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Family Month
By District Governor, Rick Price

December each year is designated by Rotary International as Family Month and encourages all Rotarians, clubs, and districts to demonstrate their commitment to family and community through projects, and activities during this month of celebration. The clubs throughout our district are actively involved again this year in providing activities and assistance to family in their communities. Projects like the Rotary Club of Lexington’s Blue Santa Program that provides toys and gifts to families that are financially struggling, and the Rotary Club of Georgetown-Sun City Breakfast with Santa that raises money to provide food and gift to dozens of families in their community. These are just two examples of the many projects and activities being held this month throughout the district to support and help our communities.

If makes no difference if it’s a large Rotary club with 100 or more members or a small Rotary club with 10 or 12 members, each is providing a much needed and welcomed service in their community. Today while visiting the Rotary Club of Lexington with only 11 members, I was quite frankly amazed with the enthusiasm and excitement for service in their community. Working with their very active Interact Club more than $6,000 was raise within this small community to help families, specifically during this holiday season. This type of effort is being replicated throughout our District, and we can all be proud to call ourselves Rotarians.

Family month is also about sharing and spending time with our family and loved ones during the holiday season. So please take a break, and enjoy this very special time of year with family and friends, and give thanks for the many blessings of our lives, and for the opportunity to serve others through this wonderful Family of Rotary!

Teresa and I, and our family wish you, and your family a very Merry Christmas and the very best in the New Year.

Mele Kalikimaka Hauoli Makahiki Hou,
Rick and Teresa

Clubs that welcome kids can boost membership and service
by Kim Lisagor, The Rotarian -- September 2012

In an online forum in 2009, Genevieve Flight, now a member of the Rotary Club of London, reported that at her previous club, she was reprimanded after she brought her three-year-old to a meeting. A club officer warned her never to bring her son again. In the same post, she suggested that Rotary International do more to encourage clubs to welcome Rotarians with children. “This is the best way forward towards getting more younger members into Rotary,” she wrote.
Rotarians often fret about the absence of 30-somethings in their clubs. Interact and Rotaract clubs attract teens and young adults, but most don’t become Rotarians. Worldwide, only 11 percent of Rotary club members are under age 40. Some clubs have attempted to bridge the gap with less-frequent meetings or lower dues. Many others have worked to make Rotary more appealing to tot-toting families like mine. Those family-friendly clubs have reported success in gaining new members and keeping those they might otherwise have lost.

Here are some tips from parents and clubs who are making Rotary a family affair:

- **Just bring ’em:** “You’re bringing them everywhere else. Why aren’t you bringing them here?” says Christine Byrne, past president of the Rotary Club of Casco Bay-Sunrise (Portland Area), Maine. Though she acknowledges that some clubs are more child friendly than others, Byrne says people with kids in tow will feel less self-conscious if they remember that they’re not the only parents in the room. Byrne’s son Jack, 7, has long been a visitor to club meetings. He puts on a name tag and even contributes “happy dollars” when he has something to share. “Kids get it, and they do listen,” Byrne says.

- **Hire help:** The Rotary Club of Fremont (Seattle), Wash., hired a sitter to help at its evening meetings at Hale’s Ales. Parents and grandparents pay $5 per child, and the half-dozen or so kids have a room of their own. At the start of each meeting, the children lead the Pledge of Allegiance. At the end, they ring the bell. In between, they retreat to watch movies, color, and eat dinner; they also may choose to eat with the adults. Once a month, the kids help make sandwiches for a local homeless shelter. “It’s a meeting for them too,” says club member Shoshanna Osterfeld, whose children are four and six. “They get together. They talk about their week. It’s a wonderful experience.” Most members of the club are in their 20s, 30s, and 40s. In the club’s early years, younger members would often get married, have children, start missing meetings, and eventually drop out, says co-founder Suzie Burke. The club worked to become more family friendly, she says, because “we saw it as, ‘Either we do this, or we aren’t going to have that dynamic group of people.’”

- **Think younger:** Another key to the club’s success is child-oriented projects. Several times a year, the Rotarians and their families take a walk along a local bike path, picking up trash as they go. Last year, they installed swings for children with special needs at area playgrounds. In July, they held a “Gymathon” event, raising money for a Seattle school through sponsored workouts.

- **Take a little vacation:** District 7600 (Virginia) hopes to attract Rotary families to its October conference by holding it at a ski resort. “This is going to be the first time we’re having a conference that’s really promoting bringing children and grandchildren,” says Past District Governor Bill Pollard, who has an 11-year-old daughter. “We’re getting younger people involved in more leadership positions, and they don’t want to leave their families all the time for Rotary.”

- **Take a big vacation:** Though they’re not child-specific, RI conventions are open to guests of all ages. The main draws for kids include collecting pins, visiting the House of Friendship, and exploring the host city. Marycris Oplas, of the Rotary Club of Makati Urdaneta, Philippines, brought her children to the Salt Lake City convention in 2007, when they were seven and nine. She and her husband, Donnies Alas, of the Rotary Club of Makati North, felt as if they were the only family with small children in tow. Even so, she says, “it was a good experience for the kids.” Now 12 and 14, they have come to expect that their family vacations will coincide with Rotary conventions. They’re already looking forward to Lisbon, Portugal.

- **Assign homework:** Eleven-year-old Samantha Pierce has logged five international conventions. Her mom, Candy Pierce, of the Rotary Club of Cordelia, Calif., pulled her out of school to go to the 2011 convention in New Orleans, but gave her an assignment: Meet someone and learn about that person’s country. Samantha spent three days interviewing and photographing some new friends at the Safe Blood Africa booth. “She had the time of her life,” Pierce says, and Samantha returned to school with a detailed report on Nigeria.

