



Rotary District 5870

Ruth Allison, District Governor 2010-2011



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RUTH'S RAMBLINGS

Those of you who know me well know that I am a football fan. I grew up outside of a small town South of San Antonio. Two of my uncles played in the first Devine Warhorse football team. They had not even seen football played before they played their first game. So I guess this football stuff is genetic.

I am always ready for fall to begin especially when it gets a little cooler in the evening. I can't wait for the first UT, Dallas Cowboys or the Houston Texans to have their first game.

But the most memorable game I attended was the first game EVER between the Houston Oilers and the Dallas Cowboys. It was played in Rice stadium. The Astrodome was down the road but the Oilers had not made a contract with Hofheinz, the owner of the Astrodome and the Astro Baseball team. So there I was sitting in the bleachers watching Don Meredith, later know as Dandy Don, quarterback for the Cowboys, and Don Trull, the Oiler's quarterback who was a Baylor grad.

I say it was memorable not because it was exciting because it was not. But to see this first game was right up my alley. It was also called the Ralph Neeley Bowl. Neeley originally signed with the Oilers then the Cowboys. In order to settle the issue the Cowboys agreed to play the Oilers. There go little ole me.

Poor Houston could not get anything going despite my screaming and yelling. They were totally trounced by Dallas. But that did not matter to me.

A light rain began. Other fair weather fans began to stream out of the stadium. NOT ME. I stayed until the bitter end to support my Oilers who needed all the help they could get at that point. Loyal until the end. A Rotarian in the making.

Be sure to read the rest of the newsletter for important Rotary info. I just wanted to tell a perfectly good story. Have a great month.

Happy Trails!

Ruth



CALENDAR OF DISTRICT & CLUB EVENTS

- September 9—November 12 Lakeway/Lake Travis Car Raffle**
- September 16—December 14 Yoakum Raffle**
- October 26 Austin Centennial’s Wacky Bash**
- October 29 Temple Annual Spaghetti Supper**
- October 30 Itasca Golf Tournament**
- November 2 Belton 53rd Annual Pancake Supper**
- November 2 Fairfield Raffle**
- November 6 Austin Northeast’s Vegas Nights**
- Novemebr 6-7th Georgetown Sun City—Hill Arts & Crafts Fair**
- November 7th Komen Race for the Cure**
- May 21-25 Rotary International Convention, New Orleans**
- June 3 D5870 Foundation Dinner, Nimitz Museum, Fredericksburg**
- June 3-5 D5870 Annual Conference, Inn on Baron’s Creek, Fredericksburg**

DISTRICT GOVERNOR CLUB VISITS

12-Oct	7:30 AM	Bee Cave	8:30
12-Oct	Noon	Austin	11:00
13-Oct	Noon		11:00
14-Oct	Noon	Bosque Co./Clifton	11:00
15-Oct	noon	Cedar Park	11:00
19-Oct	Noon	Hutto	11:00
20-Oct	Noon	Somerville	1:00
20-Oct	5:30 PM	Waco Lake Brazos	5PM
21-Oct	Noon	West Austin	1:00
26-Oct	7:00 AM	Marble Falls Daybreak	8:00
26-Oct	Noon	Bastrop County	11:00
27-Oct	noon	Taylor?	11:00
28-Oct	Noon	Giddings	
1-Nov	noon	Itasca	11 ?
11/2/2010	7:00 AM	Cedar Park	
3-Nov	Noon	North Shore Lake Travis	11:00
4-Nov	11:45 AM	Austin Onion Creek	1:05
9-Nov	Noon	Belton	

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. *Belton will be having its 53rd annual Pancake Supper on November 2nd at Leon Heights Elementary address is 1501 N. Main Belton TX 76513. Come by after you vote.*
2. *Austin Centennial's upcoming fundraisers - Wacky Bash—Oct. 26 (See details on District Calendar on District website) Pecan Almond Fundraiser (chocolate covered) order by 11/29, 1 box\$15 2 boxes 27.50.*
3. *Austin Northeast's Vegas Nights is Nov 6 from 7-11pm. Taking place at the Crowne Plaza Hotel at the corner of IH35 and 290. You do not want to miss this fun filled evening of food, games, prizes and friendship in true Rotarian style. **Vegas Nights** will highlight Northeast Austin Rotary Club's specialized programs and services, as we celebrate 25 years of commitment to the Austin community. For more information and to purchase tickets, go to www.austinnortheastrotary.org.*
4. *Rotary Friendship Exchange— D5870 Outbound to D9465 Western Australia (Perth Area). For 2 weeks in Spring 2011, tentatively April 10-24. For more info, contact Rob or Pat Smith, 254-778-4425 or pat-smith@earthlink.net. **NOTE:** This is different than the GSE activity. It is a vacation exchange of Rotarians between Rotary Districts.*

