District 5790



November, 2013

District 5790

Foundation Month

Interact Week

**1st Week in November** 

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#### District Events

2014 District Conference Fort Worth Stock Yards May 02, 2014 - May 04, 2014

#### Stories

4 Way Test Speech Contest Kick-Off

Posted by Mike Pope on Nov 10, 2013

It's time for all Rotary clubs in District 5790 to begin efforts to make this Rotary year's Four Way Test Speech Contest the best ever. But that can only happen when dedicated Rotarians take the ball and run with it. Some of you are "seasoned veterans," having made the contest a successful event in your clubs year after year. Still others are "rookies," with either you, your clubs, or both, entering the contest for the first time this year. Either way, we'll give you all the tools and all the info you need to have a winning season, culminating in the Super Bowl of contests. the Finals at the District Conference next May

Read more

District 5790 Announces 2014-2015 Ambassadorial Scholarships - Deadlines Extended Posted by Conrad Heede on Oct 16, 2013

2014-2015

Ambassadorial Scholars

Scholarship Application Announcement

You can help promising

# **Governor's Corner**

### **Governor Giffin's Rotary Rambling**

We kicked off Foundation Month (November) with a bang at Texas Motor Speedway on Friday, Oct 25. Over 170 of your fellow Rotarians gathered for an evening of great food, music and Rotary Fellowship while we celebrated the clubs who achieved 100% EREY, 100% Sustaining Members and a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club (Lewisville Morning - Congratulations!). There were some great live and silent auction items and many went home very happy with their winnings. Past RI President and two-time Foundation Chair, Luis Giay, and Rotary Alumni Graham Sowa made stimulating presentations. We also raised some money for the Annual Programs Fund and End Polio Now. If you were not there, you missed a great time.

End Polio Now - This year The Rotary Foundation has asked for all clubs to contribute \$1000 to the End Polio Now campaign. That is not very realistic for many of the clubs in our district. Instead, I am asking every Rotarian in our district to contribute just \$20 to End Polio Now. If every club collects the \$20 from each of its members and sends the money to the Rotary Foundation that will be around \$58,000 from our district members. With some other funds raised at various events we can reach \$64,000 by the District Conference. With the Gates Foundation 2 for 1 match, that will raise \$192,000 for End Polio Now!! Wow, I know I can count on you to make this happen.

We have one new Interact Club that has been chartered by Denton South and two more being started by Stephenville and Lewisville Morning and I know there are others in various stages. What a great way to get involved in your community and demonstrate Rotary ethics to our youth. Stephenville is also starting a new Rotaract Club at Tarleton State and there is another forming at NCTC. Keep up the good work.

I want to encourage all clubs and every Rotarian to dig deep and give to the Annual Programs Fund this year. That is where all our matching funds for our projects comes from and without your generosity, we will not be able to continue with the great works we are doing in our local communities and internationally. This year we handed out over 38 district grants totaling approximately \$62,000 for projects that totaled over \$180,000. You all should be proud of yourselves.

On World Polio Day October 24, members from several clubs gathered at Jane Foster's home in Flower Mound to view the live feed from Evanston. We all shared some wine, food and fellowship while watching the live show broadcast around the world. Thank you Jane for your hospitality. Did your club do something similar? Let me know.

I will make my official visits to the last four clubs in the next two weeks. I am also beginning my second visits to make presentations and attend club functions. Please let me know of your special event so I can get it onto my calendar.

All for now.

Let's keep Engaging Rotary and Changing Lives.

# **ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

#### **Rotary International**

Get the message out that Rotary connects leaders to exchange ideas and take action in communities, Join leaders at a #Rotary club near you.

Share this message on your social networks and end Membership and Extension Month in August with a Thunderclap! Sign up at http://thndr.it /18DOhuw for Twitter and Facebook, and you'll join others in automatically sending out our Rotary message on 31 August at noon (Chicago time).

Connecting leaders to do good

www.thunderclap.it

**Polio News** 

By: District Chair - David Boyll

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# END POLIO NOW

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# District 5790

students become leaders and experts in fields focused on sustainable change through scholarships. Along the way you'll cultivate relationships in your community and mentor some outstanding scholars.

