



The Sun Light

THE ROTARY CLUB OF GEORGETOWN - SUN CITY
District 5870 TUESDAYS 12 NOON
Cowan Creek Amenity Center, Cool Spring Way
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December is Rotary Family Month

Rotary Prayer:

With our friends beside us, And no person beneath us,
With the bonds of Rotary between us, And our worries behind us,
With our goals before us, And no task beyond us,
With a thirst for knowledge, And a dream of a Polio free world,
We are thankful for our Rotary friends and the meal we share.

Amen

Slate of Nominees for 2013-14

President: John Chenoweth
President Elect: Bob Weimer
Vice President: Bob Elam
Secretary: Herman Knodel
Treasurer: Doug Lowe

Directors:

Membership: Lou Gibson
Rotary Foundation: Bill Miller
Public Relations: Tom Minor
Service Projects: Gary Sandercock
Strategic Planning: Jamie Mattison
Club Administration: Adaire Wolf

This Slate of Nominees will be published 2 times in the *Sun Light*.

The Official Vote will take place on **Tuesday, Dec. 18th, 2012**. On this date anyone can be nominated from the floor and will be a write in on the ballot.

Thank you,
Norm Peters, Chuck MacKay, Art Tragesser, Stephen Brown and Adaire Wolf
Nominating Committee

Today's Programme: We will hear biographies from:

Mike Oglesby
Bill Chapman
Dennis Smith

Next Week: the meeting will be at the Georgetown Recreational Center

Future Programmes:

- Dec 11 Wrapping for BWS
- Dec 15 **Breakfast With Santa** and Gift Deliveries
- Dec 18 Biographies and voting for 2012-13 nominees
- Jan 8 Club Assembly
- Jan 15 Jarrell H.S. RYLA students
- Jan 22 Mr. Delaney - Drug Policy Forum of Texas (DAFT)
- Jan 29 Mr. Penland – guest of Carolyn Holloway
- Feb 5 Mardi Gras with Dr. Stephen Brown
- Feb 12 Mr. Gene Davenport, Past District Governor



Last Week: Donna and Gary Sandercock very generously opened their lovely home to members for the kick-off Breakfast With Santa social. The evening was arranged by Adaïre Wolf, Tom Minor, and Bob and Ellen Weimer. There were sign-up sheets on the counters making it simple to add one's name to the various tasks needed to be done for this programme.

It was announced that the Stacy Newsletter has added a notice about BWS and the Georgetown Advocate has not only donated funds, but will run an advertisement from now until December 15th.

As well, Jan Williams, Director of the School Enrichment Programme for the Georgetown School District was present and is helping to raise funds.

GIVING . .

. . . may be a more powerful motivator than receiving, according to a study in *Psychological Science* in August. Researchers asked on group of college students to think about ways they had recently given help to others, and another group to think about ways they had recently received help. Later, the participants were handed a form asking whether they would like to donate to a relief fund for victims of the 2011 earthquake in Japan. 50% of the first group chose to donate to the fund, compared with a little more than 20% of the second group. (Of a control group, 13% chose to donate)

. the *Rotarian*, Dec 2012 issue

100% Paul Harris Fellow Clubs

Rotary clubs in which all dues-paying members are Paul Harris Fellows can be certified as a 100 Percent Paul Harris Fellow Club and are eligible to receive a one-time special recognition banner from The Rotary Foundation. To obtain this recognition . . .

1. A club representative must contact the district governor after determining that all current, dues-paying club members are Paul Harris Fellows.
2. The district governor must confirm that all members are Paul Harris Fellows and notify The Rotary Foundation.

As of May 9, 2012, the Rotary Foundation lists three clubs in our District that have achieved 100% Paul Harris status:

- Georgetown (Sunrise),
- TX Mexia, TX
- Yoakum, TX

Let's try to make our Georgetown - Sun City club a really special club too!

Citation

Since joining the Rotary Club of Georgetown Sun City on October 26, 2004, **Louis E. Gibson** has epitomized the title Rotarian. His untiring devotion in building his club's membership, training other Rotarians, and his very strong support of The Rotary Foundation is extraordinary. During Rotary year 2011-2012 he recruited 12 new members, of which 11 remain active with the club. Thus far in 2012-2013 the club has inducted two new members recruited by Lou, with two more proposed for membership. His goal of one new member per month is something he takes very seriously, and has resulted in steady growth of the club for the past six years.

