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UPCOMING SPEAKERS

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Dr. Stephen Klineberg

Rice University

**“A Quarter Century of
Economic & Demographic
Studies of Houston”**

Chair of the Day ~ Leona Urbish

AUGUST 9

Rusty Hardin, Attorney at Law

**“Prosecutorial Misconduct
- the Duke Case and others”**

Chair of the Day

Patti Carlton

AUGUST 16

Anna Babin, President

United Way of Texas Gulf Coast

“What is the United Way?”

Chair of the Day ~ Curt Mooney

AUGUST 23

Dr. Rod Paige

Former HISD Superintendent

Chair of the Day

Joe Colangelo

AUGUST 30

Gene Green, U. S. Congressman

“Current Energy Legislation”

Chair of the Day ~ Erik Saenz

Club Meets Thursdays – The Junior League of Houston

Luncheon 11:45 AM – Program 12:10 PM – Adjourn 1:10 PM

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Heard Around The Table

by Marcus Soper

AL BUSSE's daughter **ALISON CONNER**, president of South Reno, Nevada Rotary Club, District 5190, received quite an honor recently by being named the second largest district donor to the Rotary International Foundation with her club's contribution of \$625,000. **MEREDITH & MARSHALL ILER** are proud new parents. **WILLIAM MARSHALL ILER** joined their family on June 20th. **EDITOR's NOTE:** It was a very great and generous honor to be awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship by the club's Board of Director's last month in recognition for my having written and edited this column for the past eight years and more. My gratitude for this recognition and honor is heartfelt Keep the news coming to soper@flash.net or fax: 713-524-4663.

Lombardi Award Offers New Website

The Rotary Lombardi Award Committee has announced that they have a new website. Not only is it easier to access, but provides more news, links and features which will be of interest and value to all who support or are involved in this great annual fund raiser for Cancer research and treatment. The new website is: www.rotarylombardiaward.com.

McIngvales to be Honored at 2007 DCA

Jim and Linda McIngvale will be honored by our club at the 2007 Rotary Distinguished Citizen Award to be held at the Westin Oaks Hotel on Thursday, September 27, 2007.

The couple who sponsor and carry out many civic and charitable projects behind the scenes of their successful furniture store that has Jim talking to us on our TV screens so often, are deserving of the honor, while Jim himself has appeared as a featured speaker at numerous club meetings.

Sponsor tables are available ranging from \$2,500 to \$20,000 – Phil Hampton has already committed to a \$5,000 table – and individual tickets will cost \$125 for Rotarians and \$200 for others. A cocktail reception will be held at 6:00 p.m., followed by Dinner and the program beginning at 7:00 p.m.

This event is the only major fund raising project of each club year, with proceeds going to the Rotary Club of Houston Foundation, which funds our community service committee programs, including Camp Enterprise, Burnett Bayland and many more.

Plan now to attend with your guests. Contact the Rotary office for more details at 713-973-9936 or geraldine@rotaryhouston.org.

Rotaract Veterans Project to Hold Evening of Fellowship and Service

As part of our club's leadership in the community wide effort to build 15 homes for wounded veterans from Iraq and Afghanistan, Rotaract is inviting all Rotarians, Rotaractors and Friends to an evening of service and fellowship at 6:30 p.m, Wednesday, August 22nd, at The Mad Potter, 1963-A West Gray in the River Oaks Shopping Center. The group will make pottery dishes for U. S. Marine Corporal Paul Gardner and his wife Ashley, recipients of the first Veteran's Home. Suggested donations: Rotaract Members/guests \$20, Rotarians/community friends \$25 (Donations will cover a light supper and cost of basic pottery pieces.)

Welcome New Members

The following new members were introduced at the meeting of July 19th, 2007: (from left to right) Steven Wales (Oil Industry-Business Development), Jana Fay Bacarisse (Law-Probate), James Galloway (Real Estate Investment-Residential), Lavonne Cox (Associations-Charity Non-Profit), Ozan Arslan (Engineering-Petroleum Consulting), Matt Spencer (Finance-Financial Advisor-Retirement & Estate Planning), and Mike Spears (Transportation-Taxis & Shuttle Buses).

