

**Brenda DeBons**  
**District 5730 Governor 2021-2022**  
**Biography**

Brenda was born in Lubbock, Texas and raised in Dumas, Texas. Brenda and her Rotarian partner, Mike, are members of the Dumas Rotary Club in Dumas, Texas. Brenda is a CPA in the process of retiring.

Brenda's Rotary journey began in 1993 when her Rotarian father, Mert Keeney, invited her to be the first woman member of the Dumas Rotary Club. In 1998, during her first term as President, she invited Mike to join Rotary. They have continued as a Rotary couple ever since.

Brenda has been "hands-on" in D5730 for many years. At the club level, Brenda has served twice as President of the Dumas club and is currently Foundation Chair and Co-Treasurer of the club.

Brenda has been very active at the District level, serving as Assistant Governor for Area 1 for Dumas and Dalhart Rotary Clubs. Brenda has also served as Foundation Stewardship Chair on the District 5730 Foundation Committee.

Brenda and her husband support the Rotary Foundation as Rotary Benefactors, Major Donors, and through numerous Paul Harris Fellowships.

Mike and Brenda were part of D5730's three-week Rotary Friendship Exchange team to Thailand, January 2019. During the exchange Brenda and Mike visited 11 Thai Rotary clubs, including visiting with many exemplary Thai Rotarians about partnering on global projects. As Mike noted in a Thai Rotary meeting, "it was a life changing experience". Brenda and Mike will be part of the host team when the Thai exchange team make its return visit to District 5730.