



Southeast Rotary News

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Care's Comments



From Our President

In case you haven't figured it out by now, I really like our theme this year – **Service Above Self**.

I have been very pleased with the reports that many of you have sent me, indicating your **Service** in our Community or Club Service projects. The first thing that impressed me is how long the list of activities has become. As I mentioned once before, we do a lot of service, and we do it well! But, the number of activities has also impressed me that each of you individually has done. That's what gave me the idea for the chart that I am trying to put together. The one I brought on Tuesday was just a preliminary, but it seemed like it would be a great way to celebrate the service that we do on a regular basis.

Thirty-five members have given me their information (and a BIG thank you to all of you) – so only 39 more to go!

Here's what I am looking for:

An e-mail (or a written note) telling me what community or club projects you have participated in since July 1, 2005. Please send an e-mail to jscare@sbcglobal.net to tell me your story.

Here's how I will make it even easier:

1. **Prepare a list of activities that others have already mentioned, to help jog your memory.**
2. **Send an e-mail to the members I haven't heard from yet, with the list attached.**
3. **Call those who I haven't heard from by 3/25/06.**

My goal is to acknowledge and celebrate what we have already done and to make sure that everyone has been personally invited to actively participate in club activities this year. Your **Service** is appreciated! – *Jan*

Community Service

Be Wise – Immunize

SE Tulsa Rotary's commitment: April 8 @ Tulsa Event Center, 2625 S. Memorial and April 29 @ Tulsa Zoo. 4+ people per shift, 4 shifts. 9:45 a.m. – Noon, Noon – 2:00 p.m., each day. Contact Mike Shawn - now - mshawn@uvrc.org, 496-9518 (w), 625-6429 (c).

Every Rotarian should know:

"Be Wise – Immunize is a Tulsa-born, Rotary-powered program. The goal is immunizing preschool-aged children against the myriad of childhood diseases such as measles, mumps, chicken pox, whooping cough and about ten others, including hepatitis. We do this at no cost to the families.

Since the beginning of the project, literally thousands of doses of vaccine have been given to hundreds of kids. Last year, we gave 217 kids 578 doses of the various vaccines. We did this in a sixteen-hour span at two events.

Proper immunization simply creates healthier children. Without it, they cannot attend school. Preventative medicine also makes for preventative tax dollar savings, as the public healthcare system will be less burdened.

Over 20 years ago, Bill Crews and his Southside Club organized what was to become Be Wise – Immunize. Now a city-wide Rotary project, with Southside still in the lead, others have joined in: the Tulsa Health Department, Oklahoma Department of Human Services, Blue Cross, TTC and the Early Childhood Association of Oklahoma.

Join up now for the two events this year: April 8th, the "Week of the Young Child" and April 29, the. "Zoo Event". [In addition, help is needed to set up on Friday afternoon, April 7th, 1:00 p.m., Tulsa Event Center.](#)

Blood Drive: Tomorrow, 2/21, 9:30-3:00, Tulsa Bible Church.

Annual DVIS/HOW Clothing Drive: Start clearing the closets, asking your extended family to clear closets. Tentative dates are 4/11 or 4/18.

Club Service

"Celebration of Service"

This is the tentative title for an excellent evening out, with the proceeds going to our fundraising efforts. Put June 9th on your calendars.

Did you know? Our club's long-standing annual "commitments" of over \$7,200. This does not account for the needed gifts that are needed throughout the year. The actual disbursements of our SE Rotary Foundation Funds are guided by the Past President (this year Ken Mayton).

The Rotary Family

Reece and Dana Morrel's baby Rachel has had a rough time recently, and I know they will appreciate our thoughts and prayers for all of the family.

Turns out Peggy George had eye surgery recently (who knew?) and although it turned out well, it is still providing new challenges for her. She will have the other eye done in April, so continue to keep her in mind.

The Rotary Family Continued - We will also want to continue to remember:

Les and Ginger Clutter, as she continues to improve.

Bob and Jan Miller as she continues to beat what the doctors said was possible. Bob is providing most of the care, and he needs our encouragement, too.

Kit Crowe and his wife Jan, with their health issues.

