W	22	61.66%	4	23	1
Breckenridge - T	21	65.50%	4	21	-
Brow nw ood - W					-
Burkburnett - T					-
Burleson - F					-
Burleson Area Mid Day - M	30	83.00%	4	30	-
Cisco - TH					-
Cleburne - TH	87	64.74%	4	87	-
Coleman - M					-
Colleyville - T					-
Crow ell - W					-
Decatur - TH	23	52.00%	4	23	-
Denton - TH	84	57.37%	4	84	-
Denton South - T	32	70.00%	4	32	-
Dublin - T	25	61.00%	4	24	(1)
Eastland - TH					-
Flow er Mound - TH	72	88.93%	4	71	(1)
Fort Worth East - M	35	61.00%	4	34	(1)
Fort Worth International - W	14	75.00%	1	16	2
Fort Worth North - W	18	62.00%	4	19	1
Fort Worth - F	467	58.00%	5	479	12

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RotaryClub	Members	%	Mtgs	Members	Add/Loss
	10/1/2010			10/31/2010	
Fort Worth South - T	71	71.70%	4	70	(1)
Fort Worth Southw est - TH	22	81.00%	4	23	1
Gainesville - W					-
Graham - F					-
Granbury - TH	53	63.21%	4	53	-
Grapevine - W	97	75.64%	4	94	(3)
Hamlin - W	24	82.00%	4	24	-
Haskell - TH	21	64.29%	4	21	-
HEB - T	67	80.00%	4	67	-
Highland Village					-
low a Park - W					
Keller - T					
Kennedale	29	73.30%	4	29	-
Lake Ray Roberts - T	14	70.00%	4	16	2
Lewisville Morning - TH	25	95.00%	5	25	-
Lewisville Noon - W	54	89.86%	4	55	1
Mansfield - T	39	79.05%	4	38	(1)
Mansfield Sunrise - TH	19	76.00%	4	20	1
Metroport - F	31	91.54%	5	31	-
Mid-Cities Pacesetters - F	51	72.16%	5	49	(2)
Mineral Wells - W	43	78.00%	4	44	1
Nocona - T					-
Sanger - T	10	47.00%	4	10	-
Southlake - T					-
Stamford - T					-
Stephenville - TH	26	66.00%	4	25	(1)
The Colony - T					-
Vernon - T	43	57.31%	5	41	(2)
Weatherford - T	117	68.50%	4	118	1
Western Fort Worth - T	70	82.55%	4	71	1
Wichita Falls North - F					-
Wichita Falls - TH	85	62.00%	4	85	-
Wichita Falls Southw est - M	25	85.15%	4	25	-

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## UPCOMING DISTRICT YOUTH EVENTS

### ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE *Applications Due January 8, 2011*



Jim Aneff is Youth Exchange Officer for District 5790.

He has been active in Youth Exchange for over a decade, and has a passion for helping youth experience other countries.

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We are starting to receive applications from students who want to become Rotary exchange students. New information will be on the District website soon.

In the meantime, please contact Jim Aneff or Phyllis Catton concerning any questions.

The deadline for clubs to send the student applications to District is Jan 8, 2011.

This is fantastic opportunity to send a student to another country for a once in a lifetime experience. But it takes club participation to make this happen. RI has our district several student inquiries because they did not know who to contact in their local area. Additionally, a number of countries are writing us to ask if we can have both short term and long term exchanges with them.



*Henrik Nylanden, Finnish exchange student visiting a West Texas cotton field near Abilene/*

### RYLA *"Applications have been mailed!"*

The RYLA packet has been sent, you should expect it anytime.

RYLA will be held in June, 2011 at Texas Women's University.



If you need to access it, you can do so on the district website. If you have questions, please contact Kathy Bauer, RYLA Chair. email: [krbauer@yahoo.com](mailto:krbauer@yahoo.com) or on her cell at 940-727-8310.



## UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

### CHRISTMAS FEST 2010

#### *"A Traditional Style Christmas Market Comes to North Texas"*

The Highland Village, Lewisville Morning, Lewisville Noon, Flower Mound and The Colony Rotary Clubs, announce the first annual Christmas Fest, a traditional style Christmas market open to the public.

The goal is to help put Christ back in Christmas and Christmas back in the community while benefiting area charities. Proceeds will go to the charities supported by the area Rotary Clubs including Habitat for Humanity, Salvation Army and CCA.

