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# Rotary District 5790 Newsletter

## DG John-Monthly Update

Hello Rotarians of District 5790,



2009-2010 DG John and his wife

I apologize for the delay in publishing this issue of our newsletter. On Wednesday it was indeed my pleasure to visit the Rotary Club of Grapevine and announce that Rotarian Donald W. Davis, a member of their club had been selected to be our District Governor 2012-2013. And I wanted to share that great news with you in this newsletter.

As we enter the new year I along with the Rotary Club of Denton are fully involved in planning our District Confer-

ence 2010 which will be held on April 9-11 at the DFW Marriott at Champions Circle across from the Texas Motor Speedway, along with a great golf tournament on Thursday April 8th. There are over 35 Rotarians involved with the goal of making this one of the best conferences yet, loaded with great fun and lots of young people. One of the things that I found as I have traveled around the district this Rotary Year is that most Rotarians do not venture out of their clubs and learn about other clubs in our district or the world-wide scope of Rotary International. This is a super opportunity for our club members to step out beyond their clubs and get to know other Rotarians and what they do throughout north Texas. Please mark your calendars now and plan to be there for District Conference 2010.

We were told that one of the buses in Fort Worth T's fleet was seen today with our Face of Rotary on the side. The face is that of Rotarian Christine Singh of the Rotary Club of Southlake. There will be a total of ten buses traveling the roads of Tarrant County with the Face of Rotarian Christine Singh – Financial Advisor, Mother, Literacy Volunteer on the side. In the next weeks keep an eye out for the other Faces of Rotary on bill boards and in local newspapers throughout the district.

HAPPY NEW YEAR,

John & Claire





Sarah Maben is District Chair—Publicity for our district.

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### PUBLIC RELATIONS—FACES CAMPAIGN

As District Governor John Miller announced last month, our district received a Rotary International Public Relations grant. RI provides advertisements we can use, but we wanted to showcase Rotarians from our district. In November we asked Rotarians to submit nominees to become our faces of Rotary. More than 40 faces were submitted and the final decision was that we needed multiple faces of Rotary. A big thank you goes out to all who sent nominations. The selected faces are going to become advertisements on buses, billboards, the Web, and in newspapers. We hope to have the ads on buses and billboards later this month to celebrate Rotary Awareness Month. Look for an announcement soon on where you can see these ads. DG John announced the names last month and now you can see their faces.

As pictured from top to bottom:

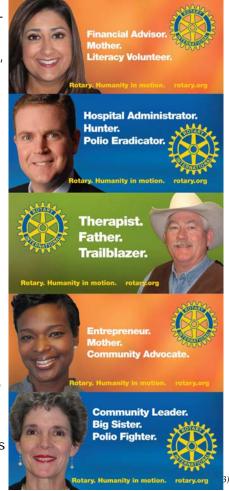
**Christine Singh**, Southlake – Financial Advisor. Mother. Literacy Volunteer.

She was nominated by Timothy Moorehead, who said Christine represents the future of Rotary and has been involved in many projects. She has a special heart for literacy projects and was first a Rotarian at age 23.

Harris Brooks, Mineral Wells – Hospital Administrator. Hunter. Polio Eradicator. He was nominated by Diane Brown, who said Harris gives 110 percent effort to anything he does. She said he brings fresh fundraising ideas that are paying off.

**Jeff Bearden**, Vernon - Therapist. Father. Trailblazer.

He was nominated by Sylvia Mahoney, who sang his praises. She said he represents the essence of Rotary, is a fine family man and just a fun guy to up the trail with. Jeff's club is working to mark historic trails.







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# FACES OF DISTRICT 5790, Con't

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**Tonya Veasey**, Fort Worth - Entrepreneur. Mother. Community Advocate. She was nominated by Sid Johnston, who said she's a tireless volunteer and represents the future of Rotary.

**Mary Jean Moloney**, Arlington – Community Leader. Big Sister. Polio Fighter.

She was nominated by Susie McAlister, who said Mary Jean is a busy community leader, outstanding leader and serves the name of Rotary well.

**PR Opportunities** – Rotary Awareness Month (January) is an ideal time to spread the good word of Rotary. Try social media this year. Ask your members to mention their Rotary pride on their MySpace/Facebook pages. Have your Twitter-savvy members send tweets during your January meetings. Rotary International has a presence on many social networking sites. Read more at <a href="http://www.rotary.org/en/MediaAndNews/Multimedia/social\_networking/Pages/ridefault.aspx">http://www.rotary.org/en/MediaAndNews/Multimedia/social\_networking/Pages/ridefault.aspx</a>

Our Rotary Faces Campaign is moving along. We've had reports that our Rotary buses have hit the streets. If you're in Fort Worth, look for Christine Singh, of the Soutlake club, on Fort Worth's The T buses. If you see a bus, spread the word, grab a picture, or tweet about it.

Thinking ahead, Rotary's anniversary is Feb. 23. See a news release template you can localize for your club at <a href="http://www.rotary.org/en/Members/RunningAClub/InformingTheCommunity/Pages/Documentlibrary.aspx">http://www.rotary.org/en/Members/RunningAClub/InformingTheCommunity/Pages/Documentlibrary.aspx</a>. Look at the bottom of the Web page for Rotary Day News Release Template.

**PR** Listserv – Our district has a special public relations network to help spread ideas and our publicity successes. If you or your club's public relations contact would like to be involved, please send an e-mail to Sarah Maben at <a href="mabens@charter.net">mabens@charter.net</a>.

**PR Teleconference** – Do you have an interest in public relations? We'll have a teleconference at 7 p.m. Monday, January 11. Contact Sarah Maben at <a href="mabens@charter.net">mabens@charter.net</a> if you'd like to participate.





