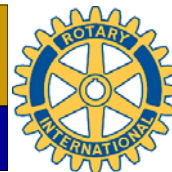




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Greetings for the Holiday season,

As we review the world at this time, let us be mindful of the suffering in the world, and how we as Rotarians can serve the poor and broken one and all mankind. Let us remember the focus of Rotary for peace and goodwill throughout the world. Each of us has a part in that as we give our time and treasures to Rotary. Your contributions provide humanitarian support to millions of people each day through our matching grants and End Polio Now efforts. Your contributions educate some our brightest minds to be Ambassadorial Scholars and Peace Scholars who work diligently to create a peaceful world. Your contributions support Youth Exchange and Group Study Exchange teams who demonstrate global compassion for others. So, you see, while we are surrounded by family and friends during this season, we are also making the world a better place by giving a small donation to give peace and comfort to others.

Best wishes for a wonderful holiday season for all of you!

Sharron



"DISTRICT SIMPLIFIED GRANTS" "QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS"

Marilyn Pokorny is chair, District Simplified Grants for 2011-2012.

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Q: What is the purpose of a District Simplified Grant?

A: The purpose is to support Service activities or Humanitarian endeavors of the district. For example: This year 2011-2012 Twenty-three clubs submitted application between July 1st to August 5th for projects to help their community or special group.

Q: What kind of project?

A: **Arlington North** submitted application with an "Early Childhood and Infant Mortality Project". Several clubs (**Arlington Sunrise, Ft Worth East**), helped their community with back to school packets including backpacks and basic school supplies. While, (**Lewisville Noon**) was part of a "Back to School Fair" which included backpacks, school supplies, health screening, dental, vision and haircuts. "The Dictionary Project" is an easy project yet it gets a lot of the club members involved. That project is being done by (**Cleburne, HEB, Mansfield Sunrise, Mansfield, Arlington Great S.W., Arlington South, and Lewisville Morning**). Each 3rd grader gets their own dictionary to help with their studies. A lot of times it also helps their family with learning English. (**Granbury**) is building handicap ramps, and (**Breckenridge**) is helping the VFD of Hubbard Creek. Those are just a few of the projects.

Q: After a club decides on a project what happens next?

A: A member of the club who has successfully completed a District Grant Certification session will write a grant. It really isn't hard to write a grant. You just follow the Rotary guide lines and make sure all the questions are answered. The grant is then submitted with all (I's) dotted and (T's) crossed to the District Chair for review. It is presented to a committee for approval. The club requesting has to be in good standing and be contributing to the Rotary Foundation's Annual Program Fund. Once approved the Club Chair requests the funds when the Club is ready to start the project.

Q: How is the money decided upon?

A: Rotary International determines the amount the District will receive. Because all of our paper work was in for 2010-2011 our District 5790 was approved again. This year we were granted \$22,460.00. The District Committee will match up to \$1200.00. The Club has to support the other half.

Q: So let me get this straight...

1. A club decides on a project...
2. submits a grant and how much their project should cost
3. a committee approves the grant

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4. the club requests the money for half when they are ready to start the club is done

A: Almost... Once the project is done the Club Chair for the project needs to submit a **FINAL REPORT**. All the money needs to be accounted for with

back-up (i.e.) receipts, who participated, what was the final out come of the project, and will it continue to benefit. That final report needs to be submitted to the District Chair, and then it will be submitted to R.I. A club has 1 year from July to July to complete the project. (IF) the final report is not submitted the club will not be good standing and can not request an additional grant until all the paper work has been turned in from the first grant.

Q: Then the club is done?

A: Yes, then the club is done providing all the (I's) are dotted and (T's) crossed on the final report. It isn't hard and the results are so rewarding.

"ROTARY FOUNDATION DINNER AND GALA"

Join us for the "Denims and Diamonds Gala".

Honoring Rotarians who support and participate in our Rotary Foundation Program.

Date: February 10, 2012

Where: Sheraton Fort Worth Hotel, 1701 Commerce Street, Fort Worth, TX

Special Guest of Honor: Rotary International President, Kaylan Banerjee, for 2011-2012

Details will be posted in the next few weeks.



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"DISTRICT CONFERENCE"



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A Celebration of Champions

**Rotary District 5790 District
Conference**

May 18-19, 2012

**Fort Worth Sheraton Hotel
and Spa**

Greetings Rotarians,

We have already begun planning for your 2012 District Conference where we will be celebrating our Rotary Champions. I am excited to have this opportunity to honor you and the work of your clubs. Mark your calendars now to attend and share in our celebration of Rotary District 5790!



“POLIO PLUS UPDATE ”



Conrad Heede is District Chair—Polio Plus for District 5790.