#### Read more,

Southlake Rotary Club Distributes dictionaries at GCISD Posted by Drew Greaves on Oct 11, 2013

This year, 10 District 5790 clubs are using their District Matching Grant funds to purchase dictionaries and distribute them to local area third graders. For those clubs that have not done a dictionary project it is hard to understand the fantastic connection that occurs between students and Rotarians when giving the dictionaries out.

This connection, not only promotes literacy, it promotes Rotary within the community, particularly when the schools post the event on their school websites and Facebook pages

While District 5790 Governor Jim Giffin was away on district business recently, his club Southlake Rotary did its part for literacy and education in their community."

The event was captured on a U-Tube Video.

Read more...

#### News

Rotary Youth Exchange Recruiting Area Students Oct 01, 2013 by Norman R. King

Each year the opportunity door opens for young people from our district to go out and discover the world. One of Rotary's longest and most successful programs. The Youth Exchange Program starts each year with the endless possibilities presented to students ages 15 to 18 to reach out and discover the world around them. This is not merely a go see the sights program, this is not a superficial perusing of a faraway land, this is a dive into the deep end program that allows students in both the Short Term Program and the Long Term Program to fully immerse themselves into the life of a family, a community and a culture. This is relationship building at its best. This is helping our future generations view world peace as a true possibility that can happen through their experiences as a Youth Exchange Student.

Looking for University of North Texas Students Aug 15, 2013 by Ernie McGee



#### THIS IS WHY ROTARY CONTINUES THE FIGHT AGAINST POLIO

Officials confirm polio in Syria

The Associated Press reported last Tuesday (10-29-13) that the U.N. has confirmed an outbreak of polio in Syria for the first time in more than a decade. They are warning that the disease threatens to spread among an estimated half-million children who have never been immunized because of the civil war.

The Grim finding has added another layer of misery to a brutal conflict that already has killed more than 100,000 people and uprooted millions. They say that at least ten cases of polio among babies and toddlers were confirmed in northeastern Syria. The world health organization said this is first outbreak of the crippling disease in 14 years. Nearly all Syrian children were vaccinated against polio before the civil war began. The U.N. is awaiting lab results on another 12 suspected cases effecting mostly children.

#### More reasons to help END POLIO

Rotary has approved a \$500,000 Rapid Response grant to the World Health Organization (WHO) to address a recent polio outbreak in Somalia. The outbreak occurred in the Banadir region of Somalia, where a large number of children had not been vaccinated against polio due to inaccessibility.

As of 14 August, 110 cases of wild poliovirus have been reported in the Horn of Africa—100 cases in Somalia and 10 in Kenya. This is the first outbreak in Somalia since 2007 and in Kenya since 2011.

The Rotary grant will cover operational costs, including human resources, training, and transportation of health workers, aimed at immunizing children under 10 in all accessible areas of Somalia in August.

To date, five vaccination campaigns have been held in Somalia, three in Kenya, two each in Ethiopia and Yemen, and one in Djibouti. Additional campaigns are planned through the end of the year.

#### Have you and your club made your donation this year?

Polio Plus is also apart of The Rotary Foundation (TRF). We will have updates monthly from David about Polio and how we are doing.

# **District 5790 News**

## THE ROTARY FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

#### Update Nov 1, 2013

#### By: PDG J. Paul Lucas - District 5790 Rotary Foundation Chair

Rotary Clubs in our district are very engaged in "doing good in the world" through the many programs of the Rotary Foundation (TRF). They are also effectively meeting the challenge of major new processes and systems designed to deal with exponential growth that has occurred,

#### The New Grants Model:

This year a new grants model called "Future Vision" was implemented worldwide and it affects most of our

#### Looking for UNT Students to Join Rotaract

Know a young person going to the University of North Texas? Encourage them to join Rotaract at UNT. Need information about Rotaract? Click on Rotaract Page

For more information about the UNT Rotaract Contact

Penny Gee Independent Consultant-Education Denton office: 940-241-2038 Cell: 940-391-3254 penny@gee-force.net

Rotary helps Pakistan Battle Polio & Mistrust Jul 22, 2013 by John Pokomy

New York Times writer Donald G, Nigel informs the world about the ongoing battle against polio, rumors & mistrust about polio vaccination in Pakistan. In his story the shares how the country has turned the comer thanks to the persistance of Rotary International,WHO & the Gates Foundation. See entire article at Pakistan Battles Polio and It's Peoples Trust

2013 Granbury/Cleburne Area Disaster Relief May 18, 2013 by John Lucas

2013 Granbury/Cleburne Area Disaster Relief



Recent Disasters in Other Rotary Districts: Moore, Oklahoma; West, Texas: etc May 25, 2013 by John Lucas

District Leadership Approves 2013-2017 Strategic Plan May 21, 2013 by Charles Kurtzman

During the District Conference Business Meeting, District leadership approved the 2013-2014 Strategic Plan. The plan sets priorities & goals including the support & strengthening of clubs, focus & increase humanitarian service, enhance public image and awareness and continue the strategic planning process through ongoing review and updating as needed.

