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# Rotary District 5790 Newsletter

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Hello Rotarians of District 5790,



2009-2010 DG  
 John and his wife  
 Claire

Wow! What a fantastic District Conference 2010 we had. Under the leadership of Larry Aaron and John Cooper, the Rotary Club of Denton did such an outstanding job of hosting our District Conference. We had great speakers in our RI Representative Ed Hardesty, our guest speaker PDG Greg Podd and our special speaker Jo Anne Settles. Didn't Jo Anne do a fantastic presentation on Polio, its affects on young people and why we need to wipe it off the face of the earth. And then our shaking district governor went up in a helicopter and dropped golf balls onto the green where #82 fell into the hole. The owner of #82 was Amy Jackson of the Cleburne Rotary Club, who tells us she has never ever won anything and now she has a \$1,000 travel voucher to spend as she pleases.

At the District Governor's Awards Banquet on Saturday night after presenting innumerable recognitions (see page 5 and 6) to Rotarians and Clubs for everything they do to make Rotary District 5790 great, we had the extreme pleasure of recognizing Richard Sherman of the Rotary Club of Arlington South as our "Rotarian of the Year." Then we recognized the Rotary Club of Arlington South as our Small Club of the Year, the Rotary Club of Denton South as our Midsize Club of the Year and the Rotary Club of Weatherford as the Large Club of the Year. Our congratulations to these and all of the clubs in District 5790 for everything each of you do every day. And finally we recognized the Rotary Club of Denton South with the "Governor's Cup" as our District Club of the Year. A very special congratulation to President Scott Walker and each member of his Rotary Club of Denton South.

Now it is the time to begin working toward a new Rotary Year and new leadership. Presidents-Elects have been trained at Lone Star PETS and now we need to provide training to the club leaders at our District Assembly. Although the program is designed to train your club leaders, it is an excellent program for new "red badge" members and your training them to be Rotarians in your clubs. I highly urge you to bring your board members, club leaders and new members to District Governor-Elect Paul Lucas' District Assembly on Saturday, May 15th, at the First United Methodist Church in Downtown Fort Worth. See the invitation on [page 2](#).

We'll see you there,

John & Claire Miller



## DISTRICT ASSEMBLY



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

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

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*The May 15th DISTRICT ASSEMBLY is  
Rapidly Approaching”*

*Don't Miss This Opportunity to enhance your role in Rotary service “Building Communities and Bridging Continents”*

*An exciting program is planned with a popular keynote speaker and a wide selection of expert training on almost every conceivable Rotary service opportunity. Each attendee will have the opportunity to select 3 of the 36 individual training modules available. There will be topics of interest for everyone from new members to committees and to incoming officers. It provides perhaps your best opportunity to build a strong club team for 2010-11.*

*A list of members attending from your club should be sent to Richard Sherman [rsherman5790@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rsherman5790@sbcglobal.net) (or you can register online at [www.rotary5790.org](http://www.rotary5790.org).) Payment of \$15/person can be sent to Richard in advance or paid at the door. If you have any questions about registration please call Richard at 817-991-3648.*

*In order that we have appropriate food accommodations, the deadline for registering is May 11, 2010. Also name badges will be prepared in advance, so your prompt registration is needed.*

*The beautiful First United Methodist Church of Fort Worth is located at 800 West Fifth Street. Attendees are requested to park in the west parking lot and use the west entrance to the church which will enable an efficient sign in process for our large group.*

*I look forward to seeing you very soon on May 15<sup>th</sup>*

*J. Paul Lucas, District Governor Elect*



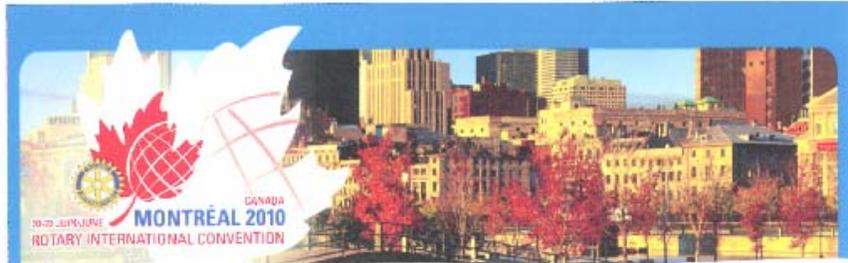
# INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE



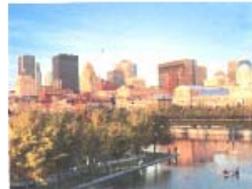
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As Chair of the Host Organizing Committee, this is my invitation to all of you to join us for the celebration of the Internationality of Rotary in Montreal, June 20 - 23, 2010. We will be celebrating 100 years of Rotary being an international organization 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 cultures, 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 officially a bilingual city where French and English is spoken everywhere, but there are 80 different languages spoken throughout the neighborhoods 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 an 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 multicultural Canada in the 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.*

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*Visit [www.rotary5790.org](http://www.rotary5790.org)*

*For details!*



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

The District 5790 on April 8-11, 2010 *Photo courtesy of The Dollywood Foundation*  
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

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# DISTRICT AWARDS

The clubs to the right won awards at the District Conference held in April.

## DISTRICT AWARDS ROTARY District 5790 2009-2010

### AWARDS

#### SMALL CLUBS

##### Club Service

- 1 Arlington Sunset
- 2 Fort Worth International
- 3 Arlington South

##### Community Service

- 1 Fort Worth International
- 2 Arlington South
- 3

##### Vocational Service

- 1 Arlington South
- 2 Fort Worth International
- 3

##### International Service/Foundation

- 1 Arlington South
- 2 Fort Worth International
- 3

#### MEDIUM CLUBS

##### Club Service

- 1 Denton South
- 2 Fort Worth East
- 3 Fort Worth North

##### Community Service

- 1 Mansfield Noon
- 2 Wichita Falls North
- 3 Mid-Cities Pacesetters

##### Vocational Service

- 1 Lewisville Morning
- 2 Arlington North
- 3 Metroport

##### International Service/Foundation

- 1 Wichita Falls North
- 2 Denton South
- 3 Lewisville

#### LARGE CLUBS

##### Club Service

- 1 Cleburne
- 2 Grapevine
- 3 Arlington Great Southwest

##### Community Service

- 1 Arlington
- 2 Flower Mound
- 3 Granbury

##### Vocational Service

- 1 Abilene Southwest
- 2 Keller
- 3 Cleburne

##### International Service/Foundation

- 1 Denton
- 2 Abilene Southwest
- 3 Western Fort Worth



## DISTRICT 5790 CONFERENCE RECOGNITIONS

The following clubs were recognized for earning the Presidential Citation from RI President John Kenny:

- ◇ Arlington
- ◇ Arlington South
- ◇ Arlington Sunrise
- ◇ Arlington West
- ◇ Breckenridge
- ◇ Colleyville
- ◇ Fort Worth International
- ◇ Fort Worth North
- ◇ Fort Worth South
- ◇ Fort Worth Southwest
- ◇ Granbury
- ◇ Hamlin
- ◇ Hurst-Euless-Bedford
- ◇ Keller
- ◇ Lewisville Morning
- ◇ Metroport
- ◇ Sanger
- ◇ Southlake
- ◇ Weatherford
- ◇ Wichita Falls North
- ◇ Rotaract Club of University of Texas at Arlington

The following clubs were recognized for their birthdays:

- ◇ Fort Worth           97 years old   July 1, 1913
- ◇ Cleburne            96 years old   April 1, 1914
- ◇ Wichita Falls       94 years old   January 1, 1916
- ◇ Mineral Wells      92 years old   June 25, 1918
- ◇ Gainesville         90 years old   April 1, 1920
- ◇ Brownwood         90 years old   May 1, 1920
- ◇ Denton             90 years old   May 1, 1920

The following long-time Rotarians were recognized:

- ◇ George Marti in the Cleburne Rotary Club joined Rotary 62 years ago
- ◇ Clinton "Bud" McLane in the Crowell Rotary Club joined Rotary 62 years ago
- ◇ Reuben Pinkerton in the Decatur Rotary Club joined Rotary 62 years ago
- ◇ Al Betzel in the Arlington Rotary Club joined Rotary 62 years ago
- ◇ PDG Louis Pitcock, Jr., in the Graham Rotary Club joined Rotary 60 years ago
- ◇ PDG Arvil Lewis in the Fort Worth East Rotary Club joined Rotary 56 years ago
- ◇ Fareed Hassen in the Stamford Rotary Club joined Rotary 51 years ago

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The clubs and people to the right were recognized for their efforts during this past year by DG John Miller.