Merrijean Becker with her many health issues.

I apologize if I have failed to mention something that you have shared with me. Sometimes in the rush of the meetings, I forget. If you know about other concerns (or celebrations) within our Family of Rotary, please let me know so that we can keep everyone informed and make it possible for us to express concern and offer assistance where we can. *Jan*

Programs/Events

March

21...Downtown Tulsa Unlimited; Blood Drive -FBC
28...Xeta Technologies

April

4...Tulsa Front Page
11...Tulsa Community Foundation
18...Greenwood Chamber of Commerce
25...Young Professionals (YP) of Tulsa

May

6...District Assembly -Saturday, Springdale, AR

June

9..."Celebration of Service" fundraising evening of entertainment
27...Change of Horses Banquet, Renaissance Hotel

Who Is He? Where Is He Now?

Who is this long-time Rotarian and former SE Rotary President?

" I have been CFO of Erath Veneer and International Log & Timber in Rocky Mount, Virginia (25 miles South of Roanoke) for 6 months. Carolyn and I (both of us are Virginia natives) moved from Roanoke to Tulsa almost 28 years ago, when Gracie was an infant. Carolyn has had her hands full getting our Tulsa house ready to put on the market. During my infrequent trips home I have been little help, because I have 2 herniated disks in my lower back that slowed me down considerably starting in November.

"In spite of challenges created by my back, I spent the first week in December on business in 4 cities in China. Quite an experience - and quite an eye opener as I saw things that the average tourist does not see. My first morning there at the breakfast buffet line the first thing I saw was "Japanese Cold Cat" - I did not eat much that day. While in Dalian, China we visited customers during quite a snowstorm. I did not see any heavy equipment removing snow, but saw thousands of Chinese with straw brooms and small scoop shovels (about half as wide as a snow shovel) clearing off the streets. When labor can be obtained for under 25-cents an hour - why invest in expensive equipment.

"I have visited 2 Rotary clubs, a breakfast club in Rocky Mount and an evening club in Roanoke. Hopefully I will make a decision on which club to join by July 1 and will be active again the beginning of the new Rotary year.

I miss Southeast Tulsa Rotary and the friendships that were developed over the past 17 years."

Answer: Bob Moore.

Vocational Service

Adopt-a-Dad

Roy Clark Elementary receives love and care from the following Rotarians: Tim Airhart, Price Brattin, John Brophy, Charlie Carrol, Conrad Cassler, Les Clutter, Steve Curley, Cathey Fisher, Jerry Graefe, Kevin Graefe, Steve Gray, Coung Hoang, Craig Johnson, Bill Keeth, Ron Kelley, Scott Long, John Marquis, Ron Phillips, Jack Pauling, Merle Newton, and Steve Worthley. (Let me know if we missed someone, please). Let's give them a big hand!

In addition, Steve, Les and John regularly read to classes. See John, student and pet, below.



Valentines Day for the "Dads"

Jack Pauling reports: Celebrating Valentines Day with Miss Wells' 2nd graders was a very rewarding experience that left me with that warm fuzzy feeling that made my day. It also left me somewhat sticky and gooey from the hugs I received from icing-laden children. My task was to help them decorate their Valentines Day cookies. Ice them we did! For every ¼" of cookie, we had about ½" of icing."

Miss Wells, with the help of a roommate and DHS aid, planned three activity centers: playing a game, making Valentines card, or icing cookies. This works well because there are only 1/3rd the students to work with at a time. We decided I could be the most help if I would supply the items to decorate the cookies. (I should say, my lovely wife Brenda was the supplier, I just got the credit). Our shopping bag was full of cans of white icing, tubes of colored icing, sprinkles of several colors and red-hots. We used it all.

I think I ended up with activity that offered the most fun; at least the most interesting. And, we got to eat our work! The kids really got into it. Squeezing the icing out of some of the tubes was hard and they would ask me to help them. Then one kid would see what I was doing for someone else and say do that to my cookie too Mr. Pauling. Needless to say they were proud of their creations. It is a good thing class dismissed after the party as the kids were wired with a sugar overload.

