



Centennial Newsletter Rotary District 5730



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Governor's Message

Wow, what a wonderful week of celebration for the Rotary Centennial, February 21-25th! On Monday, Bonnie and I traveled to Austin to participate at the state capital with Rotarians from across the state. There was a big dinner on Monday night and then on Tuesday we rallied on the steps of the capitol with Governor Rick Perry and participated in the reading of resolutions on the floor of the House of Representatives and the Senate. On Wednesday, we started at the Midland/Odessa celebration with over 275 participants. A highlight of the event was the cutting of a Rotary birthday cake by 6 of our past District Governors and the reading of some special resolutions. Then it was onto Amarillo for an evening

celebration. On the way through Lubbock, I called and the joint meeting of the Lubbock clubs drew over 300. In Amarillo, 450 Rotarians and guests heard the readings of special resolutions and a great talk by Dan Linebarger on the Wheelchair Foundation. Thursday, we wrapped up the week by visiting Ceta Glen, the home of our Diabetic Camp and with the staff at Texas Tech as we planned this years camp and finally in Levelland where 150 Rotarians and guests participated in an evening of celebration and entertainment. All in all, we had over 1,250 Rotarians and guest from 40 of our clubs in one of the four celebrations. I have letters of congratulations from all our elected officials including Speaker

Tom Craddick and resolutions from the US Congress, Texas Legislature, and several of our city mayors. A special thanks to all who worked on the various committees to make it happen, but especially to our District Centennial Chair, Sue Hooper. I hope each of you will join Bonnie and me in Odessa May 12-14, 2005 as we continue to "Celebrate Rotary" at our District Assembly & Conference.



PRID McLaughlin, PDG's Worthy, Hubbs, Paulette, Beil, and Rochester a.k.a. Paul Harris

Official Notice

Please regard this as the official notice to clubs that we will be voting on a set of District Bylaws as well as District Governor Nominee and a District Governor Nominee designate at the District Conference. Roger Sepulveda has already been recommended as the Governor nominee to become Governor elect on July 1, 2005. We are in

the process of nominating a District Governor Nominee designate so that we will have all 3 individuals in line come July 1st each year i.e. Governor, Governor Elect, and Governor Nominee. This is in keeping with new RI rules on timing of selections of officers. You may find copies of the proposed bylaws and the criteria for

nominating a Governor Nominee designate on the district website. The deadline for nominations is April 5, 2005. Please refer to the new Manual of Procedure 2004 Section 15.050 on page 221 for instructions on voting at the conference.

Every Rotarian Every Year

We are fast approaching the end of our Rotary year. Have you completed your pledge to support the Rotary Foundation by contributing at least \$100 to the annual fund? Many of you signed a Centennial Challenge card to do that! I know that everyone who signed a Centennial Challenge card will keep their commitment. In addition, every club was asked at the beginning of the year to set a goal for the annual fund in the hope that on a per capita basis we would average \$100 per member. If we did that, Dis-

trict 5730 would contribute \$228,400. In the fullness of time or in this case 3 years, we could get back \$114,200 in district designated funds of which \$22,840 for district simplified grants. To give a comparison, this year we had \$11,400 for simplified grants. Fortunately, our district has a great way to meet this effort and that is the annual cruise raffle that is being conducted. A Book of tickets is \$100 that can be bought or sold and that makes the seller a Paul Harris Sustaining member, goes to-

ward Paul Harris Fellow recognition, and meets the Every Rotarian Every Year goal. Who knows, you might even win a cruise! The Foundation Committee urges you to participate in this effort that makes possible so many of the good works of Rotary.



Leadership Training

The district is engaging in a new effort to develop leadership training for district committee chairs and for club officers as part of the District and

Club Leadership plans. If you have an interest in participating in additional training that can help with your Rotary career, but also with your profes-

sional life, please let the district governor know. There will be additional information made available at the District Conference.



Centennial Chair Sue Hooper

Congratulations to all District 5730 clubs who celebrated our centennial event! The Midland/Odessa area and Lubbock clubs began the celebrations at noon on the 23rd. Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle had a grand time in the evening, and the Levelland/Brownfield/Littlefield clubs topped it off with a wonderful gathering on the 24th. My goal, when I accepted the request to serve as your centennial chair, was to let the population of our district know more about Rotary. We accomplished that goal, and I thank you for all your assistance.

The essay contest, "What Rotary Means to Me," has kicked off in the Panhandle. The deadline to enter will be **March 31**. There are no stipulations. Just write what is on your heart. Our Panhandle winner, Georgia Tyler of the Dumas Rotary Club, won a beautiful desk award and was named a Paul Harris Fellow. All entries will go back into a judging for the conference in Odessa.