***Purpose:** Advance understanding, goodwill, and peace by building international friendships through a vacation experience. **Participation:** Four to six District 5870 Rotarians & their partners. **Accommodations:** Rotarian home hosting provided at no cost. **Costs:** Participants pay their own air and in-country travel, non-host meals, & entertainment expenses. **Reciprocity:** Ability to reciprocally host the D9465 friendship exchange is preferred (very tentatively May 2-16, 2011).*

5. *Cedar Park changing weekly meeting to Tuesday @ 7:00am beginning November 2.*
6. *Fairfield Rotary Club is raffling a rifle, Remington 700 SPS (caliber of choice) from Robinson Trading Post. If you are interested, tickets are one for \$1.00 or six for \$5.00. Drawing will be at our November 2, 2010, meeting. Contact Brian Mannen—903-389-7999.*
7. *Hutto 2nd Annual Cook-Off April 15 & 16 2011*
8. *Hutto promoting—New Fire Safety Inflatable Houses—go to www.huttofirerescue.org for more details.*

CLUB NEWS

Rotary Club of Marlin

The winner of The Rotary Club of Marlin's, Shotgun Raffle, was Allen Van Zandt. He won the Browning Silver Hunter shotgun. His ticket was drawn out at half-time at the Marlin Bulldogs football game on September 24, 2010. The money raised will be put towards our scholarship fund. A hearty "THANK YOU" to everyone that donated this year.

Pictured L-R: Justin Hay – President, Marlin Rotary Club, Allen Van Zandt



The Rotary Club Of Yoakum



The Rotary Club of Yoakum is selling raffle tickets for a 4010 Kawasaki Mule, power steering, fuel injection, 2/4 wheel drive, hi/lo range, lift kit and Kevlar tires! The drawing for this "SWEET" little vehicle (and the Lamar 6x12 single-axle trailer it's sitting on) will be held on December 14th at the Country Music U.S.A. Christmas show.

You don't have to be present to win. Tickets are \$25 each or five for \$100; contact Gery Maneth at (214)952-7152, or gmsa@hal-comm.com or Carroll Sharp at (361)550-6457 or csharpphoto1@sbcglobal.net. A limited number of tickets will be sold and you will be helping provide scholarships for Yoakum High School seniors and other community services provided by the Yoakum Rotary Club.

Rotary Club of Killeen



Gordon K. Plumlee, a member of the Rotary Club of Killeen, was presented with the Cliff Dochterman Award on August 25, 2010, in a ceremony conducted at the weekly meeting with members and guests present.

The Cliff Dochterman Award is Rotary's highest award for service to youth through the Boy Scouts of America and is administered by The International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians (IFSR). The presentation is made by the local Rotary club to recognize members who perform outstanding service to youth as volunteer Scouting leaders.

The award was presented by Rotary District 5870 Governor Ruth Allison, who cited Mr. Plumlee for his many years of distinguished volunteer leadership in the delivery of the Scouting program.

The Cliff Dochterman Award consists of a medallion and BSA Community Organization Award cloth square knot, which he is authorized to wear, accompanied by a framed certificate and complimentary membership in IFSR for one year.

Mr. Plumlee entered Scouting in 1951. He earned the Eagle Scout award in 1959. Except during periods of combat duty in Vietnam, he has been an active Scouter for over 50 years. He has served as Patrol Leader, Cubmaster, Unit Commissioner, District Camporee Chairman, District Training Chairman, Scoutmaster, Merit Badge Counselor, District Committee member, Council Camporee Chairman, Eagle Committee, Heart of Texas Council Executive committee member and unit charter representative. He has worked with over forty candidates on their Eagle requirements, and has conducted over sixty Courts of Honor.

