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TODAY'S PROGRAM

Program Chair of the Day: Pat Martin



Sol Villasana Little Mexico

Sol Villasana is a civil trial attorney with 40 years of experience. He is Of Counsel in the WHITE & WIGGINS, LLP's Dallas office. He is a civil trial lawyer and certified mediator with years of experience in the Dallas and north Texas legal community. His primary practice areas include commercial litigation, including business and contract disputes, land use/zoning matters, insurance and subrogation, premises liability, and attorney disciplinary defense. Mr. Villasana regularly represents business entities before various governmental agencies. He also advises businesses on corporate and regulatory issues.

Mr. Villasana is a prolific writer and frequent speaker on a variety of legal and public policy issues. He has extensive trial experience and has served as first chair lawyer in numerous trials as a Dallas Assistant City Attorney. Among his many accomplishments, he secured historic preservation status for a multi-million dollar, adaptive reuse commercial property in downtown Dallas, and he was special Counsel to the City of Dallas' Citizen's Charter Review Committee

Summary of Mr. Villasana's book, *Dallas's Little Mexico (Images of America)*:

Little Mexico was Dallas's earliest Mexican barrio. Mexicanos had lived in Dallas since the mid-19th century. The social displacement created by the Mexican Revolution of 1910, however, caused the emergence of a distinct and vibrant neighborhood on the edge of the city's downtown. This neighborhood consisted of modest homes, small businesses, churches, and schools, and further immigration from Mexico in the 1920s caused its population to boom. By the 1930s, Little Mexico's population had grown to over 15,000 people. (cont. on pg 3)

RCPC IN ACTION



Mark Neace, Winner of the CC Collie Distinguished Leadership Award.



Mark is a leader in both RCPC and District 5810. Great work!!

Save the Date!

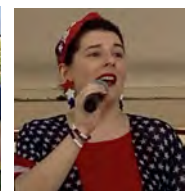
District 5810 Awards Banquet
Saturday, August 26, 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Haggard Party Barn, Plano



It Was A GREAT Party in the Park!



A Few More Pictures!



LOTS More Pictures Available!

Be a Vibrant and Visionary Model of Service Above and Beyond Self

LAST WEEK

Presiding: **Jeff Sheehan**
 Invocation/Pledge: **Leo Avila**
 Photographer: **Barb Jeffries**
 Chair of the Day: **Jeff Sheehan**
 Speaker: **DG John Curtis**
 Program: **"Update on District 5810"**



Incoming President **Jeff Sheehan** called the meeting to order to a standing ovation. **Leo Avila** gave the invocation, and then led the *Star Spangled Banner* and the Pledge of Allegiance. Our visitors and guests were introduced. President **Jeff** called for Happy Bucks. The total is now over \$15,000, and has not been won yet!

PP **Greg Pape** reviewed the seven areas of focus of the Rotary International Foundation: basic education and literacy, maternal and child health, peace and conflict resolution, water sanitation and hygiene, disease treatment and prevention, community and economic development, and protecting the environment. He then called PDG **C.C. Collie**, Marylyn Hargrave with her granddaughter. He announced PDG **C.C.** as a Major Donor Level II. He then introduced **Marilyn** as a fourth level Paul Harris Fellow. She honored her granddaughter, Lily Ann Hargrave as a Paul Harris Fellow.



President **Jeff** presented Marylyn with an honorary membership in RCPC. She has been an RCPC member for thirty-three years.

Kathy Wall introduced our market place advertiser of this week, **Mark Neace**, cofounder and CEO of Synclab Media.

PP **Fred Brown** remarked that several weeks ago the club awards were announced, but one recipient could not be there, so today the C.C. Collie Leadership Award was presented to **Mark Neace**.



President **Jeff** introduced our speaker today, District Governor John Curtis to give an update on District 5810. He congratulated

Please remember ...

The family of **Bob Patton** whose son was killed in a car accident.
 Please let us know your joys and concerns.

the RCPC award winners and the PHF recipients. He thanked especially **Mark Neace** for his work as the Public Image Chair for the District. He also thanked PP **Happy Franklin**, who is his assistant for all she does for him. He said that he had met with the RCPC Board and had a good conversation before coming to this general meeting. He noted that all clubs are unique. Despite having the same Rotary goals, each club does things differently. He said he has been to several clubs and they have done little projects that could be done over lunch, such as collecting food for needy kids, for adult literacy. Our current RI President wants us all to think about creating hope in the world. That is something that we do, but how we want to recognize it. When we think about hope in the world, we need to think about some of the mental issues with some of our own club members. We should ask, "How are you doing *really* ." That will sometimes get a different response and allow us to help them deal with problems. He continued with the things that are important to him, starting with the thing first in his mind, although last on the list, and that is having a good time and enjoying ourselves. Some of the people in the District clubs will be going to the ball game on Saturday and the Ft. Worth club has also been invited. Fellowship and fun are important. He would like to have the District have a singing group, like they had years ago. Members from all over the District were able to get together and share their talents with the rest of us. He would also like the District to have a golf tournament, probably next spring. It won't be a big money maker, but just a time to get together. His goals are to continue to add to our membership. If we want to have ten new members, we need to find twenty members to join us. We need to teach the new people what Rotary is all about. We need to think about how to work with other clubs. He introduced his wife Jane to talk about her charity, Polio Plus. She has learned about Post Polio Syndrome and how devastating it can be. Polio must end.



