



Denton Rotary Club

Chartered May 1, 1920
District 5790 • Club No. 1779

P. O. Box 1622 • Denton, Texas 76202

Meeting Time:
Thursday, Noon
Radisson Hotel

www.dentonrotary.com

The Flywheel

Thursday, February 22, 2007

2006-07 Officers

Ron Aldridge	President
Sonja Rogers	President-elect
Horace Brock	Past President
Margaret Griffin	Secretary
Rob Seay	Treasurer
Dick Stewart	Sergeant-at-Arms
Tom Syler and David Barrett	Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms
John Shrader and Ralph Flesher	Co-Historians
Leigh Hilton	Director, Club Awards
Becky Opperman	Chaplain
Bill Cissell	Director, Grants & Development
Dick Stewart and Phillip Young	Music Directors

Club Service (A)	Sonja Rogers, Director
Mark Ragsdale, Guy McElroy	Membership
Jim Alexander	Classification
John Shrader, Jack Cross	Membership Development
Mark Burroughs	Attendance
Pete Bradbury	Audit
Pete Bradbury	Club Bulletin

Club Service (B)	Steven Coburn, Director
Don Barnes	Fellowship
Harv Kitchens	Fundraising
Phillip Young	Programs
John Cabrales, Jr.	Public Relations
Jo Ann Ballantine	Web Site
Dick Stewart	Magazines

Community Service	Virginia Langston-McDaniel, Director
Tom LaPoint, Mary Gotcher	Environmental Services
Rick Woolfolk	Blood Drive
George Alatzas	Human Development
Michelle Cunningham	Scholarship
Bill McKee, Carolyn Ishee	Partners-in-Service
Ricky Grunden	Community Development

International Service	Eva Poole, Director
Herman Oosterwijk	International Youth
Bill Cissell	HIV/AIDS
Horace Brock	World Fellowship
Bob Peterson, Bruce Sandelin	Rotary Foundation
	World Community Service

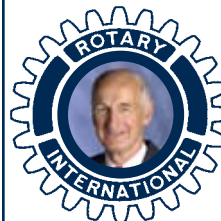
Vocational Service	Larry Aaron, Director
Gloria Anderson	Career Development
Vicki Smith, Mary Ann McDuff	RYLA
Polly Thompson	Vocational Awareness
Herbert Holl	Vocational Awards
Derv Hudgens	4-Way Speech

2006-07 Directors

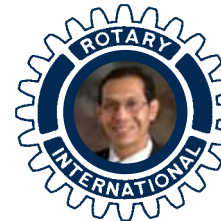
Mary Gotcher	Bill Cissell
Jack Cross	Virginia Langston-McDaniel
Eva Poole	Larry Aaron
Leigh Hilton	George Alatzas
Steven Coburn	



Rotary International 2006 - 2007 Theme



William B. Boyd
International President



Dan Morales
District Governor



Dr. Ron Aldridge
Club President

Today's Program:

4-Way Test Speeches
Introduced by Derv Hudgens

Upcoming Programs:

- Mar. 1 Nicaragua Trip Report
Herman Oosterwijk
- Mar. 8 Club Assembly

Club Rallies To Support Youth Exchange Student With Leukemia

It was late June 2006, and Rotary Youth Exchange student Rony Montalvan was preparing to fly home to Toquepala, Peru, after an active year in Beaverton, Oregon, USA. As a Beaverton High School student, he attended Interact meetings and joined the soccer team. Upon returning to Peru, Montalvan planned to attend the University of Arequipa on a soccer scholarship.



Rony Montalvan in June 2006 at the beginning of his cancer treatments. Learn more about Montalvan at the Web site of the Rotary Club of Beaverton.

But a week before his scheduled departure, something went terribly wrong. Montalvan became ill with a cough and had difficulty breathing. His host parents, Terry and Kathy Tobin, immediately took him to see a doctor.