It is also time for the club bulletin judging. Bulletin editors must submit 3 bulletins from this Rotary year. There will be four

categories-clubs with membership 20 and under; 21-40; 41-90; and 90 plus. Bulletins must be received by **March 31**.

Presidents, **please encourage** the essay and bulletin contests. It will be largely up to you whether we have good participation. Entries may be **mailed to:**

Sue Hooper, 5705 Mary Dell Drive, Amarillo, TX 79109



District Conference/Assembly

The district conference is just around the corner, May 12-14. A flyer is being sent to every Rotarian encouraging them to attend. We want every club to bring their banner, bell, and a display of their activities during this centennial year as well as a history of their club. This will be on display for the weekend, but after the opening ceremonies on Friday morning, we are going to have a Rotary Fair.

This will enable every Rotarian to learn more about all the various programs and projects that Rotary sponsor's or endorses. District Committee Chairs will be there to answer questions and club members will be there to talk about their projects and how they work. There will be refreshments and music to entertain you. This is just a sample of what will be happening! The MCM Grande

Fundome is a family friendly place to be so bring the whole family and enjoy! You can learn more by visiting the district website and can even register on-line! See you in Odessa, May 12-14!



Bill Berry, President Odessa Rotary, Governor Charles, and Jean Jones, President of Midland

Cowboy Breakfast at Chicago

Zones 25/26 sponsor a breakfast each year at the International Conference with the President of Rotary International. This year the breakfast will be at the Chicago Marriott Downtown on June 21st starting at 7:00 a.m. The cost is \$35 per ticket. If you want to attend, you need to send your

check **ASAP** to Governor Cotten at 4015 Boulder Avenue, Odessa, TX 79762. Make the check out to Charles Cotten and he will send you your ticket. The sponsors have invoked a deadline of March 15th to send in your money or the district will need to send back the tickets. The break-

fast will be **SOLD OUT** so you need to reserve your seat now! If you are going to Chicago for the 100th anniversary celebration you don't want to miss out. So far, our district has 60 registered to attend.



RYLA and Diabetic Camp Applications Available

The RYLA camp applications for boys and girls have been sent to the clubs. Early registration deadline is April 30th. You can also access the information on the district website. The camp

will be held June 6-12 at Lone Tree Camp in Capitan New Mexico. The Diabetic Camp applications are also available on the website or you can contact the Department of

Pediatrics at Texas Tech Health Sciences Center by calling (806) 743-2244 Ext. 261. The camp will be held June 20-25 at Ceta Glen in Happy, Texas.



Ceta Glen



District Awards

Deadlines are fast approaching for the RI Presidential Citation and the District Awards. You can access the website for the forms. Deadline for submission is April 15th. There will be club as well as individual awards given by population division and by category. In addition, several of the various district committees will also be giving recognitions to deserving members. Don't let your club or one of your members that have done an outstanding job go unrecognized! Awards will be presented throughout the conference so be sure and be in attendance.



Ambassadorial Scholar J.B. Horton

February 27, 2005

Dear District 5730 :

It has been a very busy month in Northern England, and a very memorable one. Before I get into all the events that I have been involved in, let me say Happy 100th Birthday to all Rotarians in District 5730! I am sure you all celebrated the big event in style and I wish each of you much happiness and success during this second century of Rotary.

I've been privileged to talk to several Rotary Clubs over this past month to share my Ambassadorial Scholarship experience. The first talk occurred on January 31 at the Roundhay Rotary Club near Leeds. As a note of interest, there are several clubs in Yorkshire that still do not allow women into their club (in theory, they are supposed to, but in practice, certain clubs are still opposed.) Roundhay was one of them. That, to me, is an interesting occurrence given our day and age. Nevertheless, the members of the club were very nice and interested in what I had to say. In fact, this was the first club I have been to where general political issues were discussed. During the question and answer period, I was thrown many questions from the U.S.

"being insular" to the U.S. boycotting the Kyoto Protocol. Global warming is an incredibly intense political issue in the UK (and much of the rest of the world) so they do not understand why the U.S. is not participating in the treaty. Other questions brought up were local U.S. military involvement (in Yorkshire) in regards to the defense systems "Star Wars" and how some feel the US program will bring unnecessary attention to Yorkshire and possible extra potential for terrorist attacks. Needless to say, I had to be on my toes for that meeting, but very much enjoyed the dialogue!

On the 17th of February, I spoke to Castleford Rotary Club, my England based sponsoring club. It was great to talk to him, in particular, because one of their members has visited many of the Rotary Clubs in District 5730. He mentioned to me that he stayed in Levelland, and traveled from Odessa to Amarillo, Pampa to Plainview. And, in fact, named several Rotarians from Pampa that I have known my entire life! His name is Milton Frary, the immediate Past Governor of this District in England, and he asked me to send his personal regards back to the Rotarians in District 5730.