## DISTRICT 5790 CONFERENCE RECOGNITIONS, (Con't)

The following clubs were recognized for their special projects:

- ◇ Arlington Rotary Club for their Webb Elementary School Project
- ◇ Arlington South Rotary Club for their Student Recognition Banquet
- ◇ Arlington Great Southwest Rotary Club for their Veterans Park Project
- ◇ Breckenridge Rotary Club for still Sponsoring a Boy Scout Troop
- ◇ Cleburne Rotary Club for their Computer Refurbishment Project for Mexico
- ◇ Colleyville Rotary Club for their Dancing For the Stars Project
- ◇ Crowell Rotary Club for their Sponsor of a Stock Show for almost 50 Years
- ◇ Eastland Rotary Club for their Senior Olympics Project
- ◇ Fort Worth South Rotary Club for their work with Peruvian horses with handicapped children
- ◇ Fort Worth Southwest Rotary Club for their Thesaurus for 6<sup>th</sup> Graders as well as Dictionaries for 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders
- ◇ Western Fort Worth Rotary Club for their Kids' Club
- ◇ Highland Village Rotary Club for their innovative fundraiser—"Tacky but formal ball—"Bras for a Cause"
- ◇ Iowa Park Rotary Club for starting Flag Programs in Rotary Clubs in 1986
- ◇ Kennedale Rotary Club for providing smoke detectors in all mobile homes in Kennedale
- ◇ Lake Ray Roberts Rotary Club for providing Kids Day with Texas Parks & Wildlife
- ◇ Lewisville Rotary Club for Circle of Friends Ball for mentally challenged high school students
- ◇ Mansfield Rotary Club and Mansfield Morning Rotary Club for recognized Girls Basketball Tournament
- ◇ Granbury Rotary Club for providing pet food to elderly Meals on Wheels
- ◇ Denton Rotary Club for hosting the District Conference 2010

Special Awards:

- ◇ Bob Hunter of the Abilene Rotary Club and Jim Aneff of the Abilene Southwest Rotary Club provided leadership to Polio Plus Banquet in Abilene which raised \$54,000 for Polio Plus
- ◇ Paul Geisel of the Fort Worth East Rotary Club was recognized as PDG of the Year for the leadership to our District GSE Program
- ◇ Richard Sherman of the Arlington South Rotary Club was recognized as Rotarian of the Year



## DISTRICT 5790 CONFERENCE PHOTO'S

Below is a sampling of the events at the District Conference from last month. To view all of the photos, please click on the following link:

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## DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECAP

The District Conference of Rotary District 5790 is now over! This was a huge project that our club worked on for over a year. We hope everyone was satisfied with the conference and the accommodations. Now that the Conference is over, I can truly say I enjoyed all the people I became acquainted with that I did not previously know. Thanks to everyone who came.

Our club won First Place in the large club division of International Service. We received a "Happy Birthday" from the District Governor of the anniversary of our founding on May 1, 1920. The Denton Rotary Club has a long history of service in our community and around the world. I briefly mentioned at the District Conference that our bell was given to the club when it was chartered by the Rotary Club of Dallas. Then later the meeting place burned to the ground including everything the Denton Rotary Club had stored there. Our bell was pulled from the ashes and refurbished. It has been our bell ever since!

Two weeks ago we gave two Paul Harris Fellowships. Last week our club added three new members. It is great to see people interested in serving their community. The Rotary year is almost over. This is just a reminder that RYLA will be June 9-13 on the campus of Texas Woman's University. This is always a highlight of the Denton Rotary Club's year. Hope you can join us on Thursday when our club meets at TWU to kick off RYLA.



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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## ROTARY DONATES 100,000TH UNIT OF BLOOD!!!



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FORT WORTH, Texas (May 6, 2010) – A friendly competition that began between Rotary clubs in North Central Texas crosses a major milestone this week: 100,000 units of donated blood. The competition began in Fort Worth and grew to include all of North Central Texas.

The total units collected as of March 31 was 99,079.

64,227 (Rotary District 5790 – blood drive began in 1996) and

34,852 (Rotary District 5810 – Dallas and east; joined blood drive in 2003)

At the rate of approximately 29 units per day, 100,000 units occurred May 6

- To visualize, 100,000 units is more than if every fan in a standing-room-only Cowboys Stadium donated blood

1 unit of blood is typically separated into three components that could potentially help three people.