Activities include nightly live entertainment including local choirs, live Nativity, festive food and drinks, face painting, prize wheel and more. Families are invited to visit Santa's Wonderland where kids will be invited to meet Santa and have pictures taken. The Christmas market will feature local vendors offering a variety of gifts, arts, crafts and more.

WHERE: Garden Ridge Farmers Market at 2999 N Stemmons Freeway in Lewisville, TX.

DATES: Fridays—5—9 PM and Saturdays 4—9 PM through December 18th.

For more information about Christmasfest visit: <http://www.facebook.com/ChristmasfestLakeLewisville>

### FLOWER MOUND ROTARY

#### *"Vine & Dine"*

Event: Vine and Dine: A Toast to Flower Mound Rotary Charities

Host: Flower Mound Rotary Club

Place: Celebrations Ballroom, 2380 FM 407, Highland Village 75077

When: Friday, January 28, 2011 at 7 pm

Keynote Speaker: Mark Davis from WBAP

Please join us for an evening of exquisite dining, wine stroll, live music and live auction.

For more information go to [www.FlowerMoundWineStroll.com](http://www.FlowerMoundWineStroll.com) or call Janet Ogletree at 214-334-5505 or Jackie Herr at 940-395-6465.







# CLUB EVENT RECAPS

## HIGHLAND VILLAGE *"2nd Annual Tacky but Formal Ball"*



Guests at Highland Village Rotary Club's 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Formal But Tacky Ball had something to celebrate Friday October 22<sup>nd</sup> on the rooftop lounge at A Royal Affairs Ballroom in Old Town Lewisville. Guests cheered from the rooftop lounge as the Texas Rangers celebrated their win taking them to the World Series. The club could not have planned a bigger end to the event that featured dinner, dancing, a dessert raffle, a VIP cigar lounge, and a live and silent auction.



Some of the items that raised the most money were a Texas Ranger jersey autographed by Darren Oliver, a seven course dinner for eight at The Grotto, a Dallas Stars autographed hockey stick, and a polo match for 24 guests at Prestonwood Polo & Country Club.



Special to the Formal But Tacky Ball is the Bras for a Cause auction that features bras decorated by local artists to increase breast cancer awareness. There were eleven bras featured in the auction such as: Treasure Your Chest, Target Your Heart, Nestled in the Ta'Ta's, Booby Sooner, Mardi Bra, Dairy Queen, to name a few.



Pictures and more information on the event can be found at [www.rotaryformalbuttacky.com](http://www.rotaryformalbuttacky.com)

## ARLINGTON SUNRISE *"Sponsoring a Picnic for Foster Children"*

The Arlington Sunrise Rotary Club, in conjunction with Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (CPS), recently sponsored a picnic for local foster children ages 7 to 17 and prospective adoptive parents. The plan was to provide a safe environment for the kids and prospective parents to mingle and get to know one another. Arlington Sunrise provided food, drinks and games for the 35 children and a great time was had by all. Additionally, CPS reported that there were two potential adoptive matches. All Rotarians agreed that this project is a highlight of the year and all look forward to having a bigger and better picnic next year.





# DG PAUL—CLUB VISITS—OCTOBER 2010

## District Governor Visits to: Sanger, Lewisville, Lewisville Morning, Flower Mound, and Highland Village Rotary Clubs



## District Governor visits to Colony, Lake Ray Roberts, Gainesville & Denton Clubs







## PHOTOS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT

### *"Arlington Sunrise—EREY for 2009/2010 & Major Donor Pin Recognition"*

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To submit articles please send them to the editor at the e-mail address above. Submissions are requested by the 20th of the month.

Comments and suggestions welcome.



Immediate PDG John Miller presents a banner to Past President Danny Steffer recognizing the Arlington Sunrise Club as an EREY Club for 2009-2010



Arlington Sunrise President Chris McLucas receives his Major Donor Level Two pin from District Foundation Chair PDG Dan Morales

## 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 JANUARY NEWSLETTER...

January is Rotary Awareness Month. You'll find articles on Public Relations, the International Convention, Awards Promotion and PETS—President Elect Training Seminar.

Burkburnett, Fort Worth Southwest, Graham, Granbury, Arlington Great Southwest and Kennedale will let us know what is going on with their clubs.

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