Castleford Rotary Club invited me back to their club for their 100th Rotary Celebration dinner and asked that I say a few words of greeting from the U.S. In order to do the greeting justice, I read a statement from the president of our Pampa Rotary Club, Duane Harp, and wished Castleford Rotary club well in this new Rotary Century.

The very next day I attended a lunch with the "Lord Mayor" of Leeds at the Leeds Rotary Club along with most of the Ambassadorial Scholars in Yorkshire. We all spoke a few words about our experience, where we were from, and what we were doing. It was a very nice celebrator lunch as well.

Needless to say, I have been well fed lately by the Rotarians in Yorkshire at their many events, but as the Leeds Club President rightly pointed out (a woman I might add their first woman President) "There is not such thing as a free lunch because you have to speak to eat." I have found that to be very true! Have a great month Rotary.

God Bless, J.B. Horton



DISTRICT 5730

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP STATUS

<i>District 5730</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Membership</i>	<i>Attendance</i>	<i>Paul Harris</i>	<i>Foundation</i>
<i>January, 2004</i>	<i>Base</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Change</i>	<i>Percent-%</i>	<i>Fellows</i>	<i>Benefactors</i>
Amarillo	166	158	-2	70.00%		
Amarillo East	27	27	0	66.09%		
Amarillo South	25	21	0	66.00%	10	
Amarillo West	93				44	
Andrews	25	26	1	89.90%	5	3
Big Spring	95	96	-2	76.47%	19	
Big Spring, Greater	60	59	4	61.00%	18	5
Borger	40	40	0	74.00%	21	2
Brownfield	19				10	
Canadian	31	28	-1	81.00%		
Canyon	45	45	1	71.79%	30	
Childress	36					
Clarendon	21					
Colorado City	13	14	-1	68.00%		
Dalhart	40				22	3
Denver City	12	12	0	64.00%		
Dimmitt	16	15	0	67.00%	3	
Dumas	21					
Floydada	29	29	0	84.66%	4	
Hereford	15					
Kermit	24	24	0	64.00%		
Lamesa	26					
Levelland Breakfast	18				15	
Levelland Noon	55					
Littlefield	21	21	-1	58.00%	17	
Lockney	15					
Lubbock	176	178	2	65.00%	75	7
Lubbock Metro	40	41	1	75.23%		
Lubbock Southwest	108	101	2	71.00%	47	5
Lubbock, Greater	68	69	1	61.00%	71	4
Midland	79	78	-1	71.74%	46	2
Midland Daybreak	15				7	
Midland West	64	62	0	53.65%	38	
Monahans	24	21	0	62.00%	16	
Muleshoe	42	43	-1	63.00%		
O'Donnell	13	14	1		2	
Odessa	135	133	-2	66.00%	114	11
Odessa East	21	23	0	66.00%	15	
Odessa, Greater	45	43	-1	84.00%	32	3
Pampa	64	59	-2	75.60%		
Panhandle	18	17	-1	72.00%		
Pecos	29				8	2
Perryton	42	42	0	55.00%	23	2
Plainview	85				68	
Post	30	31	1	76.00%	5	3
Ralls	5				4	
Seagraves	7	7	0	80.00%		
Seminole	22	24	0	78.12%	13	
Shamrock	14					
Snyder	28	29	0	68.10%		
Spearman	15	16	0	76.04%	25	1
Sweetwater	55				40	
Tahoka	37					
Tulia	21	18	-3	71.00%	5	
TOTALS	2288	2275	-4	70.06%	889	57

ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGE IS BASED ON THE NUMBER OF CLUBS REPORTING

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www.ridistrict5730



New Members

February 2005

Borger– Rebecca Mowell

Big Spring

Lou Ann Atkins, Olivia
Flournoy, George Leatham

Greater Big Spring– Julia
Alley

Amarillo West

Ted Abrahamson

Dimmitt–Eva Mullins

Hereford– Stuart Simco,
Edward “Ed” Woodard,
Brad Crawford

Kermit– Becki Taff

Lubbock– Troy Vander-
burg, Cal Sanders

Metro Lubbock –
Dane Hendrick, Lacie
Walton

Midland West - Shanne
Rolen

Muleshoe– Robert Nich-
ols, Wayne Pierson

Pampa– Alan Eubank, Sean
Smith

Plainview–Everett Diaz,
Amy Yarbrough, Derek
Martin, Christopher Brooks

Convention Chicago, IL.

June 20-25 Diabetic Camp

IMPORANT DATES

March 17-20 Lone Star
P.E.T.S. DFW

April 15 Awards Deadline

May 12-15 District
Conference Odessa

June 6-12 RYLA

June 18-22 International