In addition to the achievement of Eagle Scout, he is also the recipient of the Silver Beaver, Ordeal Member of the Order of the Arrow, recognized as a Distinguished Commissioner, Leon Valley District Scouter of the Year, Scout Master of the Year, recipient of the Arrowhead Award, Baptist Church Good Shepherd Award, Lutheran Lamb of God Award, District Award of Merit, Cub Scout Trainers Wood Badge, Boy Scout Trainers Wood Badge, and has participated as a Wood Badge staff member, and as a Philmont Scout Camp guide.

This award for achievement is recognition of Gordon Plumlee's exceptional performance, devotion to duty and selfless service. It reflects the essence of his volunteer spirit, and brings deserved credit to him and to the Boy Scouts of America.

Rotary Club of Le Grange



Cooking and serving hamburgers at the Fayette County Fair not only is a major fundraiser for the La Grange Rotary Club, it's also fair-goers look forward to as much as the entertainment. This year, club members grilled over 3,000 burgers during the four-day fair. Don Hinkley is seen working the grill.



La Grange Rotary President Larry Jackson presents "Golden Spatula Awards" to John Wied, left, "lifetime achievement" and Ken Powell, right, "newbie," for Service Above Self at the Rotary Hamburger Booth. The Fayette County Fair is always held Labor Day Weekend.

Rotary Club of Fairfield



Melissa Contreras, Corporate Marketing Director of the American Heart Association, was the guest speaker of Rotarian, Gary Trammell (right). Also pictured is Jason Hullum, Fairfield Rotary Club president.



Dr. Melanie Schauwecker and Jason Hullum



Jeff Looney, Liz Thorton and Jason Hullum

**ROTARY OCTOBER SURPRISE
POLIPLUS 2 FOR 1 MATCH**

Sunday, October 24, 2010, is **World Polio Day** and Rotarians around the world are planning events in celebration of this day.

To add to the excitement - The Rotary Foundation has just announced a new **October PolioPlus Surprise – Promotion**. During the week before the October 24th date (October 18 thru October 24), Rotarians who make donations of \$100+ on line to Polio Plus will receive 2 for 1 Rotary Foundation Recognition Credit. Please encourage your members to donate during this 2 for 1 week to become a PHF or to reach the next PHF level.

Anyone donating \$100+ to Polio Plus during this promotion and agreeing to give \$100 to Polio Plus each year until Polio is gone, will become a Polio Plus Society Member and will receive the coveted Polio Plus Society Pin.



Polio Eradication Update

For The Week Ending 010/07/10

Over 2/3 There! \$147 Mil

Now Raised to Meet the \$200Mil Challenge

Total paralysis cases	Year-to-date 2010	Thru this date in 2009	Total in 2009
Globally	706	1087	1604
- in endemic countries:	134	827	1256
- in non-endemic countries:	572	260	348

New Polio cases reported in the last week:

India 2, Nigeria 1, Pakistan 10, Afghanistan 1, DRC 9, Angola 1

2010 Polio Case Breakdown by Country (Green Numbers are 2009 Totals)

Endemic Countries – 39 India (2009-733), 8 Nigeria (2009-387)

69 Pakistan (2009-89), 18 Afghanistan (2009-38)

+ Importation Countries – 25 Angola(2009-29), 0 Benin(2009-21), 0 Burundi (2009-2), 0 Burkina Faso(2009-15), 1 Cameroon (2009-3), 0 CAR(2008-3, 2009-14), 14-Chad(2009-65), 0 Cote d'Ivoire (2009-27), 24 DRC(2009-3), 0 Guinea (2009-41), 0 Kenya (2009-18), 1 Liberia(2009-11), 3 Mali(2009-2), 5 Mauritania (2009-11), 6 Nepal (2009-0), 2 Niger(2009-15), 12 Russian Federation (2009-0), 18-Senegal (2009-0), 1 Sierra Leone (2009-12), 0 Sudan(2009-45), 458 Tajikistan (2009-0), 0 Togo(2009-6), 3 Turkmenistan (2009-0), 0 Uganda (2009-8)

District 5870 Membership & Attendance Report for August 2010

TOP CLUBS IN DISTRICT - May 2010

Top 10 in Monthly Attendance

1	Marble Falls Daybreak	100.0%
2	Austin University	100.0%
3	Temple Sunrise	95.0%
4	Harker Heights	93.4%
5	Somerville	92.0%
6	Mexia	91.9%
7	Copperas Cove	91.2%
8	Austin Oak Hill	87.0%
9	Waco Lake Brazos	86.0%
9	Killeen	86.0%
9	Killeen Evening	86.0%