- **Take the long view:** Samantha started going to club meetings as an infant. As she got older, she started helping out at fundraisers, and she attended many Rotary events when her mother was governor of District 5160. It wasn’t always an easy balance, but to Pierce, the benefits are clear. “She has no qualms about walking up to an adult and having a conversation with them, and I think it’s mostly because of Rotary,” she says.
Rotary condemns attacks targeting polio vaccinators in Pakistan

Rotary International joins the Government of Pakistan and our partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative in condemning the recent attacks that have killed and wounded health workers in Pakistan. The shooting victims are among the thousands of health workers and volunteers – including members of Pakistan’s 151 Rotary clubs – who are committed to saving children by stopping the transmission of polio in Pakistan, one of three countries where the crippling virus remains endemic. The attacks prompted the Government of Pakistan to temporarily suspend the vaccination campaign due to concerns over the safety of health workers. Rotary is deeply concerned that such attacks deprive at-risk children of basic life-saving health care services, including polio vaccinations. I know that Pakistani Rotarians, supported by Rotary members worldwide, will continue to do their utmost to create a safe environment so that these dedicated health workers can reach the nation’s most vulnerable children with vaccinations and other vital health interventions.

Polio eradication has been Rotary’s highest priority since 1985, and we are on the brink of making history by beating polio once and for all. On behalf of Rotary’s 1.2 million members, representing 34,000 clubs in 200 countries and areas, I extend our deepest sympathy to the families of the victims. Their dedication and sacrifice further inspire us to continue moving forward toward our goal of a polio-free world.

Robert S. Scott, Chair
International PolioPlus Committee

The winning Peace through Service postcard

We received many outstanding entries for the Interact Peace Through Service postcard contest, and are happy to announce that the winning design comes from Haley, president of the Interact Club of West Feliciana High School in St. Francisville, Louisiana, USA. View all the entries and share your favorites on social media. [http://www.flickr.com/photos/rotaryinternational/sets/72157632110697424/](http://www.flickr.com/photos/rotaryinternational/sets/72157632110697424/)

Haley and her mother will receive round-trip airfare to the Rotary Global Peace Forum in Honolulu, Hawaii, 25-27 January. Their prize comes from the 2.5 million charity miles that Rotary received last year through the United Airlines 10 Million Charity Miles Giveaway.

Global Peace Forums

A Global Peace Forum is an opportunity for people of different ages from different parts of the world to gather to share ideas and develop strategies to progress toward a more peaceful world. The vision of RI President Sakuji Tanaka is to convene Rotarians in locations most impacted in WWII where healing is most visible:

- Berlin – November 30 – December 2, 2012
- Hiroshima – May 17 – 19, 2013

Due to its presence in the United States, there is considerable interest from within the District with regard to the Honolulu Peace Forum. [http://peaceforumhawaii.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/01/RegistrationForm.pdf](http://peaceforumhawaii.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/01/RegistrationForm.pdf)

Below is a link to the Honolulu Peace Forum. The Honolulu Forum features a hotel room rate of only $139 for the Ala Moana. It's directly across the street from the convention center, walking distance to all the Waikiki hotels, restaurants (some of the best in the world) and attractions. They are allowing that rate on either side of peace forum, so it's a great time to take a Hawaii Vacation. [http://peaceforumhawaii.org/?page_id=8](http://peaceforumhawaii.org/?page_id=8)
Rotarians call for “Peace Without Borders” during Berlin forum

More than 1,800 Rotarians, community leaders, and students and alumni of the Rotary Peace Centers program gathered in Berlin 30 November through 2 December to promote peace during the first of three Rotary Global Peace Forums. “Peace is like bread. You have to bake it fresh every day,” said Luis Vicente Giay, past RI president, in convening the forum.

Two upcoming forums will be held in Honolulu, Hawaii, 25-27 January, and in Hiroshima, Japan, 17-18 May. Nobel Peace Prize laureate and Member of Parliament Aung San Suu Kyi of Myanmar will be the keynote speaker in Hawaii. The three-day Berlin forum was the largest Rotary event in Germany since the RI Convention in Munich 25 years ago. The audience was as diverse as the nationalities of the participants, with Rotaractors, Rotary Peace Fellows, exchange students, and guests joining Rotarians and community leaders. More than 100 participants from District 1940’s Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) seminar involving 12 countries also took part in the forum.

Berlin declaration: The attendees adopted a declaration calling for “Peace Without Borders,” recognizing that “all human beings have the right to live in a state of peace, free from violence, persecution, inequality, and suffering.”


The three sites for the peace forums were selected by RI President Sakuji Tanaka because each was heavily affected by the events of World War II and now represents the healing power of sustainable peace between nations. “As a member of the first generation to grow up in Japan after World War II, I understand the importance of peace and its connection to our well-being,” said Tanaka. “Working for peace is a lifelong task. Every day, in 34,000 clubs around the world, we work together for a more peaceful world by bringing water, health, education, and hope to the people who need it most.”

- **My Rotary Moment:** Every Rotarian, said Tanaka, has a story to tell. Some of those are compiled in his new book “My Rotary Moment,” a collection of personal essays and stories written by Rotary’s senior leaders. Copies of the book, signed by Tanaka, were sold at the forum, with proceeds going to The Rotary Foundation. http://shop.rotary.org/My-Rotary-Moment/dp/B00AE9FDV5. Wilfrid J. Wilkinson, chair of The Rotary Foundation, noted that building peace in the world is one of the main elements of the Foundation’s mission. He said Rotary’s efforts to eradicate polio have demonstrated how Rotarians can band together to overcome barriers of culture, religion, language, and conflict. “We can create one of the great miracles of polio eradication: Days of Tranquility, when those involved in an armed conflict call a cease-fire to allow children access to health care,” Wilkinson said. “To save children from polio, we’ve convinced people to lay down their arms in Afghanistan, Southern Sudan, and Somalia. That’s something no one else has been able to do. And if that’s not creating peace through our Rotary Foundation, I don’t know what is.”

- **Calmer societies:** RI General Secretary John Hewko explained how Rotary’s humanitarian service, even when it is not explicitly labeled peace-building, creates communities and societies that are calmer, more prosperous, and less violent. “By helping to build a healthier, more literate society, you are doing the single most effective thing you can do to establish peace in the long term,” Hewko said. “A society that is educated, self-sufficient, and has its citizens productively engaged in commerce and agriculture and industry, is simply more stable, and less prone to conflict.” Five former peace fellows took part in a panel at the forum. “I would like to encourage you to contact us and to use the resources you have invested so much in,” said Brigitta von Messling of Germany, a member of the first class of peace fellows, in 2002. Constanze Maria Abendroth, past chair of the Rotaract Germany Committee, presented the New Generation perspective on peace.