- The friendly competition has inspired an official organization, Global Network for Blood Donation. It now has more than 950 members in over 70 countries. ([www.ourbloodddrive.org](http://www.ourbloodddrive.org))
- Rotary International is the world's first service club organization, with more than 1.2 million members in 33,000 clubs worldwide. The two districts in North Central Texas represent more than **6,000 Rotarians**. "Rotarian" refers to members of Rotary clubs.
- Rotary club members are volunteers who work locally, regionally, and internationally to combat hunger, improve health and sanitation, provide education and job training, promote peace, and eradicate polio under the motto Service Above Self.

### TIMELINE

1996 – Challenge begins with Rotary Club of Fort Worth South

2001 – Johannesburg, South Africa joined the challenge

2003 – Dallas Rotary District (5810) joins challenge

2009 – Houston District (District 5890), South Oklahoma District (District 5770) and the North East Texas, Oklahoma, and Arkansas District (District 5830) joined challenge

2010 – All Rotary Clubs in Texas, New Mexico and the southern part of Oklahoma have joined the Challenge

– Submitted by Sarah Maben, District PR Chair, Rotary 5790



## SOUTHLAKE ROTARY CLUB



Tim Moorehead is President, Southlake Rotary Club for 2009-2010.

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Southlake Rotarian Christine Singe hosted 8 Exchange Students in her home for an overnight party April 10 with District Chair Jim Aneff and Outbound Coordinator Phyllis Catton chaperoning for the evening, see Face book and read all about it!!

What a great Host and Hostess Christine and Raji Singh and their three lovely children and Sandy their beautiful dog were. Thank you so much for opening your home for Rotary Youth Exchange.

This overnight party was for eight of our nine Rotary Youth Exchange Students who have been here throughout the District since August. The overnight party was a huge success!!

We had fruit and veggie snacks prepared ahead of time by Christine, as the students engaged in swimming and having a ball in their pool. Then the Pizza delivered by IFratelli was enjoyed by both students and adults. Then Christine cut "the cake" to die for!! We all enjoyed the finishing touch for our Pizza party.

The students sanctuary was up stairs in the media room and game room for the evening, visiting, telling each other stories of their adventures, playing pool, watching movies, computer, texting, music and of course Skype (is that called skypeing? Ha, I have no clue) !!

Jim Aneff and I along with Christine and Raji gave up the "Ghost" about 1:30am and the party went on till 6am.

Around 9:30 am we started seeing students slowly coming down for muffins, juice, milk and coffee to find strength to get their things together for their trip home. Not much chatter in the morning, tsk, tsk!!

Their Host parents, counselors or club members gathered them up around 10-11am for their respective homes. Great bunch of Students and Ambassadors for Rotary and their countries.

What a great time we had socializing with our students and the adults who came to visit for a while.

This is certainly "Service Above Self" for Christine and Raji and the children. We literally took over their home and outdoor area and even "Sandy" had a great time and was totally wiped out later in the evening.

**International-** Southlake Rotarian Phyllis Catton traveled to Guadalajara for the dedication of the Huichole Dorm for the Huichole Indian Students (an indigenous tribe who lives in the Sierra Madres) that are solely funded by the Mexican Government. this was about a 9 year project with the Mexican Government.



## MANSFIELD ROTARY



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The Mansfield Noon Rotary club has always been one that focuses primarily on local community service. We are proud to have just won a Governor's Citation from DG John Miller for being the outstanding small to mid-size club in the district for that particular avenue of service.

Our primary fundraiser is a high school girls' basketball tournament – the Meredith Hatch Memorial Invitational - which we sponsor every year between Christmas and New Years, in cooperation with the Mansfield Sunrise Rotary. It takes place over a three-day period at all four of our local high school gymnasiums. It is recognized as one of the top high school girls' tournaments in the state of Texas, and is named in honor of one of our Past Presidents whom we lost a few years ago in a tragic cycling accident. Funds from the tournament are used for our various community projects, but ¼ are earmarked for Meredith's Foundation here in Mansfield.

We have been one of the largest sponsors for Habitat for Humanity since it started in Mansfield (construction has just begun on the fifth home), and have scheduled "Rotary Days" for each home where we go out and help with actual construction. We deliver Meals on Wheels every Tuesday and place US flags at local homes and businesses on all major holidays. We honor a Student of the Month (a senior at one of our high schools) every month, and a Hometown Hero (police officer or firefighter) once quarterly. We donate \$1,000 annually to a free clinic here, The Caring Place, which was dedicated in December 2009 – and, proud to say, was a dream child of three of our club members.

