



Call for District Governor Nominations for 2018-2019

Is your club the next home of the DGN?
Nominations for Rotary 2018-19 has been
sent to all Club Presidents.

Deadline to submit documentation is
February 28.

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Message from District Governor:

Tim and I can hardly believe how fast this year so going by. We have less than 5 full months left in this Rotary year.

Some quick updates about what is going on in Rotary World in District 5870. Clubs are in full swing holding events such La Grange RC and the McGregor RC Pancake Dinners, SunCity RC's "Night in the Jungle" Fundraiser; Pflugerville RC's Wild West Casino Night to Bee Cave Rotary Blood Drive. More events are coming up in the months ahead. Check them out on the District Website. Remember to get your " My Rotary Story" video or essay into the Jill McNabb, District PR Chair.



The time is NOW to crystalize your goals on membership and foundation giving. You should be finalizing your Presidential Citations and submitting nominations for District Governor 2018-2019. District Governor nominations are due by March 1 and Presidential citations are due by March 31st. It is time for all Club Presidents to start thinking about whom in your club should be nominated for the Rotary Roll of Fame. There is less than 140 days left in the Rotary Year. So let's make everyone of those days count!!!!

We needed to finish the year strong in regards to our Annual Foundation giving so we can continue to "Be a Gift To The World.

I am looking forward to delivering the last of the EREY banners and 100% Sustaining Membership Banners for 2014-2015. Every club is working hard on getting those banners again this year!!! It would be wonderful if all 62 clubs received those banners this year. That would ensure that our district would have District Designated Funds to do more projects than ever.

Membership is starting to pick up and I know a few clubs are planning a springtime Membership Soirée soon. This, along with a great New Member Orientation, we will get these new members active and feeling right at home in no time. Please make sure they know that giving to the TRF, as they are able, is expected of every member.

For all of you that attended and helped with putting on the Foundation Dinner Thank you!

This years foundation dinner was a blast. First, congratulations to everyone that received an award and a big thank you to all that attended. District 5870 is leading North America in most every foundation category and that is hopefully how we will finish the year. It was truly a pleasure to host RI President Elect John Germ. Tim and I had a great time hosting him for the weekend. A special thanks to PDG Tim and Gail Buckley for being John's aides for the weekend of the foundation dinner. We had a record 370 registered folks for the dinner and it appeared to me that everyone had a great time. There are so many Rotarians to thank for pulling together as a team to make the event a success. It was also great to see so many Rotarians from around the state that came to support our district. Wow, is all I can say. A lot of great photos are on the District 5870 website thanks to Cedar Creek RC President, Billy Moore.

We did have a record crowd there! Here's who won the Attendance contest for the Free PHF to award to anyone they choose.

For Small Clubs (up to 49 members) the Winning Club with 73.3% of their club in attendance.....Killeen Evening!!!!!!

For Large Clubs(50 members or more) The Winning Club with 27.2% of their club in attendance...Killeen Heights!!!!!!

For Most number of Members in Attendance overall the Winning Club with 32 members in attendance.....Austin!!!!!!

Thanks to earlier efforts with Pints for Polio Events this year, we are closing in on meeting District Wide Pledge Goal for Polio Plus. I know a few more clubs are planning on a Spring time Pints for Polio event this should help us get over the goal line.

As Rotarians, This is Our Choice! This is Our Time! I am Confident we can complete and even exceed our goals for this Rotary Year!....Because I believe in you! I believe in Rotary and the Support of The Rotary Foundation! I know you all share in that belief. Let's all Finish this second half of this year Stronger than even, Because, The Rotary District of Central Texas 5870 is truly.....

#1District Strong!!!!!! Thank you for Being A Gift To The World!!!!

Membership



ENGAGE CURRENT MEMBERS

Work hard to deliver an experience that will keep members excited about Rotary. Successful strategies include:

- Regularly recognizing members for their achievements
- Keeping members involved in club projects and activities
- Encouraging members to take on leadership roles
- Sending monthly email newsletters

FIND NEW MEMBERS

The top two reasons people join Rotary are to meet new people and get involved in their communities. Many of the non-Rotarians you know are looking for the same things. Invite them to help with your service projects, attend a networking night, or participate in a club gathering and let them see for themselves how Rotary connects leaders to make positive change.

Here are some potential candidates to consider for membership:

- Friends and family members
- Business and professional acquaintances
- Younger community leaders who are already connected to Rotary through Rotaract, RYLA, peace fellowships, Youth E change, and other programs

The Jerry Johnson Testamentary Trust Match



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Here's how it works:

1. Before making an eligible contribution, please contact PDG Rich Kaye via email at richkaye@hot.rr.com and let him know how much you intend to contribute. The Trust will establish your baseline and monitor Rotary Foundation (TRF) reports to (1) verify that the funds have been received and posted properly to TRF records, and (2) determine the amount of the match for which you qualify.
2. Send your contribution directly to TRF using either The Rotary Foundation Contribution Form (123-EN) or going on-line at www.rotary.org/give. Once the contribution appears on your record, the Trust will submit the match.
3. It is not necessary to make a contribution that, when matched by the Trust, will result in a PHF in order to take advantage of the program. For instance, if you have already contributed \$500 to date, and now elect to contribute just \$100 more, the Trust will match that \$100.
4. There are a few exceptions. Please note that the Trust:
 - a. Will not match contributions less than \$100, and will not match more than it actually takes to achieve the PHF. For instance, if you have already contributed \$500 to date, and now elect to contribute \$300 more, the Trust will only match the first \$200 so that you achieve PHF status. Because of this, If you already have contributed more than \$800 toward your first PHF you are generally not eligible for the match.
 - b. Will not match contributions made to PolioPlus, Endowment Fund, Rotary Peace Centers, and Global Grants. While these contributions are both appreciated and important, they fall outside the parameters of the Trust.
 - c. Will not match Foundation Recognition Point transfers.
5. If applicable, please provide me with the mailing address to which your PHF certificate and pin can be mailed by TRF.