- **Peace project display:** More than 100 peace projects were also on display at the forum’s marketplace. Two of the projects were selected to receive an award from Tanaka during the final session. Inter-country committees from all over the world convened separate meetings in the run-up to the forum, asking the question, “How can the inter-country committees make a more effective contribution to the Rotary peace initiatives?”

Past RI President Rajendra K. Saboo explained that ten years ago, Rotary created the Peace Centers program to promote research, teaching, public relations, and knowledge on issues of peace and conflict resolution. “We believe that by providing advance education opportunities for peace fellows chosen from various countries and different cultures, they will grow into potential leaders in their respective regions or countries,” Saboo said.
They will then be able to use their training “to promote greater tolerance and co-operation among peoples, leading to world peace and understanding.” Rotary clubs have sponsored scholars earning master’s degrees in peace and conflict resolution at leading universities in Australia, England, Japan, Sweden, and the United States. A three-month professional development certificate program was established at Chulalongkorn University in Thailand in 2004.

Help Rotary win more miles
United Airlines is once again giving away 10 million miles to its charity miles partners as part of a year-end gift. Charities receive a portion of the miles based on the percentage of the overall vote they receive through 25 December. Your vote could help Rotary win a greater share of miles. Vote for Rotary: http://10millioncharitymiles.com/charity/39

Merger of two sets of Clubs in our District
Two sets of Clubs in our District were recently merged. The mergers were implemented in order to better serve their respective communities and to capitalize on the synergy that will be created by the merger.

- The Rotary Club of Austin Silicon Hills and the Rotary Club of Austin University Area has been approved for merger by the General Secretary on behalf of the RI Board of Directors. The name of the merged clubs will be Austin-University Area and will meet on Mondays at 5:45 PM at the UT Club, 2108 Robert Dedman Drive. Its charter date will be recognized as 23 December 1986, and its club id# is 24231.

- The Rotary Club of North Austin and the Rotary Club of Northeast Austin has also been approved for merger by the General Secretary acting on behalf of the RI Board of Directors. The new club is the RC of Austin - North by Northeast (NXNE) and will meet on Wednesdays at 12 noon, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel located at IH35 and Hwy 290 in Austin. Its charter date will be recognized as 03 February 1960, and its club id# is 1954.

Club Newsletter Competition
To help encourage communications within each Club in the District and to build a spirit of publicizing Rotary’s activities in the community, District 5870 will be holding a competition relating to Club newsletters. Please be sure to send me electronic copies of your Club newsletter. Throughout the year, we will arrange reviews of the various Club newsletters presented by appropriate District personnel, and at the end of the year, we will make a special award to the Club with the “best” newsletter. Criteria will be somewhat subjective, but will include factors such as promoting Club activities, encouraging Club participation in projects and District-level programs, highlighting community activities, and covering District and Rotary International programs and activities. Please forward your newsletters, whenever you publish, to Mark Fihn: mark@fihn.com

As an update, the only Clubs that are currently providing me links/copies of their Club newsletters are:

- Austin
- Austin Cosmopolitan
- Austin University
- Bosque County
- Capitol of Texas
- Cedar Park
- Georgetown
- Georgetown Sun City
- Northwest Waco
- Temple South
- West Austin

Really looking for more participation in this contest!
Football, Marching Bands, Floral Displays and Rotary

By Jack Mayo

Editorial note: Jack Mayo’s article is based on, and contains many direct quotes from, recent email broadcasts from PDG Steve Garrett (D5300), 2001 chair of Rotary’s float committee.

A novel cultural experience for RI President Sakuji Tanaka will be his participation in the Tournament of Roses in Pasadena, California. It’s a weekend of marching bands, parade floats covered with fresh flowers, and America’s oldest post-season football game. It was first played in 1902, and has been played annually since 1916. Almost every Rotary international president attends the New Year’s Day event either riding in Rotary’s float or sitting in the Reviewing Stand. The RI President’s weekend includes dinner with west coast Rotary leaders arranged by the Rotary Rose Parade Float Committee.

Rotary’s float committee is not a part of Rotary International. It is an independent group (actually a 501©4 nonprofit corporation) created to fund, build and enter a float in the parade for the purpose of creating global awareness of Rotary. Committee members are not exclusively from the Pasadena Rotary Club or even Southern California. It consists of dedicated Rotary volunteers from all over the United States.

RI has a formal agreement (similar to a franchiser relationship) with the Float Committee to provide limited support, but RI does not provide funding. Just as every Rotary Club is chartered by RI and agrees to abide by RI rules and procedures, the Float Committee’s agreement authorizes use of the Rotary name and emblem; it is essentially a trademark licensing agreement. RI benefits because the purpose of the float is to enhance the value of the Rotary name and emblem. The committee solicits float funds from Rotarians throughout North America.

Everybody knows the swoosh stands for Nike and double arches stand for McDonalds. The goal of the Rotary Rose Parade Float Committee is for everyone viewing the parade to understand that the Rotary wheel stands for high ethical standards among business executives, professionals and civic leaders in Rotary Clubs serving their communities and advancing international understanding and goodwill. Parade commentators spend about a minute telling the Rotary message while our float passes the reviewing stand.

- **TV viewing:** The Rose Parade will be broadcast live Tuesday January 1, 2013. Check local listings; parade coverage is usually found on ABC, NBC, HGTV, and the Hallmark Channel beginning at 10 am CST.

- **Rose Parade History:** This uniquely American event began in the winter of 1890. The Valley Hunt Club in Pasadena brainstormed ways to promote “the Mediterranean of the West Coast.” They invited snowbound North Americans to a mid-winter holiday where they could watch a variety of athletic events under the warm California sun. Abundant fresh flowers, even in mid-winter, prompted adding a special showcase for Pasadena’s charm: a pre-game parade with entrants decorating their horse drawn carriages with hundreds of fresh flowers. The Tournament of Roses Parade was born. Rotarians first sponsored a float in the 1927 parade. The parade has come a long way since its early days. Floats this year feature high-tech computerized animation and exotic natural materials imported from around the world. A few floats are still built exclusively by volunteers from their sponsors; most are now designed and assembled by professional float builders and take nearly a year to construct. Pasadena’s float building industry becomes visible New Year’s morning when thousands of spectators line the parade route. Almost 50 million viewers around the world enjoy the Rose Parade telecast.