Each of these goals has a series of specific steps that district leadership will be implementing to assure each goal is addressed and priorities are established that promote these goals within the district.

Club leadership is encouraged to review these goals and priorities and use them as a template to establishing their own clubs strategic plan for the next 5 years. Click on *District* **5790** 

Rotary Foundation activities. The new model shifted decision capabilities from The Rotary Foundation to the district and clubs, however it also came with a great deal of responsibility for compliance, reporting and records retention at the local level.

# New Online Systems:

To manage grant requests and compliance requirements, two systems were implemented:

1. **Proposal System for District Designated Funds (DDF):** All proposals for District and Global grants were submitted by the clubs online at www.matchinggrants.org. (The Grants Committee meets at designated intervals to review and vote on allocation of District Designated Funds (DDF). Clubs are notified on the results of these reviews.

2. <u>Grant Application System for TRF MATCH</u>: Global Grants which have been approved for DDF must then be submitted via www.rotary.org for approval of the Rotary Foundation Matching Funds. Criteria for these very large grants is very challenging.

## Support:

A comprehensive organization of TRF sub-committees is available and has been very active in all aspects of training and support. For more details on their availability please visit The Rotary Foundation site page at www.rotary5790.org.

This group of highly qualified TRF experts has been very active in supporting clubs through club visits and district training events like the Rotary Foundation Seminar, the District Academy, PETS, Grant Management Workshops and much more.

# **Benefit:**

Last Friday night 10/26/13 at our Annual District 5790 Foundation Banquet we were blessed to have two amazing speakers reinforce the value of supporting the Rotary Foundation. We can all relate to Past RI President Luis Giay's comments on the former HHH (Health Hunger Humanity) program and how the HHH acronym today can be used to illustrate that Rotarians employ Head, Heart and Hands in their activities of Service. A further demonstration is the large number of clubs that have ENGAGED ROTARY with their district and global grant projects this year which are CHANGING the LIVES of thousands of folks in our communities and abroad.