Yours in Rotary Service,

PDG Rich Kaye

Trustee, Jerry Johnson Testamentary Trust Donor Advised Fund

Revised December 7, 2015

Per Capita Foundation Giving – as of February 11, 2016 (Top 25 Clubs)

The top 25 Clubs to date on a per capita basis are shown below. As a comparison, the top 25 Clubs from 2014-2015 are also shown.

Top 25 Per Capita 2014-15		Top 25 Per Capita 2015-16	
Club	Per Capita	Club	Per Capita
Killeen Heights	\$774.37	Killeen Heights	\$905.20
Harker Heights	\$709.93	Fairfield	\$446.50
Killeen Evening	\$669.85	Temple-South	\$346.18
Austin University Area	\$496.22	Killeen	\$227.73
Marble Falls	\$469.95	Lakeway/Lake Travis	\$210.49
Temple-South	\$440.02	Temple	\$205.08
Temple	\$313.80	Cameron	\$175.65
Belton	\$259.32	Austin	\$173.90
Killeen	\$218.92	Austin University Area	\$141.18
Marble Falls Daybreak	\$202.32	Austin Cosmopolitan	\$127.21
Austin Cosmopolitan	\$190.66	Georgetown	\$124.70
Corsicana	\$171.95	Marble Falls	\$121.79
Georgetown-Sun City	\$164.17	Killeen Evening	\$114.76
Georgetown	\$159.69	Austin Capitol	\$114.29
Mexia	\$159.62	Round Rock Sunrise	\$114.29
Austin Westlake	\$156.14	East Austin	\$110.00
Cedar Park	\$153.95	Austin-Oak Hill	\$106.82
Round Rock Sunrise	\$151.92	Harker Heights	\$105.28
Fairfield	\$149.40	West Austin	\$104.17
Giddings	\$148.38	Taylor	\$103.11
South Austin	\$145.26	Lexington	\$100.00
Northwest Austin	\$144.17	Northwest Waco	\$99.32
Bee Cave	\$142.80	Georgetown-Sun City	\$94.41
Austin-Oak Hill	\$140.62	Cedar Creek	\$93.10
West Austin	\$139.57	Cedar Park	\$79.55
Total District	\$176.24	Total District	\$123.11

Foundation Giving – as of February 11, 2016, (Top 25 Clubs)

The top 25 Clubs to date on a dollar basis are shown below. As a comparison, the top 25 Clubs from 2014-2015 are also shown.

Top 25 Annual Fund Giving 2014-15		Top 25 Annual Fund Giving 2015-16	
Club	Total	Club	Total
Killeen Heights	\$89,827	Killeen Heights	\$93,236
Harker Heights	\$41,176	Austin	\$35,476
Marble Falls	\$30,547	Temple	\$18,252
Temple	\$26,359	Temple-South	\$17,309
Temple-South	\$19,801	Waco	\$15,885
Austin	\$19,579	Georgetown	\$14,715
Georgetown	\$18,843	Lakeway/Lake Travis	\$9,893
Austin University Area	\$18,360	Marble Falls	\$9,134
Waco	\$16,983	Fairfield	\$8,930
Northwest Austin	\$12,110	Harker Heights	\$7,580
Georgetown-Sun City	\$10,835	Killeen	\$7,515
Corsicana	\$10,145	Georgetown-Sun City	\$6,231
Killeen Evening	\$8,708	Corsicana	\$5,210
Killeen	\$8,100	Austin University Area	\$4,800
Lakeway/Lake Travis	\$7,510	Northwest Austin	\$4,645
La Grange	\$7,471	Cameron	\$4,567
West Austin	\$6,420	West Austin	\$4,375
Marble Falls Day-break	\$6,272	Austin Cosmopolitan	\$4,325
Austin Cosmopolitan	\$6,101	Taylor	\$3,609
Bastrop County	\$5,865	Austin-Oak Hill	\$3,525
Pflugerville	\$5,730	La Grange	\$3,250
Belton	\$5,705	Round Rock	\$3,050
Round Rock	\$5,500	Cedar Creek	\$2,886
Giddings	\$5,490	Rockdale	\$2,570
South Austin	\$5,084	Austin Capitol	\$2,400
Total District	\$466,691	Total District	\$326,125

PolioPlus Contributions – as of February 11, 2016, (Top 25 Clubs)

The top 25 Clubs to date are shown below. As a comparison, the top 25 Clubs from 2014-2015 are also shown.

Top 25 PolioPlus Contributions 2014-15		Top 25 PolioPlus Contributions 2015-16	
Club	Total	Club	Total
Northwest Austin	\$12,225	Austin	\$14,295
Austin	\$11,107	Taylor	\$3,032
Austin University Area	\$6,550	Georgetown	\$2,970
Georgetown-Sun City	\$6,040	Northwest Austin	\$2,915
Georgetown	\$3,240	Killeen Evening	\$2,000
Temple-South	\$2,500	Marble Falls Day-break	\$2,000
Killeen	\$2,475	La Grange	\$1,730
Killeen Heights	\$2,308	Georgetown-Sun City	\$1,400
Marble Falls	\$2,100	West Austin	\$1,325
Round Rock Sunrise	\$2,000	Killeen Heights	\$1,315
Rockdale	\$1,955	Killeen	\$1,100
La Grange	\$1,400	Lakeway/Lake Travis	\$1,100
Bastrop County	\$1,029	Rockdale	\$1,080
Fairfield	\$1,003	E-Club of 5870	\$1,000
Yoakum	\$1,000	Waco	\$830
West Austin	\$925	Austin-North by Northeast	\$777
Austin-North by Northeast	\$865	South Austin	\$695
Bosque County (Clifton)	\$774	Marble Falls	\$688
Burnet	\$500	Austin University Area	\$620
Cameron	\$500	Austin Capitol	\$610
Giddings	\$490	Belton	\$600
Killeen Evening	\$460	Round Rock Sunrise	\$550
Belton	\$458	Shiner	\$500
Marlin	\$400	Round Rock	\$447
Temple	\$375	East Austin	\$300
Total District	\$64,243	Total District	\$46,281



Interview with David Kellerman President of the Georgetown Rotary Club

Please tell us what factors helped you decide to join Rotary:

The Rotary 4 Way Test and motto "Service above Self" spoke to me. They are how I want and have tried to live my life.