Thousands of North American Rotarians, Rotaractors and Interactors who have decorated floats over the years remember the fun, the fellowship, and floral fragrances. Volunteer float decorators will be needed again next year. Go to [www.rotaryfloat.org](http://www.rotaryfloat.org) to volunteer.
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8,000,000 Children Saved from Polio Paralysis
Since 1985

Polio Eradication Update
For The Week Ending 12/09/12

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New Polio cases reported this week:
Pakistan 0, Afghanistan 2, Nigeria 1

2012 Polio Case Breakdown by Country (Green Numbers are 2011 Totals)
Endemic Countries – 56 Pakistan (2011-198), 33 Afghanistan (2011-80),
111 Nigeria (2011-62)

5-Chad (2011-132), China (2011-21), Congo (2011-1), Cote d’Ivoire (2011-36),
Niger (2011-6)

Terry Ziegler, bigzlumber@aol.com District 5890 Rotary Foundation Committee Chair
Dr. Larry Weaver, the Dean of arts, sciences and humanities at Navarro College, died in late November at the age of 57. He was a member of the Rotary Club of Navarro County. Weaver fought cancer for years prior to his passing. He came to Corsicana to start the Air Force ROTC at Corsicana High School, later moving over to work at Navarro College as an instructor before moving into administration at the college. Just weeks ago, he announced he would retire in January.

A graduate of the Air Force Academy in 1977, Weaver was a rescue helicopter pilot for the Air Force until retiring as a major in 1994. He and his wife, Susan, moved to Corsicana in 1995. He was a staunch Christian and dedicated member of Northside Baptist Church, where he was a deacon, Sunday School teacher and musician. Weaver also worked with the Corsicana Camp of Gideons International, and volunteered with Habitat for Humanity. He was a sponsor of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and spending time with his new granddaughter. Weaver is survived by his wife, Susan Weaver of Corsicana; son, Patrick Weaver and wife Terri of Midlothian; daughter, Stephanie Weaver of Houston; granddaughter, Gwenyth Weaver of Midlothian; mother, Vicki Weaver of Tyler; brother, Keith Weaver and wife Denise of Tyler; father-in-law Sam Slaydon and wife Billie of Lufkin; brother-in-law Robert Slaydon and wife Cathy of Midlothian; brother-in-law Michael Slaydon and wife Lisa of Plymouth, Indiana; sister-in-law Sherri Due and husband Keith of Rockwall; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Photos from around the District...

After setting up a ShelterBox display in the foyer, members of the La Grange Rotary Club actually had to go THROUGH the tent in order to get to their meals. ShelterBox representative Anthony Thompson was the guest speaker at the Nov. 7 meeting and so impressed the Rotarians that the board later voted to donate $1,000 to purchase a ShelterBox as an international project. Pictured are club treasurer Don Jones, left, and international service chair James Ayres, with Thompson standing behind them.
The Rotary Club of Austin in conjunction with the Austin Hotel Lodging Association, Greater Austin Restaurant Association, Killeen Rotary, Killeen Toyota, Austin Convention and Visitors Bureau and Around Austin, Inc. hosted our December Ft. Hood military family for Operation Vacation on December 14-16 at the Barton Creek Resort & Spa. 1Sg Mark Pool and his wife Mary and three children received a complimentary two night stay in Austin with a hosted dinner Friday night at the hotel and Saturday night at County Line on the Hill. The family also received gift certificates to some of the attractions of Austin as well as gifts, toys and snacks. They had a Christmas holiday in Austin and it is our way of saying thank you to them for their service to our country.

Mary Reynolds Rotary Chair of Operation Vacation and Board member for AHLA Contact information: Telephone: 512-415-6345 e-mail: mary@thereynoldsclan.com

The Yoakum Interact Club has been quite active in recent weeks. On the left is an Interactor playing with children. The club has a 10 week commitment to do childcare for adults who are taking English Second language classes. On the right is group of Interactors who helped set up Christmas trees at the Yoakum Heritage Museum Christmas Tree Forest. Some 60 trees are on display and represent different organizations and business in Yoakum.

To the right, Interact students and winners of our annual Drug Awareness Coloring Contest that is held for 1st grade students at the Yoakum Primary school.
These men can cook!

BASTROP- The Rotary Club of Bastrop County’s “Men Who Cook” event is Saturday, Dec. 29 at the Hyatt Regency Resort & Spa. This event is a culinary affair where 35-40 men in the community don an apron to serve guests their favorite dish. The chefs represent area business owners, community leaders and a few elected officials.

Men Who Cook is a moveable feast where attendees sample foods from a myriad of appetizers, main dishes, salads and desserts. This year, they have all the ingredients to create a fabulous 1940s themed supper club with décor and music to set the tone. In addition to great food, there will be raffles and a live and silent auction. For the second year, event chairs Bev Reed and Deborah Rogers are pulling out the stops for another grand event.

The Bastrop Brewhouse surprised the committee when they signed on to be the Top Chef sponsor, providing $10,000 to kick-off their fundraising efforts. Other major sponsors are the Hyatt Regency Lost Pines Resort & Spa; “Ministry of Nuts”, a devotional book written by Charlie Amos; Comet Cleaners; Maxines on Main; AMM Insurance Vinnie Boone; EMSB Group G & C Printing; Mike and Jean Helmick; David and Sharah Johnson; Liberty Glenn of Texas; The Outdoor Market Place; RE/MAX Bastrop Area; Frank Rainoski; Seton Smithville Regional Hospital; Soulage Med Spa/Dr. Pompeyo C. Chavez; Texas Aggregates; TSO/Dr. Pamela Solly; and Susan Wendell.

Proceeds from Men Who Cook will support the Rotary Club’s many community projects and organizations. Bastrop organizations who have received financial support in the past are: Bastrop wildfire relief programs and Bastrop fire department, Bastrop school’s First Knight program, Children’s Advocacy Center, Court Appointed Special Advocates, Bastrop Food Pantry, Family Crisis Center Bastrop, Literacy Volunteers of Bastrop, Boy Scouts, American Cancer Society, and Boys and Girls Club, to mention a few.

Tickets are $60 per person for open seating and reserved tables seating ten start at $1,500.