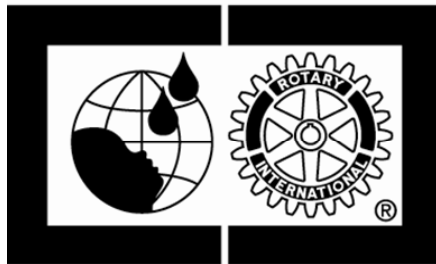
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\$195.2 Million

Raised since 12/01/07 to meet the Polio Challenge

PolioPlus



Rotary International



Polio Plus: Rotary's obligation to the children of the world
Our Goal is Global Polio Eradication!

5,700,000 Children Saved from Polio Paralysis since 1985!

Polio Eradication Update

For The Week Ending 12/10/11

Total paralysis cases	Year-to-date 2011	Thru this date in 2010	Total in 2010
Globally	560	821	1,349
- in endemic countries:	272	196	232
- in non-endemic countries:	288	625	1,117

New Polio cases reported in the last week:
Pakistan 6, Afghanistan 1, India 0, Nigeria 0

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

Endemic Countries – 1 India (2010-42), 46 Nigeria (2010-21)
167 Pakistan (2010-144), 59 Afghanistan (2010-25)

+ Importation Countries – 4 Angola (2010-33), 2 Burkina Faso (2010-0), 2 CAR(2010-0)
124-Chad (2010-26), 18-China (2010-0), 1-Congo (2010-384), 35-Cote d'Ivoire (2010-0), 86
DRC (2010-100), 1 Gabon (2010-0), 2 Guinea (2010-0), 0 Kazakhstan (2010-1), 1 Kenya (2010-
0), 0 Liberia(2010-2), 9 Mali (2010-4), 0 Mauritania (2010-5), 0 Nepal (2010-6), 2 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)

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"BOWIE ROTARY CLUB" *"Personal Involvement Has Paid Off"*



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This year Bowie Rotary has emphasized more personal involvement in club projects. Improving that our club is traditionally one which only throws money to support a project, members actively participated in several successful activities that have benefited our community and international programs as well.

Again this year, the club distributed dictionaries to third-graders at Bowie Intermediate and also nearby Montague and Forestburg schools. Rotarians took the books to the classrooms, presented them individually to the students, and then led them in seek/find games using their new dictionaries.



In September, on the tenth anniversary of the 9/11 terrorists attacks, club members were again actively involved as they delivered pies and cookies to local first responders as a token of appreciation. Later in the fall, the club operated their food booth at Bowies's Chicken 'n Bread Days, offering funnel cake, fried snickers bars, and cobbler. The fundraiser contributed to the clubs's EndPolioNow commitment as did a golf tournament that the club held earlier in the summer.

In December, the club will host our annual Christmas part for the 30+ resident at T K Ranch, a home for mentally challenged adults. Club members go to the ranch, prepare a hot dog meal, sing carols, and present gifts from the residents' own wish lists. On a rotating basis, three members are selected to lead the singing at weekly meetings, give the invocation and to lead the four-way test.



A group of dedicated officers and service chair shave paved the way for a successful year. In addition to PETS and seminar, some were able to attend the Institute for Leadership. The leadership strategies they learned greatly benefitted our club. In club assemblies, officers and committee chairpersons provide information and lead brainstorming sessions not only on our local club objectives but also on district wide programs, like the Rotary Foundation. One goal for this year is to have a 100% PHF Club.

We have increased membership by five, for a total of 30. To attract new members and to encourage attendance, we know that we must have quality local programs each week. Our programs this year have included visits with local officials like the mayor, chamber director, and county judge and also Rotary-based presentations on the blood challenge and wheelchairs. Program topics of high interest have ranged from winemaking to the JFK assassination. Our club's 88th birthday celebration in October was a special day with re-



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membrances of the past and then a forward look to new opportunities.

Bowie Rotary believes in youth! We again sponsored two students to RYLA and heard about their experiences when they came to visit us. We had both in-bound and out-bound long-term exchange students: Dakota who lived in Sweden this past year and Carlos who came to us from Brazil. We recognized two seniors as Students of the Month and held the annual 4-Way Test Speech Contest. Our Happy Feet Program, which supplies shoes for area school children, got a real boost this year through a district matching grant. Under the New Generations Service Avenue, student will participated in the purple pinkie project to benefit EndPolioNow. The club will plant a tree in the Memory Garden near our new high school football stadium. For several years, the club has supported the local Boy Scout Troop, and in addition, Rotarian serve on the Troop Committee. Our scholarship program has been a focus of the club since its inception, and for the past 40 years we have held a raffle of a new pickup truck to fund the program. This past year we were very pleased to present a total of over \$13,000 to graduating seniors and to the NCTC Scholarship Fund.

In all, Bowie Rotary Club is a group of dedicated professionals bound by a sense of purpose to make a difference in our community and around the world.

