



Rotary District 5730 Newsletter

July 2007

**Rotary International
President
Wilfred Wilkinson**

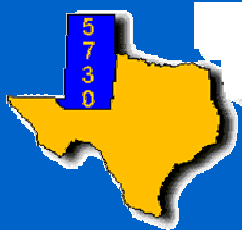


District Calendar

- August 3-4 Membership Conf in Denver
- August 6 RI President in Lubbock

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District Governor Michael Graves

Governor's Message



Dear Fellow Rotarian

"This is a district that does things!" was the comment to Wilfrid Wilkinson, incoming RI president from outgoing president Bill Boyd at the RI convention in Salt Lake City last week. Bill was impressed by what he saw during his visit to Amarillo last July. I hope Wilf and Joan will be as impressed during their presidential visit to the center of our district on 6AUG07. **Rotary Shares** is the theme president Wilf selected for our 07-08 Rotary year. We have this year an outstanding group of club presidents. Many clubs sent not only presidents but presidents-elect to PETS in Dallas in March. Some clubs are growing in both service and membership. Some will move this year into new service projects which alone will bring in new members, eager to be part of a service team. All clubs will change, let us promote positive changes in our clubs and projects.

Every Rotarian in this district will have the rare opportunity of hearing President Wilf speak in Lubbock; come and take advantage of this opportunity to share Rotary with your family and friends and potential members. His Monday evening presentations will be memorable.

And mark calendars and programs PDAs for other opportunities to grow Rotary in your clubs. Saturday 20OCT07 is the district membership seminar and Rotary Foundation seminar in Lubbock at Cagle's steakhouse.

The family of Rotary is "Coming Together" from 10 to 13APR08 in Lubbock for an unprecedented district conference. This will include the first Rotary fashion show, car show, motorcycle rally, fly-in and RV's reunion all together in a spectacular district conference. In June we will gather in Los Angeles at the Staples Convention Center for the Rotary International Convention from 15 to 18JUN08.

We have a fantastic team of Rotary leaders this year. Let us support them with new projects, new service opportunities for fellowship and service for our new members. Let us grow our existing clubs and create some early evening clubs. Let us demonstrate to our families and communities that **Rotary Shares in 07-08**.
Michael

TULIA ROTARY CLUB RESPONDS TO TORNADO

April 21st marked a sad day for Tulia. The tornado that ripped through Tulia destroyed several businesses and homes. Lives changed that night. The Tulia Rotary Club started first thing Sunday morning with the restoration of the town. Several members cooked and served food for 1 full month, providing meals for hundreds of volunteers and victims. Rotarians

from all over the Panhandle came to lend a hand. There were also trailers provided from the Tulia club for hauling possessions saved and trash to the dump. The Tulia Club traveled to Lubbock to haul back the food donated from the food bank in the name of Rotary. There are still efforts being made in the clean up, but both FEMA and the Red Cross

said they had never seen a town pull together so quickly and get so much done without the help of their agencies. Donations from other Rotary Clubs were very much appreciated and the money is being used for the victims.

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An Evening with RI President Wilfred Wilkinson and Joan



Every District 5730 Rotarian is invited to dine with Joan and RI President Wilf at the Lubbock Civic Center on Monday 6 August 2007. Reception with Wilf and Joan will be at 6:00 PM at the Lubbock Civic Center with a cash bar. Dinner will be served from 7:00 PM until 7:45PM. Price for dinner will be \$15 per person, \$25 per couple. Registration for this banquet is **now available** at <http://www.ridistrict5730wilkinsonevent.eventbrite.com/>

An exclusive luncheon for all Past District Governors, all club presidents for years 06-07, 07-08 and 08-09, as well as Assistant Governors and Paul Harris Society members will be held at the Ranching Heritage Center at Texas Tech from 11:30 AM until 2:00PM.

Early registration for this exclusive luncheon is available at <http://www.ridistrict5730wilkinsonevent.eventbrite.com/>

A special reception with the RI President for all Paul Harris Society Members will take place at 5PM on the third floor of the Lubbock Civic Center in the Terrace Suite.

All of the Lubbock Rotary Clubs as well as many nearby clubs are moving their weekly meeting to this special evening Rotary meeting.

Hundreds of Rotarians and friends will receive Paul Harris Fellow awards from President Wilf. He will present Rotary Foundation Major Donor awards and recognize new Benefactors and Bequest Society members of the Rotary Foundation. A professional photographer has been retained to take photographs of these memorable presentations.

Funds and paperwork for gifts to the Rotary Foundation need to be mailed on or before 16JUL07 and earmarked for presentation by President Wilf in Lubbock on 6AUG07.

We have reserved a block of rooms at the Lubbock Holliday Inn Towers at a special Rotary room rate of \$72 for Monday evening for those wishing to remain overnight after the banquet.. Phone number of this hotel within walking distance of the Civic Center is 806 763 1200.

My profound thanks to Wilf and Joan for honoring us with their visit and to Wally Wallace and the capable Rotarians throughout this district for putting on this unique event in the 07-08 Rotary Year. Don't miss it.

If you are uncomfortable with the online registration, just do what many of us do when bewildered, and get with one of those younger Rotarians in your club to help you. If you do not want to work with that younger Rotarian, Herb McGregor has a mail-in registration form that will follow this letter in this district newsletter. Use it and mail it in.

