

the Blastoff

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Message from President Jon: "Every Rotarian – Every Year"



The fact that November is Foundation Month in Rotary is no accident. November is traditionally a time for reflection

and as the calendar year winds down to a close, Rotarians often find themselves asking, "Have I done enough? What more can I do to help?"

The continuing support of the Rotary Foundation is very key to the success of projects in our local communities and throughout the world. The annual campaign, "Every Rotarian – Every Year",

promotes the individual support of at least \$100 by each Rotarian.

Rotary Int'l produces an "Every Rotarian – Every Year" newsletter which provides more information. You can easily subscribe by connecting to RI's website, www.rotary.org, search for EREY newsletter, and follow the easy instructions.

"What more can I do to help?" For the equivalent of \$8.50 per month, I am sure that each member of Space Center Rotary Club can support this program. If everyone makes this financial commitment, almost \$12,000 from Space Center will go to further the efforts of Rotarians to eliminate the pain and suffering of others less fortunate than us, throughout the world.

As we enter this holiday season, remember "No one stands taller, than those who bend over to help someone, less fortunate, to their feet".

Yours in Rotary Service, as always,

Jon McKinnie,
President 2009 - 2010.





Rotary International President
2009 - 2010

John Kenny



Rotary District 5890 Governor
2009 - 2010

Ed Charlesworth



Alvin, Seabrook, Space Center District Assistant Governor

Chris Schneider

Events Calendar 2009

Endowment Foundation Board..... 2nd Tuesday @ 7 AM
Club Board of Directors..... 3rd Tuesday @ 7 AM
RNASA Committee..... 3rd Thursday @ 5:30 PM

Programs

Alexis Hall, Ambassadorial Scholar..... Nov. 23rd
(Nominations to Slate of Candidates Presented)

Congressman Pete Olson..... Nov. 30th

Christmas Music/Board of Elections..... Dec. 7th
(Invite Families of Rotarians to the meeting)

"CLUB MEETING AT UHCL" - CCHS Chamber Singers..... Dec. 7th
(Hold Club elections during meeting)

Club Xmas meeting, "CLHS Sound Waves"..... Dec. 14th
(Invite Family members)

John Nugent, Chair

Past District Governors from SCRC



Dr. Floyd D. Boze
1981 - 1982



Billy Weseman
1993 - 1994



Suzi Howe
2006 - 2007

Service Above Self

SCRC Socials

@ 6:30 PM

Bailey's All-American Grill..... Dec. 16th
• **CHRISTMAS PARTY!** •
2320 Nasa Road 1, 281.291.9100
Reservations Please...

Roger Donnelly, Contact: ridonnelly@aol.com



Say Happy Birthday to...

James Saxe... Nov. 2nd
Mary Alys Cherry... Nov. 20th
Vince Lipovsky... Nov. 28th
Dave Sincox... Nov. 29th

Congratulations !

Yippee!



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Photo Gallery



AG Schneider presents Pres Citation
to Pres Jon



Flag Exchange with Norman OK



Club Support for YMCA



Club Support for Bolivian Water
Project



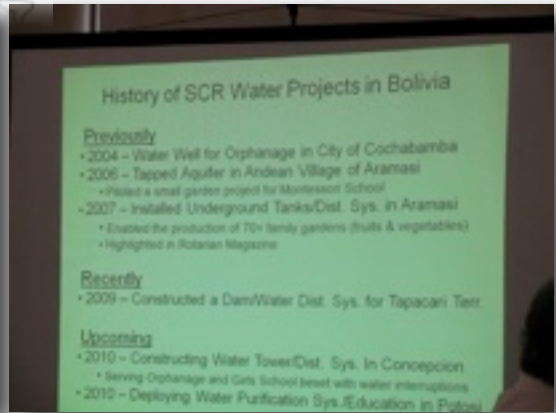
Bolivian Water Project – Tom Cooper



Water Project Update – Stan Galanski

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Dr Clyde Hesse, Mike's father, Passed Away, Nov 19

We wanted to share with you the sad news that Mike Hesse's father, Dr Clyde Hesse, passed away Thursday afternoon. Dick Hergert called me yesterday afternoon and reported Clyde's death.

As many of you know, Clyde was a pediatrician and took care of many of our club members' children.

Rather than funeral services, the Hesse family will celebrate Clyde's life on Jan 9, which would have been Clyde's 80th birthday. In lieu of flowers, the family request that you make donations to the Bay Area Pet Adoption, PO Box 638, Kemah, TX 77565

Additional details will be forthcoming.

Keep Mike and the Hesse family in your thoughts and prayers.

Polio Eradication Update – 11/21/09

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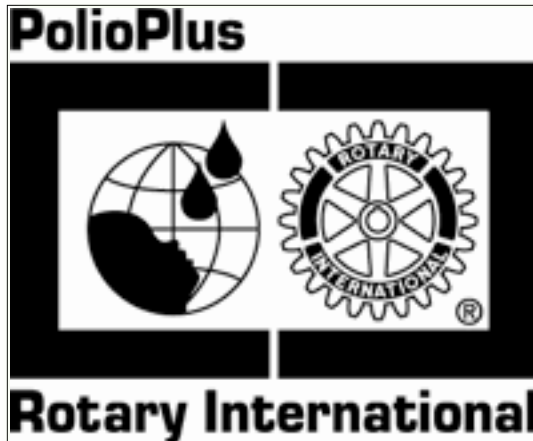
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Gates Challenge**

Polio Eradication Update

For The Week Ending 11/21/09

Total paralysis cases	Year-to-date 2009	Year-to-date 2008	Total in 2008
Globally	1387	1491	1651
- in endemic countries:	1082	1392	1505
- in non-endemic countries:	305	99	146

New Polio cases reported in the last week: 0- Nigeria, 25- India, 4- Pakistan, 2- Afghanistan, 13- Chad, 1- Guinea, 1 - Cameroon. 1 - Burkina Faso, 3 Sierra Leone

2009 Polio Case Breakdown by Country (Green Numbers are 2008 Totals)

Endemic Countries – 383 Nigeria(798), 593 India(559), 80 Pakistan(117), 26 Afghanistan(31)

+ Importation Countries – 28 Angola(29), 20 Benin(6), 2 Burundi (0), 14 Burkina Faso(6), 3 Cameroon (0), 14 CAR(3), 46 Chad(37), 27 Cote d'Ivoire(1) 3 DRC(5), 0 Ethiopia(3), 0 Ghana(8), 34 Guinea (0), 18 Kenya (0), 10 Liberia(0), 5 Mali(1), 2 Mauritania (0), 0 Nepal(6), 15 Niger(12), 5 Sierra Leone (0), 45 Sudan(26), 6 Togo(3), 8 Uganda (0)

Now You Know – Although the incidence of Polio in India has increased to 593 cases so far this year from 559 in all of 2008, all but two of India's 35 states & territories have reported no Polio cases this year.

Have you asked your club members to join the Polio Plus Society? See page one of this email for instructions.

District 5890 Running Totals – Polio Plus Contributions for 2009-10 \$25,495.20

Total District 5890 Challenge Contributions 12/1/07 thru today..... \$285,418.93

Polio Plus Society Members 102*

*Includes non-Rotarian family members

Terry Ziegler, work 713-748-170, bigzlumber@aol.com 2008-09 District 5890 PolioPlus Chair