Each cook has been asked to prepare for a certain number of people. All tickets must be purchased by Dec. 26. No tickets will be available at the door. Tickets and tables can be purchased online with a credit card at bastroprotary.com or by check or cash at the following locations: Bastrop Brewhouse, Cripple Creek Company, Baxters on Main and the Bastrop Chamber of Commerce.

Rotary International Convention 2013
To be held in Lisbon, Portugal

The 2013 Rotary International Convention will be held in Lisbon, Portugal, from June 23-26. You can register at: http://lisboa2013.org/#register
Interview with Jose Alanis, 
President of the Rotary Club of North Shore Lake Travis

Jose Alanis is Principal Sales Consultant at Oracle.

Please tell us what factors helped you decide to join Rotary: I wanted to be part of a service organization that really made a difference. I happened to visit the Rotary Club of North Shore Lake Travis as a guest of my father-in-law and immediately enjoyed the sense of community and the members’ willingness to serve. I became a member a few weeks later.

Of your Club’s activities, what do you consider the one thing that best identifies what your Club is all about? Our Club (North Shore Lake Travis) is very focused on community service, but most importantly service in areas that are not normally covered. For example, our Club realized that most scholarships awarded to our local students went to the top academic traditional college-going students and students planning to attend vocational schools received virtually no help. Our Club identified the need and importance of vocational education and decided to focus our scholarship to vocational geared students. In general I would say that our Club loves to find areas to serve that are typically missed.

What’s the primary goal you hope to fulfill during your Presidency? I really have two primary goals that I hope to fulfill during my Presidency. The first being to grow our Club. While service projects are also high on my priority list, I believe just as much focus has to be given to membership. Without growth in membership it is very difficult to grow the size of our service projects and our ability to help others.

Do you have any advice that might help other Clubs recruit new members, retain existing members, achieve a successful fund-raiser, or provide support for a community project? One important thing I have up to this point in my term is that involving your members in all aspects of your Club functions and fund-raisers is key to happy members and member retention. I believe this is especially true for small Clubs like ours. Another piece of advice that I believe to be very beneficial to small Clubs is find your niche as a Club. Find that one service project or fund-raiser that your Club is known for in the community, and do it well.

Is Rotary well-known and understood in your community? Do you have any plans for Rotary-related publicity during your Presidency? In all honesty Rotary is not well-known or understood in our community. It is a Club that people know is there, but don’t really know what we do or what we provide to the community. This is an area that I am hoping to help change. I believe that improving visibility in the community goes back to being able to find that one service project or fund-raiser that your Club is known for.

As President, what’s your biggest concern? I share the same concern most Club Presidents have. That concern being membership. Member retention and growth is what keeps or makes a Club truly successful.

What’s the best book you’ve read in the past 3 years? “The Soul of a New Machine” by Tracy Kidder. It’s an older book from the early ’90’s that had been on my reading list for years. It’s a book about the early days of personal computing and an incredible story of human achievement.

What’s your favorite quotation? “We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give” - Winston Churchill

What’s your favorite restaurant in your community? I am sad to say that my family’s favorite restaurant, True Grits, has recently closed. We have yet to find our next favorite place.

What one thing would you most recommend as a “must see”, a “hidden treasure”, for visitors to your community? The North Shore of Lake Travis has much to offer, but the truly must-see treasure has to be the views. Spectacular views can be had from almost any high point. Views of the lake or views of the hill country on a clear day are incredible.
Interview with Dean Barker, President of the Navarro County Rotary Club

Dean Barker is the president of the Navarro County Rotary Club. Originally from Iowa, he has lived in the Dallas area for 30 years, now home. After graduating from the University of Iowa, he started his career in the funeral industry – always in the corporate world. 3 ½ years ago he had a wonderful opportunity to partner with Corley Funeral Home – a privately owned funeral home in Corsicana – working as a pre-arrangement consultant.

Please tell us what factors helped you decide to join Rotary: Since Corsicana was a new venue, I decided that a service club would be a great way to not only be of service to others in the community, but also an opportunity to meet other professional people. I was invited to a Rotary meeting and knew it would be the service club for me.

Of your Club’s activities, what do you consider the one thing that best identifies what your Club is all about? The Navarro County Rotary Club is all about service. Probably the most meaningful to me is the annual bowl-a-thon we do to raise money for the Special Olympics – even though it is a travesty when the special Olympians bowl better than the club members! Our club is also involved with Christmas in Action; An incentive dinner for Texas Youth Commission; Food for Fitness; Habitat for Humanity; Hooked on Fishing; and sponsor for Navarro College Rotaract Club.

What’s the primary goal you hope to fulfill during your Presidency? My goal is to increase our membership. We have sent out letters to business owners – introducing “Rotary” and inviting an employer or employee to visit a meeting. We have also had a 2 month contest for Rotarians to invite a guest as a prospective member of which the winning Rotarian would receive a gift card for the most new members.

As President, what’s your biggest concern? My biggest concern is what we do as a club to retain members by the types of community service we choose to participate in, as well as creating that special bond of being part of the Navarro County Rotary Club.

What’s the best book you’ve read in the past 3 years? My favorite book that I have read in the past 3 years would be “books” by James Patterson.

What’s your favorite quotation? My favorite quotation is from Zig Zigler: “Your attitude, not your aptitude, will determine your altitude”.

What one thing would you most recommend as a “must see”, a “hidden treasure”, for visitors to your community? Corsicana has quite a history dating back to the oil boom days back in the 1920’s. Corsicana was first place west of the Mississippi River where oil was discovered. Here in Corsicana, a fun place to visit would be Jester Park. Mr. Jester was at one time governor of Texas and the park is built around a replica of the oil boom days in Corsicana. It is fun just to drive the streets looking at the old southern mansions, of which many are restored. A “must” is stopping by Collin Street Bakery – home of the world’s best fruit cakes.

Interview with Andy Barclay, President of the Austin Cosmopolitan Rotary Club

Andy Barclay is a native Austinite and his family has lived in Austin Texas since the late 1800s. Andy is currently President of the Austin Cosmopolitan Rotary Club and is a Paul Harris Fellow. He is a charter member of the club and has been a Rotarian for five years. Andy has worked in his family insurance agency 8 years at the John A. Barclay Agency Inc. He is a member of Parson’s Masonic Lodge #222 where he is the Senior Steward and he is also a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Freemason. Andy graduated from Texas Tech University with a History degree and enjoys fly fishing and duck hunting. He has a beautiful wife named Ashley.

