



THE ROTARY FOUNDATION ZONE 27 NEWSLETTER January 2010



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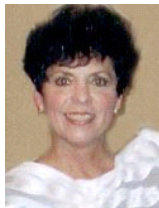
Cliff Dochterman – “Who Will Benefit? An ancient story is told of the great Roman Emperor Hadrian who found an aging man planting olive trees, and since they grow so slowly, he said: ‘Old man, these trees will not bear fruit for many years. Do you expect to be alive to eat the fruit of your labor?’ The old man replied, ‘If God wills, I shall eat – and if not, my son will eat. My father and his father before him planted trees that I might have fruit. It is my duty, then, to provide for those who shall come after me.’ This is the story of human progress. We plant trees, cultivate ideas, extend knowledge, and build a better community – not just for ourselves, but for those who come after us. Our forefathers cultivated great ideas in building this nation and our community. Let us never forget that it is our responsibility to cultivate what we have inherited, and to plant trees for those who will someday enjoy the fruit. [Source – As I Was Saying . . . , 2009](#)”



It seems that this quote is appropriate for all aspects of Rotary and is especially apt for The Rotary Foundation and all the work it does.

Glenn Estess, TRF Chair - "I often talk about how The Rotary Foundation supports the entire family of Rotary. Rotary is like a family in so many ways – in the ways we lift each other up, help each other grow, and accomplish things together that we never could alone.

Through Rotary, with the help of our Foundation, we can take on challenges that no one else has the ability, or the inclination, or the organizational resources to tackle. We in Rotary share what we have in a way that no one else does – with love, with kindness, and with simple generosity. . . . In our Rotary family, we rise to these challenges because we know we can – with the strength of our Foundation behind us.”



Rotary Alumni Coordinator Talee Crowe joined Rotary in 1988 and served as president of Smoky Hill Rotary Club in Aurora, CO. She was the first female District Governor in Colorado, serving District 5450 in 1999-2000. Her district conference received the Outstanding District Conference Award from Rotary International.

Talee has served Rotary on the international level as a task force coordinator, Zone 25 International Membership Coordinator and served four years as Major Gift Advisor for The Rotary Foundation. In addition, she has served as official representative for Rotary International presidents. Talee has also served as an International Assembly Trainer in San Diego and as a Governor Elect Trainer for Zones 25 & 26.

Talee served as District 5450’s Rotary Foundation Chair for four years. In that capacity, she was involved in district level grant writing for Matching Grants as well as the district’s receipt of 3-H Grants to serve the needy in Africa. Talee is a multiple Paul Harris Fellow, Major Donor, Foundation Benefactor and charter member of the Bequest Society. She also participated in an NID in Ghana, Africa. Her deep commitment to The Foundation led to recognition with the Citation for Meritorious Service in 2006.

“I love The Rotary Foundation because it allows me to do things for others that I could never do on my own. Also, by leaving a large bequest to the Foundation, my contribution to humanitarian work will continue in perpetuity long after I have gone.”

Zone 27 Foundation Goals:

Per Capita Giving = \$105
Annual Program Fund = \$3,000,000
Permanent Fund = \$500,000
Major Gifts = 15/\$500,000
Total Giving = \$4,000,000

To Date Zone 27 Progress: (Nov. 30, 2009)

\$19.91 (7.77)%
\$632,809 (9.96)%
\$754,267 2359.78%
10/\$840,508
\$1,946,033 84.71%

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FUTURE VISION

Plan ahead – Non Future Vision districts should begin planning ahead for the implementation of the Future Vision program on a full scale basis within the next four years. Districts should monitor what neighboring Future Vision districts are doing and should prepare a program for training district level Foundation Committee members. Clubs should be advised that if they want to participate in Global Grants, they will need training and qualification before they can apply. Rotarians within all districts will have to think more broadly about GSE (now Vocational Training Teams), scholarships and grant writing. It might be important for districts to form partnerships with one another to develop training to comply with Future Vision requirements.



Rotary Foundation Increases Position According to *Chronicle for Philanthropy* - The October 29, 2009 issue of the *Chronicle of Philanthropy* shows that The Rotary Foundation ranks 133rd in the Philanthropy 400. This represents an improvement from 151st last year.

Even with TRF's improvement *Philanthropy* reporters Noelle Barton and Caroline Preston state that 2009 and 2010 will be difficult years due to the deepest recession in decades. It is anticipated that charitable giving will decline by nine percent.

Large charities, including TRF, are pulling out all the stops to solicit individual giving. They have also focused on those who have quit giving. A huge focus in these efforts centers around the importance of what the organization does and why giving is so necessary to continue the important work philanthropic groups do. These efforts truly work when individuals fully understand the positive ways their contributions are spent.

Food For Thought – Success is not the key to happiness. Happiness is the key to success. If you love what you are doing, you will be successful. [Albert Schweitzer](#)

Polio United States Postage Stamps – Victoria Rotary Club of Victoria, Texas is offering a US 44¢ postage stamp entitled “End Polio Now – Join the Challenge, Stamp Out Polio.” Sheets of 10 stamps cost \$10 each and, after printing, there is a \$3.50 per sheet profit which is donated to the Polio Challenge. Jerry FitzSimmons, a member of the Rotary Stamps Fellowship got the idea from another member in the Netherlands. Stamps can be obtained from Victoria Rotary Club – Stamps, 306 King Arthur Street, Victoria, Texas 77904-1825 or go to: stamps@victoriarotary.org



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

| Month | Event | Location |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| Jan 8, 2010 | Multi-District TRF Banquet | Denver, CO |
| Jan 9, 2010 | Multi-District TRF Seminar | Denver, CO |
| Jan 17-18, 2010 | Future Vision Pilot District Training | San Diego, CA |
| Jan. 17-19, 2010 | Rotary Past Officers Reunion | San Diego, CA |
| Jan. 18-24, 2010 | International Assembly | San Diego, CA |
| Feb 25-28, 2010 | High Country PETS | Denver, CO |
| Mar 13-18, 2010 | RRFC Training | Chicago, IL |
| Mar 21, 2010 | District 5670 Assembly | TBA |
| Apr 9-10, 2010 | Multi-District PETS | Salina, KS |
| Apr 22-24, 2010 | District 5610 PETS | Oacoma, SD |
| Apr. 23-25, 2010 | District 5710 Conference | Topeka, KS |
| Apr. 25-30, 2010 | Council on Legislation | Chicago, IL |
| Apr 30-May 1, 2010 | District 5670 Conference | Hays, KS |
| Apr 30-May 2, 2010 | District 5630 Conference | North Platte, NE |
| Apr 30-May 2, 2010 | District 5450 Conference | Fort Collins, CO |
| May 13-15, 2010 | District 5420 Conference | St. George, UT |
| May 6-9, 2010 | District 5520 Conference | Santa Fe, NM |
| May (TBD) | District 5470 Assemblies | TBA |
| May 7-9, 2010 | District 5390 Conference | Great Falls, MT |
| Jun 3-5, 2010 | District 5440 Conference | Casper, WY |
| Jun 19, 2010 | Alumni Celebration | Montreal, Canada |
| Jun 20-23, 2010 | RI Convention | Montreal, Canada |



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