# District 5790

		11 arries			PerCapita
2013-2017	24435	Arlington (Sunrise), TX, United States	59	0%	\$133.0
	1779	Denton, TX, United States	96	0%	\$120.0
	69640	Southlake, TX, United States	23	0%	\$113.7
District Links	68275	Mansfield Sunrise, TX, United States	13	85%	\$100.0
ASUICI LINKS	25472	Metroport (Southlake), TX, United States	30	77%	\$84.6
Rolary Zone 21b-27	1786	Fort Worth Stockyards, TX, United States	19	0%	\$73.6
	1773	Burleson, TX, United States	43	0%	\$72.5
	31149	Lewisville (Marning), TX, United States	29	17%	\$68.7
Website Sponsors	1802	Nocone, TX, United States Eastland, TX, United States	10	0%	\$66.6 \$56.6
	1782 1794	Arington Great Southwest, TX, United States	18	0%	\$55.5
	59104	Arington Sunset, TX, United States	18	0%	\$54.1
RUSSELL-HAMPTON CO. Click Here for Club & District Trailing Banners	1796	Hamlin, TX, United States	19	0%	\$47.3
	1815	Wichita Falls (North), TX, United States	30	29%	\$45.0
	1798	Hurst-Euless-Bed ford, TX, United States	68	28%	\$37.0
	1772	Burkburnett, TX, United States	36	47%	\$32.3
	1600	Lewisville, TX, United States	66	31%	\$29.6
	1762	Abilene, TX, United States	64	0%	\$17.8
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	1012	We athenford, TX, United States	80	0%	\$15.0
	24551	Flower Mound, TX, United States	63	8%	\$13.7
	1785	Fort Worth East, TX, United States	38	0%	\$12.8
	1763	Arlington, TX, United States	116	13%	\$12.8
	1813	Western Fort Worth, TX, United States	59	0%	\$11.8
Please visit our Sponsors,	1801	Mineral Wells, TX, United States	43	0%	\$9.3
	27524	Keller, TX, United States	66	0%	\$7.5
Click here to place your ad	1775	Cleburne, TX, United States	68	0%	\$3.3
	1014	Wichita Falls, TX, United States	79	0%	\$2.5
	61440	Highland Village, TX, United States	20	0%	\$2.5
	1769	Breckenridge, TX, United States	24	0%	\$2.0
	1787	Fort Worth-South, TX, United States	53	0%	\$1.8
	26735	Fort Worth-International, TX, United States	11	0%	\$1.8
	1780	Denton (South), TX, United States	36	0%	\$1.3
	1764	Forl Worth, TX, United States	393	0%	\$1.2
	22287	Abliene Wednesday, TX, United States	29	0%	\$1.0
	1607	Abilene Southwest, TX, United States	49	0%	\$1.0
	1809	Stemford, TX, United States	24	0%	\$0.0 \$0.0
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	1765	Arlington (South), TX, United States Decatur, TX, United States	17	0%	\$0.0
	1778	District 5790 Contributions	0	0%	\$0.0
	5790		30	0%	\$0.0
	1764	Artington (North), TX, United States Age, TX, United States	31	0%	\$0.0
			23	0%	\$0.0
	1768 1770	Bowie, TX, United States Brownwood, TX, United States	21	0%	\$0.0
	82971	Burleson Area Mid Day, TX, United States	28	0%	\$0.0
	1774	Cisco, TX, United States	14	0%	\$0.0
	1776	Coleman, TX, United States	10	0%	\$0.0
	31630	Colleyville, TX, United States	11	0%	\$0.0
	1777	Crowell, TX, United States	11	0%	\$0.0
	1781	Dublin, TX, United States	29	0%	1.02
	84295	Eagle Mountain-Saginaw, TX, United States	31	0%	\$0.0
	1766	Fort Worth Southwest, TX, United States	23	0%	\$01
	1789	Gainesville, TX, United States	50	0%	\$0.0
	1790	Graham, TX, United States	92	0%	102
	1791	Granbury, TX, United States	46	0%	\$0.0
	1793	Grapevine, TX, United States	67	0%	\$0.0
	1797	Hestell, TX, United States	18	0%	\$0.0
	1799	lows Park, TX, United States	12	0%	\$0.0
	67514	Lake Ray Roberts (Pilot Point/Aubrey), TX, United States	13	0%	\$0.0
	21735	Mensfield, TX, United States	44	0%	\$0.0
	21499	Mid-Cities Paceseliters (Bedilord), TX, United States	39	0%	\$0.0
	1808	Southwest Wichite Fails, TX, United States	32	0%	\$0.0
	1810	Stephenville, TX, United States	36	0%	\$0.0
	1611	Vernon, TX, United States	36	0%	\$0.0
	Total For	: 5798	2,789	66.53%	\$18.6



# Paul Harris Society Members Help Make Dreams a Reality

# By: Deb West

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Paul Harris once said, "Perhaps dreaming is not so bad if one dreams good dreams and makes them come true."

In Rotary, we make dreams a reality through extraordinary projects and activities here at home and around the world. These projects would not be possible without the generous support of Rotarians and friends of our Foundation.

The Rotary Foundation recognizes those individuals who contribute \$1,000 or more annually to the Annual Fund, End Polio Now, or

approved Foundation grants, by inducting them into the Paul Harris Society.

Paul Harris Society gifts enable Rotary's worldwide network of dedicated humanitarians to implement projects that address pressing needs in communities around the world. Because of these contributions:

- · Children are vaccinated against polio and other diseases
- Adults and children alike can learn to read and write
- Women are given microloans and vocational training that enable them to support themselves and their families in a healthy and dignified way
- · Teachers and schoolchildren have access to toilet facilities and clean drinking water
- Scholars are able to study ways to prevent maternal and child mortality
- · Professionals from around the world convene to discuss strategies for resolving conflict and fostering peace

Today in District 5790 we have recognized 31 Paul Harris Society members, and there are a number of others who qualify for this honor if they sign a commitment to donate \$1,000 or more annually.