Of your Club's activities, what do you consider the one thing that best identifies what your Club is all about?

It's not possible to identify just one thing our Club is about. The Rotary Club of Georgetown does many things very well. But if I have to summarize it, The Rotary Club of Georgetown members are very generous with their time, talent, and treasure.

What is your Club doing this year to attract new members?

Our social media presence is getting better every year. We have over 700 likes on our Facebook page. Our Club activities are being sent to thousands of Facebook users who are potential members.

Do you have any advice to offer others in the District about how best to achieve a successful fund-raiser? Identify or recruit a new member to be your Fundraising Chair. This person needs to be a dynamo in fundraising (previous experience is a major plus). The right Club member will energize everyone on the fundraising committee.

Do you have any innovative plans for Rotary-related publicity during your Presidency?

Fortunately for our Club, one of our members is the publisher for the Williamson County Sun newspaper. He is generous in making sure our activities (with pictures) are published.

As President, what's your biggest concern for the coming year?

To continuously get members engaged. Our Club has made great progress over the years. I just want to keep the momentum going.

What's the best book you've read in the past 3 years?

I love fiction. The Martian by Andy Weir is a great sci-fi book. Why, because everything that takes place in the book is scientifically explained to where it could actually happen. And yes, the book is better than the movie.

What's your favorite quotation?

Happiness is when what you think, what you say, and what you do are in harmony - Mahatma Gandhi

What's your favorite restaurant in your community?

Another hard question. There are many great restaurants in Georgetown. In downtown Georgetown, the Wildfire Restaurant serves a variety of house smoked meats. This isn't barbeque, it's gourmet.

What one thing would you most recommend as a "must see", a "hidden treasure", for visitors to your community?

The downtown square of Georgetown is beautiful. The restored Williamson County Courthouse centers the square. There are great shops and restaurants all around the square. And through December, the Christmas lights are spectacular.

Interview with Sarah Carriker President of the Northwest Austin Rotary Club



Please tell us what factors helped you decide to join Rotary:

I was looking for networking opportunities and had heard of Rotary, but didn't understand much about it when I joined. My club met in the neighborhood where I worked, and it was a good fit for me.

Of your Club's activities, what do you consider the one thing that best identifies what your Club is all about?

We do a Christmas breakfast every year for disabled adults from Bluebonnet Trails Community Services. They come with their

caregivers and we put on a big Christmas party. We have music, elves, Santa, and gifts for each of them. It's a very touching event, and one we hope they look forward to as much as we do. Some of our Interact students come and help out, a local church plays their handbells, it's a great chance for the community to come together.

What is your Club doing this year to attract new members?

This may sound silly but we changed our meal prices. For several years we've charged \$15 for breakfast and \$8 for coffee. This resulted in many of the members skimping out on breakfast (because no breakfast is worth \$15) and then going to work hungry. Hungry people are not happy people. So we changed our price to an even \$10, accepted credit cards at the door (because many of us never carry cash except for Rotary), and now people can eat and not have to make an emergency trip to the cash machine. We revamped our website, but still struggle with retraining people to use the new site. We have ramped up our Facebook presence and need to look at Instagram but haven't prioritized it yet.

Do you have any advice to offer others in the District about how best to achieve a successful fund-raiser?

For me, fundraising is all about good communications from the top, good tools to do the job (like printed materials and a website), and a sense of urgency. We have a great fundraiser, the citrus sale. This year we just closed it out at \$110K in fruit sold. That's a little down from previous years but still a solid performance. 2 weeks before the close of the fruit sale, we weren't even halfway to our goal. As the deadline approached we finally got busy. It's enough to give the fruit chair and club president a heart attack, but it seems to work for us.

Do you have any innovative plans for Rotary-related publicity during your Presidency?

We're doing a better job of asking our partners to share photos of our members' activities on their own social media. For example, when we drop off meals for the homeless at Thanksgiving, we're having a coordinated drop off time and making sure everyone knows there will be a photo. The agency where we drop off posts the photo, we post the photo, hopefully it gets some traction. That's a small step in the right direction. We need more photos of our members doing things. We have enough photos of meetings, handshakes, check presentations, and banners to last us until the end of time.

As President, what's your biggest concern for the coming year?

Membership.

What one thing would you most recommend as a "must see", a "hidden treasure", for visitors to your community?

I'm told BB Rovers has an amazing beer selection, and one of these days I hope to be invited to join our male members who meet there monthly. They think I don't know about it....



Interview with Harold Ingersoll President of the Austin Rotary Club

Please tell us what factors helped you decide to join Rotary:

It seemed to be the place for business networking and it was doing good in our community, though I did not know what good at the time I joined.

Of your Club's activities, what do you consider the one thing that best identifies what your Club is all about?

Our Club is about business networking, informing our members about what is going on in our community and assisting our community with youth and education.

What is your Club doing this year to attract new members?

Membership Soirees and vigorous marketing and PR campaign.

Do you have any advice to offer others in the District about how best to achieve a successful fund-raiser?

We do not have fund raisers, we just ask our members for donations and raise more donations than we ever did with a fund raiser.

Do you have any innovative plans for Rotary-related publicity during your Presidency?

We are hiring a PR firm.

As President, what's your biggest concern for the coming year?

Staying on track with the future presidencies. Insuring we stay on our strategic path.

What's the best book you've read in the past 3 years?

The Four Agreements

What's your favorite quotation?

Insanity is doing the same thing and expecting different results.

What's your favorite restaurant in your community?

Bartlett's

What one thing would you most recommend as a "must see", a "hidden treasure", for visitors to your community?

I have no idea.

Interview with KC Cerny President of the West Austin Rotary Club

Please tell us what factors helped you decide to join Rotary:

Service projects that focus on education.