Our club also awards eight \$1,000 scholarships to high school seniors (two per high school) every year. We also set aside \$500-1000 annually for the MISD Education Foundation, which awards grants to local school teachers. Also, we annually participate in the Wheelchair program (donating 15 this year), and in the Honduran Water Project (sending our International chair down there the past two years). Finally, we have partnered with the Parks Department in Mansfield and CVS pharmacy in the purchase and construction of a Special Needs Playground – the first of its kind in the city – which was dedicated in September 2009. Our club's commitment is \$50,000 over 5 years.

All of the preceding are projects we participate in every year. Some of the new things this past year include Feed the Homeless (aiding volunteers from a local church in reaching out to those in need in Fort Worth), cooking pancakes for the All Star Equestrian Pancake Breakfast (this is an organization whose mission is to improve mental, physical, and emotional fitness in challenged youngsters through therapeutic horseback riding), and helping with registration and a refreshment booth at Miles for Meredith (a cycle/run event honoring Meredith Hatch). In October (again in partnership with the Sunrise Club) we raised \$4350 in a Rifle Raffle for Polio Plus. Finally, in lieu of our annual Christmas Party, we went Christmas caroling to all of our Meals on Wheels recipients.

At the Mansfield Noon Rotary Club, we strive to live the motto: Service Above Self.



## ABILENE ROTARY CLUB

### Rotary Reads! Abilene volunteer books impressive record serving students



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Abilene Rotarian Dr. C.G. Gray knows education is the key to help disadvantaged children open the gates of success. As the son of an Arkansas sharecropper and one of 10 children, his own prospects didn't seem golden, but early exposure to classmates who had academic ambitions opened his eyes to the merits of education.



Today, at 83 years old, Dr. Gray is Professor Emeritus of Education and Vice President

Emeritus at Abilene Christian University, where he spent two decades teaching college students about education, as well as serving in various other roles on campus. He's also a highly decorated community volunteer.

When Gray retired from ACU in 1996 – the current Rotary Club of Abilene President Tim Yandell had just learned about a Rotary project that he thought would be a good fit for Abilene. The name of the project was Rotary Reads, and it was a perfect project for Dr. Gray, combining his passion for learning with his commitment to offering disadvantaged children the tools they need to succeed.



It was a simple idea. Rotarians would devote 30 minutes a week to read books to students in a Title I, or economically disadvantaged, school.

Rotary Club of Abilene selected Jane Long Elementary.

Gray remembers his first day on the campus: "I said, 'Give me a kid who can't read,' so, they gave me a 2<sup>nd</sup> grader who couldn't read, a kid who said he hated reading. I promised him he would become the best reader in the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, and, eventually, he did."

For the first two weeks of the project, Gray went to the campus one day a week and spent 30-minutes working with his special student. After two weeks, he decided he should visit his young reader two times a week. By the end of that first year, he was working with students three days a week. The next year, he enlisted his wife Barbara to work on the campus.

Now, the husband and wife team work one-on-one with four students who need to

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## ABILENE ROTARY CLUB, (Con't)

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improve their reading skills for two hours, three times a week.

Jane Long Elementary Principal Kari Leong calls the couple's service a "powerful" amount of time.

"It takes these one-on-one sessions and the relationships they build to get these kids where they need to be," Leong explains. "He's been a life-saver."



Besides improving the students' reading skills, Gray often brings students to Rotary Club meetings to receive praise for their academic progress.

Gray himself, however, has been the object of praise. The Abilene Education Foundation recently named him a volunteer of the year, and it's not the first time he has earned the accolade. Jane Long Elementary is hosting a special reception in early May to thank the Grays for their longtime service to the campus and devotion to the families.

The Grays have created longtime relationships with many students and follow them through their academic lives, something Principal Leong says is a rare gift.

"He visits their homes. He buys books and supplies. He even located a second-hand computer for one student," Leong said. "He will be hard to replace."



After 15 years of devotion, the Grays have decided to retire from their "volunteer" jobs, but they leave behind a dozen other Rotarians who are committed to the students.

Dr. Gray encourages more Rotarians to dedicate time to the Rotary Reads project.

"If Rotarians would just get to know one of these disadvantaged kids, they will not only change the child's life," he said. "They will change their own lives."