"COLLEYVILLE ROTARY CLUB" "A Spectacular Year!"



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By any measure, 2010-2011 was a spectacular year for the Rotary Club of Colleyville. Our Dance for the Stars annual event in February was successful beyond our wildest dreams. That was followed in May with multiple awards for small clubs at the District 5790 Conference: First Place – Community Service, Second Place – International Service, Third Place – Vocational Service, and Third Place – Avenues of Service. Additionally, one of our members, **Jon Bullock**, was named District 5790 Rotarian of the Year.

Our 2011-2012 year has had an outstanding start. Our installation ceremony was a celebration of 25 years of dedicated Rotary Service in Colleyville. The ceremony was officiated by **PDG Walt Milner** and honored many of our club's past presidents including Colleyville's First Rotary President, **Dr. Louis Miller, 1986-1987**.

Under the effective leadership of our new president, Rotarian **Jason Ellis**, our club has continued our great winning trajectory this year. During July, we honored one of the District 5790 Four Way Speech Finalists. We also furnished over 400 pair of eye glasses to Alcon for distribution to



PDG **Walt Milner**, front left, with President **Jason Ellis**, back left, and his new team



"COLLEYVILLE ROTARY CLUB, Con't"

those needing eye glasses in disadvantaged countries. During August, the Colleyville club provided financial support for an Eagle Scout project in a local troop. Our club also volunteered 63 hours of service to Immunization Collaboration of Tarrant County for their mass immunization of students prior to school enrollment. In addition, one of our members, **Jon Bullock**, represented our club and district by joining a group of Rotarians who delivered wheel chairs to Leon, Mexico.



Colleyville Rotarian volunteering at Immunization Collaboration of Tarrant County.

During September, our club helped fund equipment for a new Colleyville Police Department initiative, Rape Aggression Defense (RAD), which is a program that teaches realistic self-defense tactics and techniques for women. Members also collected and delivered six used hearing aids to the Head of Audiology at Callier Center, UT Dallas to be reconditioned for use by those needing but who cannot afford a hearing aid, saving them thousands of dollars.*



Our club is busy planning and organizing our major annual event, *Dance for the Stars*, to be held in February. It has been identified, by prior year's success, as the Premier Fund Raising Event in Colleyville. Our American Flag subscription program provides additional funds for Club Service. In that, we partner with a local Boy Scout troop to set up, take down and store 180 flags on recognized flag waving days.

Colleyville Rotarians have been represented at all District 5790 Seminars this year and have several members who have already registered for the International Convention in Bangkok. We have attracted two great new members with hearts for service: **Robin Burgess**, new to Rotary, and **B J Smith**, who transferred from another district.



DG Sharron Miles presents Rotary Builders Award to Melissa Stewart at her official club visit.

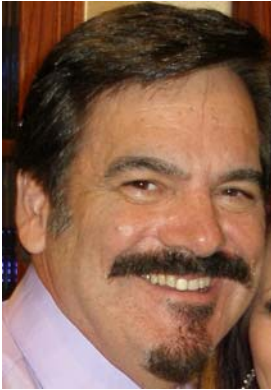
During the recent District Governor's official visit, **Sharron Miles** presented Rotarian **Marvin Bahnman** with a Paul Harris Fellow certificate and pin, noting that a very high percentage of our members (seven of our thirteen) are Paul Harris Fellows. One of our goals for 2011-2012 is to be a 100% Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member Club and an Every Rotarian Every Year Club. We are currently on track to being eligible to receive the President's Citation for 2011-2012.

Our club meets at the best restaurant in town, Ruggeri's Italian. Our weekly programs are outstanding and we have great socials for Rotarians and their families every month.

* Other Rotary Clubs in the district are invited to partner with the Rotary Club of Colleyville in collecting and disseminating used eye glasses and hearing aids. It is an easy and very worthy service project. For information, contact **Bill Harris**: bharris5@charter.net



ARLINGTON GREAT SOUTHWEST ROTARY *"Dec 28th program on Afghanistan"*



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Arlington Great Southwest Rotary meets at Humperdinks Restaurant in Arlington—by Six Flags at Noon on Wednesday's.



Presentation to The Great Southwest Rotary on December 28, 2011

Dan Runzheimer will provide an introduction and overview of the history and economic and demographic background of Afghanistan. He will offer fact-based opinions on future strategy and actions in Afghanistan, including the role of international borders, the use of large-scale occupation forces, the idea of nation-building, foreign internal defense (partnership), and special operations. Dan will challenge us to think about the idea of "strategic value" versus "doing a good thing" in the use of military force in a "place" like Afghanistan (Afghanistan is not a country).

Runzheimer completed active duty service as a Captain in the United States Marine Corps. He served in Iraq, Afghanistan, Haiti, Africa, and the Middle East. He was a rifle and weapons platoon commander in Ramadi, Iraq; company commander, and finally ground forces watch officer for the fourteen eastern provinces of Afghanistan during a six month tour in Afghanistan earlier this year.

