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Last Week

Invocation	Ray Harben
Club Sweetheart	Sandra Gallier
Introduction of Guests	Joe Ehrhart
Program Chairman	Frank White

Whenever you get the chorus from the Charlton-Pollard High School within hearing distance—which covers a pretty broad area—you get sure enough, pure-dee music that can be enjoyed without effort because that's the way it's sung. Sometimes it's spirited, and sometimes it's spirituals, and sometimes it's spirited spirituals; but you always feel that it's a genuine outpouring of heartfelt emotion that doesn't have even a nodding acquaintance with inhibition. That's the program fare served up to us last week.

The Charlton-Pollard singers were thoroughly enjoyed, judging by the applause that greeted their renditions. If I counted correctly, there were 18 female and 10 male voices in the group, and since one or two of the sopranos possessed tremendous volume—at no sacrifice of tonal quality, however—the chorus could stand a few more full-throated tenors and robust bassos in the interest of balance. But any director must work with the material available, and Mrs. R. B. Henderson is again doing an excellent job in that capacity. Such technical factors as attacks and releases, often the No. 1 headache in training amateur choral groups, presented no hill at all for these steppers.

Personally I still think negro singers are at their best in their spirituals and their religious numbers, and as for "Kokomo" and such trivia I can take 'em or leave 'em. But some of these up-to-date swing numbers (or is it bop nowadays?) scored heavily with the tired-businessman audience, and gave the concert just the correct dash of seasoning. The solo voices, in my opinion, were excellent, especially the sopranos.

And now, having enjoyed dancing and singing for the last couple of weeks, I'm about ready for a talk on nuclear energy.

—Ben Woodhead

Rotating Molly Make Up For 100%

Charlie Homer, last Wednesday, brought back Molly Make Up who is now able to say "Molly"; Lee Griffin receiving and dispensing in the absence of Albert Attendance, who left town. Not actually 100% for April 13, reported Lee, but a close 99.67% with Secretary Harold Carpenter volunteering to deliver the parrakeet to Monroe Vivion.

Highlight of the report was recognition of Rotarian Henry Mooney, the loyal member who drove the lonely, dark miles to Jasper last Tuesday night to make up his attendance.

We pat ourselves on the back. A wonderful Rotary membership responded to the challenge as they always do but the challenge is still with us for this Wednesday, and actually always is.

New Members

Past President Pat Peyton introduced to us last Wednesday, our most recent Fellow-Rotarian, George J. Gardner, owner of the Gardner Shoe Store who holds the classification of SHOES RETAILING.

Left out of these columns last week were Dr. Charles H. Todd, Gynecology; and Dr. Jerry Johnson, Ophthalmology (diseases of the eye) both of whom were introduced the previous week by Robbie Robinson.

We have lost 14 members this year and gained 22 new members. We now have collected photos of 7 new members and will print a supplement to the roster when we have received 8 photographs.

Good Job — Keith

A hearty salute to Rotarian Keith Hunter, member of Rotarygrams staff, who is the first Rotarian of memory who has diligently and consistently submitted copy for our club bulletin other than program reviews. Keith has doggedly pursued his assignment (with the aid of Rotary Ann Aileen) bringing in a full page of copy every Wednesday. Only those of us who face the empty copy paper which ultimately must go to press EVERY week realize that Keith has given his all for Rotary this year. Thank you, Keith and Aileen.



Keith Hunter

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"Rotary's Fifty Years of Service"

Excerpts—

"On the windswept beaches of North Carolina in the United States two brothers named Orville and Wilbur Wright in 1903 actually flew a heavier-than-air machine a distance of 852 feet. In Zurich, Switzerland, a young teacher of physics by the name of Albert Einstein published a thesis expounding some kind of a special theory of relativity. And before the decade (the one in which Rotary was organized) had passed, the Wright invention was beginning to recast the global map of communication and transportation. The new theory expounded by the physics teacher was destined to set up a series of chain reactions which also had reached global proportions by mid-century.

"Among those millions of persons in cities and towns throughout the world . . . no one had heard a talking motion picture, a radio program, or seen a television show, or traveled in an airplane, or belonged to a service club, or witnessed a Boy Scout parade, or read about an atomic explosion, or heard of the United Nation!

"It was the typical business office, a small room, not too well lighted with a desk and several uncomfortable chairs, a coatrack, and an engineering chart on the wall. This was the office of Gus Loehr, a mining engineer, and Gus had just welcomed a merchant tailor named Hiram Shorey. Casual conversation began, but their talk soon drifted to the idea which a lawyer-friend had been discussing for several months. The lawyer's name was Paul Harris, and he had an idea about a new kind of club."

(To Be Continued)

Frank Betts, chairman, called a meeting of the Student Loan Fund Committee last Wednesday after Rotary for a two-hour session. Your S.L.F. committee this year is composed of Frank, **Clarence Hopp**, **Fred Hunter**, **Leonard Toomim**, and **Charlie Weinbaum, Sr.**, who administer a fund of some \$18,000; making loans, collecting payments, watching the maturities of the portion invested in Government bonds. This is one of the most important committees on our roster.

Last Wednesday **King Howard Gardner**, ruler of the 1955 Neches River Festival, was saluted by **President George Morgan** at meeting.

Hap Faber, **Eb Rehtin** and **Frank Betts** will be delegates to the 43rd annual meeting of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce in Washington May 1-4.

One of our club sweethearts, **Joanne Mayer** (Walter) is among the Stephens College students who spent spring vacation in New York.

ROAMIN' ROTARIANS -- They Didn't Forget

ATTENDANCE

April 13, 1955

Active Membership	306
Members Present	305
Per Cent Attendance	99.67

SOUTH PARK (Mon., Golden Arrow): J. C. Huber, O. C. Honig, Geo. Gill, Billy Bryant, Bill Wilson, Harold Carpenter, John Newton, Truman Beeson, Snow Arthur, A. C. Townsend, W. J. Holloway, A. J. Coburn, Claude Hammond, Dick Heartfield, Eddie Mai, Dick Carey, Pat Wheat, Charlie Balcom, Boyd Lamb, O. V. Wesley, Verner Jones, Geo. Booth, Jack Dahmer, Merle Kelly, Geo. Murphy, Harry Marlow, Bill Havner, Griff Oates, H. L. Ward, H. W. Gardner, John Montgomery.

WEST END (Tues., Jim's Steak House): Floyd Pipkin, C. Villiva, Bill Langdon, Ernest Kinsel, Tom Galloway, Rus Catalano, Rufus Mills, Kelsey Lamb, Tom Lamb, Leonard Conrad, Willis Thames, Ralph Griffing, Sam Sharfstein, Elliot Jacobs, Harry Woodside, W. W. Leach, K. C. Withers, Fred Stone, Smyth Walden, Pat Peyton, Jr.

OTHERS

Lee Griffin	Port Arthur
Homer McGregor	Dallas
Henry Mooney	Jasper
W. C. Ross	Austin
Ben Shipley	Austin

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PROGRAM FOR THIS WEEK

THE LITTLE KNOWN STORY OF THE BEAUMONT REMEDIAL CENTER: THE MIRACLES WROUGHT IN CHILDREN WITH HIGH I.Q.'S WHO CANNOT READ: THE DRAMATIC ASSISTANCE GIVEN THE BRIGHT CHILD WITH DIFFICULTIES AT SCHOOL
MISS ANGIE NALL
DIRECTOR

Program Committee: Madison Wright, chairman; Jay Dietzer, vice chairman; Joe Fisher, Kase Withers, Bill Langdon, John Rienstra, and Merle Kelly.

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