Of your Club's activities, what do you consider the one thing that best identifies what your Club is all about?

Our Christmas Shopping Spree for economically challenged students at Wooldridge Elementary School. The teachers pick the students most in need of clothing. This year we will take 30 students to J.C. Penney's with a budget of \$200 per child. Their parents or guardians provide a list of what is needed.



What is your Club doing this year to attract new members?

Trying to get more of a presence in social media.

Do you have any advice to offer others in the District about how best to achieve a successful fund-raiser?

Nope. We have tried a variety of approaches and none of them have brought new members into the club.

Do you have any innovative plans for Rotary-related publicity during your Presidency?

Use social media more creatively.

As President, what's your biggest concern for the coming year?

Membership

What's your favorite restaurant in your community?

Fabi + Rossi, Congress, Azul Tequila, Vespaio, Blue Dahlia, Andiamo, etc.: It all depends on whether it is lunch or dinner, if dinner whether it is a symphony or opera night, and what nationality we settle on.

What one thing would you most recommend as a "must see", a "hidden treasure", for visitors to your community? Bullock History Museum, Ladybird Johnson Wildflower Center, Lady Bird Lake hike and bike trail depending upon the visitor's interests and mobility.

Early Act First Knight

Bastrop ISD

Bluebonnet Elementary (Cedar Creek Rotary)
Cedar Creek Elementary (Cedar Creek & Bastrop Rotary)
Emile Elementary (Cedar Creek & Bastrop Rotary)
Lost Pines Elementary (Cedar Creek & Bastrop Rotary)
Mina Elementary (Cedar Creek & Bastrop Rotary)
Red Rock Elementary (Cedar Creek & Bastrop Rotary)
Bastrop Intermediate (Cedar Creek & Bastrop Rotary)
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Smithville ISD

Brown Primary Elementary (Cedar Creek & Bastrop Rotary)

Killeen ISD

West Ward Elementary (Killeen/ Harker Heights Rotary)
Willow Springs Elementary (Harker Heights Rotary)
Reeces Creek Elementary (Killeen Rotary)
Harker Heights Elementary (Harker Heights Rotary)
Haynes Elementary (Killeen & Killeen Evening Rotary)



Austin ISD

Dawson Elementary (Austin Rotary)
Pecan Springs Elementary (Cosmopolitan, University Area, East Austin, Austin & E-Club Rotary)

LaGrange ISD

Hermes Elementary (LaGrange Rotary)

Georgetown ISD

Mitchell Elementary (Georgetown Rotary)
Williams Elementary (Georgetown Rotary)



Jarrell ISD

Jarrell Elementary (Georgetown Sun City Rotary)
Jarrell Intermediate (Georgetown Sun City Rotary)

Giddings ISD

Giddings Elementary (Giddings Rotary)

Flatonia ISD

Flatonia Elementary (Flatonia Rotary)

Shiner ISD

Shiner Elementary (Shiner Rotary)

Waco ISD

Parkerest Elementary (Northwest Waco Rotary)

Round-Top Carmine ISD

Round Top – Carmine Elementary (LaGrange Rotary)



Thank You for your Service Campbell Family!



Thanks to the Rotary Clubs of Austin and Killeen in partnership with the Austin Hotel Lodging Association this Ft. Hood family, Staff Sergeant Leland Campbell, his wife Tracy and their three kids, Taylor (19), Anthony (17) and Lilyanne (13) enjoyed a special Christmas weekend at the Omni Austin Hotel on December 18-20 with all the trimmings. The family was provided with a rent car, all weekend meals and some Austin popular entertainment packages. "All of these were our way to thank the soldier and his family for their sacrifices in the line of their military service", said Mary Reynolds, chair of Operation Vacation Ft. Hood and a Vice President of Community Service for the Rotary Club of Austin. The County Line Restaurant hosted a Saturday night dinner for the family fit for Santa himself. The family had a ball and this is a great way to show our appreciation to our military.

Mary Reynolds

Rotary Club of Austin and Board member of Austin Hotel Lodging Association

Weekend Sponsors

Omni Hotel

County Line Restaurant

Rotary Clubs of Austin and Killeen

Super Shuttle

Austin Hotel Lodging Association

Austin Convention & Visitors Bureau

Don't forget the green light project for Veterans. Be sure to change out one of you're outside lights on your home or business to show veterans that we remember them every day and the service they gave to our country. They are always heroes to all of us-let's show it with a green light!

Polio Eradication Update

For The Week Ending 02/13/16



The Gates Foundation is currently matching all Rotarian Raised Polio Donations \$2 for each \$1 Contributed (Up to \$35Mil/Yr.)

Our Goal is Global Polio Eradication!

PolioPlus: "This Close" Is Not Close Enough

Advocate, Donate & Educate to END POLIO NOW & FOREVER !

14,500,000 Children Saved from the Paralysis of Polio Since 1988

	Year-to-date 2016	LY to D 2015	Total 2015	Total 2014	Total 2013
Total paralysis cases					
Globally	1	7	74	359	416
- in endemic countries:	1	7	74	340	160
- in non-endemic countries:	0	0	0	19	256

Polio cases reported this week:

Pakistan 1 (2016 case), Afghanistan 1 (2015 case)

2016 Polio Case Breakdown by Country (Green Numbers are 2015 Totals)

Endemic Countries – 1 Pakistan (2015-54), 0 Afghanistan (2015-20)

Post Endemic 0 Nigeria (2015-0)

Terry Ziegler, bigzlumber@aol.com District 5890 Rotary Foundation Committee Chair



District 5870 2015-2016 Major Events



Save These Dates!

