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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Jun 22
Karen Voelker
City House

Jun 29
David McWhorter
President's Final Meeting/
Incoming New Officers

Jul 6
NO NOON MEETING
Due to Holiday Week



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Jeff Frauenheim	June 01
Charles Milby	June 07
Blair Ritchey	June 08
Mark Waterbury	June 08
Mark Geller	June 09
Bradley Keith	June 12
Bob Bauer	June 19



First B.B.Q.

Olin Jaye routinely skates on thin ice, but this day he challenged the **POWER WOMEN**, commenting that

Jo Via will demand VIP parking at the **Blues, Brews & 'Ques** event in *her* park. Such is their authority, the **POWER LADIES** did not deign to dignify it with response. Take that, Olin!

King David whacked the bell at 12:17, summoning **Ray Huffines** for the Invocation and **Mark Johnson** for the Pledge. He caught himself in time to credit **Rick Grady** with Greeting then, in the absence of **Jason Kramer**, called upon **SUBSTITUTE SERGEANT Rick Horne** for that task.

Our *Incredible Shrinking Club* actually



attracted a Visiting Rotarian, **Cheqeta Hall** (North Texas Pioneers), who received a plea from **David** to take the word back to *Pioneers* about how awesome this Club is. (So we've now stooped to cannibalism.) **Sara Akers** introduced *Day Springs Assisted Living* denizen, **Peggy Jackson**. Ray Huffines moved the candidacy of his brother, **Phillip**, who volunteered the \$5 for an announcement of his run for the Senate. And **Howard Matson** announced the unanimous acceptance of his guest, **Hayden Padgett**, a transfer Rotarian, by *Plano Rotary Board* at this morning's meeting.

Justin Roche had forgotten his obligation to provide **3 MINUTES OF FAME**, but



he launched nonetheless into a flawless extempore performance.

He came to **The Shops at Willow Bend** 3½ years ago from management of an airport mall in Houston.

In the 16 years he's been married, he and his family have moved 8-9 times, and he and his wife have raised three children (two girls and a beleaguered boy) 10, 11, and 13. There is evidence that his nomadic existence has come to an end: he's putting in his first pool.

He was introduced to Rotary by **CAPTAIN KIRK**, and he's never looked back.

King David said that the thing he likes about Justin is that they are fellow **Horned Frogs** (with a penchant for purple, no doubt).

Rick Grady got his **BLUE BADGE** and hearty congratulations.

Jerry Kezhaya, taking his cue from **Blues, Brews & 'Ques**, announced the next Rotary Happy Hour would be 6/27 at **BUFFALO BLUEZ**, 4200 Legacy. It boasts a ★★★★★ chef (I didn't know Michelin went that high), and the event is to honor (read "roast") the outgoing administration.





Cheqeeta Hall announced the **North Texas Pioneers' 14th ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE** (The Battle of the Badges) 4-9 July at various businesses, libraries, fire stations, and the PPD HQ around the City. Locations and times were on a brochure on our tables. Call 800-DONATE4 or sign up at www.carterbloodcare.org



our membership has fallen from ~110 to ~76, so we cannot sustain this level of largesse unless we garner additional income. Thus the paramount importance of successful new fundraisers like **Blues, Brews & 'Ques**.

Total 83000 BB&Q Festival Expenses 19,643.50

Indeed, more successful functions like that (will be), will enable us to actually reduce members' dues, and we're to "see me if you're opposed" to that. In fact, any questions about the Club's finances can be directed to **King David** or **Exohequer Kelly Palmer** (our Foundation Head).

Rick **Blues Brother** Horne gave us an update on the preparation for **Blues, Brews & 'Ques** two days hence. One day before the event (Friday), the fencing, tents and Port-a-Potties will arrive and be in place. Rick wasn't aware we needed health permits for sealed soda cans, but we do, and he has acquired them. He still needed volunteers for many tasks listed on the master roll, which he passed around so we could know for what and when we signed up.

Parking for volunteers was noted to be north of Oak Point Park's amphitheater. Volunteers get the furthest lot. The rest is designated VIP, and, of course, Jo Via gets to park there or "wherever the hell she wants." It's her park. We're incredibly grateful she has loaned it to us.