“By the end of the day, we knew that he had a very serious illness,” says Kathy Tobin.

CT scan tests revealed a large tumor developing in his chest. Montalvan was diagnosed with a T-cell acute lymphoblastic

leukemia, a life-threatening illness that required immediate and intensive medical treatment. A long flight home to Peru would put his life at risk.

The Rotary Club of Beaverton rallied to his side. The club arranged to sponsor Montalvan for an additional year, which continues his medical insurance through the Youth Exchange program. The club also raised nearly US\$20,000 through an annual community service auction and fundraiser to help cover medical costs. Beaverton Rotarians have also helped Montalvan’s relatives who have traveled back and forth from Peru to be at his side.

Though his condition is now stable and his leukemia is contained, treatment has been difficult for Montalvan. In August, he suffered a stroke while undergoing chemotherapy, affecting the use of the left side of his body, cognitive abilities, and balance. Later, after switching to an alternative drug, he suffered a severe allergic reaction.

While Montalvan stays at the Ronald McDonald House in Portland, several Rotarians have taken turns to help prepare and deliver meals and provide transportation to him and his family during his ongoing radiation and chemotherapy treatments. Club member Gloria Jones hosted Montalvan and his mother for the holidays and took them to see the Chinese dragon boats in Portland’s harbor.

Janice Olson, Rony’s doctor at Legacy Emanuel Children’s Hospital, shares a common bond with her patient: She was also a Rotary Youth Exchange student. The Spanish Olson learned as a student in Mexico some 30 years ago has helped her communicate with Montalvan’s family and contact specialists in Peru to discuss healthcare options upon his eventual return.

Through therapy, he has regained some strength and is smiling again, all the while determined to fight the cancer.

“He is very upbeat and his spirits are incredibly high,” says James Rauh, another Beaverton club member.

Kathy Tobin agrees, saying, “Rony has tackled his treatment with great courage and no complaint.”

Yet challenges remain. While his required Youth Exchange insurance covers all medical expenses with a \$500,000 cap until this June, Montalvan turned 18 shortly after his diagnosis and is no longer covered by his father’s insurance plan in Peru. And Montalvan is only six months into an intensive 36-month plan for his recovery.

To aid with medical costs that continue to mount, the Rotary Club of Beaverton is now accepting donations. Those who would like to contribute can either mail donations to the Beaverton Rotary Foundation, P.O. Box 385, Beaverton, Oregon 97075 USA, or donate online at the Beaverton Rotary Web site.



Bill’s TRAVELOGUE January 2007

When I first reflected on January, I thought it had been a quiet month, but checking the calendar shows this was not so.

We began the month in Pasadena, California, USA, where we watched the Rose Parade, attended the football game, and ate breakfast with the international presidents of Kiwanis, Lions, and Optimists. The Rose Parade must be among the best parades in the world, and we had a

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The Rotary 4-Way Test

Is it the TRUTH? • Is it FAIR to All Concerned?

Will it Build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? • Will it be BENEFICIAL to All Concerned?

Bill's Travelogue Continued

very small part in the Rotary float, as I, my wife, Lorna, and our aides, Ron and Jetta Burton, placed just a few of the many thousands of flowers on it.

About one million people watch the event along the parade route, another 40 million watch on U.S. television, and about 300 million watch on TV internationally. Rotary has had a float for the past 27 years, and it makes a strong statement that builds awareness for Rotary. As an aside, New Year's Day at 4:15 a.m. in Pasadena can be very cold.

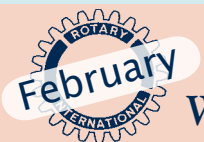
From there, we traveled to a Far West dinner in Santa Clara and saw some great Rotary projects. Then I headed to Geneva with our International PolioPlus Committee chair, Bob Scott, to meet with Dr. Margaret Chan, the new director-general of the World Health Organization. Dr. Chan is a charming lady who knows Rotary well and who is supportive of the polio eradication effort. We also met Ambassador Babacar Ba of the Organization of the Islamic Conference. Ambassador Ba was very friendly and is another strong supporter of polio eradication (a childhood friend of his had polio). He gave us some useful suggestions that we will follow up on.