Please tell us what factors helped you decide to join Rotary: I decided to join Rotary because I wanted to make friends and I wanted to make a difference in the local and international community. Rotary helped with that.
Of your Club’s activities, what do you consider the one thing that best identifies what your Club is all about? I think our service projects really define us as a club. We sponsor the Early Act First Knight Program at Pecan Springs Elementary School in Austin, Texas with a few other clubs. Our members show up and participate. This is our second year with the program and it makes a difference with the kids.

What’s the primary goal you hope to fulfill during your Presidency? I would like to continue with what ACRC Past Presidents have started with the Club. They brought in new members, planned international projects, and built the reputation of our club in the community. If I can hand over the club to incoming President Abbey Tootle in the great condition I inherited it, I will have achieved that goal. Personally, I have an interest in supporting the Capital Area Food Bank and have pushed our club to raise funds and volunteer for them prior to becoming President. We did a fund raiser which benefited them this year and are planning one for 2013.

Do you have any advice that might help other Clubs recruit new members, retain existing members, achieve a successful fund-raiser, or provide support for a community project? I recommend clubs focus on the people in their club and have good service projects often. Many of us are close friends. Our members have invited each other to their birthday parties, weddings, and other events that are important in their personal lives. When you have a new member you must immediately reach out to them and turn them in to a friend. If prospective members see that we are a tight knit and fun inclusive group they are more likely to join us.

Is Rotary well-known and understood in your community? Do you have any plans for Rotary-related publicity during your Presidency? Most young people I know think of Rotary as an old man’s club. It is something their grandfather belonged to. I think we really need to promote the service projects we do better because service to our community and each other is one thing all Rotarians have in common. That is the best PR move I can think of.

As President, what’s your biggest concern? I don’t really have one. Our club has a lot of fun and I’d be concerned if we did not have fun. I always make sure we have a party every few months to bring everyone together.


What’s your favorite quotation? “The future belongs to those who prepare for it” – Dr. Robert Northcutt.

What’s your favorite restaurant in your community? El Arroyo

What one thing would you most recommend as a “must see”, a “hidden treasure”, for visitors to your community? They are not really hidden, but I’d say the local hiking trails are pretty cool. Everyone knows about Lady Bird Lake. Not everyone immediately knows about the Barton Creek Greenbelt Trails. There are also a few places to fish if you happen to have a fly rod or spinning rod with you.
Interview with John Eaton, President of the Rotary Club of Bastrop County

John Eaton spent the first 20-years of his career with IBM. His last position was SW Regional Service Manager. The last 25-years he spent as a management consultant specializing in strategic planning and organizational transformation. He holds a BA in software engineering and a Masters in Business Administration (MBA). He has been a guest Lecturer at The College of William & Mary MBA Business School, University of Texas at Dallas Business School for MBA studies, Florida Sterling Conference and Dallas Strategy Forum. John retired June 30, 2007, and got involved in local volunteer opportunities such as the Opportunity Bastrop County Citizens Advisory Committee, Rotary Club of Bastrop County, Bastrop Chamber of Commerce, Bastrop Historical Society and is currently in his fourth year on the Bastrop ISD Board of Trustees.

Please tell us what factors helped you decide to join Rotary: When I was a road warrior I traveled to various places across America weekly and on numerous occasions a business associate would invite me to be their guests at Rotary. I was impressed with the enthusiasm, dedication and passion the members had for what they were doing to help their community and their efforts to better the world environment. After retiring my neighbor across the street invited me to Rotary and later became my sponsor.

Of your Club’s activities, what do you consider the one thing that best identifies what your Club is all about? Helping the less fortunate within our community.

What’s the primary goal you hope to fulfill during your Presidency? Turn over to the next president a stronger, a more engaged & better functioning club.

Do you have any advice that might help other Clubs recruit new members, retain existing members, achieve a successful fund-raiser, or provide support for a community project? A high profile fundraiser helps recruit new members. Community projects that are well publicized increases community participation in your fundraisers. Everything is tied together in a circular fashion; engaged members executing community projects that are well publicized within the community, leads to successful high profile fundraiser, which facilitates the recruitment of new members, who after becoming a member you engage them with a Red badge program requiring them to participate in a community project. Excellent weekly programs retain your members and cause members to invite potential new candidates as guests.
Is Rotary well-known and understood in your community? Not as well-known as it should be..... Do you have any plans for Rotary-related publicity during your Presidency? We have worked very hard on this issue. Every activity the club does we get an article in the local paper. We have professionally advertised our annual fundraiser, where we share with the attendees how we spend their contributions and the contributions our members make on their own to RI and to Polio Plus.

As President, what’s your biggest concern? I don’t have a concern. I have a very strong board and committee chairs. The maturity of this club and member experience is such it can run on auto pilot.

What’s the best book you’ve read in the past 3 years? “Fool Me Twice” Aaron Klein and Brenda J. Elliott

What’s your favorite quotation? Thomas Jefferson: “The Democracy will cease to exist when you take away from those who are willing to work and give to those who would not.”

What’s your favorite restaurant in your community? Gracie Miller’s

What one thing would you most recommend as a “must see”, a “hidden treasure”, for visitors to your community? The over 130 certified historical homes in and around Bastrop.

Mark Conselman, Rotarian and owner of Texas Boot Company, serving County Treasurer Laurie Ingram and husband Clay, FNB VP; Past President Mike Goebel and Projects Chair, Mike Helmick presenting a $12K+ check to the Bastrop Volunteer Fire Departments to replace fire hoses destroyed by the Bastrop Complex Wildfires.

Interview with Randy Mongold, President of the Rotary Club of Georgetown

Randy Mongold is President at San Gabriel Contract Management, providing construction management for commercial projects in Williamson County.

Please tell us what factors helped you decide to join Rotary: I have been in Rotary for 30 years and was President of the Tomball, Texas club previous. When I was “tapped on the shoulder” to be considered President of the Georgetown Club, I said yes selfishly, yes selfishly. A member of our club lectures on many subjects and has little to no information when he accepts the challenge. After reading a dozen books he then becomes the expert and receives much more than his audience. So it is with being a leader in Rotary.

