



## Last Meeting

## Rotaview News

### Suzanne Wills

Drug Policy Forum of Texas

In 1900, the U.S. was awash in drugs. Cocaine was in Coca Cola and lots of other soft drinks. Over-the-counter medicines routinely contained morphine and cocaine. The Bayer Company introduced its brand of morphine, heroin, in 1898 and sold it over the counter for a year. It was the same price as Bayer aspirin.

"In 1906 Congress passed the only law that has ever reduced drug consumption. It was not a prohibition law. It was the Pure Food and Drug Act," Suzanne Wills told Rotarians and guests Sept. 1. "It required manufacturers to list the ingredients of their products on the label.

When people realized that many of their favorite medicines contained narcotics, they simply stopped taking them."

Such an approach – emphasizing legalization, education and regulation over prohibition – is favored by the Drug Policy Forum of Texas, which Wills represents.

She and the group remind Americans it's now widely accepted Prohibition was one of our nation's miserable failures. Despite the 13-year constitutional ban on its production, importation, transportation and sale, Americans still drank alcohol and a deadly underworld emerged to provide it. She sees no difference in the drug prohibition effort that began in this country about 75 years ago.

"If there's a demand, somebody always steps up with a supply," Wills said. "That really leaves us with only two choices: legal distribution or illegal distribution. Are we going to be in control of this or are we not? That's the question."

The sale of medical marijuana has already proved that a regulated market can work with no great detriment to society, she said. In fact, in states where it's been legalized, traffic deaths decreased after the laws were passed, and assault and property crimes decreased. "Researchers attribute these effects to young people, especially males, substituting marijuana for alcohol," she said.

And though it's too early to say with certainty, she said she expected recreational marijuana sales in Colorado, Washington, Oregon and the District of Columbia to show positive results even more clearly.

Such approaches have worked in other countries, where drugs have been legalized and the savings from law enforcement and imprisonment redirected to education and treatment programs.

With so much evidence against continued criminalization, why hasn't U.S. law changed after decades of a failed policy that's cost the U.S. more than a trillion dollars since the Nixon administration? "The vested interests involved in drug policy are formidable," Wills said.

Those include the drug testing industry, a for-profit prison industry that's built the largest prison system in the history of the world – and even the defense industry, which outfits military contractors engaged in the war on drugs in South America.

For more information, visit [dptf.org](http://dptf.org)



### David Henry replaces Sam Forester as fund raising director

David Henry has joined the board as our director of fund raising. David, who joined Rotary in November 2013, will oversee our annual Polio Plus drawdown and other fund-raising efforts in the coming year.

He replaces Sam Forester, who is stepping down after serving first as club administration director during the 2012-13 Rotary year, then as fund raising director for 2013-14 and 2014-15. He's focusing on administrating and expanding our backpack meal programs and other efforts.

Please join us in thanking Sam for his service, and David for his willingness to step into Sam's big shoes.

### PDG Anson Godfrey update

District Administrator Fran Hall reports Past District Governor Anson Godfrey has been under the weather and would appreciate hearing from you. After noticing he could not breathe or eat well, she says, Anson visited a doctor who found a mass on his thyroid. "Treatment consists of radiation and chemotherapy and the prognosis is cheerful," Fran says.

You may email Anson at [ahgodfrey@earthlink.net](mailto:ahgodfrey@earthlink.net) or drop a note to PO Box 6802, Texarkana, TX 75505. "You probably won't get a reply, but Anson will appreciate your thoughts and prayers as he goes through these next few weeks," Fran says.

### Next week's program

**Carroll Greenwaldt** – In his recent visit, District Governor Tom DeWitt referred to efforts to modernize health care in Guatemala as evidence of how our club is making a difference in the world. Next week, Past District Governor Carroll Greenwaldt will provide an update on the continuing work there. Greenwaldt has assembled a regional coalition of Rotary clubs to bring more pressure to bear on health issues that stalk a remote area of Northern Guatemala, where we also partner with Longview-based Refuge International. Don't miss this program, which will provide a close-up look at the world-changing impact of your service.

**For a look at more** upcoming programs, visit [rotarylongview.org](http://rotarylongview.org) and find the "Speakers" section.