J. Paul Lucas is District Governor Elect for 2010-2011. He will take office on July 1, 2010.

He is a member of the Rotary Club of Hurst-Euless-Bedford.

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### PRESIDENT ELECT TRAINING SEMINAR

Incoming Presidents for 2010-2011

Mark your Calendars!

LONE STAR PETS (Presidents-elect Training Seminar)

DFW Hyatt Regency Hotel

March 19-21, 2010

Lone Star PETS is a multi-district event designed to prepare you for your year as club president. With over 800 participants, this conference has the power to draw excellent instructors and world class speakers who share their knowledge on how to be successful in leading your Rotary club. The fellowship and exchange of ideas will greatly enrich your capabilities as a president.

For more information and to register visit <a href="https://www.lonestarrotarypets.org">www.lonestarrotarypets.org</a>

You may use your VISA or Master Card to register online and don't forget to make your hotel reservations at the special PETS rate of \$99 per night. (be sure to receive a confirmation number).

Rotary views PETS training as an essential obligation and requisite step to being an effective leader and club president.

The Multi-district Lone Star PETs is a first class event that you will enjoy and your spouse is also encouraged to attend.

I look forward to seeing you there on March 19th.

J. Paul Lucas, District Governor Elect





Janelle Kavenaugh is Chair, District Awards for 2009-2010. She is President of the Fort Worth East Rotary Club.

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### **DISTRICT AWARDS PROGRAM**

Aren't we are all interested in easy projects? So what could this be? The District 5790 Awards Program... What else? The beauty is that for the District Awards Program you have already done the work. Now you simply must fill out the form and add a few comments. Consider the following:

- Did your Club attend the District Assembly and/or the District Membership meeting?
- Does your Club hold an orientation for new members, publish an annual directory of members, provide a newsletter for members, and report attendance regularly?
- Will members of your Club attend the District Conference in April?
- Does your Club sponsor an Interact or Rotaract Club, provide scholarships to high school or college students, mentor youth and/or participate in a literacy project, present a local Community Service Award to a deserving community member?
- Have your Club members participated in vocational talks, sponsored an employee recognition program, or made available tours of their businesses?
- Does your Club hold a Four-Way Test Speech Contest and later sponsor students to go to RYLA?
- Will your Club present Vocational Service Awards to members of the communityat-large?
- Does your Club have any new Paul Harris Fellows, Benefactors, or Sustaining PHF members?
- Has your Club nominated any candidates for Rotary Scholarships or for the Group Study Exchange Program, hosted an inbound GSE team, or hosted either an inbound or outbound Youth Exchange student?
- Did your Club participate in a World Community Service Project or Matching Grant?

These are <u>but a few</u> of the activities that a Club can participate in to receive a District Award, and most of us are already doing a number of worthy projects as Rotarians! You don't have to do all of them... just a few from the entire list developed by the District Awards Committee. We are not looking for numbers alone. We would like a brief description of only the projects you deem most impressive.

The benefits of taking part in the District Awards are twofold: one is to recognize your members who work so hard to make your Club a success and ultimately earn such awards; the second is to let others know the incredible things your Club does... Service Above Self. We all recognize that Rotary is the greatest way to give back by serving others who have greater needs than we do.

We challenge you to review the criteria for receiving District Awards and then sit down and start the application process to the Awards Committee. The criteria may be found on the District Website, <a href="http://www.clubrunner.ca/data/5790/html/77750/awards\_program.doc">http://www.clubrunner.ca/data/5790/html/77750/awards\_program.doc</a>.

We have thrown down the gauntlet. Now it falls to you to show us the great things your Club has done to earn an award.





# Larry Aaron is Chair for the District Conference to be held in April 2010.

He's a member of the Denton Rotary Club, and serves as Club President 2009-2010.

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### **DISTRICT CONFERENCE**

The District 5790 Conference will meet on April 8-11, 2010 at the beautiful Marriott Dallas/Fort Worth Hotel and Golf Club at Champions Circle located north of Fort Worth and just south of the Texas Motor Speedway. The Rotary Club of Denton will serve as your host for the meeting. District Governor John Miller is determined to have one of the best District Conferences ever and our club is just as determined to make it happen. The hotel has been magnificently redecorated and refurbished. The hotel is just 20 minutes from the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport and just minutes from both Denton and Fort Worth. The hotel has 22,000 square feet of versatile state-of-the-art meeting space. A big plus is that all overnight guests have access to the Texas Motor Speedway's state-of-the-art health club and day spa. Spouses of Rotarians will have an opportunity to tour the Texas Motor Speedway, which is a great experience.

The conference will be fast paced and interesting. There will be something for everyone including hearing about the many wonderful projects our District 5790 has done in the 2009-2010 Rotary year. There will be motivational speeches as well as presentations on the many projects our clubs have accomplished. We have been planning for the conference since March, 2009. The committees have met numerous times so that everything will run smoothly for your enjoyment. We hope that we have "left no stone unturned" in pursuit of your comfort and pleasure.

We would like for the surrounding Rotary clubs to schedule their meeting that week for Friday, April 9, 2010 when we plan a giant combined all-district meeting for all the clubs. It would be a great motivator for your new members as well as your veterans to see a large crowd at the opening meeting on Friday. It might help give your new Rotary year a jump-start that will carry on throughout 2010-2011!

If your club has accomplished something in the 2009-2010 Rotary year that you would like to share with others, please let us know about it. You may write or e-mail the District Secretary about your project, and plans to present it to the District Conference. April 8, 2010 will be here before you know it! Please mark your calendars now for the date.