Conference of Rotary Clubs 2016

Horseshoe Bay Resort

Dates: June 23-26th, 2016

Excellent Entertainment Planned



June 2016						
SU	MO	TU	WE	TH	FRI	SA
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

Registration Pricing

Packages	Advance	Door
3 Day (Includes Meals)	\$199	\$235
2 Day (Includes Meals)	\$149	\$185
Sunday Only (Luncheon)	\$40	\$45
Meal Add On		
Friday	\$70	\$80
Saturday Lunch	\$35	\$40
Saturday Dinner	\$70	\$80
Sunday DG Luncheon	\$40	\$45

**Registration
will be open
soon!**



ROTARY SERVICE CONNECTIONS

February 2016

To: 2015-16 District Governors
2015-16 Club Presidents
2015-16 District Rotaract Chairs
2015-16 District Interact Chairs

Greetings from Evanston! Thus far 12,371 Rotary clubs have completed the mandatory activities for the Presidential Citation for the 2015-16 year. With the deadlines for the Citation approaching, your club's Rotaract or Interact Club must be certified with Rotary International both for your club to get credit for sponsoring them and for them to achieve the Rotaract or Interact Citation. Check your club-sponsored organization report in Rotary Club Central to ensure that your status as a sponsor or co-sponsor is recorded. Need to make changes or updates to the report? Check out our helpful [step-by-step guide](#) and [FAQ sheet](#) to find out how to update your club's information. Contact Rotaract@rotary.org or interact@rotary.org before 1 March to report any discrepancies.

Clubs must achieve two of the following goals:

- Sponsor or co-sponsor a Rotaract club.
- Sponsor a community-based Rotaract club.
- Sponsor or co-sponsor an Interact club.
- Have at least three club members mentor a Rotaractor or Interactor. (Clubs must report this in Rotary Club Central)

Communication will be sent within the next few weeks on how District and Club leaders will need to report qualified Interact clubs for the Presidential Citation.

Kind regards,
Cate Sauer
Coordinator, Rotary Service Connections
847-424-5278
riawards@rotary.org

www.rotary.org/awards

POLIO RACE ACROSS AMERICA

We want your district in RACE ACROSS AMERICA's \$10 million dollar challenge for PolioPlus.

THE RACE:

We have entered a four man bicycle team in Race Across America – RAAM <http://www.raceacrossamerica.org>. RAAM is one of the 25 most difficult events in the world with 3000 miles distance and 170,000 feet of climbing (that's six times Mt. Everest). It is an intense, grueling, and challenging bicycle race. However, it is not as grueling or as challenging as living with polio. The race starts June 18th, 2016 in Oceanside, CA and ends in Annapolis, MD hopefully less than seven days later. Our team name is "Team Rotary RAAMs Polio". We will be riding around the clock in shifts through 12 states with 55 time stations we have to make. Our team will consist of four riders, 12 crew, and four vehicles that will move across the country at 17 to 20 mph. We have been busy getting funded, securing vehicles, and picking riders and crew. We are about halfway on all of those. Rotary's General Secretary, John Hewko, has given us the support of RI to help this effort succeed. <http://ideas.rotary.org/Project/Profile/045759a7-59f7-4b3a-90d2-84a812939125>. You will be able to follow us and keep up with our progress at: <http://www.facebook.com/RotaryRAAM/?ref=hl>

THE CHALLENGE:

There are 329,323 Rotarians in the USA, give or take a few. We just completed 30 years of Rotary's effort to eradicate Polio from the world. And we are truly "THIS CLOSE"!!!

As you know, when Rotary started this campaign there were 127 endemic countries in the world with 350,000 cases per year. Today there are only two countries left and we only had 70 CASES in 2015!! Although we only have the two countries left, we still use over 100 million doses of vaccine per year at 60 cents each.

So, here is the CHALLENGE...if each Rotarian in the USA will give just \$30 dollars to PolioPlus to commemorate the 30 years we have been in this fight, we will raise the \$10 million!!! This will become \$30 million with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation 2 to 1 match. The challenge dates will be for money given from now till June 30th, 2016. All money will count for your districts Polio giving.

Well, there you have it. Will you help us in the effort? Only 70 kids in 2016 is our lowest number ever! However, that is still 70 children whose lives have been changed for life!!

Please join us and let us know how much your district raises at: rlyonm@cox.net.

In the Best Bonds,
Bob McKenzie
Rotary Club of Tulsa
Past President - 2010-11
rlyonm@cox.net
918-694-0480



Rotary District 5870 Roll of Fame Nomination Form 2015-2016

The District Roll of Fame is established by District Resolution No. 6.

Please read this form carefully. It contains important information about submitting your nomination. The nomination: • Must be submitted on this form • Must be typed • May not exceed the space provided

Each Rotary Club President in the district may nominate only one eligible active member from his or her club. Nominations must be received by Roll of Fame Chairperson no later than March 11, 2016. Email to Chairperson, Sherry Hutchinson at shutchinson2010@hotmail.com. Contact phone: 361-772-1905.

Criteria/Eligibility for Roll of Fame Nomination:

1. Rotary Club may nominate only one active member from their club.
2. Rotarians previously inducted into the Roll of Fame are not eligible.
3. Must have been active member of one or more Rotary Clubs for at least five years, immediately preceding the year being nominated.
4. Must have served as an officer or director of a Rotary Club.
5. Nominee must be in good standing with their Rotary club, and meet all requirements of an active Rotarian as outlined in the RI Constitution, and further defined in the Standard Club Constitution.
6. Should have attended one or more Rotary Club meetings, other than in their own Rotary club.
7. Nominee must have chaired or served on more than one (1) committee or subcommittee in more than one of the five avenues of service.
8. The primary consideration for selection to the District 5870 Roll of Fame is the nominee's dedication to the Object of Rotary, and his/her commitment to the ideal of Service Above Self, and the Rotary 4-Way Test.
9. Nominee should appear at the Conference of Rotary Clubs to receive and accept the honor. Include digital (4X6 or larger) color photograph of nominee.

Rotary Club of _____ Club No. _____

Name of Nominee _____ Rotary ID No. _____
(last) (first) (mi)

The above named Rotarian is hereby nominated for the District 5870 Roll of Fame in accordance with District Resolution No. 6, and as approved of the club's Board of Directors:

President Name _____, Tel# _____, email _____

President Signature _____, Date _____

Secretary Name _____, Tel# _____, email _____

Secretary Signature _____, Date _____

District 5870 Roll of Fame Nomination

Describe how the nominee's service and the merits on which is nomination is submitted. The description may not exceed the space provided on this page. This information is used to prepare the ROF presentation for our district conference.