David presented his one-year *Plano Rotary Service* pin to **Robert Reed**, noting that he'd been a member in Corpus Christi for many years. He also called for nominations for District Awards; the deadline is 31 July. He said he would help with the nomination process (download the form from the 5810 website), but he cautioned that his own nomination of **Sainted Editor** last year was somewhat ineffective. (Indeed, Best Bulletin wasn't even awarded.)

King David then turned our attention to the PROFIT & LOSS statements on our tables. On those, he had highlighted a couple of EXPENSES:

81075 Jack Carter Park	12,500
82025 PISD Health Sciences Academy	20,000

The latter represented the penultimate payment on our obligation to PISD for their health program; we've one more \$20,000 aliquot to go. The former represents the

final payment to the *City of Plano* that partially funded an All-Access playground in the newly-renovated park. It earned us a Rotary Wheel in the park and a plaque detailing our sponsorship of the playground.



These major projects represent a fraction of our charitable obligation. They have been funded out of our membership dues (the tax deductible portion), but, with our *Incredible Shrinking Club*,



The BBQ vendors will also sell soda and water (and, perhaps, even soda water) as will our INTERACT student volunteers. **Mary Jo Dean** asked if the admission ticket gets you any food/drink. Rick said it's an admission ticket; it gets you only admission and, possibly, heatstroke as it's going to be (heat index) **104°** in the afternoon. So you'd be well-advised to dress lightly and slather on sunscreen.

There'll be complimentary water for volunteers, but they're responsible for buying their own BBQ and (off-duty) beer.

Plano East is donating the mobile Green Room for artists, who will be selling their CDs and DVDs.

Rick thanked the sponsors: *Plano East*, **Casey Stewart**, Jason Kramer, **Kenny Wilson**, **Maria Mott**, among others. He also thanked the yeomen volunteers: Jo Via, **Johnny Lewis**, Dave McWhorter, Kelly Palmer, Sara Akers, and **Jim Cooper**.

The first act, **Eric Barton**, begins at 2:30. **Alan Feigenbaum** has the volunteers' tee shirts. Oh, and please wear sun glasses; you'll blend right in with performers hiding their dilated eyes.

As to the patrons, they mayn't bring coolers or food/drink but chairs and blankets are *de rigueur*. Also sun hats and sunscreen for everyone. So far, 75 tickets have been sold, not counting Rotary member sales. And, if you bought your tickets on-line, you'll get VIP parking; otherwise, you'll park in the Collin College lots across the street (paying in cash).

There'll be two ticket booths where patrons get wristbands colored by their age. Olin asked for a teenaged one.

Since Rick's explanation of the park's location and geography left some confused, Jo Via, Ms. Balloon Festival, took the mic and explained how to get there and what to look for. She lives and breathes Oak Point Park.

Kelly wanted to know the distance between the beer vendors and the potties. It's easy to guess why he's going.

Sara asked what Rick's most pressing need for volunteers is. That was easy: tear down. Currently, only Robert Reed is staying after 11 pm to help dismantle our presence. Vendors will pick up their rental items on Monday. Oak Point is OK with remnants on Sunday.

Also we're in need of three big coolers and several 100' extension cords. Volunteers handling the items, either in set up or tear down, need gloves to counter the splinters. They'll not have to bring chairs for volunteering, only for watching the show when their stint is over.

Several TV stations will be present to record the festival in the hour before sundown.

Film at 11. *"It'll be a little hot, but we'll all have fun!"* As for consumption, *"When you're off-duty, do what your liver tells you to do."*

Jo Via introduced a late visitor, her grandson and Paul Harris Fellow, **Cooper Jackson**. Some of us remember him showing up in his first year.



King David led us in the Four-Way Test and closed the meeting right on the money, 1:00.



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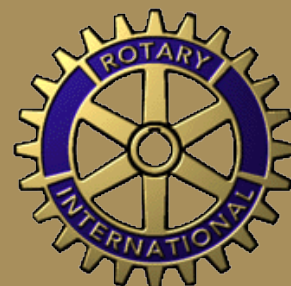
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