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## Stephenville Rotary News



The 100% Club for March

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Happy Birthday!!

Dylan Bowles Apr 1

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## **Club Honors February Student of the Month**

At a regular noon luncheon, the Club recently honored our Student of the Month for February. Isaac Lingle is an outstanding student as evidenced by his being a member of the National Honor Society and the Spanish Honor Society. He is ranked 15th out of 225 in his class with a grade point average of 100.612. He was also recognized as the 2014 Outstanding Dual-Credit World History Student.

Isaac has played soccer for all of his high school years and is a three year letterman. He was also selected as a 2014-2015 academic all district soccer player. In addition he has been a band banner bearer for the last three years.

His awards include being selected for the 2014 SHS Best Smile Award and was runner-up for the Sophomore Class favorite. Most recently he was selected to represent Rotary as the Student of the Month.

His work experience includes serving as a Grade 7 USSF soccer referee for the last five years. He also works for a local Jimmy John's sandwich shop.

Isaac has made two service trips to Port Da Paix, Haiti to work at the House of Moses Foundation, which supports a Christian school for high school students. He has also accumulated over 115 Texas Scholars community service hours.

After graduation this spring, Isaac will attend Mary Hardin Baylor University in Belton where he will pursue a Bachelor of Christian Ministry degree in preparation for his life's work as a minister.

Touch the World Through Rotary !!!



Student of the Month Isaac Lingle (center) and Kristi Adams SISD Student Counselor (left) and Mom Nancy Lingle.



Jody Lee Caudle and Amber Parks talk about Texas County Music and the July 4th celebration in Stephenville.

Jody Lee and Amber Parks presented a program on texashomegrownradio.com. Texashomegrownradio.com is a local website providing listeners an outlet for local artists and music on a global scale.

Jody Lee is the owner and general manager of the website. With over 23 years experience in the radio DJ/general manager business, Jody Lee is a force in the Texas music red dirt market.

He is also on the committee for the annual July 4th celebration in Stephenville, "BBQ, Bands & Bottle Rockets on the Bosque."

Rotarian Matt Hallgarth recently presented a program which focused on the concept of national sovereignty and UN members responsibility to intervene in another nation's sovereignty. Article 2 of the UN Charter establishes that nothing contained in the founding charter authorizes the UN or its members to intervene in matters which are essentially within the domestic jurisdiction of any state.

Following tragedies in Rawanda and the Balkans in the 1990s, in the 2000 millennium report, the UN Secretary-General issued a report that found that sovereignty not only gave a nation the right to control its affairs, it also conferred on the state the primary responsibility for protecting people within its borders. It also proposed that when a nation fails to protect its citizens through lack of ability or lack of willingness the responsibility shifts to the broader international community.

In 2005 all UN member countries formally accepted the responsibility of each state to protect its population from *genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes against humanity*. At the 2005 summit world leaders unanimously agreed that when any state fails to meet their responsibility, (the international community) all states are responsible for helping to protect people threatened with such crimes. Should peaceful means be inadequate and national authorities fail to protect their populations, the international community should act collectively thru the UN Security Council in accordance with the Charter. These events clearly prescribe that when a member nation does not protect or willfully persecutes its people reaching the level of crimes against humanity, then it becomes the responsibility of all member nations to protect those people threatened including use of military force if necessary.

Matt presented this program in a compelling way by asking a number of questions to the audience:

- (1) What constitutes a crime against humanity?
- (2) How much intervention is needed?
- (3) How long a time?
- (4) Which nations should intervene?
- (5) What happens when a nation does not intervene?
- (6) What happens when a nation does not have the will or re sources to intervene?

As with the UN, the Club could not agree on the solutions to the questions. Matt presented a very compelling program which evoked much discussion from club members. Thanks to Matt for his presentation!

## Mark Your Calendars!!

Monday, May 2, 7:00 PM
City Limits

Leaders of Tomorrow Banquet

Honoring our High School Students



Rotarian Matt Hallgarth presented a program about national sovereignty and moral and ethical questions concerning intervention in cases of humanitarian violations.



Rotarian Keith Stripling emphasizes a point about his employment with Aramco.

Rotarian Keith Stripling spoke to the Rotary about his experience while employed by the Arabian American Oil Company in Saudi Arabia. He talked about different aspects of life while he was working for Aramco. Keith was located in company owned oil camp some distance from Dhahran which is the world-wide headquarters for Aramco.

Aramco is the largest petroleum and natural gas company in the world with revenues of over \$378 billion in 2014 and proven reserves of 260 billion barrels of oil.

Keith also talked about cultural differences between Americans and Saudis and how Americans must be respectful of their religious faith, their laws, and their culture. According to Whitney Lee, Executive Director of the Erath County Senior Citizens Center, Inc. Meals on Wheels (MOW) delivers over 200 hot meals to a service area of 1090 square miles five days per week. That equates to roughly 1,000 meals per week for approximately for 50 weeks per year or 50,000 meals per year. She accomplishes this with a staff of three paid employees, two in Stephenville and one in Dublin and a group of volunteers. Rotarians from the Club have volunteered for over twenty years now.

Whitney presented a program during a recent noon luncheon in which she emphasized the importance of the volunteers to the MOW program. She also discussed the MOW and its requirements under the HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act). All volunteers need to be aware of the requirement to protect health information gained about a client during delivery of meals and share information on a need to know basis.

She also reviewed the requirements to qualify for MOW service. General eligibility requirements require that the client must be 60 years of age, a resident of Erath County and be unable get transportation on their own. An in-home assessment is required for all clients before services can begin and each year thereafter to determine eligibility.

Funding for the program comes from the federal and state government grants under Title III, Title XIX, and Title XX. These grants are monitored by the North Central Texas Area Agency on Aging and the Texas Department of Aging and Disability. Additional funding comes from the Texas Department of Agriculture, Erath County United Way, and from private individuals and local companies.

Hot meals are delivered daily between 1030 AM and 1230 PM during weekdays by volunteers for residents of Stephen-ville. For clients in surrounding communities such as Lingleville, Duffau, Morgan Mill, and Bluff Dale, a volunteer delivers one hot meal a week plus frozen meals for the rest of the week. Clients are not charged for the services, but those who are able may make a donation.

MOW sponsors money raising events during the year. In 2016, MOW will sponsor a Dinner and Concert featuring Courtney Patton, Mike McClure, and Cody Canada at the Hardway Ranch on June 14. On June 18 there will be a Sporting Clay Fun Shoot at Rough Creek Lodge. Check with the MOW website <a href="https://www.erathmow.org">www.erathmow.org</a> for more details.

In closing Whitney thanked Rotary for the many years of volunteer service to our senior citizens. Thanks to Whitney for a wonderful program.

As with all of his taalks, Dr. Baker recently presented a program on history and the significance of Route 66 to our history. Route 66 became one of the most famous roads in America and ran from Chicago Illinois through Missouri,



Erath County Senior Citizens Center Director Whitney Lee presented a program on the Meals on Wheels service in Erath County.



Rotarian T. Lindsey Baker presented a program on historic Route 66.

Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona before ending in Santa Monica, California, covering a total 2,448 miles. It was recognized in popular culture by songs and the *Route* 66 television show in the 1960s.

It also served as major path for those who migrated west especially during the Dust Bowl of the 1930s and it supported the economies of the communities through which the road passed.

Dr. Baker spent most of last summer locating and photographing historical sites along the route and comparing their appearance today with how they appeared on post cards of the 1930s through the 1960s. Thank you, Dr. Baker for a great program!