During the party, several of the kids earnestly asked if I was going to come back again. I assured them I planned to later in the year. As we were cleaning up the mess, and it did get a little messy, several of the kids hugged my leg and thanked me for coming to their party and for bringing the icing.

About a week after the party, I found a large envelope in my mailbox. It was a note from Miss Wells and each of the kids; all 17 of them had colored a thank you note to me. Remembering the children, I read each one. I'm looking forward to going back at the end of the year to see them again.

Rotary Youth Leaders Award

You sponsored the following high school juniors to participate in the RYLA weekend: Tyler Alaback, Zachary Holly, and Mark Whitzler.

International Service

PolioPlus Partners

Several of you have picked up more than one of **Ed Hardesty's quarter folio**. Great! Some may have taken them to work. Some have given them to their children to take to school/scouts/dance. Please, let us fill up the \$5.00 folders, continuing Rotary's goal to eradicate polio in all "quarters" of the world.

Shoes for Orphan Souls

Tomorrow we will put the final touches on this project. There were several cute stories from those involved. Many of you, when delivering their shoes, would talk about how they picked these certain shoes.... thinking of the eventual owners. And, of course, we cannot do this without the financial support. More details to follow, as we wrap it up.

Rotary Club of Southeast Tulsa Website

Our club's website is can be a valuable tool. Take a look! www.setulsarotary.org. There is news you can use, links to other Rotary sites, and Members-only section. Ed Hardesty is the Webmaster. Please send feedback and information to be posted to the site to Ed at Edwin.Hardesty@ssa.gov.

The ONLY place you find a club roster is the online pictorial directory in the Members-only section. It is passworded to limit access to your contact data. Directions to accessing the members-only section are in previous Newsletters - available at our site.

GIGO (Garbage In Garbage Out) – What do Jon, Jeanie, Jennie, Jan, Margaret, Charlie, Kit, Kenyon, Les, Coung, Ty, Pat, John, Mike, Jim, Reece, Bob, Bill, Merle, Van, John, Mickey, Grover, Steve and Steve have in common? See our website's roster for details. Please update your space.

Tech tip

Eyes not what they used to be? If your mouse has a wheel, try this. Hold down the CTRL key and roll the wheel on you mouse. Cool, huh?

Editor's Note

Southeast Rotary News is a monthly publication of the Southeast Rotary Club of Tulsa, distributed to members and posted on the Club's website the forth Monday of each month. Please send information and articles to Scott Long at a_scott_long@cox.net, editor.

Two-way communication: How might we best communicate with you? We solicit your ideas and feedback. 857-3303 or net address above.

Congratulations for reading to this point. There will be a question and door prize drawing at tomorrow's meeting.

Rotary Make-up Locations

Don't forget to make up meetings you have missed! Make up within 14 days before or after a missed meeting. You can make-up online, www.rotary.org, attend a Board meeting or at any of these clubs in metropolitan Tulsa area:

Monday

Tulsa Will Rogers – Noon
East Side Christian Church
1438 S. Indianapolis

E-Club One (Log in Anytime)
www.rotaryclubone.org

Tuesday

Tulsa Midtown – Noon
Steak and Ale
4710 E. 51st
Tulsa, OK

Broken Arrow
Indian Springs Country Club
16006 E. 131st St. South
(Elm Place & 161st E. Ave.)

Claremore Club – Noon
Elk's Lodge
20 Summit Drive

Owasso Club - Noon
Bailey Ranch Golf Club

Sapulpa – Noon
Freddie's Bar-B-Que
1425 New Sapulpa Road

Bixby - Noon
Southcrest Hospital
Main Building

Wednesday

Tulsa Sunrise – 6:45 a.m.
Tiamo's (Temp for Mar.)
61st & Sheridan

Tulsa - Noon
First United Methodist
1115 S. Boulder

Thursday

Tulsa Northside – Noon
OSU Tulsa
700 N. Greenwood Ave.

Tulsa Southside - Noon
Trade Winds Central Inn
3141 E. Skelly Dr.

Claremore Reveille – 6:30 a.m.
Rogers State University
Post House

Friday

Sand Springs – Noon
Sand Springs Community Center
Plaza Shopping Center