



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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JANUARY IS ROTARY AWARENESS MONTH

Rotary Prayer: Eternal God, we offer our gratitude for this moment: for food, for our time together with friends, for this day's work. Grant the gifts of insight and wisdom for our work, and give faithfulness and honesty to all. Bless our world with Your peace. Amen.

Today's Programme: **Bob Deffeyes** will enlighten us about everything we don't know about the #2 pencil

Next Week: Mr. Mel Penland on the TX Life-Sciences Collaboration Center

Future Programmes:

Feb 5	Mr. Gene Davenport, Past District Governor
Feb 12	Special Mardi Gras meeting at <u>6PM here at Cowan Creek</u>
Feb 19	Ms. Pat Holland, Assistance League of Georgetown
Feb 26	Ms. Ailcea Jones, author
Mar 5	Ms. Sheila Allee, author
Mar 19	Mr. John Delaney, Drug Policy Forum of Texas

Upcoming Events: May 31 – June 2, 2013 District 5870 Conference of Rotary Clubs
will be held in Bastrop
June 23 – 27, 2013 Rotary Int'l Conference in Lisbon, Portugal

Last Week:

Invocation:	James Scharff	Visitors:	Gladys Reyna/GSE
Pledge:	John Harding		Annette Peterson/RYLA
4-Way Test:	John Chenoweth		Carrie Buckley/RYLA
			Samuel Perez/RYLA

Happy Bucks: \$134.00 **Visiting Rotarian:** Ron Garland/Downtown

MEMBERSHIP MOMENT WITH LOU GIBSON

THE OBJECT OF ROTARY IS TO ENCOURAGE AND FOSTER THE IDEA OF SERVICE AS A BASIS OF WORTHY ENTERPRISE AND, IN PARTICULAR, TO ENCOURAGE AND FOSTER FOUR ITEMS - - - - WHICH YOU MAY READ ON PAGE 8 OF YOUR ROTARIAN!
HAROLD BERG THEN DISTRIBUTED SPECIAL ROTARY M&MS TO GUESTS.

Last Week: by **Bob Weimer**

Our Rotary President Jamie Mattison introduced the program that surrounded Jarrell High Schools.

First we heard from Gladys Rena' the Group Study Exchange Student selected to join other candidates and take a educational trip to the Phillipines. Gladys is fortunate since this is the last year Rotary will be involved in this exchange program. Gladys has been a Teaching Assistant at Texas State University. As a interpreture in a Spanish program Gladys became acquainted with Jamie Mattison and Jamie began recruiting Gladys for the Exchange Program sponsored by our Sun City Rotary Club.

In a typical 4-week tour, applicants participate in five full days of vocational visits, 15 club presentations, 10 formal visits and social events and district conference office visits. Plus they get 3 to 4 hours per day for time with the host families to better understand the culture.

Gladys will visit 4 islands, Calbayog, Ormaoc, Cebu and Tagbilaran, and after her return will present a recap of her visits and experience to our club at a regular meeting. She hope tis opportunity will assist her growth as a professional as well as increasing her personal growth.

Jammie then introduced Annette Peterson the RYLA counselor at JISD. John Skannal is our Rotary Clubs Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Chairman for the Jarrell project. We thank John for his committment to this work.

Our 2 students were Clara Buckley and Sam Perez. RYLA emphasizes leadership, citizenship and personal growth as well as Rotary's moto of Service Above Self. The RYLA camp experience was explained by each as follows;

Clara Buckley Who will enter the Nursing profession experienced the diverse cultures of other people, appreciated the enthusiasm of the program presentors. Also important was the team participations and the comradery that was developed.

Sam Perez who wants to enter the medical field, appreciated the leadership presentations and the importance of building his self esteem.

A camp project was to assist in the Bastrop fire cleanup. They saw first hand the need of the families who lived through the fires.

We thank the students for sharing their RYLA stories.

About RYLA

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is Rotary's leadership training program for young people. RYLA participants can be ages 14-30, but most clubs and districts choose to focus on a narrower age range, such as 14-18 or 19-30.

RYLA emphasizes leadership, citizenship, and personal growth, and aims to

1. Demonstrate Rotary's respect and concern for youth
2. Provide an effective training experience for selected youth and potential leaders
3. Encourage leadership of youth by youth
4. Recognize publicly young people who are rendering service to their communities

From the Boardroom:

1) The Jarrell ISD Band Booster Club has asked our Club to sponsor their Club in a fundraiser benefit to be held here in Sun City. This sponsorship is necessary so that the Booster Club can advertise in the Sun City newsletter for their benefit. Board members agreed to this sponsorship.

2) Jamie reported that our Club will pay \$1,000 to the Reynosa 95 Rotary Club as part of a matching grant to provide cleft palate surgeries.