Information:

The free online accounting is at <https://www.waveapps.com/accounting/>. Any club can set up a login ID and keep basic books. You can add income and expense journal accounts, link to your bank account, upload bank statements, generate balance sheets and P&Ls. They make their money by selling premium services. But the basics which is all most clubs will need are free.

Amazon Smile

You can support the Rotary Foundation every time you shop on Amazon. How? By joining AmazonSmile. It is a simple and automatic way for you to support the Rotary Foundation every time you shop, at no cost to you. Just go to smile.amazon.com instead of amazon.com. You'll find everything you find at amazon.com with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to the Rotary Foundation. It is one of the nearly one million organizations you can select from.

Tens of millions of products on AmazonSmile are eligible for donations. Eligible products are marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages.

You use the same account on [Amazon.com](https://amazon.com) and AmazonSmile. All your account settings remain the same: shopping cart, Wish List, wedding or baby registry, etc. On your first visit to AmazonSmile, select the Rotary Foundation to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. AmazonSmile will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at <https://smile.amazon.com/> will result in a donation.



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District of Central Texas ~5870

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www.rotarydistrict5870.org

"My Rotary Story"

CONTEST

District of Central Texas ~ 5870

July 1, 2015 - April 30, 2016

2 ways to submit your stories

- **Video** (2 min or less)
- **Essay** with picture(s)

Submit via email: rotarydistrict5870@gmail.com

Winners will be announced June 2016

All members and clubs are encouraged to participate and prizes will be awarded for:

Best Overall "My Rotary Story"

Most Moving "My Rotary Story"

Most Creative "My Rotary Story"

Winning Submissions will be recognized and highlighted during the District Conference of Clubs

@ Horseshoe Bay June 23-26th, 2016



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"My Rotary Story"

CONTEST

Uploading Instructions

2 ways to submit your stories

1. Submit via email: rotarydistrict5870@gmail.com

2. Uploading the from iPhone to FaceBook page:

Step 1 – You must “Like” the Rotary District of Central Texas Facebook page
<https://www.facebook.com/rotarydistrict5870>

Step 2 – Open up the FB app on your iPhone

Step 3 – Add a photo/video

Step 4 – Select video from your photos/Camera Roll

Step 5 – Tag Rotary District of Central Texas 5870 in your post. Do this by
@Rotary District Central Texas 5870 – this should tag them in your posting.
Include in your post - your name & club name, My Rotary Story

Step 6 – Click post

Upcoming Club Events within the District

February 20	Caldwell Rotary Casino Night Expo Fairgrounds @ 7:00pm to 10:00pm
February 23	Giddings Rotary Pancake Supper Giddings Elementary Cafeteria @ 5:30pm to 7:30pm
February 25-28	Lone Star PETS (President Elect Training)
March 4	Mexia Rotary 61st Annual Talent Show Mexia Civic Center @ 7pm
March 5	Pflugerville Rotary Casino Night Pfluger Hall @ 6pm
March 5	Giddings Rotary Club Memorial 5k Lee County Courthouse @ 9am
March 7	Giddings Rotary Club Lone Star Opry Giddings High School @ 7:30pm to 10:30pm
March 11	Georgetown-SunCity Rotary Club Night in the Jungle SunCity Ballroom @ 6pm

Reminder: Go to the District Website then to the social media page and LIKE and SHARE each and every Club Facebook page.

All 62 clubs within our district have a Facebook page.

Newsletter

To get your club featured in the newsletter or to submit an article about your club.

Please email Jill McNabb at jill.mcnabb@gtfcu.org

5th ANNUAL EMMETT HANNES MEMORIAL 5K

PRESENTED BY:

THE ROTARY CLUB OF GIDDINGS

**SATURDAY
MARCH 5, 2016
@ 9:00 a.m.**

Lee County Courthouse, Giddings, Texas

You can walk or run the 3.1 mile course. Cash Prizes will be awarded to the top male and female *runners* in the following age groups; 14 & Under, 15-25, 26-39, 40-59, over 60; the top three *walkers* overall will receive medals.

This 5K is held as a memorial to Emmett Hannes one of the founding members of the Rotary Club of Giddings. All proceeds will go to community service projects or scholarships.

Registration:

\$25 until February 20th, 2016 (t-shirt guaranteed)
\$30 after February 20th, 2016 (t-shirt while supplies last)

Packet Pick-Up:

Friday March 4th from 4-6 p.m. at First National Bank Business Center
Saturday March 5th from 8-8:45 a.m. at First National Bank Business Center

Mail Registration to: Brandi Lowe, 688 W Independence Giddings, Texas 78942

Register Online: <https://runsignup.com/Race/TX/Giddings/5thAnnualEmmettHannesMemorial5K>

SHINER ROTARY CLUB FUNDRAISER

**BBQ Chicken & Trimmings
Sunday, February 28, 2016
11:00 am to 1:00 pm**

Kaspar Pavilion

Drive Thru Only

\$8.00 per plate

Tickets may be purchased at local businesses, from Rotary members or at the Kaspar Pavilion on the day of the event.

Proceeds benefit local Rotary Projects & Scholarships

3RD ANNUAL Rotary FEST NIGHT IN THE JUNGLE

Dinner • Live Music • Dancing • Raffle • Silent Auction • Fun!

FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 2016

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00PM | DINNER SERVED AT 6:30PM

Music by the very popular Austin Rock-A-Fellas

SUN CITY BALLROOM
BYOB • \$40 PER PERSON • \$400 PER TABLE
LIMITED SEATS AVAILABLE

Come join Master of Ceremonies, Chikage Windler, and Sun City Rotarian, Robert Evans, for a wonderful evening of celebration! Dance the night away to the music of The Austin Rock-A-Fellas, one of the area's premiere bands. Participate in a Raffle to win some great prizes or bid on some terrific items in our Silent Auction.