If you have an Interact club that your club sponsors, we would love to have them come on Saturday, April 10, 2010 for a huge day of games and fun on the beautiful lawn of the Marriott Dallas/Fort Worth Hotel overlooking the golf club.

We will provide a picnic lunch for the participants as well as a meaningful experience that they will remember. Please come and join us for the District Conference April 8-11, 2010.





Troy Secord is Chair, International Conference for District 5790.

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# INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE



As Chair of the Host Organizing Committee, this is my invitation to all of you to join us for the celebration of the internationality of Rotary in Montreal, June 20 - 23,2010. We will be celebrating 100 years of Rotary being an international organization as a result of the first Rotary club meeting outside the USA in November, 1910, in Winnipeg, Canada. You will live 'An International Experience' everywhere you go within the city.



This is your celebration of 100 years of diverse cu Itures, multiple languages, and numerous races and religions all working together in harmony to make a better world in Rotary. You will also experience this diversity in the city of Montreal. Montreal is official by a bilingual city where French and English is spoken everywhere, but there are 80 different languages spoken throughout the neighbourhoods representing the many countries our citizens have come from.

You will experience the multi-ethnicity of Rotary in the streets, and the friendliness of the locals in the shops, in the restaurants, in the museums, or traveling on the Metro (subway), or perhaps while just relaxing, enjoying refreshment in a outdoor cafe or sitting on a bench in the shade of a tree in one of many Montreal's parks.

This will also be reflected in the entertainment and host hospitality that the local Rotarians have planned, which will not only make you feel welcome, but to experience a multi-cultural Canada inthe truest sense of the word.

Come to Montreal to celebrate, to learn, to make new friends, rekindle old friendships and celebrate 100 years of the internationality of Rotary in 'An International Experience'.

Start the trip out right with a train trip to Montreal.

Contact Troy Secord

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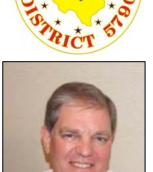
For details!



Dolly Parton will speak at the morning plenary session on 23 June to promote reading among preschool children.

Photo courtesy of The Dollywood Foundation





#### Bob Hart is President of the newly formed Kennedale Rotary Club.

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### **KENNEDALE ROTARY CLUB**

The City of Kennedale's Strategic Plan provided an impetus for the formation of the Kennedale Rotary Club. The strategic plan emphasized the importance of developing and sustaining community capacity and cohesion. City and community leaders formed the Kennedale Rotary Club to promote and enrich Kennedale's sense of community and place and to further develop civic interest and activities.

The Kennedale Rotary Club held its Charter Banquet on March 31, 2009 with 30 charter members. Past District Governor Jerry Parr gave the charter address. The Arlington Sunrise club has sponsored the Kennedale Club, and club members appreciate the Arlington club's loyal support.

Since our Charter Dinner, the club has embarked on several training opportunities and service projects. Our President, Bob Hart, attended President Elect training in March, and two members attended District Assembly in Graham, Texas. In addition to training, members are excited to participate in projects which serve our community such as delivering dictionaries to elementary children and installing smoke detectors throughout the Kennedale community.

As part of the dictionary project, members met at each elementary school and took dictionaries into each third and fourth grade classroom. Each student received their own dictionary while members told each class about Rotary and emphasized the importance of literacy and education. Another service project involved community safety. Members raised funds for smoke detectors and visited resident's homes to assist in installation.

Several of our projects actively serve young people. In partnership with the Arlington Sunrise Club, the Kennedale Club is hosting an exchange student from Italy who is currently residing with a Kennedale club member. In addition, the Kennedale Club sponsored a RYLA student, and a Kennedale club member accompanied this student to the formal activities held in Denton. Kennedale Rotary is also taking on leadership in the community to enhance youth recreational opportunities.

Kennedale Club members are very enthusiastic in their financial and foundation support of Rotary activities. We currently have three Paul Harris Fellows, and a sufficient number of club members have contributed \$100 toward the foundation such that our Rotary Club will exceed the goal of \$100 per member.

The energy and excitement in the club continues to generate new membership. We have several visitors attending each meeting, and many of the visitors have become new members.

Our club is currently meeting at the Tierra Verde Golf Course, Ventana Grille. If you desire more information, please contact Cindy Henry at (817) 985-2106.





Bruce Dalton is President 2009-2010 of the Great Southwest Rotary Club.

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Great Southwest meets on Wednesdays at noon at Humperdinks Restaurant.



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# **GREAT SOUTHWEST ROTARY CLUB**

Great Southwest Rotary has been providing 46 years of service above self. We still have 3 charter members with 46 years of active service: Albert Ross, Burley Walker, and Jack Higgins.

At our December 9 annual meeting, we voted to change our name to Arlington Great Southwest Rotary. This name change needs to be approved by Rotary International. If approved, it will help establish our identify as an Arlington Rotary Club.

From the earliest days, we have developed a close relationship with Sam Houston High School. Great Southwest Rotary continues to award the namesake scholarship, named after the first principal of SHHS, and a charter member and past president of GSW.

Great Southwest Rotary Club will be raising funds for the Scholarships in a variety of ways. Rotoract participates by hosting a Bowling/Billiards/Casino night at UTA each spring. Dates of this event will be on GSW website.

Fish City Grill will donate 15% of the day's proceeds to our Scholarship Fund as part of their First Tuesday Community Charity program. Make plans to eat at Fish City Grill in the Highlands, Arlington, March 2, 2010. The monthly Board meeting will move to a noon meeting that day to raise money or our Scholarship.

And get ready for an Enchanted Evening hosted at GSW Rotarians Larry Muncie's house. This spectacular event entertained, dined and wined us while raising over \$6,000 in scholarships funds last spring. Check our website for this years date in May, 2010.