## OUTGOING 2010-11 AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLAR VANESSA BILANCERI MEETS WITH ARGENTINE CLUB WHILE TRAVELLING



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One of our two 2010-11 Ambassadorial Scholars, Vanessa Bilanceri, of the H-E-B Club, recently had the opportunity to meet with the Rotary Club of Haedo on the outskirts of Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Vanessa, who begins her scholarship year in August in Mexico City, is currently studying advanced Spanish with her husband, Jeremy Goldberg, in Buenos Aires. The two first became acquainted with the beautiful Latin American country known for its abundance of meat "a la parrilla" and romantic tango, when Jeremy proposed to Vanessa in Salta "La Linda" in Northwestern Argentina in December 2007. Since dancing the tango during their

September 2009 wedding, the newlyweds decided to spend two months traveling to their favorite destination before embarking on their new adventure in Mexico come summer.

During their stay, Vanessa reached out to the Rotary Club of Haedo (located one hour outside of the city center in the Province of Buenos Aires). She was greeted warmly by the incoming president, Mr. Mario Medvescek. The couple attended a meeting at the local Tennis Club, which began at 9:30pm and ended at midnight. On this particular evening, the all-male club of about 20 members invited their wives, who sat separately on the other side of the U-shaped table. Vanessa was honored to be seated with the Club President at the head table with the Argentine Republic and Rotary flags raised high.

Pictured is Vanessa with Club President, Mr. Jorge Raul Lemos, the dean of the business school at the University of Moron. Vanessa and Jorge proudly exchanged the Hurst-Euless-Bedford club flag for the Haedo Club flag.

Vanessa will be back in our District May and June in preparation for her Ambassadorial Scholarship year in Mexico City. She can be reached at [vbilanceri@gmail.com](mailto:vbilanceri@gmail.com).

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**MARCH 2010 CLUB ATTENDANCE**

| Rotary Club                  | Members<br>3/1/2010 | %      | Mtgs | Members<br>3/31/2010 | Add/Loss |
|------------------------------|---------------------|--------|------|----------------------|----------|
| Abilene - F                  | 104                 | 56.41% | 4    | 102                  | (2)      |
| Abilene South west - T       | 57                  | 85.98% | 5    | 58                   | 1        |
| Abilene Wednesday            | 20                  | 59.00% | 4    | 20                   | -        |
| Arlington - TH               | 110                 | 58.21% | 4    | 116                  | 6        |
| Arlington GSW - W            | 44                  | 70.00% | 5    | 44                   | -        |
| Arlington North - M          | 42                  | 72.20% | 5    | 42                   | -        |
| Arlington South - F          | 24                  | 51.09% | 4    | 24                   | -        |
| Arlington Sunrise - F        | 63                  | 91.00% | 4    | 63                   | -        |
| Arlington Sunset - T         | 8                   | 75.00% | 4    | 8                    | -        |
| Arlington West - T           | 35                  | 61.00% | 5    | 35                   | -        |
| Azle - TH                    | 39                  | 56.00% | 4    | 43                   | 4        |
| Bowie - W                    | 22                  | 68.14% | 5    | 23                   | 1        |
| Breckenridge - T             | 23                  | 64.40% | 4    | 23                   | -        |
| Brownwood - W                | 21                  | 87.60% | 5    | 21                   | -        |
| Burkburnett - T              |                     |        |      |                      | -        |
| Burleson - F                 | 59                  | 82.19% | 4    | 49                   | (10)     |
| Burleson Area Mid Day - M    | 0                   | 74.00% | 5    | 29                   | 29       |
| Cisco - TH                   | 14                  | 71.00% | 4    | 14                   | -        |
| Cleburne - TH                | 87                  | 71.00% | 4    | 86                   | (1)      |
| Coleman - M                  |                     |        |      |                      | -        |
| Colleyville - T              | 10                  | 72.00% | 5    | 12                   | 2        |
| Crowell - W                  |                     |        |      |                      | -        |
| Decatur - TH                 |                     |        |      |                      | -        |
| Denton - TH                  | 86                  | 51.46% | 4    | 84                   | (2)      |
| Denton South - T             | 34                  | 77.00% | 5    | 34                   | -        |
| Dublin - T                   | 24                  | 67.00% | 5    | 25                   | 1        |
| Eastland - TH                | 21                  | 61.00% | 4    | 22                   | 1        |
| Flower Mound - TH            | 70                  | 81.00% | 4    | 69                   | (1)      |
| Fort Worth East - M          | 36                  | 62.00% | 5    | 36                   | -        |
| Fort Worth International - W | 13                  | 70.00% | 2    | 14                   | 1        |
| Fort Worth North - W         | 20                  | 70.00% | 4    | 20                   | -        |