Purchase tickets through the CA "Night In the Jungle".

For additional info contact:
Adalre at 512-677-4786 or adalrew@yahoo.com.

All proceeds go to "Early Act/First Knight" and other causes that benefit the children in Georgetown and Jarrell

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Georgetown-Sun City

Pancake Supper

Benefitting the Early Act/First Knight Program at
Giddings Elementary School

Tuesday, February 23

5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$7

Giddings Elementary Cafeteria

Drive-Up Service Available

Early Act/First Knight is sponsored by the Rotary
Club of Giddings

Pre-Sale tickets may be purchased from any Elementary School Student or Staff, Rotarians, or
at Round Top State Bank, Law Office of Wesley T. Keng, Classic Bank, First National Bank, or
Jaeger's Inc.

**Donations to help cover expenses can also be accepted at these locations
or by any staff member at Giddings Elementary School.
Checks can be made payable to the Rotary Club of Giddings.

COWBOY UP!



**THE ROTARY CLUB OF PFLUGERVILLE
PRESENTS
9TH ANNUAL CASINO PARTY**

YOU ARE WANTED!

SATURDAY * MARCH 5, 2016

DINNER: 6:00 - 6:45 pm
CASINO & PRIZES: 7:00 - 10:00 pm
SILENT AUCTION: till 9:30 pm

PFLUGER HALL
203 E. Pecan St.
Pflugerville, TX

\$35 PER TICKET

TICKET INCLUDES: BBQ DINNER &
DRINKS, RAFFLE TICKET, AND
\$5000 COLLECTIBLE CASINO CHIP

SLOT MACHINES * BLACKJACK * TEXAS HOLD'EM
CRAPS * ROULETTE * OTHER CASINO GAMES

Sponsorships & Tickets Available at store.pflugervillerotary.org

**COWBOY UP! COME AND JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS TO HAVE A PFUN.
PFUN TIME AT THE ANNUAL ROTARY CASINO PARTY!**

Dress is casual but come as a pfamous person* (real or fictional) for a chance at a best costume prize.

*You might see Mac West, John Wayne, or the Lone Ranger!

**FOR TICKET
INFORMATION**

Chelsea Robertson
(512) 751-8894
chelseapfrotary@gmail.com

Jim Wilkinson
(512) 585-5442
jim.wilkinson75@gmail.com

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

Rotary Club of Pflugerville
P.O. Box 1513
Pflugerville, TX 78691

Rotary
Club of Pflugerville



www.pflugervillerotary.org



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Tickets available from any Rotarian

\$10.00 each

YOU COULD WIN.....

John Deere D 125

LAWN TRACTOR

(42" cut, 20 HP engine & Hydrostatic transmission)

Valued at \$1,799.00

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| 2 nd Prize: | \$100 Gift Certificate to Paul's Supply NAPA |
| 3 rd Prize: | \$100 Gift Certificate to Heimann's Station |
| 4 th Prize: | \$100 Gift Certificate to Howard's |
| 5 th Prize: | \$100 Gift Certificate to Patek's Grocery |
| 6 th Prize: | \$100 Gift Certificate to Parker Lumber |

Proceeds benefit local Rotary projects & scholarships

Drawing: Wednesday, April 20, 2016

**The Rotary Club of Mexia will host its
61st Annual Talent Show on Friday, March
4th at 7pm in the Mexia Civic Center,
located at 101 S. McKinney.**

**Adult tickets are \$7;
Kids K-12th grade are \$3.**

District Blood Drive

This year for the club that donates the highest percentage of individuals donating blood for 2015-2016 Rotary year. A name will be drawn from the winning club, but that person did have to donate blood.

*Prize: 1 Registration Fee for Conference of Rotary Clubs
at Horseshoe Bay.*

**For more information please contact:
Margarine G. Beaman, 512-921-1625
oleo50@hotmail.com**

Save These Dates!



Coming Up Next Week: Lone Star PETS

The premier training event that prepares Rotary Club President-Elects for their year of service as President of their Rotary club in Texas and Southern Oklahoma. The purpose of this site is to provide information to the participants.

February 25-28, 2016

District Assembly

Central Texas College, Killeen

Club leader/Club committee/Chair training

Date: April 16, 2016

April 2016

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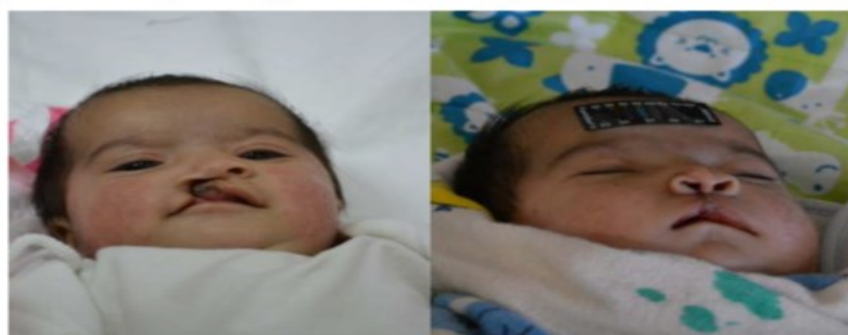
Around the District

Rotaplast International, Inc. is committed to helping children and families worldwide by eliminating the burden of cleft lip and/or palate, burn scarring, and other deformities. Working with local professionals, Rotarians, and other organizations.

Two members of our Club joined Rotarians and other volunteers as part of a multidisciplinary team to provide free reconstructive surgery and ancillary treatment to Faridabad India during November and December 2015. The team included plastic surgeons, anesthesiologists, OR nurses, pediatricians, orthodontists and a PACU nurse.

The host hospital was Sarvodaya Hospital in Faridabad, India. About 100 patients came for surgery, but some of them had to be turned away for a variety of reasons.