GSW is the only Arlington Club to sponsor both an Interact and Rotoract Club. Interact meets alternating Thursdays at Sam Houston High. Their most recent project was playing Santa Claus and passing out Poinsettias at the annual Oakwood Nursing Home Christmas Party. Interact always participates in the annual Cardboard Boat event held each spring at Hurricane Harbor.

We have created two separate foundations to support our community services. One of those foundations is the Harold Key Scholarship Foundation, and the other is the Veterans Park Foundation.

Our efforts have led to providing a memorial to veterans at that park. We partnered up with city of the Arlington to sponsor a city wide Veterans Day event at Veterans Park on Wednesday, November 11. The public attended and enjoyed a great guest speaker and music provided by Judge Carr and his band. The





weekly meeting was be held at the pavilion immediately after the ceremony, and catered by David's Bar-B-Que.



Great Southwest got a head start on the End Polio Now campaign by hosting a pancake breakfast at Applebee's, Sat October 17. Volunteers from GSW served pancakes to the community and Applebee's split the proceeds with us. GSW sent over \$1800 to the Rotary Foundation for End Polio Now.





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## **GREAT SOUTHWEST ROTARY CLUB, Con't**



Another longstanding GSW tradition is sponsoring a monthly birthday party at Oakwood nursing home. This year, GSW planted a garden at the nursing home.

October 5, a plaque honoring Andy Richie, the originator of this monthly tradition was dedicated at the garden. The resi-

dents enjoyed our Christmas program and each one was given a poinsettia. The Interact Club of Sam Houston turned out in force to help with that.



District 5790 is preparing a GSE team to visit India this winter. And GSW is proud to provide the leadership by providing the Team Leader of Edith Barrett, alumni of the GSW program.

Arlington Great Southwest Rotary Club has been participating in the Dictionary Project since 2007. We provide dictionaries to the 250+ 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students at Atherton Elementary. It is a wonderful sight to see the excitement and appreciation of the students and teachers as our members personally hand out a dictionary to each third grader. We are expanding our program this year to include Amos Elementary School.



Great Southwest applied and received a Simplified Grant. The proceeds will promote literacy at Atherton and Bet Anderson Elementary Schools.

This year the theme is "Your America". Students who participate in this program will have their names entered in a drawing for (8) 8GB Ipod Nano in December and (8) Bicycles in May. The librarian, Luther Cobbey at Atherton Elementary reported to our club in a Thank You letter from him and the students who won bikes, that in one year, they improved from around 100 students participating in the Accelerated Reader Program to more than 400 active participants, (700 total). WOW!!! That's the response we were hoping for, THANKS to ROTARY for the Matching Grant Program that allows our club to reach out to our community. These schools are among the lowest socioeconomic levels of the AISD, with as many as 90% of the children qualifying for free lunches due to family income. It is a real thrill to see the excitement these students have when rewarded for a year of reading. The more books read, and the tests on them passed, the better the chance of winning a bike. To really experience the difference your generosity makes, we encourage you to attend one or more of the bike drawings.

Great Southwest Rotary got into the Christmas spirit by scheduling our November FORk event at the Grand Prairie Uptown theater to see Elvis Presley.

The Annual Christmas party was held at Mercado Juarez. The District Governor enjoyed the fellowship and gave the invocation. His Boy Scout roots shown through as a version of the Philmont grace blessed us.

Our silent auction raised money for our local community projects. And we continued the tradition of contributing to the wheel chair project. Funds are raised by buying Christmas Cards for \$100.00. Proceeds will buy wheelchairs to be sent to Mexico this spring



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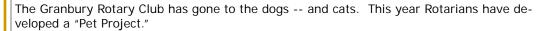


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This gift of "wheels" to the needy affects the lives of at least 12 villagers. The recipient gains mobility and several other villagers no longer have to carry that person who is now mobile.

# **GRANBURY ROTARY CLUB**



Club president Elizabeth Bezeredi did some research about the senior citizens and shut-ins of Granbury. She found that many of the seniors in Hood County who receive Meals-on-Wheels were sharing their meals with their pets.

"Either they didn't have the income to purchase pet food, or didn't have the ability to get out to their local grocery store," said Bezeredi.

The club is working closely with the Hood County Committee on Aging for the Rotary "Pet Project."

Community support has been amazing, Bezeredi said. "We've received monetary donations from the community, as well as food. And people have come forward to offer their services," she stated. The club has been busy with other projects as well.

"We just had the annual 'Toast to the Holidays' in November. With the funds raised, we hope to purchase an EKG machine for Ruth's Place, the local free clinic for women and children in Hood County.

"Also on the list to help are Hood County Committee on Aging and the Children's Advocacy Center," she explained.



Elizabeth Bezeredi is President, Granbury Rotary Club. She can be reached at:

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# **FORT WORTH SOUTHWEST ROTARY**

This has been a big year for the Rotary Club of Fort Worth Southwest.

We began the year in July by moving our venue to Mira Vista Country Club in southwest Fort Worth. For many years the club had met at Harris Methodist Hospital Southwest in Fort Worth. The hospital had always treated us well and the food was good but recent renovations had made our meeting room behind the cafeteria virtually impossible to find. We had seen a steady decline in membership and in visitation which we felt was mainly due to our location.

Our new partnership with Mira Vista has really paid off. The quality of the food is immensely better and the surroundings and service are spectacular. We meet at noon on Thursdays and invite all Rotarians to drop in for a visit, you won't be disappointed. With our new location we have actively recruited new members and have grown from 17 members to 21 in the last few months- a 23.5% increase. Our goal is to add four more members before the year is out to get us to 25. We have also started a Clubrunner website so we can better communicate with our members and the district.