Top 10 in Monthly Membership Gain

1	Austin Silicon Hills	3
2	Waco Lake Brazos	3
3	Georgetown Sun City	3
4	Austin Westlake	2
4	Hallettsville	2
4	Harker Heights	2
4	Rockdale	2
4	Temple South	2
4	Waco	2

Rotary Club	Members as of July 30	Monthly Gain/Losses	Members as of August	Monthly Gain/Losses	Monthly Meetings	Average Attendance %
Austin	262	-11	251	-11	5	59.0%
Austin Capitol of Texas	25	0	25	-1	4	68.3%
Austin Centennial	15	0	15	0	5	68.0%
Austin Cosmopolitan						
Austin Northeast	25	0	25	0	4	84.0%
Austin Oak Hill	39	0	39	1	4	87.0%
Austin University	36	-4	32	-3	4	100.0%
Austin Westlake	25	2	27	3	4	73.0%
Austin-Silicon Hills	10	3	13	4	4	75.0%
Bastrop County	51	0	51	-2	5	55.0%
Bee Cave	20	-1	19	-1	4	73.0%
Belton	24	1	25	1	5	82.0%
Bosque County (Clifton)	40	0	40	0	4	71.0%
Burnet	68	-1	67	-1	4	44.0%
Caldwell	23	0	23	0	5	69.0%
Cameron	32	1	33	1	4	63.0%
Cedar Creek	27	1	28	-1	4	58.3%
Cedar Park	12	0	12	0	4	62.4%
Copperas Cove	19	0	19	0	4	91.2%
Corsicana	45	0	45	0	4	67.2%
East Austin						
Elgin						
Fairfield	27	-2	25	-1	5	60.0%
Flatonina	18	0	18	0	4	65.3%
Georgetown	113	0	113	-2	4	74.2%
Georgetown Sun City	58	3	61	1	5	83.8%
Georgetown Sunrise	15	1	16	1	4	68.8%
Giddings	36	0	36	0	4	85.8%
Hallettsville	38	2	40	2	5	20.3%
Harker Heights	43	2	45	1	3	93.4%
Hillsboro	30	0	30	0	4	78.0%
Hutto						
Itasca	9	0	9	0	5	72.6%
Killeen	43	-1	42	-1	4	86.0%
Killeen Evening	9	1	10	1	5	86.0%
Killeen Heights	114	0	114	3	4	56.5%
La Grange	52	0	52	0	4	69.2%
Lakeway/Lake Travis	45	-3	42	-3	4	73.7%
Lexington						
Marble Falls	72	-3	69	-5	4	66.1%
Marble Falls Daybreak	31	0	31	1	5	103.4%
Marlin	24	0	24	-2	4	65.0%
McGregor						
Mexia	31	0	31	0	4	91.9%
Navarro County	14	0	14	2	5	77.5%
North Austin	33	1	34	0	5	62.0%
Northshore Lake Travis	11	0	11	0	4	73.0%
Northwest Austin	97	0	97	-1	4	56.2%
Northwest Waco	40	-3	37	-6	4	78.0%
Pflugerville	43	0	43	-1	4	66.0%
Rockdale	48	2	50	3	4	58.0%
Round Rock	76	1	77	0	4	44.0%
Round Rock Sunrise	19	1	20	2	6	59.0%
Salado	48	1	49	1	4	36.0%
Shiner						
Somerville	9	0	9	0	4	92.0%
South Austin	25	0	25	-3	4	60.0%
Taylor	29	0	29	0	4	61.2%
Teague	20	0	20		5	65.0%
Temple	82	0	82	2	4	55.2%
Temple South	37	2	39	2	5	85.6%
Temple Sunrise	10	0	10	0	4	95.0%
Waco	315	2	317	-1	4	76.6%
Waco Lake Brazos	48	3	51	6	4	86.0%
Waco Sunrise						
West Austin	47	1	48	-2	4	69.8%
Yoakum	40	0	40	0	4	57.0%
Total Reported / Average	2697	2	2699	-10	252	70.6%

Clubs Reporting : 59 of 66