Lou actively supports and participates in the Club's projects and fundraisers, and under his leadership, the Club's signature project, "Breakfast With Santa," nearly quadrupled, from serving 33 to more than 120 needy children with food and gifts. He also successfully motivated others to raise the additional money necessary to support the larger group of children, which resulted in \$28,000 being raised for the project.

Using his Financial Services Vocation as an opportunity to serve, he led the effort in establishing the Chisholm Trail Community Foundation Endowment Fund that is used to support humanitarian projects in the local communities. Beginning with \$25,000 the fund has rapidly increased to more than \$43,000.

Lou is a very strong supporter of The Rotary Foundation, and his generosity has been key to the club being a leader in contributions to the Polio Plus Program. He unselfishly matches each member's Polio Plus contribution, up to a total of \$1,000 per year. Since 2007 the club has contributed more than \$34,000 to the Polio Eradication effort.

By any sense of measurement, Louis E. Gibson of the Rotary Club of Georgetown Sun City is truly a leader, and most deserving of the prestigious Club Builder Award!!

... **Ricky E. Price** District 5870 Governor 2012-2013

Rotary Permanent Fund - How you can make a lasting difference

The Permanent Fund builds long-term stability for the future of The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International providing an extra stream of income to meet an increasing demand for the Foundation's educational, humanitarian, and cultural programmes.

A benefactor of The Rotary Foundation is anyone who informs the Foundation in writing that one has made provisions in one's will, or other estate plan, naming the Foundation's Permanent Fund as a beneficiary; or anyone who makes an outright gift of \$1,000 or more to the Rotary Foundation Permanent Fund.

The Foundation Trustees recognize the highly personal nature of these commitments from which it will benefit in the future. Unless other directions are received, Benefactor recognition will be sent to one's club president.

The Trustees are grateful for the gifts and for permission to publish one's name as a Benefactor so that an example may inspire others.

*The young man knows the rules,
but the old man knows the exceptions.*

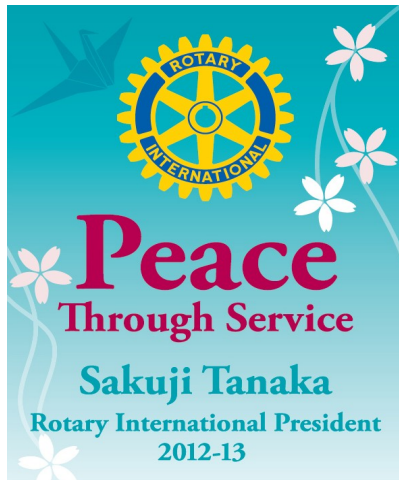
... Oliver Wendell Holmes

Texas Leaguer in Baseball

We all know what a Texas Leaguer is in baseball, but not all of us know why it is called a "Texas Leaguer". A lot of folks call it a "blooper", but if it scores runs and wins games, it doesn't make a lot of difference what they call it. Basically, the batter hits the ball over the heads of the infielder but too short for the fielders to get to it. It gets the batter on base, adds to his batting average and advances runners. But what has it got to do with Texas?

To find the answer, turn the clock back to 1886. Grover Cleveland was President and Thomas Hendricks was Vice President of the 38 states of the United States. Back then, major league baseball team Toledo was playing a really important game against major league team Syracuse. Toledo had called up three players from their minor league team in Texas. These three guys kept hitting "bloopers" and Toledo went on to win the game. Today these bloopers are still called "Texas Leaguers".

. . . . Bob Deffeyes



Contributions to the Rotary Foundation make it possible for clubs to transform lives worldwide. Our support funds projects in Rotary's six areas of focus:

- Peace and Conflict prevention/resolution
- Disease prevention and treatment
- Water and Sanitation
- Maternal and child health
- Basic education and literacy
- Economic and community development.

OOOPS . . .

USAir recently introduced a special half fare for wives who accompanied their husbands on business trips. Expecting valuable testimonials, the PR department sent out letters to all the wives of businessmen who had used the special rates, asking how they enjoyed their trip.

Letters are still pouring in asking, "What trip?"