In August five members from the club travelled to Mineral Wells for the Membership and Foundation seminar held at the high school. We also had a large contingent of members and their families attend the Ranger's game to promote the eradication of Polio and on October 24<sup>th</sup> the club held a car show in conjunction with a local car club to raise funds and increase awareness of Polio.

During the months of September and October we completed our largest project of the year. We distributed 600 dictionaries to third grade students in five different elementary schools and 1344 thesauruses to sixth graders at three different middle schools in the FWISD. It was a large endeavor requiring lots of teamwork to label the books and then present them at various times and locations.

The pictures to the right were from the Dictionary distribution.



The club had a surprise visit in October from DG John Miller. He presented us with

a banner proclaiming the fact that 100% of our membership was participating in EREY. To top that we were presented another banner showing that we had the second highest per capita contribution in the district. We were all quite pleased as we had no idea we were due such an honor. Prior

to Christmas the club members assisted the Salvation Army in distributing names and collecting presents for the Angel Tree at Hulen Mall. Thankfully, on the last shift we actually ran out of names and I personally observed a woman using her unemployment money to buy gifts for needy children.

Future plans include donations to the Wheelchair Project, presenting bicycles to students with perfect attendance at Westcreek Elementary School and plans to spruce up a local park, hopefully in conjunction with the local Lion's Club.



Ray Richie-Gillespie is President, Fort Worth Southwest Rotary for 2009-2010.

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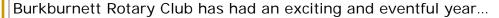




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# **BURKBURNETT ROTARY CLUB**



Two members, Larry Russell and Debbie Walton became Paul Harris Fellows. Our club sized has increased by three new members.



We gave dictionaries to every third grade student in the school district.

Shown are Rotary members and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teachers



Debbie Walton is President of the Burkburnett Rotary Club for 2009-2010.

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We have been able to give large monetary donations to the Boy Scouts, Senior Citizens Center, Boys & Girls Club and Grace Ministries, our areas local food bank as well as scholarships (see right).

To help bring awarenesss to Polio, our members hosted a walk around our local park to bring awareness of polio to the local community (see below).



We also co-hosted a blood drive with the Yellow Rose Sertoma Club.



Burkburnett provided four \$1600 scholarships to High School graduating seniors.



Our club donated our cooking trailer to the First Baptist Men's Ministry. We were no longer utilizing the trailer and the men's group cooks for events and functions...at no charge.





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### **NOVEMBER 2009 CLUB ATTENDANCE**

RotaryClub	Members	%	Mtgs	Members	Add/Loss
	11/1/2009			11/30/2009	
Abilene - F	106	59.94%	4	106	-
Abilene Southwest - T	59	80.95%	4	59	-
Abilene Wednesday					-
Arlington - TH	112	64.85%	3	111	(1)
Arlington North - M	44	76.59%	5	44	-
Arlington South - F	24	40.58%	3	24	-
Arlington Sunrise - F	67	97.00%	3	67	-
Arlington Sunset - T					-
Arlington West - T	33	59.00%	4	33	-
Azle - TH	42	56.00%	3	42	-
Bow ie - W	21	66.36%	3	21	-
Breckenridge - T	23	57.75%	4	23	-
Brownwood - W	21	90.48%	3	21	-
Burkburnett - T					-
Burleson - F	59	90.86%	3	60	1
Cisco - TH					-
Cleburne - TH	95	73.00%	3	94	(1)
Coleman - M	12	82.00%	5	12	-
Colleyville - T	10	80.00%	4	11	1
Crow ell - W					-
Decatur - TH	23	67.00%	4	24	1
Denton - TH	94	58.95%	3	90	(4)
Denton South - T					-
Dublin - T	24	60.00%	4	24	-
Eastland - TH					-
Flow er Mound - TH					-
Fort Worth East - M	35	63.00%	4	36	1
Fort Worth International - W					-
Fort Worth North - W	21	70.00%	3	21	-
Fort Worth - F	516	55.00%	3	520	4
Fort Worth South - T	77	57.99%	4	77	-
Fort Worth Southwest - TH	21	86.00%	2	21	-

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# NOVEMBER 2009 CLUB ATTENDANCE, Con't

RotaryClub	Members	%	Mtgs	Members	Add/Loss
	11/1/2009			11/30/2009	
Gainesville - W					-
Graham - F					-
Granbury - TH	53	52.00%	3	54	1
Grapevine - W	91	74.69%	3	89	(2)
Great SW Arlington - W	45	70.00%	4	42	(3)
Hamlin - W					-
Haskell - TH	25	39.00%	4	25	-
HEB - T	64	85.00%	3	65	1
Highland Village	30	60.00%	3	30	-
low a Park - W	17	78.00%	3	17	-
Keller - T					-
Kennedale	30	58.60%	4	29	(1)
Lake Ray Roberts - T	14	84.00%	3	15	1
Lew isville Morning - TH	28	85.71%	3	28	-
Lew is ville Noon - W	59	61.11%	3	59	-
Mansfield - T					-
Mansfield Sunrise - TH	19	80.00%	3	19	-
Metroport - F	33	80.33%	3	31	(2)
Mid-Cities Pacesetters - F	52	70.00%	3	51	(1)
Mineral Wells - W	43	83.34%	3	44	1
Nocona - T					-
Sanger - T	12	50.00%	3	11	(1)
Southlake - T					-
Stamford - T	36	65.00%	4	36	-
Stephenville - TH	26	64.10%	3	26	-
The Colony - T					-
Vernon - T	43	57.14%	4	42	(1)
Weatherford - T	113	71.59%	4	116	3
Western Fort Worth - T	73	84.21%	4	73	-
Wichita Falls North - F	36	89.00%	3	36	-
Wichita Falls - TH	90	71.00%	3	89	(1)
Wichita Falls Southwest - M	25	80.00%	5	25	-