Dan is a 2001 graduate of Martin High School and a 2006 merit graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy. He was honorably discharged from the Marine Corps in July 2011. He is currently a first year student in the MBA program at the Wharton School of Business, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.



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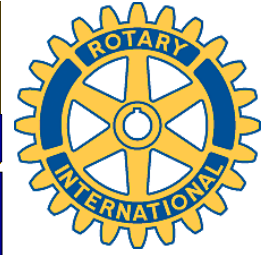
October 2011 Attendance

RotaryClub	Members	%	Mtgs	Members	Add/Loss
	10/1/2011			10/31/2011	
Abilene - F	96	49.18%	4	96	49
Abilene Southw est - T	58	82.33%	4	58	-
Abilene Wednesday					-
Arlington - TH	119	59.49%	4	119	-
Arlington GSW - W	35	76.15%	4	35	-
Arlington North - M	38	78.45%	5	38	-
Arlington South - F	18	60.29%	4	17	(1)
Arlington Sunrise - F	63	86.64%	4	63	-
Arlington Sunset - T	14	83.93%	4	14	-
Arlington West - T	32	69.00%	4	34	2
Azle - TH	33	55.00%	4	33	-
Bow ie - W					-
Breckenridge - T	27	76.00%	4	27	-
Brow nw ood - W	24	68.48%	4	24	-
Burkburnett - T	39	56.17%	4	41	2
Burleson - F					-
Burleson Area Mid Day - M					-
Cisco - TH					-
Cleburne - TH	76	58.22%	4	75	(1)
Coleman - M					-
Colleyville - T	11	73.00%	4	13	2
Crow ell - W					-
Decatur - TH					-
Denton - TH	87	69.50%	4	87	-
Denton South - T	37	75.68%	4	37	-
Dublin - T	24	68.00%	4	25	1
Eastland - TH	20	68.75%	4	20	-
Flow er Mound - TH	76	84.05%	4	76	-
Fort Worth East - M	33	65.00%	5	33	-
Fort Worth International - W					-
Fort Worth North - W	22	65.00%	4	22	-
Fort Worth - F	449	55.00%	4	453	4
Fort Worth South - T	60	56.83%	4	58	(2)

Club Attendance is to be submitted to the District Secretary within 15 days after the last meeting of the calendar month. Club Secretaries should submit their attendance to District Secretary Richard Sherman at the following e-mail address: rsherman5790@sbcglobal.net



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October 2011 Attendance, Con't

RotaryClub	Members	%	Mtgs	Members	Add/Loss
	10/1/2011			10/31/2011	
Fort Worth Southw est - TH	25	57.69%	4	26	1
Gainesville - W					-
Graham - F					-
Granbury - TH	56	79.02%	4	56	-
Grapevine - W	92	66.66%	4	93	1
Hamlin - W					-
Haskell - TH					-
HEB - T	67	80.00%	4	68	1
Highland Village	30	89.43%	4	31	1
low a Park - W					-
Keller - T					-
Kennedale					-
Lake Ray Roberts - T	14	80.36%	4	14	-
Lewisville Morning - TH	27	96.43%	4	28	1
Lewisville Noon - W	56	87.44%	4	56	-
Mansfield - T	33	94.70%	4	33	-
Mansfield Sunrise - TH	21	77.11%	4	20	(1)
Metroport - F	27	89.72%	4	28	1
Mid-Cities Pacesetters - F	49	58.55%	4	49	-
Mineral Wells - W	41	83.54%	4	41	-
Nocona - T					-
Southlake - T					-
Stamford - T					-
Stephenville - TH	22	86.36%	4	22	-
Vernon - T	41	57.50%	4	40	(1)
Weatherford - T	107	60.95%	4	105	(2)
Western Fort Worth - T	63	79.20%	4	64	1
Wichita Falls North - F	31	83.00%	4	31	-
Wichita Falls - TH	80	66.23%	4	80	-
Wichita Falls Southw est - M	30	84.00%	4	30	-

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PHOTOS FROM ARLINGTON SUNRISE

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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.



Arlington Sunrise club members are shown with faculty and students at West Elementary School in Arlington where club members delivered the final installment of school supplies. The club delivered the school supplies as part of a District Simplified Grant. Including club contributions, over \$3000 worth of supplies were provided West Elementary.



Arlington Sunrise President Dwayne Wade receives a recognition award from Bill Gilmore, Assistant Director of Parks for the city of Arlington, for the club's construction of a Shade Arbor at the Community Garden on the University of Texas, Arlington campus.

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 about Public Relations from Doug Newsom, the International Convention from Jeannie and Troy Secord, and PETS by Hollis Lackey.

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