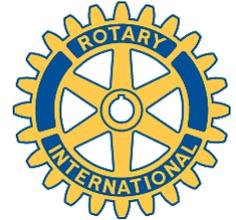
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**MARCH 2010 CLUB ATTENDANCE, Con't**

| Rotary Club                  | Members  | %      | Mtgs | Members   | Add/Loss |
|------------------------------|----------|--------|------|-----------|----------|
|                              | 3/1/2010 |        |      | 3/31/2010 |          |
| Fort Worth - F               | 516      | 58.00% | 4    | 496       | (20)     |
| Fort Worth South - T         | 77       | 57.41% | 5    | 75        | (2)      |
| Fort Worth Southw est - TH   |          |        |      |           | -        |
| Gainesville - W              | 63       | 40.00% | 4    | 63        | -        |
| Graham - F                   | 111      | 45.75% | 3    | 110       | (1)      |
| Granbury - TH                | 53       | 56.00% | 4    | 53        | -        |
| Grapevine - W                | 94       | 70.78% | 5    | 93        | (1)      |
| Hamlin - W                   | 23       | 83.00% | 5    | 23        | -        |
| Haskell - TH                 | 24       | 50.00% | 4    | 24        | -        |
| HEB - T                      | 67       | 85.00% | 5    | 67        | -        |
| Highland Village             | 29       | 82.00% | 4    | 29        | -        |
| low a Park - W               | 17       | 82.10% | 5    | 17        | -        |
| Keller - T                   | 50       | 58.00% | 5    | 50        | -        |
| Kennedale                    | 30       | 53.00% | 4    | 30        | -        |
| Lake Ray Roberts - T         | 16       | 68.00% | 5    | 15        | (1)      |
| Lewisville Morning - TH      | 27       | 91.83% | 4    | 28        | 1        |
| Lewisville Noon - W          | 54       | 70.00% | 5    | 54        | -        |
| Mansfield - T                | 37       | 68.33% | 5    | 37        | -        |
| Mansfield Sunrise - TH       | 19       | 75.00% | 4    | 19        | -        |
| Metroport - F                | 30       | 81.00% | 5    | 30        | -        |
| Mid-Cities Pacesetters - F   | 50       | 69.00% | 4    | 50        | -        |
| Mineral Wells - W            | 45       | 70.93% | 4    | 44        | (1)      |
| Nocona - T                   |          |        |      |           | -        |
| Sanger - T                   | 9        | 55.50% | 4    | 9         | -        |
| Southlake - T                | 17       | 76.00% | 4    | 17        | -        |
| Stamford - T                 | 37       | 65.00% | 5    | 35        | (2)      |
| Stephenville - TH            | 27       | 56.48% | 4    | 27        | -        |
| The Colony - T               |          |        |      |           | -        |
| Vernon - T                   | 42       | 60.47% | 5    | 42        | -        |
| Weatherford - T              | 115      | 63.35% | 5    | 115       | -        |
| Western Fort Worth - T       | 73       | 82.46% | 5    | 73        | -        |
| Wichita Falls North - F      | 36       | 89.00% | 4    | 36        | -        |
| Wichita Falls - TH           | 84       | 65.00% | 4    | 84        | -        |
| Wichita Falls Southw est - M | 24       | 82.00% | 5    | 24        | -        |

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**UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS & FUND RAISERS**

# 2010 Arlington Gourmet Dinner



*Saturday, May 15th, 2010*  
*6:00 PM until the last drop of wine is consumed*  
*or the final auction item is sold!*

*Home of Brian and Diane Cotter*  
 2004 Hill Country Court • Arlington 76012



**\$45 per Person**

*Business or Dressy Casual*

**Reservations:**

Viv Ann Blair  
 2703 Sunrise Dr.  
 Arlington, TX 76006  
 817-548-8095  
 vablair@yahoo.com

- **Exciting Entertainment** provided by Dale Marsh, acoustic-folkelectic musician
- **Delicious** hors d'oeuvres and cool beverages (wine and beer)
- **Fabulous Italian Dinner**  
 Salad with famous Italian Vinaigrette House Dressing, Fresh Italian Bread, Scrumptuous Spinach Ravioli in a light sauce that will delight your palate, Bow Tie Pasta served with Chicken Marsala followed by a light signature desert, all from the Pinnacle of Fine Italian Dining in Arlington, Piccolo Mondo.
- **Silent and Live Auctions**