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July						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
2	M	M	M	M	Mtg	
9	M	M	M	M	Mtg	
16	M	Mc	M	M	Mtg	D
23	M	M	M	M	F	Mtg
30	M					

A=Agape Health Serv Day

BD= Bnd of Dirs Mtg, 8am

BF=Bonton Farm

Cn=PCR Connect Event.

CP=ChildsPlay Work Mtg-Jill Jordan.

D=District 5810 Event

DH=Dentistry with a Heart- Michael Rainwater

F=Fellowship Event

FF=RCPC Foundation

Fund Mtg- Ed Fjordbak

FT=NTFB Truck.

FB=NTFB Evtnt- Susan Glen

In=Interact Special Project 8 am - Tracy Gomes.

LL=Legacy of Leadership

M=

Jim Weichel

MMentoring at Hillcrest H various days, times

Mc=Ronald McDonald House

1 x/mo-Kathleen Klaviter

NM=New Member Event

Pr= Program Committee Mtg

RL=Readers2Leaders-various days, times- Rob Levy





Rct=Rotaract- Ruth Alhiali.

SP=Strategic Planning Mtg







SpE=Special Service Event

VA=Veterans Support- Evan Altemus

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

-  **July 28** Sam Haynes
Unsettled Texas
-  **Aug. 4** Keith Randal Duncan
The Movie Institute
-  **Aug. 11** Robert Kent, Texas Director -Trust for Public Land
Building a Greener Texas, One Park at a Time
-  **Aug. 18** Steve Ladik
U.S. Sports Immigration Policy

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Make a post about or while at Rotary and use

these hashtags:

-  #PeopleOfAction
-  #district5810proud
-  #parkcitiesrotary
-  #goodthingshappeneverynonfridays

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please note that RCPC meetings and other events are public events where photos and video are customarily taken. By attending you are consenting to free use of your likeness on RCPC and related websites, social media, streaming video, emails, newsletters and similar methods.

Have a Great Idea for a Speaker? Your ideas are needed! Send your ideas with the details to Richard Stanford.

Help Wanted! At ANY RCPC Event or Project. Take a few pictures, include a few sentences (who, what, when, where and WHY) and send to Betty for The Hub

RI Foundation: \$100 (or more) Every Rotarian Every Year! See Greg Pape.

RCPC Foundation: \$100 (or more). See Birthdays below, then Kathy Wall..

Attendance Rule Change. For those wanting to maintain Perfect Attendance, make-ups may now be completed within a year.

The Rule of 85. Attendance requirements change for those who are at least 65 years of age and who have been a member of a Rotary club for twenty years

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THOUGHTS ON . . .

Languages

I wish life was not so short,' he thought. 'Languages take such a time, and so do all the things one wants to know about. ~ J R R Tolkien

They have been at a great feast of languages, and stolen the scraps.
~ William Shakespeare

Interpreter: One who enables two persons of different languages to understand each other by repeating to each what it would have been to the interpreter's advantage for the other to have said. ~Ambrose Bierce

No instance exists of a person's writing two languages perfectly. That will always appear to be his native language which was most familiar to him in his youth. ~ Thomas Jefferson

Life is a foreign language; all men mispronounce it.~ Christopher Morley

England and America are two countries separated by a common language. ~ George Bernard Shaw

Language is the source of misunderstandings.~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Music is the only language in which you cannot say a mean or sarcastic thing.
~ John Erskine

RCPC IN ACTION

RCPC's Participation in the Rotary International Foundation in 2022-23

from Greg Pape

In 2022-23 there were

- 7 new Paul Harris Fellows,
- 20 Paul Harris Society Members (with a net increase of 6),
- * 20 Major Donors,
 - One new Major Donor in 2022-23,
 - One new Major Donor Level II in 2022-23
- 10 Bequest Society Members among the active members.

RCPC was a 100% PHF Club

All time giving to the RI Foundation as of July 1, 2023 was \$1,074,961. **WOW!!**

HE WHO LAUGHS LASTS

Teacher: "Which book has helped you the most in your life?"

Student: "My father's check book!"

Proposed New Member

Daniel Voigt

Type of Membership: Individual
Classification: Banking
Proposed by **Eric Heitkamp**

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'Little Mexico' cont. from Front Page

The expanding city's construction projects, urban renewal plans, and land speculation by developers gradually began to dismantle Little Mexico. By the end of the 20th century, Little Mexico had all but disappeared, giving way to upscale high-rise residences and hotels, office towers of steel and glass, and the city's newest entertainment district. This book looks at Little Mexico's growth, zenith, demise, and its remarkable renaissance as a neighborhood

Happy Birthday*

- * Rod Pirtle 7.22
- Barb Jeffries 7.24
- Chris McNeill 7.25
- Susan Donnenfield, 7.29

*You are our RCPC Foundation Funders for this month.

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