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Club Hears Report from Hospital President

Christopher Leu, President of Texas Health Harris Hospital (THHH) spoke to the Club at a recent noon luncheon. Prior to joining Texas Health Stephenville, He was vice president of operations and business development at Texas Health Arlington Memorial Hospital.

During his presentation, he announced that the Supreme Court had ruled that the Affordable Care Act (ACA) was constitutional whether federal subsidies are paid to individuals who purchase health insurance from exchanges established by the state or whether they purchased policies from the federal exchange. Although the language was problematic, the Supreme Court ruled that Congress's intent was to improve health insurance markets, not to destroy them. (Cont pg 3)



Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital President Christopher Leu speaks to the Club concerning recent changes in Federal and State law in health insurance.

It's a New Year in Rotary! Celebrate and Continue Your Wonderful Service!!!



Be a gift to the world

Happy Birthday!!

Helen Wilson July 3
Carrie Pack July 15
Uncle Sam July 4
Calvin Coolidge July 4
George W. Bush July 6
John Q. Adams July 11



Director of Meals on Wheels, Whitney Lee, spoke to the Club about the nutrition program at a recent noon luncheon.

The club was honored to have Whitney Lee, Executive Director of Meals on Wheels (MOW) Erath County, speak during a recent noon luncheon. Meals on Wheels is a non-profit organization that provides services including home delivered meals, transportation, and congregate meals for residents of Erath County who are in need of assistance. The Rotary Club has for many years provided volunteers to deliver the meals to Erath residents.

Before the meals are provided, prospective clients must qualify for meals. General eligibility guidelines require that clients must be 60 years or older and unable to provide their own transportation. An in-home assessment is required for all clients before services can begin.

The MOW staff manages the delivery of a hot meal five days per week to about 200 home bound clients. (cont on pg 3)

To hear Aimee Scarbrough talk about her RYLA experience, you would have not given her much of a chance of even completing the Rotary summer leadership program. According to Aimee, she was pressured to attend by her family. She had to give up four days of her precious summer to attend RYLA. By her own admission the trip to Texas Woman's University in Denton was very subdued as she silently rebelled about this major obstacle standing in the way of summer time fun. "I didn't say anything to Clint Ishmael on the trip to Denton." She had decided this was going to be "torture" but she would just have to tolerate it.

But sometime during that four day stay along with many other students, the light came on for Aimee. She began to see the reason and purpose of the various activities and challenges presented by the RYLA staff. She began to participate and to lead others in problem solving and leadership development. By the end of the intensive leadership program Aimee was a believer in RYLA.

Today some years later RYLA Counselor Aimee Scarbrough is still singing the praises of the program. "It was a life changing experience for me. Everyone should experience RYLA. You will be a better person for it." Thanks Aimee for all you do for Rotary.



Aimee Scarbrough, RYLA counselor talks about her RYLA experience during a recent meeting.



Rotarian Carrie and husband Austin Pack are all smiles after winning the card lottery at our last meeting of the Rotary year. Congratulations to Carrie and Austin!!!!



As we celebrate July 4th....

We should remember our brave men and women serving at home and around the world who have dedicated their lives to protecting our freedoms. We should honor all those who have given their last measure of devotion on the beaches of Normandy, in Korea, Viet Nam, and in Iraq and Iran.

We will be posting flags on Saturday July 4. Meet at the Quonset hut at 6:00 AM.

(President Leu—Cont from pg 1) He also talked about legislation from the state which will add \$55 million to increase training for trauma centers and for behavioral training in the rural areas of Texas.

In 2012, THHH achieved Pathway to Excellence designation from the American Nurses Credentialling Center by being one of only 75 hospitals in the U.S. to earn the designation. Additionally, THHH is one of only 48 out of 333 hospitals nationwide at providing safe, reliable, and efficient care according to the country's largest health care performance improvement alliance.

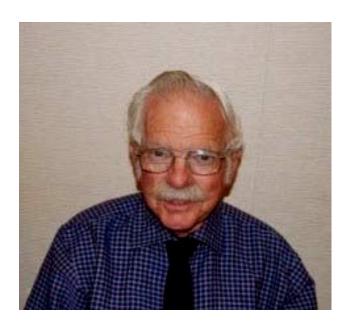
President Leu also discussed the construction on the hospital which will remodel and expand the emergency department adding 8-12 exam rooms and expanding the women and children's area of the hospital. The \$14 million construction project should be finished this summer. While the new emergency department is being built to better serve our community, the first priority is, and always will be, to provide excellence in service to our patients.

Thanks to Christopher Leu for a wonderful program and thanks for all you do for the Stephenville community

(Meals on Wheels—Cont from pg 1) The meals are delivered between the hours of 10:30 and 12:00 Monday thru Friday. The meals are delivered freshly prepared. Currently MOW contracts with Valley Innovative Services in Tarrant County to provide the meals.

MOW receives funding to pay for the meals from several sources. They receive grant money from the federal and state government under Title III, Title XIX, and Title XX. These grants are monitored by the North Central Texas Area Agency and the Texas Department of Aging and Disability. In addition MOW receives support from the Texas Department of Agriculture, Erath County, Erath County United Way, the Frey Memorial Fund and the Wal-Mart Foundation. Each year MOW sponsors one major fundraiser and will accept individual donations.

According to Whitney, maybe the most important service MOW gives to their clients is to provide daily human contact through the volunteers who deliver the meals. In some cases, the only human contact the client receives during the day is the volunteer who delivers the meal. Thanks to Whitney for the program and all she does and thanks to Rotary volunteers who deliver the meals.



Rotarian Davis Waggener, Patriot and Philanthropist. He taught us all the meaning of "Service Above Self. He was simply an outstanding citizen who daily demonstrated his love of country. God, Family, Country—Davis had his priorities right.



Rotarian Bill Trogdon, Patriot and Educator. He taught us lessons of life. I thought Bill's real strength was his caring for others, his humanity, and his sense of purpose in life. He cared about his family, his church, his community, and his country.

In Honor of our Leaders and Heroes. May We Never Forget Them!!