The first patient to go through the surgery was Yashika, 3 months old. Her cleft lip and palate was possibly due to lack of pre-natal nutrition, as clefts do not run in her family, and



Yashika's mom suffers herself from anemia. Mom is 21 years old – married at the age of 19. The family, who lives about 50km away, saw the advertisement in the newspaper. The young mother was very fearful when her daughter was taken from her - she cried for two reasons – the first was that her baby had been crying and was hungry and she could not feed her or she could not have

surgery, but mostly she was so fearful that something might go wrong in surgery.

Figure 1. Yashika, Pre and Post Operation

Leela went through a four hour surgery, the longest of the mission, in which the surgeons



Figure 5. Leela Post-Surgery

first removed the burns from her face and neck. Then took two skin grafts, one from her stomach and one from her thigh to repair the damage. After the surgery she was very happy and wants to go back to school. Leela will have a long recovery.

This mission was sponsored by Rotary Districts 7450 and 7430 with support from the Rotary E-Club of 5870, and hosted by the Rotary Club of Delhi Vasant Valley with support from the

Rotary Club of Faridabad Central. The Members of the Rotary Club of Delhi Vasant Valley were there everyday helping with registration and transportation and logistics. They fed the team delicious Indian food every day for lunch, provided a van for transport, and helped the Rotaplast team in whatever was needed.



Head-nurse and the pediatricians. Suresh was assisted by local Rotarians in the registration process.

Brigitte worked as a Recreational Therapist, she worked with the children to keep them calm before surgery, and communicating with the family before and after the surgery.

Suresh's role was Medical Recordkeeping including registration, preparation and maintenance of charts and scheduling surgeries in coordination with the surgeons.

When Rotary Clubs and Districts work together, great things happen. Without the support of Rotary Districts 7450 and 7430, the Rotary Clubs of Delhi Vasant Valley and Faridabad Central, the Rotary E-Club of 5870, Texas, all the local and international volunteers as part of the Rotaplast Team, tens of little smiles would not have been saved!

Around the District

Patsy Derr Rotary Pavilion



THE ROTARY CLUB OF KILLEEN WITH THE PARTNERSHIP OF DISTRICT 5870 CLUBS IS IN THE PROCESS OF BUILDING A PAVILION IN MEMORY OF LONG TIME FOUNDATION CHAIR PATSY DERR, THE PAVILION WILL BE ON THE GROUNDS OF THE EXISTING ROTARY'S CHILDREN PARK, LOCATED ON W.S. YOUNG DRIVE IN KILLEEN, TEXAS. WORKING ALONG SIDE THE CITY OF KILLEEN PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT (\$10,000), THIS PAVILION WILL BE USED FOR PICNICS AND PARTIES. THIS \$40,000 PROJECT WILL BE FUNDED FROM FUNDS COLLECTED WITHIN THIS DISTRICT AND AN \$1800 DAP GRANT. THE ROTARY CLUB OF KILLEEN IS ASKING FOR PARTNERSHIPS WITHIN THIS DISTRICT.

Contact:

**Raymond Perez
Rotary Club of Killeen
PO box 1036 Killeen, Tx 76542
254 466-4205**

raymondm1975@yahoo.com

All Checks need to be written to the Killeen Rotary Foundation

Around the District

STOP HUNGER NOW RECAP AND THANK YOU

The **Stop Hunger Now** Event on Saturday, January 30, was a HUGE success, and we couldn't have done it without the support of many of our Rotarians and the friends and family they brought with them, our Fulmore Middle School Interact students and Tarrytown Methodist Church!

It was a lot of fun; and we had 90 people there helping, including our Interactors...in a little over 2 hours we'd filled just over 12,000 meals! THANK YOU!!!

We plan to make this an annual event so if you weren't able to join us this year, we hope you can next year!



2015 Northwest Austin Rotary Club Fruit Sale Results



88 Rotarians



2478 Customers

45 TONS OF FRUIT SOLD



2
18-wheelers
full of fruit



5
days of donated
warehouse
space



533
miles for
the farthest
delivery



400
volunteer
hours

\$77,000 RAISED FOR PROJECTS

Around the District

TIGER INSIDER FALL SMITHVILLE ISD COMMUNITY NEWS



The county's Rotary Clubs and Smithville Education Foundation brought EAFK program to Brown Primary.

Knighted for good character at Brown

Brown Primary has a new character education program, and the campus is loving it. The program has daily, age-appropriate character building instruction for the entire campus. Those traits are Friendliness, Responsibility, Compassion, Honesty, Respect and Perseverance. Students who display the character trait of the six weeks, as chosen by their teacher, are honored with a ceremony in which they are "knighted."

"We are excited about this program and the possibilities we have to make it grow," said Carrie Gonzalez, Brown Primary counselor.

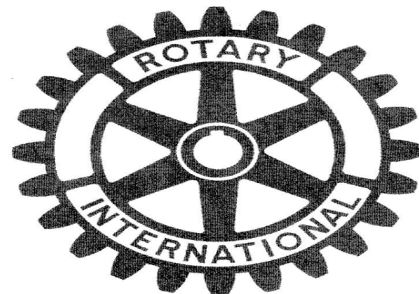
Each six weeks selected students are "knighted" with the help of Sir Cass, knight extraordinaire and a staff favorite, in a school assembly. As a surprise to the students, parents and family attend, but only come from behind the stage as their child's name is called. Students then receive a medal and a certificate.

EAFK is a proprietary program of The Knights of The Guild. Sponsored by Rotary Clubs, EAFK motivates and teaches middle

See EAFK, page 2

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Around the District

Fulmore's Rotary Interact Club had a special speaker this week, Justice Melissa Goodwin of the 3rd Appellate Court. What a great experience for these students and they got to ask the judge all kinds of questions and try on her robe since most of these students are interested in a career in law. This Interact club is in their first year and have already kicked off both their local and international project thanks to the leadership of Sherry Workman, Darrick Eugene and Debbie Simmons. We had four Rotarian sponsors at their meeting this week: Sherry Goodwin, Mary Reynolds, Don Bledsoe and Debbie Simmons



Burnet Middle School
Interact Club