If you wish to become a member, please complete the form on page ?? of this newsletter, and/or contact Deb West, District 5790 PHS coordinator dwest@unitedregional.org or 940-764-8459.

#### Annual Fund Giving Through October 31, 2013

This Rotary year we are planning to keep members and club officers in the loop on each club's progress in annual giving to The Rotary Foundation by including club giving totals in each issue of *The Squeaky Wheel*.

Check to see what has been received by The Rotary Foundation by club through October 31. Please note that there may be a time lag between when you send in contributions and when your club's giving is reflected on Foundation Reports. If you have a concern or question, please contact Natalia Bonfante Ginez, our area's TRF Annual Giving representative. Natalia's email is Natalia.BonfanteGinez@rotary.org.



#### Your gifts help provide...

- Vocational training in South Africa
- Water filters and hygiene training in India
- A scholarship for a medical professional in Italy to reduce child mortality rates
- Peace-building seminars in
- Uganda
- Insecticide treated mosquito nets to prevent malaria in Mali

By making a gift of US\$85 a month or \$250 a quarter you can join the society in a safe and secure way! You can sign up for Rotary Direct online or by completing the form below and see your life-changing gifts throughout the year.





"OFF TO THE RACES"





# **Endowment Fund**

### **By: PRID Don Mebus**

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### WHAT WILL YOUR LEGACY BE?

For Rotarians, we want to leave the world a better place than we found it. We work on local projects that make significant differences in our communities. We improve parks, we have literacy projects, we mentor children at schools, we participate in school career days, we help feed the homeless and take care of those less fortunate than us. Some Rotarians have opportunities to work in other countries to improve water, advance literacy, give glasses to those with poor evesight and even provide cataract surgeries helping those who are essentially blind to be able to see. Some provide wheel chairs to give mobility to those who cannot walk, and even provide prosthesis to allow the lame to walk. Or course, we are all helping to eradicate Polio.

We also contribute financially to the Rotary Foundation which adds significantly to the funding of many of these projects- both in our own community and in other countries through the Annual Fund and returned to us through District or Global Grants. As we know, when we give to the Annual Fund, the gifts are invested for three years and the investment income pays for the overhead of the Foundation, then the principal in spent on the projects.

So, our legacy has begun through these current projects. Have you considered the long term strategy by insuring the future of our foundation with a gift or bequest to the Foundation's Endowment Fund (formerly known as the Permanent Fund?) By making a cash gift or inclusion in your estate plans, you can establish your legacy in perpetuity. Your gift to the Endowment fund is not ever spent. The investment income from your gift or bequest can be directed and on amounts over \$ 25,000.00 and you can have your name on the fund. The larger the amount, the more specific you can be with how the investment income is allocated. For example, my wife and I have included the Foundation Endowment Fund in our will. By doing that, the Don and Carolyn Mebus Endowment has directed the investment income to go to Share - that is, one half of the income comes to District 5790 and the other half goes to the World Fund to help support Global Grants. Others have directed their income on their named fund to specific projects such as the Rotary Peace Program. This support to our Foundation will continue long after we are gone.

There are many options to support Rotary's Endowment. In addition to a bequest, you might consider a Charitable Gift Annuity. With a gift annuity, you make a partially tax deductible contribution to the Foundation and receive a guaranteed fixed payment for the life of up to two beneficiaries. The payment rate depends upon the ages of the beneficiarles, and is often much higher than a CD or Savings account. Other Life Income Agreement options include Charitable Unitrusts and a Pooled Income Fund. The beneficiaries of a Life Income Agreement must be at least 50 years old at the time the gift is made.

In addition, if you are at least 70.5 years old, you may make a gift directly from an IRA to the Rotary Foundation which will not be included in your income for federal tax purposes. This is only available until December 31, 2013 unless Congress extends it. Of course, you would want to visit with your family and your tax consultant, financial planner or estate attorney.

Please consider giving a gift or leaving a bequest to your legacy for doing good in the world. Please consider the Endowment Fund of the Rotary Foundation. For more specific information, contact me at Don.Mebus@rotary.org, Nancy Hoffman at Nancy.Hoffman@rotary.org and also take a look at the Rotary website: www.Rotary.org/Plannedgiving

Thank you, Don Mebus, Endowment/Major Gift Adviser