### Calendar of events

**Wednesday:** Board meeting, Gerald's. 11:30 a.m.

**Oct. 21:** Board meeting, Gerald's. 11:30 a.m.

**Nov. 7:** Rotary Foundation and Membership Seminar, First Christian Church, Tyler.

**Nov. 18:** Board meeting, Gerald's. 11:30 a.m.

**Dec. 17:** Musical "Behold the Lamb of God," fundraiser to benefit Newgate Methodist Mission and HiWay 80 Rescue Mission, Belcher Center.

**Lunch menu:** Today – Beef tips, rice, green beans. Sept. 22 – Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans. Sept. 29 – Chicken fried steak, scalloped potatoes, peas and carrots. (All served with soup, salad, dessert, coffee and tea.)

**Share your news:** If you have items for the calendar or other news for the Rotaview, club website or Facebook page, please share with Ric Brack at [ric.brack@gmail.com](mailto:ric.brack@gmail.com) or Gai Bennett at [gbnbnt@aol.com](mailto:gbnbnt@aol.com)

### Last meeting's visitors and guests

**Visitors:** Charles Rader, Longview Greggton. **Guests:** Pedro Martinez-Berrios, guest of James Roberts. Tammy and Adeline Smith, guests of Trey Smith. Suzanne Wills, speaker.

# The Rotary Club of Longview, Texas

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District 5830 website: [www.rotary5830.org](http://www.rotary5830.org)

Meets at noon Tuesday at  
First Baptist Church, Longview - (903) 758-0681  
Enrollment as of Aug. 11: 97



