



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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Words to Ponder: Nothing makes it easier to resist temptation than a proper bringing-up, a sound set of values – and witnesses.

Today's Programme: **David Stuetelberg** is bringing Jason Fisher and Cameron Kirchoff who will speak about Medicare

Last Week: by **Norm Peters**

Deborah Hoffman, Executive Director of the Williamson County Habitat for Humanity, and Rotarian since 1994, was our guest speaker last week courtesy of club member **Harold Steadman**. Her informative remarks included such facts as:

Started in 1998 as Georgetown Habitat agency---Initial core organizers were from Sun City
Merged into Williamson County agency 2007
Currently 46 homes in county, 38 being in Georgetown
Average cost per home is \$57K thanks to 2500 hours of volunteer labor
Each family carefully screened and must pay off no interest note as well as pay taxes
Habitat (mortgage holder) has first right of purchase in case of sale
Family held accountable and must take financial management classes
Family must live in area at least one year to qualify...ridged application process
To date, there has been only one default (foreclosure) in the county
Georgetown's Wolf family donated one full block now called Old Mill Village...20 homes
Area neighborhood enhanced due quality of program and community pride
This is a life changing program for home owners as well as volunteers
The organisation is searching for more lots with \$150K in account for such purpose
Non Profit status always in need of donors
National Habitat for Humanity Organization receives \$300 for each built home

This program is modeled under the Hand Up verses Hand Out concept, with each participating family deeply involved and committed to the program. They must participate in helping to build succeeding Habitat homes in their community. The program is funded via donor support, enhanced with proceeds from sale of new and used materials donated to the Habitat store located opposite the high school on Austin Avenue.

Habitat for Humanity is a proven organization enhancing the lives of the qualified home owner, and the cross section of community volunteers who make the program happen.

NEW MEMBER: With his usual reserve and grace, **PDG Bill Bryce** inducted the club's newest member, **Doug Lowe**, who was sponsored by **Dick Gaines**.

NEWS FROM THE BOARDROOM: Various criteria need to be considered in order for a member to be nominated to the Rotary District 5870 Roll of Honor. After a discussion Linda Roberts nominated **LOU GIBSON** as our club's nominee and **Alex Munson** seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and Lou will be honored at the District Conference.

HAVE YOU FILLED IN AND RETURNED TOM HOBBS' SURVEY? IF NOT, WHY NOT?

Help stamp out and abolish redundancy

BLESSING: Al Cummins
4-WAY TEST: Dick Retz
PLEDGE: E.C. Deaton

Guests: Bill Cates/Nathan Cabaniss
Jean Steadman
Carolyn Holloway

Visiting Rotarians: Katherine Johannis/Temple
Malcolm Hensley/Odessa
Doug Lowe/Saddlebrooke

NEWS, ETC: Attendance: 44 members; Happy Bucks: \$56.00

The following will celebrate or have just celebrated a birthday: **Dick Will; Steven Brown;** and **E.C. Deaton.** President **Tom Minor** met another Rotarian – from Slovakia - this last week who was unable to attend a meeting, but nevertheless gave him a banner for the club.

Future Programmes:

Today	David Stuetelberg
Feb. 1	Bob Weimer
Feb. 8	New member Bios
Feb. 15	Adaïre Wolf
Feb. 22	David Wolf
March 1	Dick Retz
March 8	Dick Will

Programme Chroniclers:

Today	Bill Miller
Feb 1	Alex Munson
Feb 8	George Olive
Feb 15	Jamie Mattison
Feb 22	Chris Mealy
Mar 1	Renée Mercier
Mar 8	Barb Pekar

For more than 75 years, countries around the world have honored the work of Rotary with commemorative stamps.

The first appeared in 1931, when Austria created an overprint -- a later printing over an officially issued stamp -- in honor of the RI Convention in Vienna.

Other RI conventions have been commemorated with stamps, including those held in 1940, in Havana, Cuba; 1961 and 1978, in Tokyo; 1981, in São Paulo, Brazil; and 1987, in Munich, Germany.

For Rotary's 50th anniversary in 1955, 27 nations issued commemorative stamps. Many featured familiar Rotary imagery such as the gearwheel, which a Greek stamp incorporated along with the number 50. Images of Paul Harris and common scenes from the issuing country also were popular.

Rotary's 75th anniversary was honored with commemorative stamps from Benin, Cyprus, Djibouti, Dominica, Ghana, Iran, and others. The postal service of the Netherlands Antilles issued several postcards and stamps as well as a postage cancellation stamp in the shape of the Rotary emblem. The Maldives issued a series of stamps based on Health, Hunger and Humanity Grants.

In 2005, Rotary's centennial inspired stamps from nations including France, Ghana, Peru, and Togo. Stamps have also marked the anniversary of Rotary in individual countries and depicted projects and humanitarian activities:

A 1960 Bolivian stamp bears the Rotary emblem and commemorates a children's hospital sponsored by the Rotary Club of La Paz; and a 1976 stamp honors 40 years of Rotary in Fiji by highlighting a club project that raised money to purchase an ambulance.