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# ROTARY SPEAKERS 2009-2010, Con't

# Rotary Speakers: 2009-2010

<b>Speaker</b>	Home -City	<b>Email</b>	Phone 1	Phone 2	<b>Topics</b>
Don Ferrell	Arlington	donaldfa@aol.com	817-401-2500		Membership
PDG Al Hethcock	Arlington	lonestarpets@sbcglobal.net	817-572-0700	817-572-1798	Membership / Fund Raising
Angie Summers	Arlington	angie.summers@arlingtontx.gov	817-459-6121		PR For Your Club
Derrick Kinney	Arlington	derrick.t.kinney@ampf	817-419-6001 x 101		PR For Your Club
PDG Paul Geisel	Fort Worth	pngeisel@aol.com	817-531-3804		Governing Rotary, Getting Great Programs, Polio-The Final Charge
PDG Joi Burton	Arlington	gjoiburton@sbcglobal.net	817-795-1385		World Community Service on a mini-budget, Programs in Kenya, Mozambique
Janelle Kavanaugh	Fort Worth	janelle.rotary@att.net	817-831-1360		How Friendship Exchange Benefits You, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)
Kathy Bauer	Gainesville	kbauer@nctc.edu yeodistrict5790@yahoo.com	940-727-8310	940-668-7731 x4315	Youth Exchange Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)
Mitch McCartney	Burleson	rtney@aol.com	817-551-4620	817-426-3343	Wheelchair Program – has multiple speakers. Contact Mitch for program.
PDG Dave Mason	Abilene	Dmason5790@sbcglobal.net	325-695-1103		Literacy
PDG Tom Sheriff	Wichita Falls	tsheriff@aol.com	940-696-2653	940-696-3409	Rotary Foundation, Children of the Dump, Honduras-La Mosquitia
PDG Janet Holland	Mineral Wells	Holland5790@rdp-tx.us	940-325-5687		Historic Video Program-"The Birth and Growth of Rotary"-features one of the first Rotary Women Governors; Rotary Fellowships, Foundation Alumni
PDG Conrad Heede	Grapevine	ccheede@aol.com	817-235-8110 (cell)	817-268-1612 (H)	Open World (Russian) Exchange, Rotary Fellowships, Action Fellowships-Population & Devel. What RITE (Rotary Teacher Exchange) Is and How To Get Involved. Rotary Foundation-Programs & Funding Matching Grants-How To Do One, Wine Appreciation Fellowship
PDG Bill Harnagel	Arlington	harnagel@tx.rr.com	817-478-6463	817-422-6335.	Annual Giving – TRF
Ken Ingram	Denton	Kenneth.L.Ingram@wellsfargo.com	940-381-7365	940-484-8645	Annual Giving-TRF
PDG Chuck Kurtzman	Fort Worth	c.kurtzman@ourblooddrive.org	817-870-9884	817-738-5588	The Rotary Foundation, Permanent Fund, Planned Giving The Global Network for Blood Donation, A Rotary Action Group





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John Alexander	Denton	rotary@dfwdatacom.com	940-891-2126 or	940-321-1890	Interact Clubs	
			940-891-2125			
Forest Sanderson		Forest_atv@yahoo.com	817-784-8484	1-972-723-	Organizing/Conducting 4-way test speech	
				1945	competition	
Barb Ross	Lewisville	1barb@tx.rr.com	972-816-6777	972-317-1377	Group Study Exchange	
PDG Jim Aneff	Abilene	jimaneff@aol.com	325-673-4209	325-692-3700	Ambassadorial Scholars, Rotary in Russia	
					USA-Russia Intercountry Comm.	
DGN Paul Lucas	Bedford	jplwww@yahoo.com	817-875-5540	817-354-6921	ABC's of Matching Grants	
					Nicaraguan Children of the Dump Experience	
					Travelogue-Miskito Coast	
					The Rotary Foundation	
PDG Dan Morales	Arlington/Fort	workoutdan@aol.com	817-261-6284	817-531-3804	ABC of District Simplified Grants, RYLA,	
	Worth				Interact, Rotaract, Wheelchair Program	
Don Johnston		Don.a.johnston@citicorp.com	817-488-7491	817-329-3089	Polio-The Final Charge	
Scott Hendricks	Granbury	jscotthendricks@yahoo.com	817-501-9349	817-579-2637	Changing Lives with Pure Water, How To Do	
					a Volunteer Service Grant	
Allen Barraclough	Grapevine	Abear727@aol.com	817-442-1698	817-488-9327	Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)	
Jim Reed	Southlake	jreed@netbsa.org	817-442-5260	817-430-5333	Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)	
Geoff Graham		ggraham@carterbloodcare.org	817-412-5630	817-923-0988	Fuel For Life-Blood Challenge	
Kay King	Arlington	Kayking4015@yahoo.com	817-261-0068		Blood challenge	
Chris McLucas	Arlington	Chris.mclucas@yahoo.com			Membership	
Bob Griffin	Arlington	Bobgriffin.arlrotary@tx.rr.com	817-371-9738		How to Do an International Project	
Bob Griffin	Arlington	Bobgriffin.arlrotary@tx.rr.com	817-371-9738		International Matching Grants	
Sue Matkin	Fort Worth	Sue.matkin@unitedwaytarrant.org	817-258-8083		Workplace Literacy	
Sarah Maben	Fort Worth	mabens@charter.net			PR	
Bridgett Williams	Justin	bridge@verizon.net	972-877-5801		Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)	
Clint Ishmael	Cleburne	Clint.ishmael@cleburne.net	817-774-6305		Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)	
Janelle Kavanaugh	Fort Worth	Janelle.rotary@att.net	817-831-1360		District Awards	

For additional assistance in arranging Rotary topic programs, contact the District Committee Chairs or Marc Stach (<a href="mailto:mstach@phmsw.com">mstach@phmsw.com</a>) and/or consult the message boards/forums on the District Website.