**Make Checks Payable to:**  
**Harold Key Scholarship Endowment Fund**

Mail to: Mike Love  
 c/o Harold Key Scholarship Endowment Fund  
 P.O. Box 152592  
 Arlington, TX 76015



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 Rotary



*Proceeds from the Gourmet Dinner provide scholarships to deserving students of Arlington Sam Houston High School. To date, the Harold Key Scholarship Endowment Fund has provided over \$91,000 in scholarships to 117 graduates of Arlington Sam Houston High School.*



**UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS & FUND RAISERS**



# 2010 Brenda Whitley HEB Rotary Golf Tournament

Title Sponsorship by:



**WHAT:** Brenda Whitley HEB Rotary Golf Tournament  
**WHO:** Individuals or Foursomes  
**WHEN:** June 11, 2010  
**WHERE:** Texas Star Golf Course  
**COSTS:** \$125 per player  
**TIME:** Registration/contests begin at 11:30 a.m.  
**TEE TIME:** 1:00 p.m.



**Sponsor Packages\*:**

- > Hole Sponsorship-\$150  
Includes company name being prominently displayed on tee box
- > Silver Sponsorship-\$300  
Includes one playing spot and one hole sponsor
- > Gold Sponsorship-\$500  
Includes two playing spots, one hole sponsor and company name prominently displayed on sponsorship banner
- > Platinum Sponsorship-\$1,000  
Includes four playing spots, one hole sponsor, company name prominently displayed on sponsorship banner
- > Drink/Refreshment Sponsorship - \$1,500  
Includes six playing spots, corporate logo on tournament drink tickets, one hole sponsor, company name prominently displayed on sponsorship banner
- > Cart Sponsorship - \$2,000  
Includes eight playing spots, one hole sponsor, company name prominently displayed on sponsorship banner and all golf carts

*\* Funds for local youth programs, scholarships, and women's shelter*

**Registration Form:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsorship:  Cart  Drinks  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  Hole  Silver  Gold  Platinum  Other  
 Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Golfers: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Total to be Billed: \_\_\_\_\_

Questions?  
 Call (817) 788-7030

Mail Form to:  
 Dale Harwell  
 1505 Precinct Line Rd.  
 Hurst, TX. 76054



UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS & FUND RAISERS

SOUTHLAKE ROTARY TO HONOR DPS

The Rotary Club of Southlake will honor area firefighters and police officers in its annual DPS Appreciation Celebration on Saturday, June 5, at the gazebo in Southlake Town Square.

From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., visitors will find fire engines, police cars and motorcycles, as well as live music, children's activities, a blood drive, and free food. Police officers and fire personnel will be on site for demonstrations and to answer questions.

The DPS Employee of the Year will be recognized. Special invited guests include the mayor, police chief, fire chief, Miss Southlake, and Miss Teen Southlake.

Organizers expect attendance in the hundreds. There is no fee to attend and the event is open to the public.

Tim Moorehead, club president, said, "We are proud to celebrate our public safety officers and invite all of our neighbors to join us in a big THANK YOU."

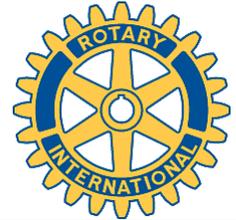
PHOTOS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT



The Western Fort Worth Rotary Club had a Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser in April, including entertainment by Elvis. This sit-down dinner was held at the Ridglea Country Club.



Mansfield Rotary is active in the community in several ways. The top left Picture—Miles for Meredith event. Meredith was one of our former club presidents, and she was tragically killed in a bike/car accident. In the middle, the club recognized a Student of the Month and to the Right, working on a Habitat for Humanity house.



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Submissions are requested by the 20th of the month. Please send them in an editable format. Please include pictures!

Comments and suggestions welcome.

## PHOTOS FROM ARLINGTON SUNRISE



Arlington Sunrise President Danny Steffer is shown with Dallas Cowboy cheerleader Meagan McVay. Meagan is the daughter of club member Rick McVay and was the program presenter at the club.



Arlington Sunrise conducts a regular meeting outside at the Dunlop Park which the club originally constructed and continues to maintain.



Arlington Sunrise member Dub Hirst paints a house as part of the club's involvement in the Neighbor Helping Neighbor program.

## COMING IN THE NEWSLETTER IN JUNE

June continues the wrap up of the year. You'll find articles from the District Chairs about their areas of service.

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

The Colony, Decatur, Fort Worth International, Stephenville and Wichita Falls South will let us know what has been going on with their clubs.

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