



THE SUN LIGHT



THE ROTARY CLUB OF GEORGETOWN - SUN CITY
TUESDAYS 12 NOON IN SUN CITY BALLROOM
District 5870 JULY 20, 2010

Thought of the Week:

Rich bachelors should be heavily taxed.
It is not fair that some men should be happier than others.
Oscar Wilde

PRESIDING ORDER:

President: Tom Minor
Prayer: Al Cummins
Pledge: George Olive
4-Way Test: John Rutan

ATTENDANCE: 39 Members

GUESTS: Larry Minor/ Tom Minor
Mark Ballou/George Olive
Longon Cummins/ Al Cummins

Visiting Rotarian: Asst. District Governor Jim Albers/Georgetown

Last Week: by **Bill Grusy**

Our speaker, introduced by **George Olive**, was local HEB manager, Mr. C.J. Smith. He has had this position for the past 7 years. HEB celebrated its 101st birthday this year. It opened the first store in Kerrville. There are now 300 HEB stores which generate \$15B sales per year. This makes it the 12th largest company in Texas. 7% of its profits are donated to charitable organizations.

About 35 stores exist in Mexico and all others are in Texas. HEB has some of its own production facilities, i.e. bread, etc. The company is the only corporation in the US that competes "head-to-head" with Walmart.

Today's Programme: **Alex Munson** will present a special programme that will entail input from all members.

Next Week: **David Leas** will be sharing his experience on a ship chasing pirates in the Gulf of Aden.

Request follow-up:

Potential Eagle Scout, Lewis Pierce, asked members last week to help him raise funds in order for him to build special boxes at R.O.C.K. as a way to earn his Eagle Scout badge. Club members were very generous and donated \$300.

Happy Bucks: \$51

Celebrations, etc:

Charlie Ray is celebrating his 82nd birthday and **Bill Grusy** his 89th this week; **Jamie Mattison** is pleased to be back from a trip to Europe; **John Rouse** spoke about how successful this year's RYLA was and how grateful he is to the club and especially for those who helped out; most members were just happy to be present; **Lou Gibson** was pleased that President Tom finally gave him his Past-President's pin!

PAUL HARRIS AWARD:

Bill Miller announced that those who have given money to Polio Plus will have those funds put towards their Paul Harris.

This week, Bill awarded **John Skannal** his Paul Harris +2.

Also, **Bob Smith** who has been down on the Square during the monthly market days raising money for Polio Plus (as noted by **Chris Mealy**), was awarded a Paul Harris. He has been raising money by selling raffle tickets for his beautiful handmade dulcimer. (Did you see Bob's great photograph in the July 14th edition of *The Williamson Sun*?)

Congratulations to PDG Gene Davenport for having been awarded the RI 2009-10 **Service Above Self** award in District 5870.

Notices and Dates:

- Aug 3: First meeting at Cowan Creek Amenity Center (*two weeks from to-day*)
Oct 8-10: Bi-district Friendship Conference with District 4130, Mexico
in Corpus Christi at the Omni Hotel
Oct 26: Anniversary dinner
Nov 5-7: Arts and Crafts Fair (Mark it on your calendar)

Future Programmes:

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| July 27 | David Leas | Sept 7 | Charlie Ray |
| Aug 3 | Barb Pekar | Sept 14 | John Rouse |
| Aug 10 | Norm Peters | Sept 21 | John Rutan |
| Aug 17 | Rich Petro | Sept 28 | RUTH ALLISON – DISTRICT 5870 GOVERNOR |
| Aug 24 | Tom Powell | | |
| Aug 31 | Trubee Racioppi | | |

Future Programme Recorders:

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| July 27 | Lori Minor | Sept 7 | E.C. Deaton |
| Aug 3 | Gordon Bishop | Sept 14 | Bob Deffeyes |
| Aug 10 | Gary Brown | Sept 21 | Bob Derse |
| Aug 17 | John Chenoweth | Sept 28 | Harold Berg |
| Aug 24 | Stephen Brown | | |
| Aug 31 | Al Cummins | | |

Did you know?

The *Council on Legislation* meets every three years but no two Councils are ever the same. From the amount of legislation to the delegates who attend, each Council is different from its predecessors. Sometimes a Council stands out for reasons that have nothing to do with proposed legislation.

In the 76-year existence of the Council, Rotary International has only once had to postpone a meeting of the legislative body. Toward the end of WWII, U.S. Government restriction on the number of people who could assemble forced RI to hold the 1945 Convention during four different sessions a week apart, making it impossible to reach the quorum that would allow for voting on proposed legislation. At that time, the Council was still convened as a plenary session at the convention.

The 1950 Council is notable as the one that adopted a resolution providing that “**Service Above Self**” and “**He Profits Most Who Serves Best**” be designated as Rotary mottos.

The 1989 Council on Legislation vote to admit women into Rotary clubs worldwide remains a watershed moment in the history of Rotary. It followed a decades-long effort from all over the Rotary world to allow for the admission of women, including several close votes at previous Council meetings.

Venezuelan President Rafael Calera attended the opening session of the 1955 Council held in Caracas. Past RI Director Anthony de St.Dalmas, who attended as a delegate, recalls the president entering the Council chamber accompanied by an armed guard and a band.

The 2001 Council is often noted for the amount of legislation received – more than 1,000 proposals – with over 600 being published and considered by the delegates.

ROTARY PRAYER

Oh Lord, and Giver of all things good,
We thank Thee for our daily food.
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways
Help to serve You all our days.