PLAN AHEAD - Good programs require preparation. To get the speaker you want, make contact at least four weeks ahead if possible.





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### ROTARY AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLAR REPORT

## Stephanie Frangos: A London Update

Stephanie is one of two Ambassadorial Students for District 5790 this year. She is sponsored by the Southlake Rotary Club. This is the report she sent to her home club and to PDG Jim Aneff.

#### A Little Bit About School

Classes have been very interesting. The system of teaching/scheduling is quite different from the US. This term, which lasts 10 weeks in total, I am taking 6 classes that each meet once per week. Next term, there are 6 more classes, but instead of having them all at once, there are two classes at a time for three five-week periods. I have actually just chosen my classes for next term and have decided to focus on "health promotion." This field in public health is about empowering individuals to be able to reach better health outcomes/lower their likeliness of acquiring both communicable and non-communicable (chronic) diseases. I will be doing my final research project on obesity and obesity-related chronic diseases (heart disease, diabetes, etc) and will be tying in the environmental connections (such as proximity to fresh fruits and vegetables) to these illnesses as well as people's attitudes about them.

There are several weeks off in between all of these teaching times for extra study time, and (hopefully in the Spring) this time off will allow me to travel outside the UK. The only grades that count toward the final degree are two exams in June (one of which covers the classes I am taking now), four of the class grades for next term, and a 50-page paper.

The student body and faculty add immensely to the interesting nature of the classes. The third most represented country at the school in terms of its students is Nigeria, so there are actually a lot of doctors from Nigeria in the program. I have also met students from Singapore, Japan, Korea, Uganda, Tanzania, Canada, Peru, France, Germany, Australia, (of course) the UK and many other places. The school also puts on additional lectures, some of which have addressed the changing US health care system--it has certainly been a unique perspective to hear about our country's arguments from the viewpoints of professionals uninvolved in the US system. However, there is a universal acknowledgement that no health system is perfect.

#### **Activities with Rotary**

I have had an excellent experience with Rotary since I arrived. When I first got here, my host counselor (Vig) picked me up. Vig is from India and has actually just traveled to Sri Lanka to help an orphanage that the Hammersmith Rotary Club has been supporting. Vig then took me to meet Nat Barnet, the Hammersmith Rotary Club president.

The first weekend in London, however, I was required to travel north of London by train to Leicester (pronounced Lester), a relatively small city bordered closely by English countryside, for the LINK weekend, sponsored by RIBI (Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland). In Leicester, I stayed with a wonderful couple, Anne-Marie and Harry Tharp, who hosted me and another scholar named Nao from Japan. Harry is a member of the Rotary Club of Leicester and his wife Anne-Marie is Danish.... We met Harry's granddaughter Helena who is just starting graduate studies at Oxford, and Harry took us to see Foxton Locks where we got to watch people who lived on their boats travel up and down the locks until they would "park" for the next ten days or so before continuing constant travels through the channels. Another highlight of the evening in Leicester was a meeting at the town hall with "His Worshipfulness the Lord Mayor of Leicester," who showed us around a Victorian courthouse and spoke about his responsibilities in his one-year appointment as mayor and the local politics. We also saw the Rotary members dance as Moorish dancers during which some of them shockingly painted their faces black to represent the African Moorish population before proceeding to do a "barn" dance that is quite similar to square dancing.

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### ROTARY AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLAR REPORT

# Stephanie Frangos: A London Update, Con't

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Stephanie with Rotary Club of Hammersmith President Nat Barnett with District Governor (#1130) Martin Gudde at the District Conference in Eastborne.

The District conference in Eastborne (on the coast near Brighton) was equally exciting. I stayed in a Victorian hotel right across from the conference center in a quaint room with a twin-sized bed (something I had never before seen in a hotel). Eastborne is mostly a retirement community. Eastborne is very well known for its white cliffs that drop off to the sea; however, I was shocked to find that at these beautiful, peaceful white cliffs suicides are quite prevalent, and a minister was there on call to monitor the people. On a brighter note, Eastborne presented a chance to meet more of the other Rotary Scholars as well as to meet Rotarians and their wives/husbands who attended the conference. I heard talks on everything from the international polio initiative to local efforts that clubs are making to have audio books made for the blind and other sight-impaired individuals. I also met the district governor, Martin Gudde, and the weekend finished with a black tie dinner and dance hosted by him.

So far, I have also spoken at three Rotary Club meetings, and will be at another meeting tomorrow. I am giving a presentation entitled *Not Every Mosquito Carries Malaria, Celebrating Cultural Differences Alongside Social Inequities*. During the presentation I discuss how I became involved with Rotary starting as a secondary school student, how Rotary has impacted my educational journey (leading me to apply for the scholarship), and the experiences that I have had across the globe debunking preconceived notions across populations as I study international health and development. The clubs have been very welcoming, and one of the club presidents (actually from Lauren's host club) even drove me and another scholar around for a two hour tour of London by night so that we could see the city in an-

other way before we all went out to his favorite Chinese restaurant. I am looking forward to meeting more of the clubs and am working also to getting involved with some of the physicians here in the UK so that I can experience what the practice of medicine is like alongside a very different public health

Stephanie Frangos, BS Foreign Service

Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar, 2009-2010

London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine

University of California, Irvine School of Medicine, USA, Class of 2014

Georgetown University, USA, Class of 2009

More information about the Ambassadorial scholarship Program is available on our district website (www.Rotary5790.org) . Student applications are due in March.