Of your Club’s activities, what do you consider the one thing that best identifies what your Club is all about? We are very proud of our International Activities worldwide. That comes in many formats: wheelchairs, Libraries of Love, Polio Plus, Rotoplast (cleft palates), major grants, donations of fire equipment and an ambulance to Mexico.
What’s the primary goal you hope to fulfill during your Presidency? My goal is to make sure there is a place of active service for all members.

Do you have any advice that might help other Clubs recruit new members, retain existing members, achieve a successful fund-raiser, or provide support for a community project? The first point to retaining members is to be sure they are “Rotary Ready”. Potential members contact me regularly and do not grasp the commitment and the service. Second, every project we are involved in is advertised to the community, providing more visibility for potential new members. Retaining members is a challenge in every club I believe. Involvement in projects and service will provide members with purpose and service. Achieve a successful fund-raiser; leadership, leadership, leadership

Is Rotary well-known and understood in your community? All know Rotary, but few know the extent of what we do. Do you have any plans for Rotary-related publicity during your Presidency? This year we have started EAFK in one elementary school and are supporting new after school Boy Scout clubs. We are hopeful this will bring new light to our Rotary Club.

As President, what’s your biggest concern? Retention for Rotary in general: the make-up of all clubs needs to be of younger passionate members.

What’s your favorite quotation? “If the sky is the limit, why are their footprints on the moon? Never limit yourself or others”.

What one thing would you most recommend as a “must see”, a “hidden treasure”, for visitors to your community? For Georgetown, it is our Courthouse Square (prettiest in Texas) because “we” say so. Visit the Williamson County Court House (not just the Square).

The RYLA Rundown

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<th>Camp isn’t what it used to be… air conditioned cabins, the food is fantastic! &amp; the counselors are awesome!</th>
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<td><strong>Eligibility</strong></td>
<td>Only students currently in 10th or 11th grade.</td>
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<td>Sun, June 30, 2013-Fri., July 5, 2013</td>
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<td><strong>Where:</strong></td>
<td>LCRA’s McKinney Roughs Nature Park, near Bastrop, TX</td>
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<td><strong>Why:</strong></td>
<td>RYLA in the Rough is an exciting &amp; valuable learning experience for those who can meet the challenge. Be a camper this year, and apply to staff camp next year to influence a whole new group of campers. Did we mention that colleges like students involved with Rotary?</td>
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<td><strong>How:</strong></td>
<td>Complete and return this application to your school’s contact person named below</td>
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<td><strong>Cost:</strong></td>
<td>Nothing! This is a competitive award. Rotary pays all camper costs</td>
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FYI:

| FACT: | In a few short years, you will be entering a work world that functions mostly through teams and work groups. |
| FACT: | Our world needs qualified leaders who can work effectively with and motivate others, make sound decisions, and execute good plans. |
| FACT: | Your generation is the most competitive yet. Yet those who are most successful develop teamwork and time management skills, along with strong self-discipline. |
| FACT: | You can have all the knowledge in the world, but, if you are not effective in working with others, that knowledge will produce little. |

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20th Anniversary Celebration
January 7, 2013
Giddings High School Cafetorium
2337 N. Main Giddings, TX
(Approx. 1.3 miles North of downtown Giddings on Hwy 77)
Doors Open at 5:15 pm • Show Starts at 7:30 pm

Admission Price:
$5.00 per person • Children under 12 Free

With Featured Performer Tony Booth

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Who: Rotary Club of Giddings
When: First Monday of the Month
Where: Giddings High School Cafetorium
       1.3 miles North of downtown Giddings
       2337 N. Main Street, Giddings, Texas
Time: Doors open at 5:15 p.m.
       Show starts at 7:30 p.m.
Cost: $5.00 per person; 12 and under free
Info: (979) 366-9341 or (979) 716 3281
      info@lonestaropry.com
      http://www.lonestaropry.com
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FOR MORE INFO
Gina Nesloney, Event Coordinator
mwcbastrop@gmail.com
Ro-Ann’s of Austin – “Happy Hour”
(Meets 2nd Thursday of the Month – Sept. through May)

Ro-Ann’s of Austin’s “Happy Hour” is open to all members, and their spouses, and guests. (Each member/spouse/guest shall be responsible for the cost of their food and drink at each of these events.)

RSVP by e-mailing jmartin42@austin.rr.com to join us for the following dates and locations:

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(For more information about the Ro-Ann’s of Austin, please see additional attached flyer - “Ro-Ann’s of Austin – Luncheons”)
District 5870 Conference of Rotary Clubs

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SAVE THE DATE!
May 31-June 2, 2013

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EMMETT HANNES
MEMORIAL 5K

5K Run/Walk
Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 runners and walkers, male and female, in the following age groups: 10 & under, 11-15, 16-21, 22-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-60, and over 60. $25 until 2/1/13 (t-shirt guaranteed); $30 after 2/1/13 (t-shirt while supplies last). 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.

March 2, 2013 at 8:00 a.m.
Lee County Courthouse, Giddings, Texas
See you on the courthouse steps!

For more information please contact Michelle at (979) 542-9602
Mail Registration to: Michelle Weiser P.O. Box 507, Giddings, Texas 78942
Online Registration: http://runssignup.com
Checks Payable to: Rotary Club of Giddings
District Calendar, 2012-2013

**July: Bring a Friend to Rotary Month**
- Jul 1: Club Semi-Annual Report (SAR) due, along with Semi-Annual RI Dues. Annual District Dues are payable.
- Jul 1: 2013-14 Global Grant Scholarship & District Vocational Scholarship Applications Distributed.
- Jul 1-6: RYLA, McKinney Roughs, Bastrop, TX.
- Jul 1-Aug 31: DAP Grant Application submissions.
- Jul 13: 63rd Annual Marble Falls Fish Fry & College of Governors Meeting.
- Jul 14: Clubs’ June Monthly Attendance Report due to District Secretary.