3) **Garry Wolford** and **Dennis Smith** have submitted their membership resignations to the Club.

4) Resident's Night for our Club will be held on June 25, 2013.

Wine is constant proof that God loves us and loves to see us happy.

. . Benjamin Franklin

Dear fellow Rotarians,

I am a Japanese businessman, and I wear a suit almost every day. The Rotary pin is always on my lapel. It is there because I am proud to be a Rotarian. Anywhere I go, people will see the pin and know who I am. Other Rotarians will see it and know that I am a friend, and people who are not Rotarians will see it as well. I want to be sure that all of them also understand the meaning of this pin.

This is why I am asking all of you to wear your Rotary pin and to raise awareness of what the pin means. I believe having that pin on your lapel changes you. It makes you think more before you speak and before you act. It makes you remember, all the time, that you are a Rotarian – and that as Rotarians, we are here to help.

All of us should be ready to talk about Rotary. When someone asks you about that pin, you should be ready to answer them. What is Rotary? What does Rotary do? These are questions that each of us should always be prepared to answer.

We cannot go to prospective members and ask them to join Rotary only because we want more members. We have to show them that Rotary is a wonderful organization, and that they will be happier because they belong to a Rotary club.

R.I. President Sakuji Tanaka

It is better to lead from behind and to put others in front,
especially when you celebrate victory when nice things occur.

You take the front line when there is danger.
Then people will appreciate your leadership.

. . . Nelson Mandela

New Grant Models

The new grant model will be implemented worldwide six months from now, bringing changes to every district. One of the fundamental premises of district grants under the Future Vision Plan is that Rotarians at the district level can determine what they can accomplish, whether in their own communities or abroad, more effectively than the Foundation can from a central office in Evanston.

The new grant model puts responsibility for decision making, and for wise and careful use of substantial Foundation resources, into the hands of Rotarians at this level.

Misc. etc.

Dick Will is celebrating his birthday; **Ron Garland**, from the Downtown club advised that Mayor **George Garver** is giving a State of the City programme this Friday at the Georgetown Rotary Club held at First Methodist Church at noon; also their Rotary auction will be held April 12th at the Community Center; **Stephen Brown** reminded us Mardi Gras time is fast approaching; **Tom Minor** is happy his children are doing well and life is good;

Rotary Area of Focus: Maternal and child health

The Rotary Foundation Trustees have reached an agreement with Aga Khan University to form a strategic partnership under the Foundation's Future Vision Plan. The private, nonsectarian university promotes human welfare and development through research, teaching, and community service.

It is the second strategic partner under the Future Vision Plan. In mid-April, the Trustees reached an agreement with Oikocredit, a Netherlands-based cooperative financial institution that supports socially responsible investing.

Through the partnership with Aga Khan University, the Foundation will offer packaged grants for Rotary clubs and districts to establish vocational training teams. The teams will enhance the clinical and administrative skills of health educators at the university's campuses in Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda.

* * * One seventh of life is spent on Monday. * * *

PolioPlus Update

Bruce Aylward, assistant director-general for polio, emergencies and country collaboration for the World Health Organization, said India's removal from the polio-endemic list is "perhaps the most important milestone ever on the long road to eradication."

"It's a magnificent achievement. And it is a Rotary achievement," he said. "Today, Rotary's vision of a polio-free world is much closer to reality." But an upsurge in cases of paralysis from polio in Nigeria, Pakistan, and Afghanistan and recent polio outbreaks in China, the Congo, and Tajikistan have also prompted what he called an "unprecedented push" to finally end the disease. He said 192 ministers of health will meet next week and declare polio a public health emergency.

"The world understands the full consequences of failure," he said. "We must be faster, we must be more focused and each one of us must be fully accountable."

Indian philanthropist Rajashree Birla, who has given more than \$4.2 million to the Foundation for polio eradication, said she has been "overwhelmed with Rotary's polio efforts."

* * * * Employ teenagers - while they know everything. * * * *

The Sun City Rotary Club is proud to support The Jarrell ISD Band

"Valentine's 2012 Night at the Casino" on Saturday February 9, 2013 from 6pm to 10pm at the Sun City Ballroom. The cost is \$50 per ticket.

The night will feature great food from CJ's Catering, adult beverages, a jazz band, and a mock casino hosted by professional dealers.

Throughout the evening numerous door prizes will be given away, concluding with a Grand Prizes of \$500, \$750 and a Las Vegas get-a-way. 100% of the profits from this event will support Jarrell Band students.

Tickets can be purchased by emailing us at jarrellband@gmail.com or calling Kathina Allen at 512-746-5255 or Magda Rogers at 788-3635

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1% on everything else?

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The Visa Cash Rewards card is available to US citizens and their friends and family members.