For more information contact PDG Jim Aneff at: <u>JimAneff@aol.com</u>





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### PHOTOS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT, Con't

### Rotarians from Three Countries Gather at Great Western Trail Marker in Brownsville for Photo Shoot



Rotary International President Elect (RIPE) Ray Klinginsmith requested a Photo Shoot at the a Great Western Trail (GWT) marker in Prax Orive Park in Brownsville on December 10, 2009. Rotarians who had worked on the Vernon Rotary Club's "Marking the Great Western Trail Project" came from three countries, Mexico, U.S.A. and Canada to attended the Photo Shoot along with two Rotary International Directors and numerous area Rotarians in support of the project.

Sylvia Mahoney, Vernon Rotary co-chairman of the project, served as master of ceremony and told the history of the Vernon Rotary Centennial Project that began with the dedication of the first marker in Texas on May 1, 2004. Since then, markers have been dedicated in Mexico, Canada, 20 counties in Texas, and six of the nine U.S. states that the trail crossed.

Flags of the three countries were presented by Matamoros Rotarian Past President Melida Buntello, Brownsville Sunrise PP Hector Hernandez, and Regina, Saskatche-

wan, Rotarian PP Gene Griffith.

Klinginsmith said that the project raises awareness of the contribution by the GWT to the legend and lore of the cowboy, the beginning of the cattle industry across the Great Plains, and to the spirit of cooperation across the international borders of three countries. He said that helping small rural towns to survive through heritage tourism encouraged by communities working together along the trail is a tribute to the power of networking provided by Rotarians.

Klinginsmith invited everyone to attend the first marker dedication in Montana at Miles City on August 7, 2009, which he will attend.

The Rotary International Director Jose Alfredo Sepulveda Zone 21 from Pachuca, Mexico, near Mexico City, who was dressed in a Charro suit, said, "The Great Western Trail could serve not only to live again those brave pioneers' adventures, but to undertake new service experiences together. The Mexican Rotarians join to this initiative, and we commit to support it forever because we are part of the Great Western Trail."

Rotary International Director-Elect Noel Bajat of Zone 21B and 27 from Abbeville, Louisiana, said, "Having been raised and currently live in a small rural town, I applaud and congratulate all of you on a job well done."

Past District Governor (PDG) Jose Luis Diaz del Castillo Lie of Leon, Mexico, designed and sent Longhorn Rotary pins to the Vernon Club to acknowledge his support for the project. He was invited to give pins at the Photo Shoot to members of the two host clubs for the Photo Shoot, the Brownsville Sunrise Rotary Club and the Club Rotario Matamoros Profesional for participating in the project with the first marker dedicated in Cameron County in Brownsville on June 2, 2006, and the first international marker dedicated in Matamoros on June 3, 2006.

PDG District 5790 Governors Jim Aneff and David Mason of Abilene presented Proclamations to the RIPE, the two RI Directors, Jerry Klinger, Brownsville Sunrise Rotary Club president and Norma Nelly Aguilar, Club Rotario Matamoros Profesional president. Aneff read the Proclamation in English; Mason read it in Spanish. Gene Griffith was presented a Proclamation for the Regina, Saskatchewan, Rotary Club for adding the third country to the project and for making the 1800-mile trip to attend the Photo Shoot

Approximately 110 Rotarians, members of the Prax Orive family, and friends attended the Photo Shoot. District 5930 Governor Dennis Roberts, Klinger, and Aguilar introduced ten PDGs and DGs along with 17 presidents, past-presidents, and presidents-elect and nine Assistant Governors. Brownsville Sunrise Rotary Club Lt. Governor Andy Hagan and Matamoros Rotary PP Melida Buentello were introduced as coordinators of the Photo Shoot. Albert Perez, Jr. was commended for being the coordinator of the first dedication in Brownsville.

Jim Doughty, PP, Alice Rotary Club, who coordinated the dedication in Jim Wells County, was acknowledged as a founding member of the new Great Western Cattle Association—Texas Chapter. Oklahoma and Kansas also have chapters.

The Klinginsmith and two RI Directors completed the program by rededicating the marker with Red River water and Rio Grande water in Mason Jars.

That evening the Rotarians attended a banquet for RIPE Klinginsmith sponsored by the Harlingen Rotary Club and President Bill Reagan at the Marine Military Academy in Harlingen with 275 attending.





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#### JANUARY WRAP UP



#### DISTRICT 5790—IN THE NEWS

To see an article on in the Fort Worth Star Telegram about the Rotary Club of Fort Worth, click the link below. Submitted by Perry Pillow.

http://www.star-telegram.com/212/story/1826496-p2.html

# Has your club had recent press coverage? Let us know.

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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. Please send them in an editable format. Please include pictures!

### PHOTO'S FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT



Arlington Sunrise's newest member, Scott Gardner (right), is shown with his sponsor Hollis Lackey, (left).

### COMING IN THE NEWSLETTER IN FEBRUARY

February is World Understanding Month—and you'll find articles about World Community Service from Scott Hendricks, Rotary Fellowships from PDG Conrad Heede, Rotary Alumni from Jose Munoz. J. Paul Lucas will promote the District Assembly as he prepares for his year as District Governor for 2010-2011.

You'll also find articles from the following Rotary Clubs and what they are doing:

Cisco, Eastland, Mansfield Sunrise, Nocona and Western Fort Worth are scheduled to let us know about their clubs.

As always, if you have something to share about your club—send it in!