**August: Membership and Extension Month**
- Aug 4: Multi-District Training Institute (MDTI) - Wingate Hotel, Round Rock, TX, (DGN, DGE, 2012-14 District Committee Chairs).
- Aug 11: Membership and Foundation Seminar – Lake Aire Med Center, Georgetown, (Club Presidents, Rotary Foundation Committees, Membership Committees).
- Aug 12: Group Study Exchange Team Leader Application Deadline, (GSE with District 3860 Cebu, Philippines).
- Aug 14: Clubs’ July Monthly Attendance Report due to District Secretary.
- Aug 31: Deadline for submission of DAP Grant Applications.

**September: New Generations Month**
- Sep 1: Deadline for submission of Service Above Self Award Nomination.
- Sep 4-9: Governor-Elect Training Seminar (GETS) / Zone 21b/27 Institute, Overland Park, Kansas (DG, DGE, DGN).
- Sep 14: Clubs’ August Monthly Attendance Report due to District Secretary.
- Sep 14-15: Bi-District Reunion with D4130 – Embassy Suites, San Marcos, TX, (Club Presidents / Club Foundation Chair & Grants Chair / Open to all Rotarians).
- Sep 16: Deadline for submission of Group Study Exchange (GSE) Team Member Application, (GSE with District 3860 Cebu, Philippines).

**October: Vocational Service Month**
- Oct 1: Deadline for submission of Club Builder Award Nomination Form to District Governor.
- Oct 6: Group Study Exchange (GSE) Team Member Interviews – Joe S. Mundy Hall, Georgetown, TX.
- Oct 14: Clubs’ September Monthly Attendance Report due to District Secretary.
- Oct 27: Denim and Diamonds Rotary Foundation Gala – Schwertner’s Ranch and Event, Center, Salado, TX.

**November: The Rotary Foundation Month**
- Nov 1: Deadline for submission of Club Builder Award Nominee to RI.
- Nov 1: Deadline for submission of Vocational Service Award Nominee to DG Deadline for submission of Service Award for a Polio-Free World to RI.
- Nov 14: Clubs’ October Monthly Attendance Report due to District Secretary.
- Nov 15: Deadline for submission of TRF Distinguished Service Award.
- Nov 15: IRS Form 990 due to IRS (All Clubs).
- Nov 15: Deadline for submission of Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award Nomination.

**December: Family Month**
- Dec 9: 2013-14 Assistant Governor Training – Georgetown Health Foundation, Georgetown, TX, (AGs / District Committee Chairs).
- Dec 14: Clubs’ November Monthly Attendance Report due to District Secretary.
- Dec 30: Deadline for submission of Vocational Service Award Nominee to RI.
- Dec 31: Club Election for 2013-14 Officers due to Rotary International via Member Access.
- Dec 31: Deadline for submission of 2013-14 Global Grant Scholarship Applications.
January 2013: Rotary Awareness Month

Jan 1   Club Semi-Annual Report (SAR) due, along with Semi-Annual RI Dues
Jan 13-19 International Assembly, San Diego, CA (DGE)
Jan 14   Clubs’ December Monthly Attendance Report due to District Secretary
Jan 25-29 Rotary Global Peace Forum, Honolulu, HI (The Green Path to Peace)
Jan 31   Deadline for submission of 2013-14 District Vocational Scholarship Applications

February: World Understanding Month

Feb 2   2013-14 Global Grant Scholarship Interviews – Temple Public Library, Temple, TX
Feb 9   2013-14 District Leadership Training / Pre-PETS – Georgetown Health Foundation, Georgetown, TX (Presidents-Elect / District Committee Chairs / AGs)
Feb 10-Mar 11 GSE Outbound Team Depart for D3860, Philippines
Feb 14   Clubs’ January Monthly Attendance Report due to District Secretary
Feb 28-Mar 3 Lone Star PETS (Presidents-Elect Training Seminar) – DFW Hyatt Regency, (Presidents-Elect / AGs / District Committee Chairs / Presidents-Nominee)

March: Literacy Month

Mar 9   Deadline for submission of 2013-14 DAP Grant Requests
Mar 11-16 World Rotaract Week
Mar 14   Clubs’ February Monthly Attendance Report due to District Secretary
Mar 15   Deadline for submission of Roll of Fame nominee
Mar 23   Future Vision Grant Management Training Seminar – Georgetown Health Foundation, Georgetown, TX
Mar 31   Deadline for submission of TRF Matching Grant Application
TBD   Camp Enterprise (RC of Austin)

April: Magazine Month

Apr 1   Deadline for 2012-13 Presidential Citation Submission to District Governor
Apr 6   Rotary Club of Austin Centennial Roundup Celebration Luncheon, (Sheraton Austin at the Capitol)
Apr 13  2013-14 Club Leader / Club Committee Chair Training (District Assembly), Central Texas College, Killeen, TX (Presidents-Elect / Club Officers & Committee Chairs / AGs / District Committees)
Apr 14   Clubs’ March Monthly Attendance Report due to District Secretary
Apr 20   2013-14 District Vocational Scholarship Interviews – Temple Public Library, Temple, TX
Apr 27   Future Vision Grant Management Training Seminar – Georgetown Health Foundation, Georgetown, TX

May: Military Appreciation Month

May 3-Jun 3 Inbound GSE Team Arrives from District 3860, Cebu Philippines
May 14   Clubs’ April Monthly Attendance Report due to District Secretary
May 17-19 Rotary Global Peace Forum, Hiroshima, Japan (Peace Begins with You)
May 18   Future Vision Grant Management Training Seminar – Georgetown Health Foundation, Georgetown, TX
May 30   Rotary Foundation Golf Tournament (Hyatt Regency Lost Pines)
May 30   College of Governor’s Meeting 6:30 pm Hyatt Regency Lost Pines
May 30   D5870 Hospitality Suite opens 7:30 pm Hyatt Regency Lost Pines
May 31   DAP Grant Final Reports due to Grants Coordinator
May 31-Jun 2 Conference of Rotary Clubs & Hawaiian Luau (District Conference), (All Rotarians, families and guest)

June: Rotary Fellowship Month

Jun 1-2   Conference of Rotary Clubs (District Conference), (All Rotarians, families and guest)
Jun 14   Clubs’ May Monthly Attendance Report due to District Secretary
Jun 23-26 Rotary International Convention, Lisbon, Portugal (All Rotarians and Families)
Jun 30 – Jul 5 RYLA, McKinney Roughs, Bastrop, TX