Make this even easier for those in your club to attend. Every Rotarian or Rotary couple under age 60, bring an over- 60 Rotarian or couple with you as you drive to this event. Get to know the younger and older members of your own club. Make this even a social opportunity for your club, reschedule your weekly visit and meal and share this fabulous Rotary gathering with us

Rotary Shares in 07-08,

Michael Graves
District Governor
2007-08

The Four-Way Test

1. Is it the Truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Is it beneficial to all concerned?

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District 5730 Lunch and Evening with Rotary International President Wilfred Wilkinson
Mail in Registration form



Monday, August 6, 2007 at 12:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Name: _____

Badge Name: _____

Spouse/Guest: _____

Badge Name: _____

Club: _____

Email: _____

(Lunch invitation for: PDG, Club Pres. '06-'07, Club Pres. '07-08, PHSoc)

Function:	Sale End	Price	X Number	Amount
Lunch at Ranching Heritage Center	7/30/2007	\$10.00		
Dinner at Lubbock Civic Center	7/30/2007	\$15.00		
Dinner at Lubbock Civic Center (2)	7/30/2007	\$25.00		
Total				

Mail To:
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Presidential Membership Conference comes to Denver!

- Could your club could be stronger if you only had more hands to do more work?
- Are you losing members faster than you can induct them?
- Are you interested in sharing ideas and getting ideas from other clubs who have been successful in membership development?
- Do you have a special interest in helping your club be the best club that it can be?

If the answer to any of these questions is "yes", please join us for the Presidential Membership Conference on August 3-4 at the Denver Sheraton Four Points ([I-25 at Hampden](#)). Our honored guest will be Rotary International President Wilf Wilkinson and he will be joined by favorite Rotary International Past President, Cliff Dochterman, who will deliver a serious message about membership in his well known humorous style. The program (Friday night and Saturday until 4:00 p.m.) will be power-packed with plenary sessions and breakout sessions designed to give you specific membership development strategies to use when you return to your club. President Wilf considers membership in North America to be so important that he is doing seven membership conferences around the United States to place the emphasis on this important topic. Denver will be the host city for clubs from 27 districts covering 18 states. The Governor of Colorado, Bill Ritter, will also be on hand to welcome the participants.

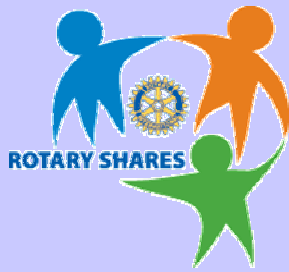
The program starts with a no-host cocktail reception and dinner on Friday night and concludes on Saturday afternoon. The cost is only \$95 if you register before July 15th. This conference is especially important for club membership chairs and Presidents, but anyone who has a special interest in helping to strengthen the club is encouraged to attend. In fact, clubs should consider investing part of the club's budget to help members register for this special event.

For more information or to register, visit <http://www.zones25-26.org/PresidentialMembershipConference/index.htm> or contact PDG Diane Kessel at dkessel2@comcast.net.

SHERATON FOUR POINTS HOTEL
6363 E. Hampden Avenue
Denver, Colorado (303) 758-7000
Rotary International Preferred rate: \$72.00 plus taxes



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Lubbock Rotary Club

“Service above self” has been the hall mark of relationship between the Lubbock Rotary Club and the South Plains Food Bank since its founding in 1983. During that time the South Plains Food Bank has distributed over 140 million pounds of food to feed the hungry across the South Plains.

Ray Diekemper, past President of the Lubbock Rotary Club, served as the Food Bank’s founding president. Ray successfully made the case that the Lubbock Rotary Club should adopt the Food Bank as its primary project promised that the club would provide \$2,500 per month to support the operations of the Food Bank. Since then, Lubbock Rotary Club has given more than \$700,000 to feed the hungry.

In addition to it’s financial support members of the Lubbock Rotary Club volunteer extensively to make and distribute food boxes during Christmas, to harvest apples at the George Elle Rotary District 5730 Apple Orchard, to collect food during the U-Can Share Food Drive, to mentor youngsters at the Food Bank Farm, and to serve in leadership positions at on the South Plains Food Bank’s board of directors and advisory committees.

Each week, the South Plains Food Bank works with more than 230 agencies throughout the South Plains to provide food for more than 19,000 neighbors in need. The foundation for this effort lays with community partners such as the Lub-

District Attendance for May 2007 —Look for June next time

Club Name	# Members	% Attendance
Amarillo	147	61
Amarillo East	29	71
Amarillo South	19	69
Amarillo West	77	61
Andrews		
Big Spring	82	63
Greater Big Spring	56	59
Borger	47	67
Brownfield	14	59
Canadian		
Canyon		
Childress	37	68
Colorado City	16	71
Dalhart		
Denver City		
Dimmitt	17	75
Dumas		
Floydada		
Hereford	16	68
Kermit	20	68
Lamesa		
Levelland Bkfst	18	50
Levelland Noon	50	48
Littlefield	22	51
Lockney		
Lubbock	171	60

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Club Name	# Members	% Attendance
Lubbock Metro	46	69
Lubbock SW	102	64
Lubbock, Greater		
Midland	73	74
Midland Daybreak		
Midland West	54	68
Monahans	30	60
Muleshoe		
O'Donnell	11	76
Odessa	122	59
Odessa East	17	55
Odessa Greater	46	70
Pampa	58	63
Panhandle		
Pecos	34	60
Perryton	40	55
Plainview		
Post		
Ralls		
Seagraves		
Seminole	23	60
Shamrock		
Snyder	33	67
Spearmen		
Sweetwater		77
Tahoka		
Tulia	14	86



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