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Ash, Kandi 0 YPA ..... Attorney - Registered Nurse  
Barkman, Donald FS, PH+1, 29 YPA ..... Pecan Grower  
Bartleman, William FS, PH+1, 2 YPA ..... Self Storage  
Bell, Deborah PH+2, 0 YPA ..... Medicine - Humanitarian  
Bennett, Gai PH, 1 YPA ..... Business Manager - Construction  
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Boon, Mark FS, PH+3, PP, 32 YPA ..... Law Estate - Planning  
Brack, Richard 1 YPA ..... Newspaper Editor  
Butler, Stephen 0 YPA ..... Chemical Plant R&D  
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Griffin, Keith PH, 0 YPA ..... Accounting Services - Taxes  
Griffin, Shirley FS, MD, PHS, PP, PDG, 19 YPA ..... Travel Agency  
Hall, Kevin 0 YPA ..... Insurance - Specialty  
Hargett, Gordon FS, PH+2, 51 YPA ..... Cleaning/Chemical Distribution  
Harrison, John W., Jr. FS, PH+2, PP, 49 YPA ..... Electr. App. Retail  
Harrison, Patti PH, 1 YPA ..... Concrete Manufacturing  
Hays, Tom FS, PH, 0 YPA ..... Real Estate - Appraiser  
Herrington, Angie 0 YPA ..... Investment Advisor  
Henry, David 0 YPA ..... Attorney - Oil and Gas  
Hollis, LaJuan PH, 0 YPA ..... Non-profit Administration  
Horaney, Betty FS, PH+3, 13 YPA ..... Feed Supply  
Hubbard, Griff FS, PH+1, 5 YPA ..... Railway Management  
Hugman, James FS, PH+5, PP, 3 YPA ..... Architect  
Jameson, B.H. 35 YPA ..... Justice of the Peace  
Johnson, Dietrich PH, 2 YPA ..... Municipal Gov't - Administration  
Johnson, Joel FS, PH+2, 16 YPA ..... Consultant - Business  
Jordan, Gene 0 YPA ..... Business Development  
Key, Carl 0 YPA ..... School Administration  
Khoury, Dorothy FS, PH+1, 9 YPA ..... Consultant - Political  
Knollenberg, Steve 0 YPA ..... Boy Scouting  
Lanier, Jack, Jr. PH, 0 YPA ..... Police Chaplaincy  
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Liu, Jeannie 0 YPA ..... Neurosurgery  
Loy, Lindsay 0 YPA ..... Non-Profit Administration  
Maly, Robert FS, PH+2, PP, 0 YPA ..... Civil Engineering  
Manley, Richard FS, PH, 3 YPA ..... Real Estate - Development  
Mann, Jack FS, PH+4, 1 YPA ..... Distribution - Soft Drinks  
Mann, Nat 0 YPA ..... Distribution - Soft Drinks  
Mason-Durrant, Dawne 0 YPA ..... Hospitality Management  
Matlock, Paul 0 YPA ..... Building Construction and Electrical  
McClellan, Joe 0 YPA ..... Music Education  
McFaul, Justin PP, 2 YPA ..... Banking - Trust Services  
McKinney, Ronnie PH+1, 2 YPA ..... Construction Consulting  
McLemore, Reagan FS, PH+3, 20 YPA ..... Business Broker  
McReynolds, Allen 0 YPA ..... Real Estate Investments  
McWhorter, Gene FS, PH+1, 32 YPA ..... Advertising - Industrial  
Mwakikoti, Alex 0 YPA ..... Higher Education  
Neal, Billy PH, 0 YPA ..... Vehicle Collision Repair  
Neill, Jeremy 0 YPA ..... Banking  
Northcutt, Gordon FS, PH, 0 YPA ..... Financial Advisor  
Northcutt, LeGrande FS, PH+2, 50 YPA ..... Insurance - Fire  
Novy, Scott 25 YPA ..... Law - Taxes  
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Parrott, Deborah FS, PH, 16 YPA ..... Banking - Mortgage  
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Pistone, Joseph PH, 0 YPA ..... Emergency Medicine  
Poland, Rick PP, PH+1, 19 YPA ..... Beer Distributor - Market  
Primo, Darryl PH, 0 YPA ..... Oil and Gas Leases  
Rice, Bill PH, PP, 19 YPA ..... Financial Advisor  
Risinger, Charles FS, PH+3, 26 YPA ..... Chemical Plant Utilities  
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Ruff, Eric 5 YPA ..... Real Estate - Commercial  
Scoggins, Don FS, PH, SE, 12 YPA ..... Chemical Plant - Admin.  
Smith, R.H. Jr. "Hank" PH, 2 YPA ..... Insurance - Casualty  
Smith, Philip FS, PH+1, 25 YPA ..... Insurance - Casualty  
Smith, Shawn 0 YPA ..... Auto Dealer - Comm. Prop. Mgmt.  
Smith, Trey FS, MD, B, PHS, PP, 18 YPA ..... Oil and Gas Properties  
Stoult, Bill FS, PH+2, 0 YPA ..... Investments  
Taylor, Gary PH+1, 0 YPA ..... Bank Executive  
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Thomas, Wiley FS, PH, 5 YPA ..... Information Systems Manager  
Thompson, Chris FS, PH, 1 YPA ..... Banking - Real Estate  
Walker, John FS, PH+7, 29 YPA ..... Gasoline Distributor  
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Wells, Wes 0 YPA ..... Administrator- Long-term Care  
Wilcox, James 0 YPA ..... School Administration  
Wilkinson, Dickens 1 YPA ..... Sulfur Sales  
Willett, Jim FS, PH+1, PP, 9 YPA ..... Financial Advisor  
Williams, Kasha PH, 3 YPA ..... Home Health Care  
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# Rotaview

## The Rotary Club of Longview, Texas

The original service club of Gregg County, Texas

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### The Four-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?

### Today's Program

John King – Longview Lobos Head Coach

### Officers and Directors

Tom DeWitt..... District Governor  
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Trey Smith..... Secretary  
Griff Hubbard ..... Treasurer  
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Joel Johnson ..... Foundation Director  
David Henry ..... Fund Raising Director  
Gai Bennett..... Public Relations Director  
Steve Butler..... Endowment Fund Chairman

B: Benefactor. DG: District Governor. FS: Foundation Sustaining Member. H: Honorary Member. MD: Major Donor.  
PDG: Past District Governor. PH: Paul Harris Fellow. PHS: Paul Harris Society. PP: Past President.  
SE: Senior Exempt. YPA: Years of Perfect Attendance.

### Area Club Meetings

**Monday:** Marshall Metro, Trinity Episcopal Church. **Also:** Big Sandy, Greater Paris, South Tyler.

**Wednesday:** Kilgore, Meadowbrook Country Club. **Also:** Jacksonville, Jefferson, Lake Fork, Pittsburg.

**Thursday:** Gladewater, Chamber of Commerce. **Also:** Atlanta, Marshall, Overton, Quitman, Texarkana, Tyler.

**Friday:** Longview Greggton, First Baptist Church. **Also:** Carthage, Henderson, Paris.

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