We were back in Evanston, Illinois, USA, for one night, and then on to New Orleans, Louisiana, for a very thoughtful and useful workshop to review Rotary's response to disasters, which was the brainchild of RI Director Bob Stuart. Sadly, we have had too much practice in disaster relief over recent times.

Our next stop was Denver, Colorado. There I met with Water for People, a group of major organizations seeking to bring water to people in need that works with our Water Resource Group. In addition, I met with several other Rotarians who have very interesting projects, and I attended enjoyable meetings in Denver and Greeley. A most productive visit.

From Denver, we flew to Salt Lake City, Utah, and with all the snow around, we were surprised to arrive on time. The 2007 RI Convention is going to be excellent. We met with the Host Organization Committee, and we are excited by the planning that is now turning into reality. The entertainment is sensational, the House of Friendship will be fun to visit, and our speakers will be inspirational. I would not like to give the impression that I am overly enthusiastic – though I am – but I think that everyone who comes to the convention in Salt Lake City will remember it forever.

Then it was back to Evanston to meet the directors-elect and then to San Diego, California, for the International Assembly, which is the training ground of the incoming district governors – always an inspirational event.



February is
World Understanding Month

Attendance Report

February 15th, 2007

Members Present 47
Makeups 0
Percentage for this Meeting 55.95%

Guests

The following Guests attended the
February 15th Meeting

Guest Speaker

Tom LaPoint

Topic:

Coal Burning: Are There Effects?

Guests of Members

Allen Hensley
Barbie Kitchens
Barry Jordan
David Petersen
Katrina McPherson
Randol Justice

Guest of:

Phillip Young
Harv Kitchens
Phillip Young
Ken Ingram
Virginia McDaniel
Horace Brock

Rotarian Guests

Barry Jordan
Dr. Valerie Sullivan

Club

Carrollton-Farmers Branch
PADG Payson, Arizona

Leave of Absence

Mike Conduff 9/6/2006 to 4/5/2007
Paige Nelson 12/17/2006 to 12/17/2007

Makeup Options

Colleyville PM	Tuesday	Noon	Bellisimo's Italian Restaurant
Denton South	Tuesday	6:45 am	Radisson
DFW	Friday	Noon	Hyatt Airport- West Tower
Flower Mound	Thursday	Noon	Salerno's
Gainesville	Wednesday	Noon	First Baptist Church
Keller	Tuesday	Noon	The Round House
Lewisville	Wednesday	Noon	Groto-Highland Village Rd & FM 407
Lewisville AM	Thursday	7:00 am	Village Grill - 2250 FM 407
Metropport	Friday	7:00 am	Mariott Solana Hotel
Sanger	Tuesday	Noon	Sanger Community Center

Please note the Rotary Club you visited when you turn in your "make-up" card. Meetings must be made-up within 2 weeks before or after the meeting missed.
Need more meeting options? Visit RI's website www.rotary.org

Rotary Club

Board of Directors Meeting

Noon, Wednesday, March 7, 2007

DATCU • Administration Building

IMPORTANT CLUB INFORMATION

Payment of dues, correspondence, etc. for the Club should be sent to the Club's official mailing address: Denton Rotary Club
P.O. Box 1622, Denton, TX 76202.

Please submit *Flywheel* information to WheelerPress: fax 940-383-4250 or email: print@wheelerpress.com. Deadline is Wednesday noon.

Cheryl Hedric, Executive Secretary – 940-380-7448, chedric@datcu.coop

Please bring your magazines to our Thursday meetings and place them on the piano, so that the Magazine Committee can distribute to area hospitals and retirement centers. Thank you.